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Emmett E. Wear

(Transcribed by Jim Thoma)

Emmett E. Wear, a progressive farmer and stockman of Prairie Home township, is a descendant of one of the pioneer families of this state. He was born in Prairie Home township Dec. 15, 1874, and is a son of George N. and Ophelia F. (George) Wear.

Emmett E. Wear was educated in the public schools, Clarksburg College and Prairie Home College. He engaged in farming and stock raising in early life, and has been successful from the start. He purchased his present farm of 180 acres, which is a part of "Hazel Dell Farm", in 1919. This land was entered from the government by Thomas Byler, the original land patent being granted in the 20's, and signed by John Quincy Adams, nearly 100 years ago. The brick residence which now stands on the place was built in 1844, the bricks being manufactured on the place. John Burrus did the carpenter work. This old residence, notwithstanding its 75 years of service, is still in a good state of preservation.

Jan. 23, 1915, Elmer E. Wear was united in marriage with Miss Pansy Hemphill, a daughter of Charles W. and Elizabeth (Clark) Hemphill, who reside at Lawrence, Kan., where the father is engaged in the real estate business. Mrs. Wear was reared and educated in Lawrence, Kan., and also attended Baker University, Baldwin, Kan. She is a graduate nurse, having received her training at the Research Hospital at Kansas City, Mo. Mrs. Wear is one of the following children born to her parents: Lynn, whose present address is unknown; Anna, married Charles Champion; Margarette, married John Klevinger, Lawrence, Kan.; Joseph, Lawrence, Kan.; Ruth, Lawrence, Kan., and Pansy H., wife of Emmett E. Wear, the subject of this sketch. To Mr. and Mrs. Wear has been born one child, Ophelia Wear.

William Schlueter

(Transcribed by Jim Thoma)

William Schlueter - From laborer to prosperous farmer, owning one of the best prairie farms in Cooper County during 37 years of endeavor in this country, is the reward of William Schlueter of Clarks Fork township, for industry, thrift and good management. He came to America from his native Germany, ignorant of our customs and language and has made good in the land of his adoption. Mr. Schlueter owns a fine place of 180 acres, upon which he has resided since 1903. His home place consists of 100 acres, and includes the first 80 which he bought, to which he has added 20 acres. He then bought his other 80, situated just across the highway, in 1916. The Schlueter farm is well improved and presents an attractive and prosperous appearance.

William Schlueter was born in Germany, May 7, 1863, and is a son of Henry and Louise Schlueter, who spent their lives in their native land.

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William immigrated to America in 1881, and worked as a laborer in St. Louis for two years. In 1883, he came to Cooper County, having been employed in a creamery and dairy establishment in St. Louis. He worked as farm laborer in Cooper County for \$15 per month. All the capital he had in the world when he set foot in this country was \$13. He agreed to pay \$42 an acre for his first 80, and went in debt for nearly all of the purchase price. He erected all of the buildings on the tract and fenced it. His next purchase of 20 acres cost him \$70 an acre. His last purchase of 80 acres cost him \$92.75 an acre. The Schlueter land is easily worth \$150 an acre. Mr. Schlueter

handles Angus cattle, his favorite breed of live stock. He was married in 1888 to Miss Minnie Langkop, who was born in Clarks Fork township, Oct. 15, 1867, a daughter of Henry and Philippina Langkop, natives of Germany, who immigrated to America and made a permanent settlement in Cooper County in about 1855. Henry Langkop was born Sept. 28, 1837, and died July 23, 1897. Philippina, his wife, was born Feb. 21, 1846, and died July 16, 1915. Henry was a native of Hanover, while his wife was a native of Saxony. Henry Langkop was a son of William Henry, who first settled in Dubuque, Iowa, settled in Clarks Fork township in 1855 and died here in 1857. In 1894, Mr. Langkop sold his Clarks Fork township farm and moved to Moniteau township, where he died. He reared a family of 12 children: Mrs. Minnie Schlueter, of this review; William, Lone Elm, Mo.; Henry, Boonville; Caroline, died at the age of 25 years; Herman, Elliston, Mo.; Mrs. Sophia Houseman, St. Louis, Mo.; Theodore, on the home place, south of Lone Elm; Mrs. Lucy Gruner, San Francisco; Emma, living at Lone Elm, Mo.; John, Moniteau township; George, Montana; Clara, Los Angeles, Calif.

Four children have been born to William and Minnie Schlueter, as follows: Emma, Ida, Henry, and Herman, all at home with their parents.

Mr. Schlueter is a republican and he and his family are members of the Lone Elm Evangelical Church.

William W. Trigg
(Transcribed by Jim Thoma)

William W. Trigg, former merchant, now engaged in the real estate and loan business in Boonville, is a native of Boonville, and a son of the late Dr. William Hodge Trigg, pioneer physician and banker, and widely known merchant of this city.

The Trigg family is one of the oldest of the American families, and the name of "Trigg" is one of the oldest in recorded history. The name is derived from the Gothic-"Tryggve," through the course of years changed to "Trygg," thence to the English name of "Trigg." The family is of Norse origin and the earliest trace of the family is found as beginning

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with the 11th century, when the Norse conquered a portion of the British Islands and left their imprint and racial characteristics upon the Islanders.

The history of the Trigg family in America begins with (I) Abraham Trigg, who was born in England in 1690 and immigrated to America in 1715. He made a settlement in Spotsylvania County, Va. (II) William Trigg, his son, the direct ancestor of W. W. Trigg, served as judge of Bedford County, Va. His children were: Abraham, Stephen, John, (III) William, Daniel, Nancy, wife of Arthur Moseley, and Lockey, wife of Captain Henderson.

(III) William Trigg was a colonel in the Bedford County Militia in 1781. He had children as follows: Alanson, William (IV), Daniel, Haden, Nancy, and Elizabeth. Daniel Trigg was born in 1776 in Bedford County, Va.

(IV) Daniel Trigg was a farmer in Wilson County, Tenn. He was an elder of the Presbyterian Church. He married Nancy Hodge, who bore him the following children: Mrs. Juliet Hannah, (V) William Hodge, John H., Haden S., Daniel, Abraham and Stephen (twins), Charity A., Nancy Bell and Alanson (twins), and Samuel L.

(V) Dr. William Hodge Trigg was born Jan. 24, 1808, and died in Boonville, Mo., Feb. 20, 1895. He was reared to young manhood in Tennessee and received his early education in the common schools of the neighborhood. After leaving school, he studied medicine in the office of Dr. Hodge, a physician of Gallatin, Tenn. He began the practice of his profession in his native state and

practiced there until he came West in 1834. Dr. Trigg made the trip through Missouri from St. Louis on horseback and recorded his impressions of this new and undeveloped country in a diary which makes interesting reading. He arrived in Cooper County in Feb., 1834, and so favorably impressed was he with the beauty of the country and the apparent richness of the soil, and the attractive appearance of Boonville, that he decided to locate here. He opened an office in this city and was soon embarked in the successful practice of his profession. Opportunities were plentiful in those days for business enterprises and Dr. Trigg decided to take advantage of this fact and he embarked in the mercantile business in partnership with two young friends from Tennessee, under the firm name of Boyers, Blythe and Trigg. This partnership continued for two years, and Dr. Trigg then formed a partnership with his father-in-law, Jacob F. Wyan, the first merchant in Boonville. The firm was known as Wyan and Trigg, and continued until the

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death of Mr. Wyan in 1842. Dr. Trigg continued in business for several years after the death of Mr. Wyan. In 1847 he established the first bank in Boonville, doing a strictly banking business in his own name until 1858. He then established a banking concern under the firm name of W. H. Trigg and Company. When the troubles incident to the ravages of Civil War caused a business depression in this vicinity, the affairs of this bank were wound up. During the Civil War, Dr. Trigg opened a mercantile house in Boonville with his son, W. W. Trigg. Associated with him were also his sons-in-law, John T. Pigott and William M. Johnson, under the firm name of William H. Trigg and Company. This firm did business in Boonville until 1864. Conditions had, meanwhile, become more and more unsettled and the firm removed to Courtland, N. Y., where they remained until the fall of 1865. Returning to Boonville, in 1866, they erected the largest business house in central Missouri and the partnership was maintained until 1892. It was then dissolved and the business was closed out. For over half a century, Dr. Trigg was the most prominent merchant in central Missouri. When he retired from business he could not be content. He had been so long actively engaged in mercantile and banking pursuits that he desired again to have something to occupy his mind. At the age of 86 years, he proposed to his son, W. W. Trigg, that they establish a loan and brokerage business. Since the death of Dr. W. H. Trigg, his son, W. W. Trigg, has carried on the business under the name of Wm. H. Trigg and Company.

April 14, 1835, Dr. Trigg was married to Miss Sarah Gaines Wyan, a daughter of Jacob and Nancy Wyan, a sketch of whom appears in this volume in connection with that of Robert F. Wyan of Bunceton. Mrs. Sarah G. Trigg was born Dec. 30, 1817, and departed this life July 11, 1884. The following children were born to this marriage: Josephine H., Juliet A., Annie M., William Wyan. Josephine H, decried, was the wife of the late John T. Pigott. Juliet A., born Aug. 5, 1838, became the wife of the late William M. Johnson of Boonville. Annie M., born Aug. 17, 1842, married William Mann Lionberger of Boonville. William Wyan Trigg, of this review, was born July 10, 1845.

Dr. William Hodge Trigg was one of the prime movers in every enterprise tending to develop the resources of his city and county. He was connected with establishment of the first ferry across the Missouri River, at Boonville. He was one of the organizers of the Central District Agricultural Society, and he was interested in the promotion of the rail. roads, manufactures, schools and churches of the city. He was extensively

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engaged in the handling of real estate and during his career he handled thousands of acres in this section of Missouri. During the Civil War, he took a determined stand for the Union and allied himself with the democratic party after the close of the war. He was a gentleman of the old school, high minded, never profane, eschewed liquor and tobacco, and was temperate in all things.

William Wyan Trigg was educated in the Kemper School of Boonville, entering in 1861, and studying there until the closing of the school in 1864, on account of war conditions. For a period of thirty years, he was connected with the Win. H. Trigg Mercantile Company, and was one of the active partners in this concern until 1894. Since that time he has been engaged in the real estate and loan business in Boonville.

Oct. 13, 1869, W. W. Trigg was married to Miss Louise Friend Hall, a daughter of Dr. M. W. Hall, formerly a physician of Saline County, Mo. Four children blessed this marriage, namely: William Hall, Walton Wyan, Louise, and Ewing Lester.

William Hall Trigg was born Aug. 2, 1870. He was educated in the Kemper Military School, and Columbia University, New York, graduating from the law department. For 10 years he practiced his profession in St. Louis and then came to Boonville, where he practiced law and was associated with his father in business. In May, 1918, Mr. Trigg was appointed to a law position in the State Tax Division of the Internal Revenue Department at Washington, D. C. He married Miss Julia Young.

Walton Wyan Trigg was born Dec. 31, 1873. He was educated in Kemper Military School, and is now engaged in the oil business at Melvern, Kan.

Louise, wife of E. T. Dutcher, died in 1911.

Ewing Lester Trigg was born April 17, 1888, and was educated in Kemper Military School.

Mr. Trigg is an independent democrat. He is a Knights Templar Mason. For 25 years he was a deacon of the Boonville Presbyterian Church and for the past 20 years he has been an elder of the local church.

William A. Hurt

(Transcribed by Laura Paxton)

William A. Hurt, owner of "Forest Grove" stock farm is an honored pioneer of Cooper County and one of the most highly valued and respected citizens of Boonville township. Mr. Hurt is a native son of this county, a member of one of Missouri's first families. He was born May 16, 1850, in Clarks Fork township, a son of William Hurt, Sr. and Catherine (Robertson) Hurt.

William Hurt, Sr., father of William A. Hurt, was born March 7, 1816 at Old Cole's Fort in Cooper County, a son of Colonel Clayton and

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Mary (Dillard) Hurt, the former, a native of Kentucky and the latter, a daughter of James Dillard. Colonel Clayton Hurt was born Jan. 15, 1790, in Bedford County, Ky. He came to Cooper County, Mo., about 1815 and settled at Old Cole's Fort. Colonel Clayton Hurt was in charge of the settlers' military organization, which for many years was maintained as a protection against the Indians. He died in 1862 and his remains rest in Hail Ridge cemetery. Mrs. Hurt died in 1867. Two children of Colonel Clayton and Mary (Dillard) Hurt are now living in Cooper County, namely: J. T. Hurt and Mrs. Julia (Hurt) Shannon.

Sept. 6, 1837, William Hurt, Sr. and Catherine Robertson, daughter of Capt. Andrew Robertson, one of the leading pioneers of Cooper County, were united in marriage. Mr. and Mrs. Hurt were true-hearted, sturdy pioneers and spent their lives in rearing their family and improving their farm in Clarks Fork township. To them were born the following children: Mrs. Mary Catherine McFarland, of Clarks Fork township; Mrs. Nancy Emmeline Davis, who died Jan. 6, 1912; Jenkin D., deceased; Beniga, who died Dec. 15, 1914; William Andrew, the subject of this sketch; and

James M., a prosperous farmer of Clarks Fork township. The mother died May 28, 1882 and the father died Jan. 11, 1894. The remains of both parents rest in Walnut Grove cemetery.

William A. Hurt attended the public schools of Cooper County. Practically his entire life has been devoted to the pursuits of farming and stock raising in Boonville and Clarks Fork townships. His farm comprises 585 acres of excellent land, all of Section 6 in Boonville township. The Hurt residence is one of the finest in the country and is well placed in the center of the farm on the state highway, which traverses the Hurt land. Noble, old shade trees, planted before the Civil War, surround the residence. On this farm, Mr. Hurt has made his home for 35 years. In the raising of hogs, mules and registered Hereford cattle, he has been very successful.

July 31, 1878, William A. Hurt and Elizabeth Johnston, a native of Cooper County and daughter of John B. and Margaret Johnston, were united in marriage. Mr. and Mrs. Johnston were pioneers of Prairie Home township, in which township they reared a splendid family of ten children, five boys and five girls, as follow: Mrs. Mary Margaret Parsons, deceased; Mrs. Rachel J. Miller, deceased; Mrs. Sallie Ann Simmons, deceased; Susan Ellen, deceased; Robert B., deceased; Colonel T. A. Johnston, of Boonville, Mo.; William F., of Warrensburg, Mo.; Mrs. William A. Hurt, the wife of the subject of this review; George W., deceased; and

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James E., of Denver, Col. Both parents of Mrs. Hurt are now deceased and she is one of the four surviving children. To William A. and Elizabeth (Johnston) Hurt have been born four children: Sidney J., at home; William B., deceased; Margaret Catherine, at home; and Mrs. Mary Farris, of Boonville. Miss Margaret possesses unusual artistic ability and her paintings, which decorate the walls of the Hurt home, show exceptional skill and taste. Mr. and Mrs. Hurt are proud of their only grandson, James William Farris, now four years of age.

More than a century has passed since the Hurt name became a familiar one in this state and now, as then, it is the synonym of upright manhood and noble womanhood. There is no family in this section of Missouri more highly regarded or more worthy of respect and affection. Mr. Hurt is a staunch democrat. He was a director of the Farmers Bank of Boonville and he is likewise a director of the Commercial Bank of Boonville.

Robert Schwitzky

(Transcribed by Jim Thoma)

Robert Schwitzky - In 35 years of endeavor as a tiller of the soil, Robert Schwitzky of Palestine township, has achieved what can rightly be called a success. Mr. Schwitzky has a large farm of 300 acres upon which are two sets of handsome improvements. He has a pretty, modern cottage erected in 1914, a large bank barn which he built him self and everything about his home place gives evidence of thrift, pride, and enterprise.

Robert Schwitzky was born in Saxony, Germany, Feb. 17, 1863, and is a son of Herman and Amelia (Temple) Schwitzky, who immigrated to America in 1882 and settled in Indiana. One year later, Robert Schwitzky came to Cooper County. Herman, his father, was born in April 1836, and makes his home with his son, Robert. Amalie Schwitzky died in 1882 shortly after her arrival in this country.

During his first summer in Indiana, Robert Schwitzky worked as a farm hand for \$8 per month. After he came to Cooper County he received \$12 per month for three years. He rented land for the next three years and then bought 52 acres in 1888 near Boonville upon which he resided for seven years. In 1895 he purchased 140 acres of his present homestead. This land had no improvements worthy of the name and it has been built up to its present fine condition by the owner who is one of the best agriculturists in Cooper County.

Mr. Schwitzky was married in 1885 to Minnie Johnmeyer, a sister of William F. Johnmeyer, whose biography appears in this history. Mrs. Schwitzky was born in Westphalia, Germany, Aug. 11, 1865. The children

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born to this union are: Herman, Boonville, Mo.; Ida, wife of Henry Hero, Lone Elm Prairie, Mo.; Anna, wife of Henry Torbeck, Boonville township; Rosa, wife of Henry Kahle, Lone Elm Prairie; William, Minnie and Robert on the home farm; Freda, at home. William and Herman are engaged in the automobile business in Boonville and are owners of the Schwitzky Auto Sales Co.

Mr. Schwitzky is a republican. He is a member of the Evangelical Church and the Woodmen of the World lodge at Speed, Mo.

John Hein

(Transcribed by Laura Paxton)

John Hein- The John Hein farm of 294 acres in Palestine Township is one of the finest improved prairie farms in Cooper County. The handsome residence painted white, with red roofs, situated far back from the roadway, consists of ten rooms, all modern equipped with electric lights, hot and cold running water-an ideal country place. A cellar runs entirely underneath this fine home and every convenience for comfortable living is arranged in the home. Other farm buildings are in keeping with the Hein residence. MR. Hein raises pure bred Duroc Jersey swine and has a herd of Shorthorn cattle. Mrs. Hein has a large flock of pure bred white Leghorn poultry.

John Hein was born on a farm near Boonville Jan 28 1866 and is the son of Henry Hein who was born in 1826 and died in 1903. His mother was Catherine Titkens prior to her marriage and she was born in 1838 and died in 1897.

Henry Hein was a native of Holstein Germany and came to America in 1856. He served under the Union flag during the Civil War and settled in the Lone Elm neighborhood in Cooper County where he owned 120 acres, upon which he settled in about 1874. He reared a family of eight children: Mrs. Mary Cotterman, living north of Speed MO; John subject of this review; William lives near Appleton City MO; Christ lives on the farm adjoining that of John Hein; Peter a farmer north of Lone Elm; Sophia, Lone Elm; J W Henry lives on the home place.

John Hein attended the old Clarks Fork School and the Lone Grove School and learned to till the soil under his father. When he attained the age of 21 years he began his own career. He rented land in the neighborhood until 1900 and then made his first purchase of 177 acres at a cost of \$44 an acre. In 1911 he bought 116 acres plus a fraction at a cost of \$85 an acre. This fine farm of nearly 294 acres is easily worth from \$125 to \$150 an acre.

Feb 15 1900 Mr. Hein was married to Miss Minnie

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Toellner a daughter of Herman Toellner. The children born to John and Minnie Hein are as follows: Herman deceased: Lydia, Harry, Albert, and Ella.

Mr. Hein is a republican, but has little time for political matters. When he has a few hours free from his farming duties, he can usually be found doing something to add to the attractiveness or convenience of his splendid country estate. He and his family worship at the Evangelical Lutheran Church at Lone Elm, and he is a liberal supporter of his church.

John H. Smith

(Transcribed by Laura Paxton)

John H Smith is a native of Cooper County and a descendant of very early Missouri pioneers. He was born in Prairie Home township, where he has since resided, Jan 12 1862 and is a son of Jeremiah and Lutetia C (George) Smith. The former was a native of Tennessee, born May 16 1810 and the latter born March 1 1823 and died July 16 1905. Jeremiah died Dec. 21 1903. Jeremiah Smith was a son of Thomas ?Smith a native of Virginia and his wife was from North Carolina.

In 1817 Thomas Smith came to Missouri from Tennessee with his family and settled at Boonslick where he remained about a year and moved to New Franklin. Some years later he came to Cooper County settling in Prairie Home township where he entered 160 acres of land which is now the Fred Sullivan place. Jeremiah Smith also entered 79 acres of government land about the same time or a little later. John H Smith, the subject of this sketch, now owns this property. Jeremiah Smith became an extensive landowner and at one time owned about 1,000 acres, which he divided among his eight children. He was a Presbyterian and a democrat and cast his first vote for Andrew Jackson for president.

Jeremiah and Lutetia C (George) Smith were the parents of the following children: Margaret Ann, born March 31 1846 and died June 29 1856; Thomas Richard, born April 5 1848 and resides at Pleasant Hill MO; George Almond, born April 3 1850 and died in Cass County MO Jan 23 1912; Martha Ellen born April 30 1854 and married Joseph Franklin and resides at Hume MO; Robert Boone born Oct 24 1855 and resides in Prairie Home; Mary Alice born May 17 1858 married Dr. G W Stiffler, Stirling Colo.; William A born April 24 1860 Prairie Home; John H the subject of this sketch and Josie Lee born April 24 1864 married E L Koontz Fulton MO.

John H Smith was reared and educated in Prairie Home township and has made farming and stock raising his life occupation and has met with every satisfactory degree of success in his undertaking. He was married Nov 30 1887 to Elizabeth Ann Mitchell a native of Pennsylvania born June 27 1867. She is a daughter of W H and Margaret J (Harmon) Mitchell both natives of Pennsylvania. W H Mitchell was

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born in Jackson township, Huntington County, June 8 1845 and his wife was born in Union township, Mifflin County Dec 4 1845. They were married in Mifflin County, July 4 1866. They came to Missouri in 1880 and settled at East Lynn. In 1900 they removed to Oklahoma where they now reside. The following children were born to W H Mitchell and wife: Elizabeth Ann wife of John H Smith the subject of this sketch; John Irvin C born July 2 1868 now resides at Arnett Okla.; Laura Williamson born Dec 19 1869 and died near East Lynn Mo. in 1886; Porter Davis born June 19 1871 resides in Prairie Home; James Solomon born Nov 28 1872 and died at East Lynn, Nov 26 1889; William Nelson born Sept 10 1874 resides at Arnett Okla.; Rebecca Jane born March 7 1876 and died Sept 13 1889 at East Lynn; Sarah Emma born Nov 20 1878 and died June 12 1896 at East Lynn; Margaret Bailey born Sept 4 1879 and resides at Boundbrook N J; Thomas Hope, born Jan 11 1882 resides at Kansas City MO; Dora Viola born May 24 1883 lives at Arnett Okla.; Lawrence Earl born April 7 1885 and died May 9 1887; Bertha May born Jan 28 1887 resides at Arnett Okla., and Joseph Hastings born May 26 1889 lives at Arnett Okla. All of the above named children were born in Mifflin County Pa, except the last five mentioned who were born in Cass County MO.

To John H Smith and wife have been born the following children: Lottie Bell, born Sept 20 1888 died May 1 1901; Jessie Lee born Feb 5 1890 married John Knorp, Prairie Home; Lutitia Nadine born Feb 8 1893 married Cornelius Keil Spring Valley Canada; Laura Jane born Jan 15 1895 married AC Dishion Prairie Home; Lonnie Stevens born Oct 2 1897 married Martin Odneal Prairie Home; Grace Pearl born March 2 1899 married John Schaaf Cedron MO; Jerry William born July

17 1900 died Dec 31 1900; Margaret Barnett born Nov 20 1901 and died July 21 1902; Mina Eugenia born June 8 1904 and died May 18 1909 and Ida E born May 15 1901 and a daughter born Sept 5 1891 and died in infancy.

John H Smith is one of Cooper County's substantial citizens and the Smith family has ever ranked high in this section of Missouri.

John Parson Glazier
(Transcribed by Jim Thoma)

John Parsons Glazier, one of Cooper County's most prominent citizens, is a native of Clarks Fork township. Mr. Glazier was born on Lone Elm Prairie, July 1, 1858, a son of Charles and Frances Ann (Parsons) Glazier, the former, a native of Pennsylvania and the latter of Virginia.

Charles Glazier was born in 1811 in Huntington, Pa., came to Missouri in 1830 and was a cabinet maker in Boonville until 1833, when he

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located in Clarks Fork township, where he purchased a farm, comprising 320 acres of land, which he spent his life cultivating and improving, and there died in 1900. His remains rest in the cemetery at Salem Church. Frances Ann Glazier was born in Albemarle County, Va. In 1836, she came to Missouri and she was then 14 years of age. Mrs. Glazier died in 1911 and she was laid to rest beside her husband in the cemetery at Salem Church. John Parsons Glazier is one of six children born to Charles and Frances Ann Glazier, as follow: James, deceased; Hattie, deceased; Laura, deceased; Martha, the wife of Dr. John Cowden, both of whom are now deceased; Mary Ella, deceased; John Parsons, the subject of this review; and Charles Ernest, deceased.

John Parsons Glazier attended the public schools of Cooper County. Since attaining maturity, he has followed farming in Clarks Fork and Boonville townships. In 1903, he purchased his present home place, a farm comprising 88 1/2 acres, located four miles southeast of Boonville on the state highway. The residence, a brick structure, is one of the oldest in the county. It was built by Alex Tucker perhaps 90 years ago and is still in good condition. Mr. Glazier raises Jersey cattle and Duroc Jersey hogs, both eligible for registry.

April 25, 1883, John Parsons Glazier and Nannie Washington Weight were united in marriage. Mrs. Glazier is a daughter of Oscar and Cornelia B. (O'Brien) Weight a great-great-grandniece of George Washington. Oscar Weight was a native of Clark's Fork township. He was born on Saturday, Jan. 27, 1821 and his wife was born on Sunday, June 29, 1829. When a young man, 17 years of age, Oscar Weight made the trip across the plains, journeying into Old Mexico with the famous Santa Fe pioneers, the Houcks. Mr. and Mrs. Weight were the parents of the following children: Mrs. Mary Catherine Finley, born in 1847 resides in Saline township; Emily Gibson, died at the age of two years; James Reed, born in 1861, deceased; Elizabeth, born in 1854, deceased; Laura E., born in 1856; Louisa H., born in 1860, married Reginald Walker, Nov. 20, 1877, died July 30, 1884 ; Nannie Washington and Julia Taylor, twins, the former, the wife of the subject of this review and the latter, the wife of W. A. Chambers, died May 13, 1916; George Washington, born Feb. 23, 1864, died in 1865; Cornelia, born Nov. 4, 1870, deceased; John L. O'Brien, born Oct. 23, 1873, resides in Blackwell, Okla. John L. O'Brien Weight married Frances Roberta Don Carlos in 1896. She is now deceased and he has remarried. To John Parsons and Nannie Washington Glazier have

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been born three children: A son, died in infancy, was born Feb. 17, 1885; John Taylor, born Feb. 11, 1897 and died in infancy; and Annie Laura, born Feb. 19, 1900. Miss Annie Laura is a graduate of the Boonville High School, a member of the class of 1916. She took the post-

graduate course in the high school in 1917 and is teaching her second school in Bethlehem district. Both parents of Mrs. Glazier are deceased. The father died Jan. 23, 1874 and his remains were interred in O'Brien cemetery. The mother died Jan. 24, 1897 and she was laid to rest in Walnut Grove cemetery.

Jordan O'Brien, a soldier of the War of 1812, battle of New Orleans, grandfather of Mrs. Glazier, came from Kentucky to southeastern Missouri about 1816, at the time of the earthquake. He located in Boonville township on the farm now owned by Mrs. Herman Erhardt. Jordan O'Brien was one of Missouri's most conspicuous characters of pioneer days. He was in public life for 20 years, a member of the Legislature when Missouri was still a territory, a charter member of the First Baptist Church at Boonville, one of the organizers and promoters of William Jewell College at Liberty, Mo. Jordan O'Brien and William Jewell were close, personal friends, both leaders of their day. George Washington Weight, grandfather of Mrs. Glazier, was educated at William & Mary's College in Virginia and he was one of the first county surveyors of Cooper County and was prominent in all educational movements and works. Mary E. Hampton Taylor, wife of Jordan O'Brien, grandmother of Mrs. Glazier, was a cousin of Zachariah (Zachary?) Taylor and of Wade Hampton. Thus Mrs. Glazier is a descendant of one of the best colonial families and a daughter of one of Missouri's leading pioneer families, a family directly connected with two presidents of the United States, George Washington and Zachariah (Zachary?) Taylor. A. J. Wright, a great-uncle of Mrs. Glazier, was governor of Missouri in 1825, completing an unexpired term. Mrs. Glazier is well known throughout the county, as much for her own abilities and worth as for the untarnished name of her ancestors. She has established a reputation during the past 16 years for raising the best Barred Plymouth Rock chickens and at the present time she has a splendid flock of 170. Mr. and Mrs. Glazier are held in the highest respect in this section of Missouri and are valued highly in their community.

John F. Viertel

(Transcribed by Jim Thoma)

John F. Viertel, a highly respected citizen of Boonville township, was born in Baltimore, Md., Oct. 28, 1851, a son of John and Maria (Schnuck) Viertel, the eldest of the following children born to this parents: John

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F., the subject of this review; George, of Boonville township; Anna, deceased; Elizabeth, of Boonville; William, of Boonville; and Paul P., of Boonville.

John Viertel, father of the subject of this sketch, was born in Germany. He came to America, when he was 18 years of age and, in 1869, located in Boonville township, Cooper County, on a farm comprising 170 acres of land owned formerly by Mr. Vivian. Mr. Viertel died on his farm about 1906 and 18 days later he was joined in death by his wife and both father and mother were interred in Walnut Grove cemetery.

In the public schools of Maryland, John F. Viertel obtained his education. He came with his parents to Missouri in 1869 and in 1881 purchased his present country place. Mr. Viertel's farm comprises 254 acres of valuable land located six miles southeast of Boonville. He has placed all the improvements on the farm, except an old, brick house which was built in pioneer days. The residence was built in 1893, in addition to which he has two good barns, a machine shed and a granary. There is an excellent spring on the land, which is well adapted for stock raising, and the Viertel farm is considered one of the best stock farms in the township. Mr. Viertel formerly raised hogs, cattle, mules and sheep extensively.

In 1883, John F. Viertel and Elizabeth Langfort were united in marriage. To Mr. and Mrs. Viertel have been born two sons: Jesse P., who is at home, his father's assistant in the work of the farm; and Charles Henry, who died at the age of five years.

Mr. Viertel is a democrat. He has served as school director in his district and takes a good citizens interest in public affairs of general interest. He is well and favorably known in Cooper County.

Harry C. Morgan

(Transcribed by Jim Thoma)

Harry C. Morgan, proprietor of "Riverview Farm" in Boonville township, is one of Cooper County's self-made men and most respected and valued citizens. Mr. Morgan was born in 1866 near Wellsburg, W. Va., son of William and Ellen (Reynolds) Morgan.

William Morgan, father of the subject of this sketch, was killed in the Civil War. His widow and two-year-old son left Virginia and came to Missouri in 1868 and Mrs. Morgan located in Cooper County. She later married Jacob Reed and now resides near Otterville. Her children, besides Harry C. Morgan, are Leslie, Charles, and Emmet Reed, of Syracuse; Maggie, who married Commodore Fairfax and Belle, who married Frank Robinson, both of Seattle, Wash.

Harry C. Morgan attended school in Cooper County. When still a lad, he was employed at hard labor for the small remuneration of \$10 a

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month. Later, he was paid \$14 and \$15 a month for his labor and he saved money. In 1910, Mr. Morgan purchased his present country place, a farm of 170 acres of excellent land, and has since then fenced and improved it. He raises hogs, calves and grain and during the years has prospered. The soil of this farm is of the best and most productive quality. Last year, 1918, the wheat averaged 25 bushels an acre on 105 acres. "Riverview Farm" is appropriately named for one can obtain a wonderful view of the Missouri river and can with the eye locate many historic spots of the early days, among them the sites of Old Franklin and Fort Cole, for one can from the farm see for miles up and down the river.

In 1889, Harry C. Morgan and Nellie Brown were united in marriage. Nellie (Brown) Morgan is a daughter of R. D. and Rebecca (Hurt) Brown. R. D. Brown was a native of England. He came to America, when he was a lad 13 years of age, and located in Wisconsin. From Wisconsin, Mr. Brown came to Missouri and located in Moniteau County, coming thence to Cooper County, where he purchased a farm in Boonville township and there he and his wife reared their family of five children, who are, as follow: Henry C., of Pilot Grove; Bettie J., the wife of William McCubbin, of Los Angeles, Cal.; James H., of Pisgah; Julia A., the wife of Allen Bates, of Otterville; and Mrs. Harry C. Morgan, the wife of the subject of this review. Mrs. Brown was a native of Cooper County and her parents were among the first settlers of the county. Her brother, William Hurt, was the first white child born in Cooper County. He was born in Old Fort Cole. R. D. Brown died Feb. 20, 1905 and his wife followed him in death in April, 1915. The remains of both father and mother rest in the cemetery at Boonville. To Harry C. and Nellie Morgan have been born three children: Florence, the wife of Leonard Sampson, of Los Angeles, Cal.; Lizzie, who died March 12, 1899, at the age of five years; and Grace S., a graduate of the Boonville High School, a member of the class of 1918, now a student in Gem City Business College at Quincy, Ill.

More than a half century ago, Harry C. Morgan came to Cooper County and he was then a fatherless babe-in-arms. By his own persistent endeavors and honest industry, he has earned for himself an honored and respected place among the successful men of the county and for his family a name untarnished.

James T. Hickam

(Transcribed by Jim Thoma)

James T. Hickam, one of the best-known farmers and stockmen of Cooper County, is a member of one of Missouri's most highly respected pioneer families. Mr. Hickam was born Sept. 7, 1861, in Moniteau County,

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a son of Joseph Hickam and Susan (Teeter) Hickam, the former, a native of Washington county, Va., and the latter, of Boone County.

Joseph Hickam was born in 1816, a son of William Hickam, a native of Washington County, Va. William Hickam was a son of Joseph Hickam, Sr., a native of Ireland, one of the early settlers of colonial days in Virginia. In 1813, William Hickam, with his wife and children, left Virginia and located in Illinois, whence he came to Missouri in 1824 and located in Boone County. From Boone County, the family moved to Cole County, where the father died.

When a child, eight years of age, Joseph Hickam came with his parents from Illinois to Missouri and with them located in Boone county. In young manhood, he served in the war with the Seminoles in 1836 and he was with Colonel Gentry when the colonel was killed. After the war had closed, Mr. Hickam returned to Boone County, where he was married in 1838 to Susan Teeter. Joseph Hickam and wife were the parents of the following children: Samuel L., of Boonville; Shelby H., Lupus, Moniteau County; James T., the subject of this sketch; and 14 children, who are now deceased. The Hickam family moved from Boone County to Moniteau County in 1851 and there remained until 1876, when they settled in Cooper County, where the father died Feb. 23, 1889 and the mother died two days later. Interment for both parents was made in the Hickam cemetery in Moniteau County.

James T. Hickam attended the public schools of Moniteau and Cooper Counties. Practically his entire life, Mr. Hickam has been interested in farming and stock raising. He is now the owner of 100 acres of land in Saline township and 205 acres of land in Boonville township. He purchased his home place in 1901 from the Elliot heirs and has since rebuilt the residence. The Hickam farm is unusually well kept and the improvements reckoned among the best in the county.

In 1884, James T. Hickam and Belle Powell were united in marriage. Mrs. Hickam is a native of Moniteau County, a daughter of Irvin and Bettie Powell. To James T. and Belle Hickam have been born eight children: Joseph W., of Boonville; James B. and Samuel H., twins, Cooper County; Mrs. Virgie Elizabeth Groom, of Overton; Speed S., of Clarks Fork township; Jessie B., Owen P. and Russell Roy., all at home.

In connection with the history of Missouri in pioneer days, Mr. Hickam relates that his father did his first plowing in Moniteau County, using a blind horse and a cow for a team. For some time, the Hick-am family lived in a crib, thatched with straw and several of the children first

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saw the light of day when this was the family's home. The record of this family in our country's wars is in itself a story of interest. Capt. Silas Hickam, an uncle of James T. Hickam, was killed in the war against the Indians in Florida. Two brothers of James T. Hickam, Squire W. and John, served with the Confederates in the Civil War for three years and six months and John was killed in the battle at Mine Creek. Squire W. Hickam was captured by the Union men in the same battle and was held prisoner until the close of the war. He was sentenced to be shot, but the father fortunately was able to secure the boy's release, from the prison at Jefferson City. Copt. John B. Hickam, a cousin of James T., was with Company I, 138th Division of the American Expeditionary Forces. Captain Hickam enlisted as a private in 1917, served on the Western front in 1919 in France and has returned to America.

James T. Hickam is an earnest adherent to the principles of the Democrat party. He is a man of marked individuality and strong personality and is well known in business circles as one possessing exceptionally good judgment. The Hickam family has for many years been numbered among the best in Cooper County.

Sam T. Mauck

(Transcribed by Jim Thoma)

Sam T. Mauck, former county superintendent of schools and at present a successful real estate and loan dealer at Bunceton, Mo., is a native of northern Missouri. Mr. Mauck was born in Mercer County, Mo., Nov. 27, 1887 and is a son of Edgar and Angeline (Fitzgerald) Mauck, who were natives of Indiana. Edgar Mauck settled in Missouri in 1884 but returned to Indiana and located at Princeton in 1900.

Sam T. Mauck was educated in the public schools and the State Normal College at Kirksville. He graduated from this institution in 1909. Two years prior to this he had begun his teaching career. In 1908 and 1909, he served as principal of the Boonville High School. The next three years were spent on his father's farm in Indiana. His next position was that of superintendent of the Bunceton, Mo., public schools during the years 1913, 1914 and 1915. His work was recognized as that of a school man of ability and he became well acquainted in Cooper County. Making the race for the county superintendency in the spring of 1915, he was elected to the office and served for four years. His administration of the public school system of Cooper County was a distinct success.

Mindful of the fact that the teaching profession offers no permanent future for an ambitious man and that the monetary returns from the profession are meager, and the future status of a teacher is subject to the whims and caprices of a fickle multitude, Mr. Mauck pursued the

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wiser course and firmly established himself in the real estate and loan business at Bunceton. He was married in 1909 to Miss Fay E. Million, daughter of W. R. Million, proprietor of the Frederick Hotel, Boonville, Mo. Three children have blessed this union: William, Martha A, and Ona M. Mauck.

Mr. Mauck is a democrat. He is a member of the Presbyterian Church and is affiliated with the Masons and the Knights of Pythias.

John A. Brandes

(Transcribed by Jim Thoma)

John A. Brandes, owner of a well kept farm of 137 acres in North Moniteau township, is one of the wide-awake and progressive farmers of that neighborhood. He was born on a farm in Clarks Fork township in 1877, son of Charles and Margaret (Schmidt) Brandes, the latter of whom is living with the family of her son, Albert, on the old home farm in North Moniteau township. Charles Brandes, who died at his home there in 1912, was a native of Germany, as is his widow, and was but a boy when he came to this country with his parents, the family coming into Missouri by way of Iowa, in which latter state they resided for a while, and settling in this county before the Civil War. Charles Brandes served for three years as a soldier of the Union, married some time after his return from the army and spent the rest of his life farming in this county. This veteran and his wife were the parents of nine children, of whom the subject of this sketch was the sixth in order of birth. By a prior marriage his wife was the mother of two children. All her children are living and she has 40 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

John A. Brandes has followed farming all his life and has met with a gratifying measure of success. He received his schooling in the district schools. Upon beginning operations on his own account he bought from his father 80 acres which formerly was known as the Swanger farm and as his affairs prospered he added to that until he now has 137 acres, well improved and under cultivation. He has built all the improvements on this place and has a well kept farm, including two stock barns, one 42x50 feet and the other 43x32 feet, and other farm buildings. Mr. Brandes pays considerable attention to the raising of registered Galaway cattle and Poland China hogs and is doing well with his stock. He is a member of the board of directors of the Farmers Elevator at Bunceton and gives his thoughtful attention to general local business conditions.

Nov. 16, 1899, John A. Brandes was married to Laura Hoerl, who was born in this county, and to this union three children have been born, Alvin M., Lawrence B. and Ilda. Mrs. Brandes is a daughter of Martin and Ida (Selck) Hoerl, the latter of whom died on June 17, 1897,

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and is buried at Lone Elm. Martin Hoerl is still living in Clarks Fork township. To him and his wife were born five children, those besides Mrs. Laura Brandes being Mrs. Elizabeth Brandes, who lives in North Moniteau township; Leonard Hoerl, of Clarks Fork township; Mrs. Dora Timm, also of Clarks Fork township, and Elmer Hoerl, of Bunceton. Mr. and Mrs. Brandes are members of the Lutheran Church at Lone Elm and Mr. Brandes is a member of the board of directors of the parochial school at that place. He is also a member of the Board of Directors of the Clarks Fork Farmers' Mutual Insurance Company.

Otto G. Schmidt

(Transcribed by Jim Thoma)

Otto G. Schmidt, proprietor of "Locust Grove Farm," in Saline township, is one of Cooper County's most valued citizens, a native son of Saline township. Mr. Schmidt was born Jan. 30, 1867, in the residence on the farm now owned by him, a son of Herman and Theresa (Spieler) Schmidt.

Herman Schmidt was born in Germany, a son of Andreas Schmidt. Father and son came to America in 1833 and settled on the farm now owned by Otto G. Schmidt. They purchased 80 acres of land for \$10 an acre. A log house, 16x20 feet, now used as a chicken house, was then the residence. Here, Andreas Schmidt died when he was about 80 years of age and interment was made in the family burial ground on the farm, where the remains of his wife were also laid to rest. Herman Schmidt resided on this farm for the remainder of his life and he was 16 years of age when his father settled here. Herman and Theresa (Spieler) Schmidt were the parents of the following children: Henry, who died at the age of 19 years; Mrs. Ida Hobrecht, of California, Mo.; Mrs. Emma Hasenbach, of Boonville; Herman, Jr., of Boonville; Bertha, who died at the age of 21 years; and Otto G., the subject of this sketch. Both father and mother are now deceased and their remains rest in the family burial ground. Mrs. Schmidt died Dec. 29, 1906, at the age of 81 years. The Schmidt Cemetery contains about 75 interments, the remains of Cooper County pioneers. The first burial made there was that of Gustav Schmidt, 11 years of age, who died in 1833. He was a brother of Herman Schmidt.

Otto G. Schmidt attended school at Connor school-house in Saline township, at Woodland school-house, and six months at a German school in Boonville. Leaving school, Mr. Schmidt returned to the farm, where he now resides. "Locust Grove Farm" comprises 170 acres of land, located eight miles east of Boonville, and is considered one of the best farms in the county. It is conveniently located one and a half miles west of Overton. Mr. Schmidt is engaged in general farming and stock raising

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He raises cattle, sheep, and hogs. The farm is neatly kept and the residence, built by Mr. Schmidt's father in 1850, is a good, substantial house, in excellent repair.

Oct. 25, 1891, Otto G. Schmidt and Fannie Kramer, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Kramer, were united in marriage in Saline township. Both parents of Mrs. Schmidt came from Germany to America and settled in Cooper County about 1835. They are now deceased and are buried in the Schmidt Cemetery. Mr. and Mrs. Kramer were the parents of the following children: Henry B., of Overton; Herman, of Boonville; Jacob, who resides in the State of Washington; Mrs. Otto G. Schmidt, the wife of the subject of this review; Mary, deceased. To Otto G. and Fannie Schmidt has been born one child, a son, Oscar G., who is 19 years of age and is at home with his parents.

Mr. Schmidt is affiliated with the republican party. He is keenly interested in matters of public interest, but he has never sought or cared to seek political office. Fraternally, he is a member of the Woodmen of the World and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, having been a member of the former for 25 years and of the latter for 16 years. Mr. and Mrs. Schmidt are members of the German Evangelical Church at Boonville. Otto G. Schmidt is now 52 years of age and he has never in his life smoked or been in a saloon. The Schmidt family is widely and favorably known in Cooper County, and Mr. Schmidt ranks highly among the intelligent, progressive men of his community.

Z. R. Neal

(Transcribed by Laura Paxton)

Z R Neal, proprietor of "Locust Hurst Farm," in Saline township, is a member of one of Missouri's first families, a native of Morgan County, a son of one of Cooper County's honored pioneer ministers. Mr. Neal was born August 25 1849, near Otterville, a son of Rev. Minor and Nancy (Amick) Neal, both deceased.

Reverend Neal was a well-known minister of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church and one of the early preachers of Moniteau and Cooper Counties. Rev. Minor and Nancy Neal were the parents of the following children: George, James Q., and Thomas L., of Lebanon; Mrs. T B Young of Sedalia, Mrs. May Hixon of Pilot Grove and Z R the subject of this sketch.

Z R Neal attended the public school of Mt. Zion. He has followed farming and stock raising practically all his life and since 1901 has resided on the farm where he now lives. "Locust Hurst Farm" comprised of 240 acres of some of the most valuable land in Cooper County. This country place is located 10 miles southeast of Boonville. The residence was built

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in 1901, a modern structure, equipped with acetylene lights. There are two good barns on the place, which is well arranged for the handling of stock and grain.

In 1875, Z R Neal and Mary E Fluke, a daughter of John Fluke were united in marriage. Mrs. Neal was born on the farm where she now resides on March 4 1853, and she attended the public schools of Highland district. To Z R and Mary E. Neal have been born six children: John M., who died in infancy; William W., at home; Ollie H., who married Ella Givens of Saline township, now an engineer, residing in Parsons Kansas; Troy W., who married Mary Allen of Saline township, and they reside on the home farm; Stella R., the wife of Rev. C C Cox of Chicago Ill., a minister of the Presbyterian Church; and Dorsey M., who is a teacher at Highland school and one of the most favorably known teachers of Cooper County.

Mr. & Mrs. Neal have reared and educated as fine a family as can be found in the State and now they are spending the eventide of life in contentment on their farm, one of the pretty country places of Saline township.

H. E. Schnuck

(Transcribed by Jim Thoma)

H. E. Schnuck, proprietor of "Walnut Range Stock Farm," in Saline township, one of the most beautiful country places in this section of the State, was born in Saline township, Nov. 25, 1866, on a farm located one half mile east of Big Lick. Mr. Schnuck is a son of John and Catherine (Meyer) Schnuck, the former a native of Germany, and the latter, of Moniteau County.

John Schnuck was born in 1830 and in the early fifties he immigrated to America and settled in Missouri on a farm near Gooch's Mills. Mr. Schnuck died in 1880 and he was laid to rest in the cemetery at Pleasant Grove. His widow now makes her home with their son, John, in Boonville township. The children of John and Catherine Schnuck are: Mary, the wife of Samuel Oerly, of Saline township; Elizabeth, the wife of Henry Renken, of Clarks Fork township; Mrs. Catherine Smith, deceased; H. E., the subject of this sketch; Anna, the wife of Ed Twillman, of St. Louis County; and John H., of Boonville township.

H. E. Schnuck attended the public schools of Cooper County and spent one year in attendance at Hooper Institute at Clarksburg, Mo. Leaving school, Mr. Schnuck was for nine years in the mercantile and milling business at Big Lick, or Gooch's Mills. In 1897, he moved to the farm where he now resides. "Walnut Range Farm" is one of the splendid

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stock farms of the county, a part of the original Kelly Ragland farm of nearly 2000 acres. Mr. Schnuck owns the old home place, a farm of 300 acres of land, in addition to 110 acres of river bottom land. Kelly Ragland, one of the wealthiest men in Missouri in the days gone by, was at one time owner of 100 slaves. He was a Virginian. Mr. Ragland built the residence in which Mr. Schnuck now lives, a two-story structure, "T-shape," made from brick from a kiln on the farm. The style of architecture is that of Colonial days. There are 10 rooms in the residence, all unusually large, and originally each contained a huge fireplace. A second brick residence, which was built for the Ragland slaves, is now used as a granary and storehouse. Kelly Ragland died shortly after the Civil War. His heirs sold the farm to Emanuel Oerly, who sold the place to H. E. Schnuck in 1897. "Walnut Range Stock Farm" is conveniently located 12 miles from Boonville and two miles from Overton. Mr. Schnuck is engaged in general farming and stockraising. He raises registered Poland China hogs, Shorthorn cattle, and black-face sheep. A registered Shorthorn male leads the herd of cattle. Mr. Schnuck raises annually from 200 to 500 chickens, White Leghorns, Rhode Island Reds, all pure breeds. The Schnuck place is well equipped in every particular to take care of large herds of stock and flocks of chickens. There are four barns, two tenant houses, a large granary on the home place and a good residence on the river bottom land. Mr. Schnuck is very proud of a splendid chicken house, 20x24 feet, exclusive of an extra shed called "The Fool Proof." The building has excellent ventilation and is vermin proof. Everything is done on a large scale at "Walnut Range Stock Farm," a country place to which the citizens of Cooper County point with pride. Mr. Schnuck has improved the appearance of the old homestead by the addition of concrete porches and cement walks.

Nov. 25, 1897, H. E. Schnuck was united in marriage with Ida Vieth, a daughter of Benjamin and Elizabeth (Selck) Vieth, both of whom are now residing on a farm in Kelly township, near Bunceton. Mrs. Schnuck is one of the following children born to her parents: Ida, the wife of the subject of this review; Emma, at home; Tillie, the wife of Charles Barta, of Kansas City, Mo.; Henry and Carrie, at home. To Mr. and Mrs. Schnuck have been born four children: Lorine, Arthur and Lloyd and Wilbur, the latter deceased.

Mr. Schnuck is a republican. He is a valued member of the Pleasant Grove Lutheran Church. Honest, industrious, capable, Mr. Schnuck stands very high in his community, and he and Mrs. Schnuck are numbered among Cooper County's most respected citizens.

William J. Wooldridge, merchant, miller, lumberman, and an "all round hustler," was born in Cooper County, near the town of Wooldridge, Sept. 11, 1870, a son of H. H. and Sallie (Eager) Wooldridge, the former, a native of Hardin County, Ky., and the latter of Cooper County, Mo.

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H. H. Wooldridge

(Transcribed by Jim Thoma)

H. H. Wooldridge was a son of Jesse Wooldridge, a native of Virginia. Jesse Wooldridge migrated from Virginia to Kentucky and thence to Missouri, where he settled in Cooper County in 1858, on land where the town of Wooldridge now is located. He purchased a section of land, improved his farm, and there died in the latter seventies. The remains of Jesse Wooldridge rest in the family burial ground. His son, H. H. Wooldridge, was a merchant, farmer, and stockman. He owned 400 acres of land, a part of which was the townsite of Wooldridge. The town was laid out in 1901, when the railroad came. H. H. Wooldridge was for 30 years engaged in the mercantile business at Overton, Mo. He died on the last day of the year 1916, and his remains were interred in the family cemetery. His widow still survives him and is now residing on the old homeplace. The Wooldridge children are: W. J., the subject of this sketch; Mrs. A. F. Nixon, of Wooldridge, and H. H., Jr.

William J. Wooldridge obtained his education in the public schools of Cooper County and at Hooper Institute at Clarksburg. For ten years, Mr. Wooldridge was engaged in teaching in the Hooper Institute. Leaving the teaching profession, Mr. Wooldridge has since been engaged in the mercantile business, in farming and stockraising. After two years at Clarksburg, three years at Corticelli, and three years at Linn Creek, William J. Wooldridge located at his old home, Wooldridge, about 1897. He now conducts a lumber yard and grain elevator at Overton, and since 1914 a feed and flour mill at Wooldridge, the last named having a capacity of 60 barrels a day. In 1914, he had drilled near the mill an artesian well, 197 feet in depth, the only one of the kind in this part of the state. Mr. Wooldridge is president of the Bank of Wooldridge. In addition to the manifold responsibilities of his mercantile and financial business, Mr. Wooldridge operates his farm of 1350 acres near the town of Wooldridge, and at the time of this writing he and W. R. Freeman are feeding 800 head of hogs and 141 head of cattle. Mr. Wooldridge has a handsome, modern home in the town of Wooldridge.

In 1890, William J. Wooldridge and Lily Hooper, a daughter of Professor J. N. and Georgia Hooper, were united in marriage. The Hoopers were from Clarksburg, Mo. Professor Hooper is deceased since 1892, and his remains are interred in the cemetery at Clarksburg. The widowed mother now makes her home with her son-in-law, W. J. Wooldridge. To

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Mr. and Mrs. Wooldridge were born seven children: Flossie M., the wife of Lon Freeman, of Wooldridge; Hopper E., Willie Fay, Georgia Hazel, Jessie Lee, William J., Jr., and Harry. Mrs. Wooldridge was the oldest of three children born to her parents: W. E., of Wooldridge; Dorsey E., a dentist of Warsaw, and Mrs. W. J. Wooldridge, who died April 27, 1915, at the age of 44 years.

The history of the Wooldridge family is inseparably linked with the history of Cooper County, and for more than 60 years the name has stood for all that is best in manhood and womanhood. No man stands higher in the respect of his fellowmen than does William .T. Wooldridge. He is a democrat in politics. He is a member of the Baptist Church and is affiliated with the Woodmen of the World, Modern Brotherhood, Knights of Pythias and the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons.

Holman Lee

(Transcribed by Jim Thoma)

Holman Lee, a well-known farmer and stockman of Boonville township, is a member of a highly respected, colonial family, a son of one of Missouri's honored pioneers. Mr. Lee was born Sept. 18, 1879, in Howard County, Mo., son of John and Susan (Talbot) Lee, the latter, a native of Kentucky.

John Lee was born March 5, 1816, in Richmond, Va., son of John Lee, Sr., and Susan (Owen) Lee, natives of Virginia. John Lee, Sr. was a son of Joel Lee, a soldier of the Revolution of 1776, who served under General Washington. The elder John Lee, with his wife and children, came from Virginia to Missouri in 1819 and this family was one of the first families of the state. John Lee, Jr. was one of the leading farmers and stockmen of Howard County, Mo., and he was also a prominent financier of Boonville, one of the organizers of the bank of Ahle, Lee & Duncia at Boonville, which bank was conducted until 1882, when Mr. Lee became head of the banking institution known as John Lee & Son, Bankers. In 1885, John Lee, Jr. sold his interest in this bank and assisted in the organization of the Commercial Bank, becoming a director, a position he held until his death in 1893.

The father died at his home at Old Franklin on Dec. 18, 1893, at the advanced age of 77 years. Mr. Lee was widely known in this section of the state. His home and farm were at Old Franklin in Howard County, but his chief business interests are in Boonville. By a former marriage, John Lee, Jr., was the father of two children, who are now living: Mrs. Ida Swinney, wife of E. F. Swinney, a prosperous banker of Kansas City, Mo., and Samuel, of Kansas City.

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Holman Lee, subject of this review, attended Coopers Institute and the Culver Military Academy, Culver, Ind., completing his school work with a business course at Gem City Business College, Quincy, Ill. After completing the course, Mr. Lee began farming and stockraising in Howard County, Mo., where he resided until 1909, when he came to Cooper County and located on his present farm of 245 acres of well improved land. He has made unusual success in sheepraising. Mr. Lee has a herd of 600 black-faced Shropshires, 104 head of feeding cattle, 15 head of horses and mules, and 100 head of Poland China hogs.

Nov. 4, 1903, Holman Lee and Elizabeth Blackburn, adopted daughter of Carroll and Mary T. Logsdon, were united in marriage. Carroll Logsdon, grandfather and foster-father of Mrs. Lee, was one of the earliest settlers aged largest landowners in Saline County, Mo. Mrs. Lee is a graduate of William Woods College, Fulton, Mo., a member of the class of 1903 and is successfully engaged in raising poultry, keeping the best Barred Plymouth Rocks, for which she finds a ready market. Mr. and Mrs. Holman Lee are the parents of three children: Carroll, Suzanne, and Holman, Jr. The Lee family has long been highly valued in the community and respected throughout the county.

Sid A. Lusk

(Transcribed by Jim Thoma)

Sid A. Lusk, farmer and stockman, Bunceton, Mo., although one of the younger generation of stockmen in Cooper County, is one of the most successful. Mr. Lusk sold a farm of 321 acres west of Bunceton, on Feb. 1, 1918. He has purchased one of the finest homes in Bunceton and has bought another farm of 240 acres about one-half mile southwest of Bunceton in Kelly township. Sid A. Lusk was born on the Lusk homestead, March 10, 1888.

William M. Lusk, his father, was born in Polk County, near Brighton, Mo., in 1810, and died in April, 1912. He was a son of James B. Lusk, a native of Tennessee and a Missouri pioneer. James B. Lusk lived in Polk County until 1861 when he came to Cooper County, and bought a farm near Harrison Station. His children were: Mediothe, John, Hugh, Wiley, Lafayette, Benjamin and William M., and Hamilton. William M. Lusk was reared in Cooper County and married Mattie

Collins who was born in 1858 and died in June, 1896. To William M. and Mattie Lusk were born seven children: James lives in Kansas; Tucker lives in St. Paul, Minn.; Mrs. Willie Cook lives in Sedalia, Mo.; Benjamin resides in Kansas City, Mo.; Sid A., of this review; Mrs. Abbie Davidson, lives in Sedalia, Mo.; Harry died in infancy; William M. Lusk resided on a farm in Lebanon township until he settled on what is known as the Lusk homestead in

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1880. After his father's death, his son, Sid A. Luck, came into possession of the homestead through inheritance and purchase.

Sid A. Lusk was married in June, 1913, to Miss Arlotta Windsor, born in Cooper County, a daughter of Edward Windsor, who was born in 1862, and is a resident of the Pleasant Green neighborhood. Her mother is Ruth (Davis) Windsor, who was born in Cooper County in 1875. The Windsors have four children: Mrs. Arlotta Lusk, of this review; Mrs. Speed Boulware of near Bunceton; Grosvenor and Edward.

Three children have been born to Sid A. and Arlotta Lusk, as follows: Bill, born March 21, 1914; Helen Wiley, born June 27, 1916; and Martha Ruth, born Feb. 15, 1918.

Mr. Lusk is a democrat. He is an Episcopalian and a member of the Elks at Sedalia.

Charles Timothy Grathwohl

(Transcribed by Jim Thoma)

Charles Timothy Grathwohl - "Twin Springs Stock Farm", of 235 acres situated just south of the valley of the Petit Saline River, five and a half miles south of Boonville, is a fertile well developed and substantially improved farm. This farm is owned and operated by Charles T. Grathwohl, one of the most successful farmers of Cooper County, and is devoted to wheat growing and stock raising. A handsome farm residence reached by a driveway, stands on the hill overlooking the beautiful river valley. This home was built in 1914. A large barn built of stone quarried on the place and from oak timber cut and sawed from the woods on the Grathwohl farm was erected in 1916. A silo of 150 tons capacity is built of reinforced concrete. Mr. Grathwohl feeds a carload of pure bred Shorthorn cattle yearly for the markets, keeping the best breeds of cattle because it pays to handle only pure bred stock. He keeps Poland China and Berkshire hogs on the place.

Charles T. Grathwohl was born Sept. 3, 1860 in Boonville, and is a son of Timothy and Barbara (Hoflander) Grathwohl. The sons of Timothy and Barbara Grathwohl all farmed together for a number of years on the Grathwohl home place. Charles and Conrad Ansul Grathwohl and Thomas purchased the present place now owned by the subject of this review in 1887. Upon the death of Mrs. and Conrad A. Grathwohl, Charles T. came into possession of the home place in 1914, placing the present fine improvements thereon. Residing with Mr. Grathwohl are his sisters, Miss Magdalena Grathwohl and Miss Minnie Becker. Mrs. Grathwohl died Dec. 29, 1913. Conrad Ansul Grathwohl died Feb. 18, 1914.

Mr. Grathwohl is an independent republican and is a member of Evangelical Church of Billingsville, Mo.

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Mr. Grathwohl has a herd leader of Shorthorns from the Ben Smith herd which cost him \$150 when a yearling and which traces to the famous Ravenswood herd. The Grathwohl herd numbers 20 pure bred cows and a noted herd leader. He has three purebred Berkshire sows and one purebred male from the Harris drove. His drove of Poland China hogs is headed by a registered male from the Wallace herd.

James A. Clayton
(Transcribed by Jim Thoma)

James A. Clayton, vice-president of the Bank of Wooldridge, is a native of Saline township, Cooper County. Mr. Clayton is one of the county's leading business men and in the financial and business circles of this section of the State he commands the respect of all with whom he comes in contact. He was born Jan. 22, 1854, a son of John M. and Elizabeth (Lamm) Clayton.

John M. Clayton was a native of Maryland. He came to Missouri with his father, John Clayton, when he, the son, was a child, six years of age. The senior Clayton settled on a farm in Prairie Home township, and there John M. was reared and educated. John Clayton was of English descent. He died at the home of his son, John M., in Saline township, and his remains are interred in the cemetery at Goochs Mill. John M. Clayton owned a farm located one and a half miles west of Wooldridge and was engaged in general farming. He died in Arkansas, whither he had gone with his son, J. L. Clayton, and is buried there.

Elizabeth (Lamm) Clayton, mother of James A. Clayton, was born in Cooper County, a daughter of William and Caroline Lamm, of Saline township. Mrs. Clayton is deceased and her remains rest in the cemetery at Gooch's Mill. Two nephews, George and James Lamm, still own the old homeplace of the Lamm family in Saline township.

James A. Clayton is one of five children born to his parents, John M. and Elizabeth Clayton, as follows: William E., of South Fork, Howell County; Mrs. Martha Ford, who resides in Colorado; Charles, who died at the age of six years; James A., the subject of this review; and John L., of Dayton, Wash.

In the district school at Lowland schoolhouse in Cooper County, James A. Clayton received his education. Until 1907, he was engaged in farming, when he entered the mercantile business as clerk in the store of Potter & Hopkins, and for two years was employed in clerking. Mr. Clayton returned to the farm after his experience in the store and remained there until 1914, when he was elected vice-president of the Bank of Wooldridge, a position he has since filled most capably.

In 1882, James A. Clayton was united in marriage with Laberta

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Givens, a daughter of James and Cynthia Givens, of Saline township. Mrs. Clayton died in 1883. In 1910, Mr. Clayton and Mrs. Alice (Shepherd) Pate, a daughter of Levi and Johanna (Campbell) Shepherd, were married. Mrs. Clayton's mother was a daughter of Bradley Campbell, an honored pioneer of Saline township, a native of Tennessee. Bradley Campbell and his wife are buried in the family burial ground on the old home place in Saline township. Mrs. Shepherd died at the age of 82 years, and Levi Shepherd died at the age of 84 years. Both parents of Mrs. Clayton were laid to rest in the cemetery at Gooch's Mill. Mr. and Mrs. Clayton have a comfortable home in Wooldridge.

Mr. Clayton is a staunch democrat. He is affiliated with the Woodmen of the World and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He and Mrs. Clayton are widely known and respected in Cooper County, worthy representatives of two of Missouri's best pioneer families.

Farris B. Hopkins
(Transcribed by Jim Thoma)

Farris B. Hopkins, bookkeeper of the Bank of Woolridge, is a native of Saline township. Mr. Hopkins was born in 1887, son of Hallah H. and Lydia (Farris) Hopkins, both of whom are natives of Saline township.

H. H. Hopkins is a son of Hirma B. and Rebecca (Burcham) Hopkins, the former, a native of England. Hiram B. Hopkins immigrated to America and located in the State of Mississippi, whence he moved to Kentucky, thence to Texas, and, about 1856, settled on a vast tract of land, comprising almost 1,000 acres, in Cooper County, Mo. A portion of this tract of land was sold to Jesse Wooldridge, that part upon which the town of Woolridge was laid out in 1901. Truman B. Hopkins, a son of Hiram B., now resides at the old homestead. Hiram B. Hopkins died on his farm, Nov. 18, 1899, and he was buried in Wooldridge Cemetery, a family burial ground, maintained by the Hayes, Wooldridge and Hopkins families. John B. Truman was the first to be interred there. Rebecca (Bucham) Hopkins died at the old home place and her remains rest beside those of her husband in Wooldridge Cemetery. This is one of the most neatly kept of the private burial grounds in the county. The old home place of the Hopkins family contains five Indian mounds and arrowheads and various articles, which must have once belonged to the savages of the forest, have frequently been found there. Hallah H. Hopkins is residing on his farm in Saline township, where practically his entire life has thus far been spent, engaged in the pursuits of agriculture. To Hallah and Lydia Hopkins have been born two children: Farris B., the subject of this sketch and Vergna, a popular teacher of Boonville, Mo.

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Farris B. Hopkins has, for the past three years been clerk of the school-board of Wooldridge, for the past eight years clerk of the town, and he is superintendent of the Sunday School of the Wooldridge Baptist Church, and since the organization of the church in 1907 he has been the treasurer. Mr. Hopkins has been connected with the Bank of Wooldridge since 1903 as the bookkeeper of the institution.

Mr. Hopkins attended Hills Business College at Sedalia in 1904. He was for one year with the Missouri State Guards, in Company E. He is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and in politics is a democrat. In the business and the social circles of Cooper County, Mr. Hopkins has maintained an unusually good name. He is one of Cooper County's own boys, who have "made good," and of whom all are proud.

Boz L. Moore

(Transcribed by Laura Paxton)

Judge Boz L. Moore, a prominent citizen of Boonville, ex-judge of the County > Court of Cooper County is a native of Palestine township. Mr. Moore was born Sept 12 1869, a son of Lafayette M. and Matilda (Morton) Moore, who were the parents of the following children: Lee, who died at the age of 2 years; Allen B., who died at the age of 21 years; Boz L., the subject of this review; Harvey B., who resides on the Moore home place; Gipson S., a teacher at Cape Girardeau; Erastus B., who is engaged in farming in Clarks Fork township; and Edith Grace, the wife of Edgar Rudolph of Clarks Fork township. Mr. Rudolph is the present assessor of Cooper County, 1919.

Lafayette M. Moore was born in Cooper County in 1839. He received as good education as the early schools of the county afforded, and early in life began farming and stock raising. He owned a farm of 120 acres of land in Palestine township and at his country place he lived from 1864 or 1865 until the time of his death in 1902. His remains rest in Moore Cemetery. Matilda (Morton) Moore was born in Tennessee in 1840, a daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Isaiah Morton. Her mother died in 1840 or 1841 and the father with his infant daughter came from Tennessee to Missouri in 1843. The father died in 1898 at his home in Palestine township, and he is buried in the family burial ground on the homeplace. Mrs. Moore still resides at the Moore homestead, in the home to

which she and Mr. Moore came in 1865. She is now 79 years of age and has retained to a remarkable degree her physical and mental vigor.

Major William Moore, great-grandfather of Judge Boz L. Moore, entered land from the Government in Palestine township, a part of the tract now a portion of the Moore homeplace about 1817. He came to Missouri from Burke County N.C. Major Moore was an army officer

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in the War of 1812. He was the father of Dr. William H. Moore, a pioneer teacher and physician. Dr. Moore taught his first school out in the forest, and it was a subscription school. He made the pens used in the school, made pens from goose quills. He was probably the first teacher in Cooper County. Dr. Moore was also the country practitioner. He rode a pony when answering calls from the countryside. He was a cripple and unable to walk, and when not on his pony he went about in a chair which he operated with his hands. Dr. Moore died in 1866 and is buried in Moore Cemetery.

Judge Boz. L. Moore attended the public schools of Cooper County. Until 1917, Judge Moore was engaged in farming and stockraising. In 1910, Judge Moore was elected Judge of the County Court, and in 1912 he was re-elected, serving four years. Judge Moore was active in promoting road work while a member of the County Court, and more good work, more bridges, more public building resulted during the four years he was serving as a member of the court than during any other four years in the history of the county. A new courthouse was erected at a cost of \$115,000 and a new county home at the cost of \$40,000.

In 1914, Judge Boz L. Moore was united in marriage with Abbie Boggs, a daughter of Harry & Beulah (Ashley) Boggs, of Fayette, Howard County. Mrs. Boggs is deceased and Harry Boggs now resides at Higginsville. Judge and Mrs. Moore reside at Shamrock Heights.

Judge Moore is a member of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons at Bunceton. He and Mrs. Moore are well known in Cooper County and in Boonville, where they are best known, they number their friends by the score.

S. Hamilton Fairchild

(Transcribed by Jim Thoma)

S. Hamilton Fairchild - The Fairchild family has been resident in Cooper County for the past 50 years and are native to North Carolina.

Joel Fairchild, father of S. Hamilton Fairchild, of this review, was a soldier in the Confederate Army who sought a new home in Missouri four years after the close of the war. He located on the John Lilly farm, on the Boonville and Bell Air highway. Later he spent 10 years in Wyoming for the benefit of his health. Returning to Missouri, he went from here to Oklahoma, and after a residence of six months in the new state, he died in 1911. His wife was Frances Phillips prior to her marriage, and she bore him three sons and four daughters, as follows: George died in Oklahoma; Mrs. Mary Sideler, Thayer, Mo.; S. Hamilton, of this review; Mrs. Ellen Parrish, Oklahoma; Mrs. Catherine Ward died in Arkansas; John, somewhere in the West. The mother died in 1874 and

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by a second marriage of Joel Fairchild there was one child, Mrs. Ray Davis, Hot Springs, Ark.

The 50 years of the life of S. H. Fairchild have been spent in Cooper County to good purpose. He is owner of a fine farm of 154.72 acres in Palestine township, purchased in 1895, and upon which he has resided since the spring of 1896. This farm is well improved and is highly productive.

Mr. Fairchild was married in 1893 to Miss Elizabeth Dumolt, born 1871, near Billingsville, Mo., a daughter of John Dumolt, pioneer settler of Cooper County. Four sons and a daughter have blessed this union: William Ward, Charleston, S. C.; John Edden, Elmer Eugene, Philip Harvey, and Alma Elizabeth. Two children of the family are deceased, namely: Emil Allen, died at the age of 12 years; and George died in infancy.

William Ward Fairchild, the soldier of the family, was born in 1895 and enlisted in the United States Navy, Nov. 20, 1917. He was trained at the Great Lakes Naval Training Station and assigned to duty at Charleston, S. C., in Jan., 1918.

Mr. Fairchild is a republican. He is a member of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Billingsville, and the Woodmen of the World.

The Boonville Mercantile Company

(Transcribed by Jim Thoma)

The Boonville Mercantile Company, located at the corner of Main and Chestnut Streets in Boonville, was organized as a corporation in 1906. The present officers are: W. M. Rowe, President R. P. Barge, vice-president; W. W. Kingsbury, secretary. Other stockholders are: John A. Fischer, F. S. Sauter, J. L. Sauter, and Walter Reed. R. P. Barge was associated in the mercantile business for many years with H. T. Hudson, prior to the organization of the Boonville Mercantile Company.

The building occupied by the Boonville Mercantile Company fronts on Main or Fifth Street in Boonville. It is 50x122 feet in dimensions. To this building, the company moved in 1907 and the building has since been remodeled and up-to-date furnishings and fixtures installed in 1914. The ceiling is of steel, plate glass is across the entire front, and the Warren fixtures, the very latest and best, are used.

The Boonville Mercantile Company carries a complete and exceptionally good line of hardware, including stoves, harness, plumbing and heating apparatus, pumps and windmills. The company enjoys a flattering patronage and the business is annually increasing. The quality of the goods handled is the best and the company has an established reputation far fair and honorable business dealings.

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Edward Stegner

(Transcribed by Jim Thoma)

Edward Stegner, one of the leading business men of Cooper County, a well-known merchant of Boonville, was born March 13, 186, in Boonville, one of twins born to John Adam and Margaretta (Hoffbacher) Stegner, natives of Germany.

John Adam Stegner came to America in 1854 and settled in Boonville. After arriving at Boonville, Mr. Stegner had but 75 cents left in his purse, and with this money he purchased an ax and secured a job cutting cord-wood. He also cut wheat with a sickle for 50 cents a day. In 1856, Mr. Stegner opened a cooper shop. He was by trade a cooper and he conducted this shop until in the nineties. In 1881, he erected the store building at 601 Main Street in Boonville, now the store occupied by his son, Edward, and opened a hardware and woodenware establishment and within a few months afterward added to his stock, groceries. He admitted his sons to partnership with him and the firm became known as J. A. Stegner & Sons. After Mr. Stegner's death, his wife continued to manage the business. John Adam Stegner died June 25, 1890, and nine years later Mrs. Margaretta Stegner died, Jan. 2, 1899. The remains of both parents were interred in Walnut Grove Cemetery.

Edward Stegner is one of eight children born to his parents, as follow: Sophia, of Kansas City, Mo.; Frank, of Boonville; Theodore, of Kansas City, Mo.; William E., of Fayette, Mo.; Edward and Emil, twins, the former, the subject of this review, and the latter, who died in 1906; Matilda, of Boonville; and Margaret, the wife of Adam Waiters.

Edward Stegner received his education in the public schools of Boonville, and practically his entire life has been devoted to the mercantile business, thus far, in Boonville. Mr. Stegner has been bravely bearing the affliction of blindness since November, 1917, and is still actively engaged in business. A niece, Ida L. Stegner, assists Mr. Stegner with the work in the store, and he usually employs from four to five other assistants.

Sept. 6, 1899, Edward Stegner and Bertha Jegglin, a native of Boonville and a daughter of J. M. and Anna Jegglin, were united in marriage. J. M. Jegglin was in the pottery business in Boonville for many years. He was a manufacturer and retail merchant. He was very successful in business, and owned, besides his shop, three farms. Mr. and Mrs. Jegglin are now deceased, and their remains rest in Walnut Grove Cemetery. The children of J. M. and Anna Jegglin are as follow: Herman; Gus; Albert; Anna, the wife of Francis Smith, of Boonville; Bruno, deceased; Betties Robert; John; Clara, the wife of A. J. Perry, of Sedalia; Raymond;

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and Mrs. Edward Stegner. Mr. and Mrs. Stegner are the parents of the following children: Margaret, of Sedalia; Edward, of Boonville; Roland K., Helen B., and John A. Mr. and Mrs. Stegner reside in Boonville at 512 East Sixth Street.

Mr. Stegner is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Redmen, and the Woodmen of the World. He is a democrat and he was candidate for public administrator, but was defeated by a "landslide," the coming of which was unforeseen.

In connection with stories of pioneer days, Mr. Stegner relates that his mother dried three barrels of apples in the days before the Civil War. She traded the three barrels for a set of knives and forks and the actual value of the set today is 75 cents.

In Cooper County, no man stands higher in the respect of his fellowmen than Edward Stegner. He is an intelligent, useful citizen, one of Boonville's best business men.

Christian Brandes

(Transcribed by Jim Thoma)

Christian Brandes - The late Christian Brandes of Clarks Fork township was a citizen of worth and integrity in Cooper County. He was industrious, law-abiding, honest to the core of his being and was a man of diligence and enterprise. Looking far into the future he provided well for his family and built up a valuable farm, so that his family could live in peace and plenty after his departure from this earthly realm.

Christian Brandes was born in Germany, June 1, 1840. He died in Cooper County, Nov. 9, 1902. He was a son of Christian and Sophia Brandes. He was a native of Hanover, Germany, and when 13 years old he came to America with his brother, Henry Brandes. He became a musician and when 16 years of age he joined a band which was attached to a circus. This circus make a tour of the Antipodes, traveling over Australia, and New Zealand for five years. While in New Zealand, he was married to Sara Wiltshire, who was born at Greymouth, New Zealand, Feb. 28, 1847, and is a daughter of John Wiltshire, a native of England. In 1870 or 1871, Mr. and Mrs. Brandes left New Zealand and came to America, settling at Lone Elm on the Brandes home place, which Mr. Brandes built up and improved and which consists of 200 acres of rich prairie land.

In September of 1866, Christian Brandes and Sara Wiltshire were married. The children born to this marriage are: Ellen Augusta, born June 11, 1867, is the wife of Chris Smith, Bunceton, Mo.; Sophia Wilhelmina, born Aug. 20, 1870, wife of John Hall; Edwin Nicholas, born Dec. 27, 1871, Kansas City, Mo.; Johanna Margaret, born April 23, 1873,

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wife of Willis Schmalfeldt; Florence Frederick, born Jan. 17, 1876, deceased; Emily Louisa Wilhelmina Mansegar, born Sept. 30, 1877, lives in Iowa; Mrs. Esther Carlotta Eophia Smith, born Jan. 31, 1879; Henry Frederick, born Feb. 15, 1880; Louisa Mary, born June 15, 1883, deceased; Walter Hermann, born Oct. 10, 1886, a farmer, Lone Elm; Speer; Julius Frederick, born Aug. 31, 1889, on the home place; Mattie Margaret Carolina, born Jan. 15, 1891, died Nov. 17, 1892.

Mr. Brandes was a republican and member of the Evangelical Lutheran Church.

Edward Melkersman (Transcribed by Jim Thoma)

Edward Melkersman, a prosperous and progressive farmer and stockman of Clarks Fork township, is a native of Missouri. Mr. Melkersman was born Feb. 19, 1855, a son of Robert R. and Louisa (Portzig) Melkersman. He was born at St. Charles, Mo., whence his parents moved in 1872 to Cooper County and located on an 80 acre farm three miles south of Boonville, where the father died in 1879. His remains are interred in the cemetery at Boonville. The widowed mother now makes her home with her daughter, Mrs. Frank Kirschner, at Otterville, Mo. Mrs. Melkersman is now, in 1919, at the advanced age of 86 years. Robert R. and Louisa Melkersman were the parents of the following children: Mrs. Sophia Achepohl, who died in Oregon; Edward, the subject of this review; Mrs. Lucy Wells, of the state of Washington; Mrs. Ottilia Kirschner, of Otterville, Mo., with whom the mother resides; Fred, who resides in Idaho; Mrs. Emma Landen, of the state of Washington; Mrs. Helen Nathan, deceased; and Mrs. Nora Comstock, of Freeman, Wash.

In the public schools of St. Charles, Mo., Edward Melkersman received his education. He has followed farming and stockraising practically his entire life and he has been a resident of Cooper County since 1872. He purchased his first farm 30 years ago and he later sold it and bought the country place he now owns, a farm comprising 330 acres of valuable land in Clarks Fork township, six miles from Boonville. Mr. Melkersman has, since acquiring the ownership of the place, added three barns. Petite Saline creek crosses the farm on the north and there are two exceptionally fine springs on the land, which is admirably adapted for stockraising. Large herds of hogs, cattle and sheep are raised on the Melkersman place, which is managed by Mr. Melkersman's son, Edward L.

April 2, 1893, Edward Melkersman and Annie Margaret Kirschner, a daughter of John Nicholas and Eva (Hess) Kirschner, noble pioneers of Boonville township, were united in marriage. The Kirschners settled in Cooper County, in 1853, and reared and educated their five children in

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Boonville township. The father died in 1863 and he was buried in the cemetery at Boonville. The mother died in March 1905, and she was buried in Walnut Grove cemetery. John Nicholas and Eva Kirschner were the parents of the following children: John E., a farmer, Boonville; Mrs. Mary Lowe, of Otterville; Frank, of Otterville; Mrs. Henry Roesler, of Otterville; and Mrs. Edward Melkersman, the wife of the subject of this sketch. To Edward and Annie M. Melkersman have been born two children: Edward Leroy, who manages the home farm; and Evaline Louise, a student at Cottey College, Nevada, Mo.; Edward Leroy Melkersman married Bertha Bechtold, of Boonville, and to them has been born two children: Charles Edward, who was born March 2, 1917; and one son, Harry Leroy, born Feb. 13, 1918, and died Feb. 14, 1919.

Edward Melkersman is one of the representatives of the first families of Missouri. He is a gentleman of the old school, an upright, honorable citizen. Mr. and Mrs. Melkersman moved to Boonville in Nov., 1915, and they have a very pleasant home on South Third street on a 22 acre tract.

Mr. Melkersman is a republican and he and his family are members of the Boonville Evangelical Church.

Abe Lincoln Hews
(Transcribed by Jim Thoma)

Abe Lincoln Hews, the well-known proprietor of "Uncle Abe's Billiard Room" in Boonville, is a native of Illinois. Mr. Hews was born at Canton, Ill., Jan. 19, 1861, a son of Abe and Permelia (Saunders) Hews, who were the parents of the following children: John, deceased; Abe Lincoln, the subject of this sketch; Gardner E., died at Joplin; Benjamin H., deceased; and Mrs. Laura Chipp, deceased.

The Saunders family was founded in America by Tobias Saunders, who was one of King's Life Guards. He and two brothers came to America. He married Mary Clark. The descendents of this marriage:

I. Stephen Saunder. II. His son. III. Tobias. IV. Luke. The genealogy of the Saunders family has been written beginning with the eleventh century.

Mary Clark was a daughter of Corow Clark, and a niece of Dr. John Clark, of Newport, who was a friend of Sir Roger Williams.

Abe Hews, father of Abe Lincoln Hews, was born in New York City in 1818, a son of James McHew. James McHew was born in County Tyrone, Ireland. For political offenses, he was driven out of Ireland, and he immigrated to America. He was still a young man, and that was prior to 1800. After coming to the new country, James McHew changed his name from McHew to Hews, which name the family has continued to adopt. Abe Hews was a veteran of the Civil War. He served in the Union army for four years and was wounded once in battle. He died

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about 1890 in Indian Territory of "Choctaw fever." Permelia (Sounders) Hews was born in Ohio in 1828, a daughter of Hiram Sounders. Mr. Sounders walked from Ohio to Illinois and in the latter state remained for seven years while preparing a home for his family, and when the home was ready he returned to Ohio for them. Mr. Sounders purchased land in Henry County, Ill., in those early days for \$1.75 an acre. He later sold this farm and the family moved to Fulton County, Ill., where he lived in quiet retirement with his children until his death. Abe Hews was an early-day freighter from Boonville to Chicago.

Abe Lincoln Hews received his early education in log schoolhouse near Canton, Ill. Later, he attended the city schools of Canton and supplemented his school work with a course in a mining school in Springfield, Ill. In the first part of his career, Mr. Hews followed mine inspecting as his vocation, but, upon being "blacklisted" on account of a strike, he became a metal polisher, buffer, and finisher. He was for 12 years engaged in farming in Illinois, Nebraska, and Missouri. Oct. 10, 1911, he came to Boonville, and purchased the Swasky Amusement Company's establishment at the present location, which establishment is now known as the Boonville Amusement Company, at 227 Fifth Street. Mr. Hews conducts a first-class billiard room, and his place is one of the most popular "smokehouses" for young men in the county.

In 1882, Abe Lincoln Hews and Nellie Carter were united in marriage at Lewistown, Ill. Mrs. Hews is a daughter of Andrew and Sienda Carter, both now deceased. The Carter children, who are living, are: Mrs. Jennie Barlow, of Red Cloud, Neb.; Mrs. Lizzie Kyle, of Trivola, Ill.; and Mrs. Abe L. Hews, the wife of the subject of this review. By a second marriage, Andrew Carter was the father of the following children: A. J., who is employed as division superintendent by the Burlington Railway Company, and is located at Aurora, Ill.; Mrs. Fannie Williams, of Canton, Ill.; James, William, and Frank, of Canton, Ill.; and Mrs. Gertrude Lent, of Canton, Ill. To Mr. and Mrs. Hews have been born two children: Thomas, who married Hattie Malincott, and they reside in Boonville, where he is in business with his father; and Wylia, the wife of Lt. C. J. Wilgaus, who recently received his honorable discharge from the Quartermaster Corps of the United States army, and is again following his profession as veterinary surgeon. Mr. and Mrs. Hews have two granddaughters: Nadine Wilgaus and Aileen Hews.

Since 1883, Abe Lincoln Hews has been a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and in 1913 he became a member of the Knights of

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Pythias. In a small collection of curios, which Mr. Hews has in his possession, is a bullet used in the battle of Boonville during the Civil War; a gun cartridge, which was used in the Spanish-American war; and cartridges used in the World War. As a testimonial of the high regard in which "Uncle Abe" Hews is held by the young men of Boonville and of their affection for him he has a collection of letters, postcards, and souvenirs of various kinds in the showcase of his billiard room. The boys of Boonville, who entered the service in the World War, have remembered "Uncle Abe," no matter in what part of the world they have been stationed, and to show his appreciation of their thoughtfulness he has answered every letter and card he received from the boys at the front.

Louis L. and Joseph W. Chilton

(Transcribed by Jim Thoma)

Louis L. Chilton and Joseph W. Chilton, of Chilton & Company, jewelers, at 308 Main Street, in Boonville, have been partners in the jewelry business in this city since 1888, when they opened a jewelry store, carrying a small stock, on Morgan Street. The storeroom of Chilton & Company is 22x80 feet, and is equipped with one of the best jewelry stocks in this section of the State. In addition to jewelry, the firm carries an excellent line of the finest quality of chinaware.

Joseph W. Chilton, Sr., father of the Chilton brothers, was a native of Fauquier County, Va. He came from Virginia to Missouri prior to the Civil War and located at New Franklin, where he entered the mercantile business, in which he was engaged for more than 40 years. He died in 1895 at Boonville. His wife, Bettie (Wyatt) Chilton, was also a native of Virginia. She died in 1886, and the remains of both mother and father are interred in Mount Pleasant Cemetery. The children of Joseph W., Sr., and Bettie Chilton are: E. W., president of the Commercial Bank of Boonville; H. B., a traveling salesman for a dry goods firm of Chicago, Ill.; Louis L., and Joseph W., the subjects of this sketch; W. C., a jeweler of La Junta, Col.; and four children who died in infancy.

The Chilton family trace the origin of the family in America to Mary Chilton, who came with the Pilgrims in the "Mayflower" in 1620, and was the first to set foot on American soil, of all the little band. Governor Bradford's "Journal," the only authentic account of the landing of the Pilgrims in 1620, states in regard to the Chiltons:

"Weakened by privations of their well-nigh desperate voyage and exposure consequent on debarkation and settlement in the rigors of a North Atlantic winter, many of the beloved members of the devoted colony were fatally stricken within a few weeks of their thankful arrival.

"Of this lamented number were James Chilton and wife, whose

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daughter Mary, a young girl, was thus doubly bereft at the outset of her new fortunes. James Chilton and his wife also died in the first infection."

The foregoing was written 30 years after the Mayflower reached Plymouth. Mary Chilton was known as the "Pilgrims' Orphan." She married John Winslow, who came to America about one year after the landing of the Pilgrims, and the account of the marriage states that their life at Plymouth was prosperous and fruitful. John Winslow died in 1674 and Mary (Chilton) Winslow died in 1679, and their remains rest in King's Chapel burial ground. Mary (Chilton) Winslow's will bequeaths to her children an estate of considerable value and is notable for the number and importance of the pieces of silverware enumerated. Chilton & Co. possess a copy of the advertising catalogue of the Towle Manufacturing Company of Newburyport, Mass., which catalogue shows that the company manufactures many pieces of silverware bearing the name of Mary Chilton for the value and prestige the name carries for colonial ware.

[I do not often monkey with what has been written. However, I will in this case. It has come to my attention that not all members of the Chilton family consider Mary Chilton Winslow to be among their ancestors. So if you are relying on this information you may want to verify this information - James F. Thoma on November 27, 2000]

The Chilton brothers received their education in the public schools of New Franklin, Mo. They received their first mercantile experience in their Father's store at New Franklin, and from there they later came to Boonville, where for the past 30 years the Chilton name has been the synonym of honesty and uprightness. The younger brother, Joseph W., has never married.

In October 1886, Louis L. Chilton and Sadie Harper Howard were united in marriage. Mrs. Chilton is a daughter of J. A. and Alice M. (Albertson) Howard, of Boonville, who were the parents of the following children: M. A., Indianapolis, Ind.; J. A., Dallas, Texas; and Mrs. L. A. Thompson, of New York City, and Mrs. Louis L Chilton, the wife of the subject of this sketch. Mr. Howard died in 1918, and Mrs. Howard died many years ago. The remains of both father and mother are buried in Walnut Grove Cemetery. To Mr. and Mrs. Chilton has been born one child, a son, A. L., who now resides at Dallas, Texas. A. L. Chilton married Leonora Hummel, of San Antonio, Texas, in 1911. He is a graduate of the Boonville High School and is now manager and owner of an advertising agency at Dallas, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis L. Chilton are active members of the church, and Mr. Chilton is a member of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Boonville. The Chiltons are numbered among Cooper County's best families and most highly regarded citizens.

Urban A. Smith

(Transcribed by Jim Thoma)

Urban A. Smith, proprietor of "The Music Emporium" at Boonville, is one of Cooper County's best-known citizens and most respected businessmen.

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Mr. Smith is a native of Cooper County. He was born in Boonville, Dec. 8, 1873, a son of Anthony and Catherine H. (Franken) Smith, and is the eldest living son of his father's family.

Mr. Smith, the subject of this sketch, attended the Catholic school at Boonville, and later was a student at the Boonville High School. Prior to 1894, Urban A. Smith was connected with A. Smith & Sons' general merchandise store for seven years. He was for 10 years with Eppstein & Hains, and was for four years manager of Wilson & Fredendall's establishment. In July 1918, Mr. Smith

opened "The Music Emporium" at Boonville. He carries an exceptionally good line of musical instruments, including pianos, players, phonographs, player rolls, records, and sheet music. In addition, he handles, the Lalley Electric Farm Light, which is undoubtedly the best lighting system on the market at the present time. Mr. Smith is a cautious but energetic businessman, and he is meeting with unqualified success.

Oct. 18, 1906, Urban A. Smith and Sadie Ruth Tucker were united in marriage. Mrs. Smith is a daughter of Robert H. and Sarah E. (Parker) Tucker, of Cooper County, both of whom are now deceased. To Mr. and Mrs. Smith have been born six children: Urban, Jr., deceased; Vivian Elizabeth, Mary Louise, Kenneth Joseph, Rose Catherine Augusta, and Jerome Pershing. Mr. and Mrs. Smith are consistent members of the Catholic Church, and they are numbered among the best families of Boonville. Fraternally, Mr. Smith is a member of the Knights of Columbus. In politics he is a republican.

Edward J. Muntzel

(Transcribed by Jim Thoma)

Edward J. Muntzel, junior member of the clothing firm of Manion & Muntzel, Booneville, was born on a farm, near Lone Elm, Mo., Jan. 15, 1875. Albert Muntzel, his father, was born in 1835 and died in 1907. He was a native of Germany and came to America in the forties with his parents and was reared on his father's farm. He was married to Margaret Smith, who died in 1892, and to this union were born 12 children, nine of whom are living: Albert P., a druggist at Portland, Ore.; Martin W., a bank cashier in St. Louis, Mo.; Edward J., of this sketch; Mrs. Clam Trampe, St. Louis, Mo.; Mrs. Julia Meyer, living south of Booneville on the old home place; Lillie Muntzel, also living on the home place; Mrs. Caroline Fricke, living four miles south of Sedalia, on a farm; Harry, a farmer, adjoining the home place; Della, living with Mrs. Trampe, in St. Louis, Mo.

Edward J. Muntzell was reared on his father's farm and after attending the district school, he pursued an agricultural course at the State

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University. He then followed farming until 1908, on his tract of 120 acres in the Lone Elm neighborhood. Coming to Booneville in that year, he tended bar in this city until 1918, when he became associated with Mr. Manion in the firm of Manion & Muntzel.

Mr. Muntzel was married in 1901 to Miss Minnie Schmack, a daughter of Herman Schmack, of Booneville. She died in April, 1911, leaving a daughter, Elsa M. Muntzel.

Mr. Muntzel is a staunch republican and a member of the Evangelical Lutheran Church.

Martin Schieberl

(Transcribed by Jim Thoma)

Martin Schieberl, an honored pioneer of Booneville, a widely-known tailor of this city, has been a resident of Booneville since 1868. Mr. Schieberl was born Nov. 4, 1838, in Bohemia, a son of Jacob and Catherina (Stab) Schieberl who were the parents of eight children, of whom Martin Schieberl is the sole survivor.

Jacob Schieberl was born in Koitchovit, Bishofinitz, in Bczirck, County, Bohemia, and Catherina (Stahl) Schieberl was born in Honositz, at Stap, in Bczirck County, Bohemia. She died in 1842 and he died in 1863. Their son, Martin, immigrated to this country after the father's death, and landed in New York City, Nov. 8, 1867. He came over on the ship "Metropolitan," the ship which brought Maxmillian to Mexico.

Martin Schieberl received his education at Holeishen, in Bohemia, where he learned the tailor's trade. After coming to the new world, he located temporarily at Cole Camp, Mo., where he spent his first winter in America. He worked in a brickyard for the first four days and then obtained employment on a farm and was employed in farm work for six weeks. Mr. Schieberl purchased a cleaning and repair shop in Boonville and later added new merchandise to his stock and thus opened his tailoring establishment. Prior to coming to America, Mr. Schieberl served eight years in the Austrian army.

Jan. 30, 1869, Martin Schieberl and Dora Schiller, a daughter of Wintzeland Mary (Printz) Schiller, both natives of Bohemia, were united in marriage. Wintzel Schiller was a weaver. He was engaged in farming for 18 years prior to coming with his family to America in 1867. The Schillers settled in Missouri on a farm in Benton County, near Lincoln, where both father and mother died. The remains of the mother are interred in a cemetery at Cole Camp; the father's remains are interred in a cemetery at Lick Creek. The children of Wintzel and Mary Schiller are, as follow: Mrs. Martin Schieberl, the wife of the subject of this sketch; Joseph, who resides at the Schiller homeplace; Frank, who died at the age

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of 24 years; Annie, who died in infancy; Jacob, who died in infancy; and Annie, who died at the age of four years. The Schiller farm comprises 80 acres of valuable land in Benton County. To Mr. and Mrs. Schieberl there have been born 10 children, six living: Joseph, who married Edith Delthy, of Boonville, and they reside in Muskogee, Okla.; John, who married Flora Stretz, and they reside at Joplin; Charlie, at home; Mrs. Julia Kaiser, of Boonville; Nellie, the wife of C. W. Watts, of Fayette, and Edith, the widow of Arthur Christman, at home with her parents. Mr. and Mrs. Schieberl are the proud grandparents of nine grandchildren, as follow: Mamie Schieberl; Julian, Dorothy, Margaret, Virginia, Elizabeth, and Martha Kaiser, the daughters of Frank and Julia Kaiser; Maxine and Arthur Christman, the children of Mrs. Edith Christman.

A half century ago, Martin Schieberl came to this country a poor immigrant, unlearned in the ways and customs of the new world. A half century of honest toil and earnest endeavor has placed Mr. Schieberl in the foremost ranks of the county's most respected citizens.

Joseph L. Sauter

(Transcribed by Jim Thoma)

Joseph L. Sauter, one of the leading merchants of Boonville, a stockholder of the Boonville Mercantile Company, is a native of Moniteau County. Mr. Sauter was born in 1861, a son of Matthew and Rosa (Knaupp) Sauter, who came to Missouri in 1859 and located in Moniteau County.

The Sauter family resided in Moniteau County until 1866, when they moved to Cooper County and located on a farm one and a half miles south of Boonville. In 1881, Mr. and Mrs. Sauter moved from Missouri to the Dakota Territory, where both died. Mrs. Sauter died in 1884 and Mr. Sauter died in 1896. The remains of both mother and father are interred in a cemetery in Dickey County, N. D.

The children of Matthew and Rosa Sauter are as follow: Frederick, who died Sept. 21, 1918, in Boonville, and is buried in Walnut Grove Cemetery, the late president of the Sauter Mercantile Company, a prominent business man of Boonville since 1870; Professor A. H., who is with the Sauter Mercantile Company; F. S., acting president of the Boonville National Bank; Joseph L., the subject of this sketch; Addie, the wife of John Weber, and she died in North Dakota in 1915; Fannie, the wife of Joseph Memmel, of Fayette; and Bertha, the wife of Dr. L. F. Diefendorf, of Sioux Falls, S. D.

Joseph L. Sauter attended the public schools of Cooper County and Hooper Institute at Clarksburg. He first entered the mercantile business in 1896, associated with Judge John A. Fischer, at Blackwater, the

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firm handling lumber and hardware. A sketch of the life of Judge Fischer will be found in this volume. Sauter & Fischer were very successful in business at Blackwater. They moved to Boonville in 1907 and are now both stockholders in the Boonville Mercantile Company.

Mr. Sauter is a man of upright principles, excellent business judgment, and strong character. He is well known and respected in Cooper County.

W. F. and G. H. Steigleder

(Transcribed by Jim Thoma)

W. F. and G. H. Steigleder, proprietors of the "Waldheim Stock Farm" in Kelly township, rank among the prosperous and progressive farmers and stockmen of Cooper County. "Waldheim Stock Farm" consists of 482 acres and is situated in Kelly township, adjoining the town site of Bunceton on the south. This is one of the valuable farms of Kelly township. For a number of years the Steigleder Brothers were engaged in breeding registered Shorthorn cattle, and at one time kept a herd of about 40 head. In recent years they have been engaged in general farming and stock raising, and are the owners of some valuable jacks.

The Steigleder family are representative Cooper County citizens, and the Steigleder Brothers are among the substantial men of the county. Andrew Steigleder, the father, was a native of Wurtemberg, Germany, born July 30, 1829 and died Dec. 5, 1909. He immigrated to this country when quite young and saw much of the West in the early days. He went to California in 1849, making the trip overland, which required three months. He remained on the Pacific coast about three years. He resided in Iowa for 12 years and in 1866 came to Missouri and settled near Boonville; later moved to the farm near Bunceton. He married Mary E. Hochstetler, a native of Holmes County, Ohio. She was born Aug. 15, 1834, and is a descendant of an old American family, being of the sixth generation born in the United States. Her parents were Elias and Ann Elizabeth (Joss) Hochstetler, the former born near Elk Lick, Penn., in 1808, and died in 1888, and the latter was born in Switzerland, Oct. 27, 1815. Jacob Hochstetler, founder of the Hochstetler family in America, and direct ancestor of Mrs. Steigleder, came to this country in 1736 from Switzerland, landing at Philadelphia, Pa., Sept. 1, 1736. He made the voyage on the ship "Harle". He died at Bernhill, Penn., in 1776, aged 72 years. He was a member of the Amish Mennonite Church. His home was attacked by the Indians at one time and the entire family were murdered except two children, Joseph and Christian. Mrs. Steigleder now resides with her sons, W. F. and G. H. She is 84 years old and has been afflicted with blindness since 1912.

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To Andrew and Mary E. (Hochstetler) Steigleder have been born the following children: William Fred, born Dec. 14, 1856, one of the subjects of this sketch; George Henry, born May 11, 1858, whose name also introduces this sketch; Minnie, wife of Herman P. Muntzel, born Feb. 2, 1860; Robert L., born July 10, 1862, married Caroline Smith, a native of Cooper County; Henriette, wife of William Meyer, born July 12, 1864; Martha E. L., born Feb. 15, 1867, married Elmer George; Barbara, born Feb. 10, 1869, married Thomas Etter and resides at Ritzville, Wash., and Ella, born April 20, 1872, and resides near Bunceton. The above named were all born near Oskaloosa, Iowa, except the last three who were born in Cooper County, Mo.

Three of the grandsons of the Steigleder family served in the World War. Andrew Etter enlisted in Aug., 1917, and served with the 80th Aerial Squadron, and was in France 14 months, returning to New Fork, Jan. 22, 1919. Rehwaldt Steigleder enlisted Dec. 12, 1917 and sailed for France in

Sept., 1918. He served in the navy. Robert Muntzel entered the army and was in training at Columbia, Mo., until Jan., 1919, when he was discharged.

The Steigleder family is one of the representative families of Cooper County and rank among it's highest type of citizens.

Charles F. Wagner
(Transcribed by Jim Thoma)

Charles F. Wagner, the well-known confectioner of The Wagner Ice Cream Company, is a native of Germany. Mr. Wagner was born in 1849, a son of Christian and Hannah (Stahl) Wagner, who immigrated to America in 1855. Christian Wagner is a well-remembered teacher of Boonville, as he taught a private school in this city for five years after settling here. Mrs. Wagner died in San Francisco, Cal., about 1909. She had survived her husband 34 years. Mr. Wagner died at Boonville about 1875. The children of Christian and Hannah Wagner, now living, are, as follow: Charles, the subject of this review; Matilda, of Boston, Mass.; and Mrs. Hannah Moser, of San Francisco, Cal; and Mrs. Anna Suren, of California.

The Wagner family resided in the State of Ohio for 15 or more years after coming to America, and in the public schools of that State Charles F. Wagner obtained his education. The Wagners came to Missouri in the early seventies and settled in Boonville. Mr. Wagner, the subject of this sketch, was for several years employed as pastry cook by the Northern Packet, and his run was from St. Louis to New Orleans. Mr. Wagner is a confectioner by trade, and he began the confectionery business at Boonville in 1876, and he has continued in the business here since that date.

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At the time of this writing, he is engaged in the wholesale and retail ice cream business and he is known throughout central Missouri by his connection with The Wagner Ice Cream Company. Mr. Wagner, his son-in-law, and his daughter are interested in the company. Mr. Wagner's business experience has covered a period of 43 years, and his success in the confectionery business has been phenomenal. One of the Sauter brothers, A. M. Koontz, and Sam Koontz are the only people beside Mr. Wagner who were in business in Boonville in 1876 now in business in this city.

In 1878, Chores F. Wagner and Mary Elizabeth Geiser were married. Mrs. Wagner is a daughter of Christian Geiser, who resided near Tipton, Mo. She has three brothers: John, of Missoula, Mont.; Christian, of Tipton; and Lawrence, who resides in Kansas. To Charles F, and Mrs. Wagner has been born one child, a daughter, Laura, who is the wife of John Stammerjohn, of Boonville. Mr. and Mrs. Stammerjohn are in business with Mr. Wagner, partners in The Wagner Ice Cream Company.

Charles F. Wagner is a republican and an earnest advocate of the principles of his party. In Ohio, he knew personally several of the great men of the day, among them Chief Justice Chase, General Sherman, Senator Thurman, and the war governor, Governor Brough. The present governor of Arkansas is a grandnephew of Governor Brough. Mr. Wagner saw President Lincoln in his coffin at Columbus, Ohio, when the remains of the martyred president were en-route from Washington to Springfield, Ill., for burial.

Mr. Wagner is respected as an honest, capable, business man, and he and Mrs. Wagner are held in the highest regard in the community.

Judge John A. Fischer
(Transcribed by Jim Thoma)

Judge John A. Fischer, ex-representative, ex-judge of the County Court, ex-presiding judge, one of the stockholders of the Boonville Mercantile Company, is a native of Bavaria. Mr. Fischer was born April 18, 1861, at Rodesgruen, a son of Henry C, and Anna E. (Fischer) Fischer, who immigrated to America in 1872 and settled on a farm near Pisgah in Cooper County, Mo.

Henry C. Fischer purchased a farm of 95 acres of land, and at his country place in Cooper County he spent the brief remainder of his life. He had been in the new country but three years and here died in 1875. His remains are interred in the cemetery of the Evangelical Church in Moniteau County. Mrs. Fischer continued to reside on the farm, after her husband's death, until 1898, when she moved to Blackwater, where she resided for a few years. She now makes her home with her son, Judge Fischer. Mrs. Fischer is, at the time of this writing

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in 1919, 92 years of age, and as active and alert, mentally and physically, as many women at the age of 60 years. The children of Henry C. and Anna Fischer are, as follow: Erhardt, who died in 1904, and is buried in Nelson Cemetery; Judge John A., the subject of this review; Joseph, a farmer, of Blackwater; and Mrs. Elizabeth Boles, of Blackwater.

Judge John A. Fischer was a pupil in the public schools of Cooper County for four years, and he was in attendance at Pisgah school one term. He was a lad, 11 years of age, when he came with his parents to America. He first entered the mercantile business in 1892, at Pisgah. He purchased his younger brothers interest in a store at that place. Four years later, Judge Fischer moved to Blackwater and there became associated in business with Joseph L. Sauter, conducting a lumber and hardware store. Both Judge Fischer and Mr. Sauter are now stockholders in the Boonville Mercantile Company.

Nov. 25, 1885, Judge John A. Fischer and Josephine Meyer, of Pisgah, were united in marriage. Mrs. Fischer has one brother and one sister now living: Ben and Mrs. Robert Klein, both of Prairie Home. Two children have been born to Judge and Mrs. Fischer: Mary, the wife of Leo Meistrell, vice-president of the National Bank of Boonville, who is also interested in the Citizens Trust Company of Boonville and Elizabeth, at home. Mr. and Mrs. Meistrell are the parents of three children: Frances, John Vincent, and Joseph.

In 1898, John A. Fischer was elected judge of the County Court for a term of two years, and in 1890 he was re-elected. Judge Fischer was elected representative in 1908, and in 1914 he was elected presiding judge of the County Court. He served four years as presiding judge. Judge Fischer is a republican. Fraternally, he is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He is one of Cooper County's best known and most popular citizens, and he commands the respect of all with whom he comes in contact.

William W. Neal

(Transcribed by Jim Thoma)

William W. Neal, one of Saline township's most energetic and enthusiastic, young agriculturists and stockmen, is a native of Cooper County. Mr. Neal was born Feb. 12, 1878, son of Z. R. and Mary E. (Fluke) Neal. His birthplace was the farm in Saline township now owned by William Kosfeld.

William W. Neal attended the public schools of Cooper County and he has attended the State University of Missouri. In the latter institution, Mr. Neal pursued the course in agriculture. He has followed farming in Saline township practically all his life and is now the owner of a

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splendid farm of 224 acres of land in Saline township, a country place located ten miles southeast of Boonville. Mr. Neal has built the residence and two barns since he acquired the ownership of the land, which was formerly known as the Mary J. Eager farm. Approximately 75 per cent. of the land is now under cultivation. Mr. Neal raises wheat and corn, but he is chiefly interested in stockraising. He has native western sheep and his flock numbers 150. He has also a large herd of Poland China hogs. Mr. Neal is satisfied with Cooper County and the country in general. He is finding that in his own community there are vast opportunities for the progressive, industrious man and he is making for himself a host of friends.

Mr. Neal is affiliated with the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons and the Woodmen of the World. He is a democrat.

Charles E. and Warner W. Robertson

(Transcribed by Jim Thoma)

Charles E. Robertson and Warner W. Robertson, proprietors of "The Petite Saline Stock Farm" are natives of Cooper County. Charles E. Robertson was born on the farm where he now lives Oct. 27, 1853, and Warner W. Robertson was born Sept. 12, 1868, sons of John and Mary (Potter) Robertson. John Robertson was a native of Kentucky. Mary (Potter) Robertson was a daughter of William and Nancy (Dillard) Potter, who located in Boonville township, and later settled in Boonville in the early days. William Potter operated a ferry boat and was one of the first to operate a ferry boat at Boonville. His boat was run by horsepower. That was in the days when the Indians were here. The Potters came to Missouri with the Coles and the Stephens in 1807, among the first settlers of Missouri. The mother of Nancy (Dillard) Potter was a member of the Cole family. William Potter and Mrs. Potter are both deceased, and he is buried in Hail Ridge cemetery, and she is buried in the cemetery at Boonville. John Robertson died at the home place in the nineties, and Mrs. Robertson died Jan. 7, 1912, and the remains of both are interred in the cemetery at Boonville. Elizabeth Robertson, familiarly known as "Aunt Betty", an aunt of Charles E. Robertson and Warner W. Robertson, now makes her home with them. She is at the time of this writing, 81 years of age, the only one of the Potter family of 11 children who is now living. She is still active and alert, physically and mentally. The father of the Robertson brothers was a veteran of the Mexican and of the Civil Wars.

"The Petite Saline Stack Farm" in Boonville township, comprises 388 acres of land, located five miles from Boonville. This farm is one of the best stock farms in the county. The residence was built in 1903. It is a

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ten room structure, modern in every respect. The farm is equipped with three good barns. The Robertson brothers are partners in the management of the stock farm, and at the present time in 1919 they have sixty head of calves and one hundred head of hogs. About one-half the farm is bottom land, and they have one hundred acres of the farm in wheat.

Warner W. Robertson is a member of the Woodmen of the World and The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Both Warner W. Robertson and Charles E. Robertson are members of the Bethel Presbyterian Church. The Robertson brothers are numbered among the best citizens of Cooper County.

Captain Andrew Jackson Spahr

(Transcribed by Jim Thoma)

Captain Andrew Jackson Spahr, one of the few remaining pioneer pilots of the Missouri River, an honored son of one of the brave pioneers of Missouri, is a native of Cooper County. Captain

Spahr was born Dec. 25, 1842, in Boonville, a son of David and Ann Elizabeth (Foble) Spahr, the former a native of Pennsylvania, and the latter of Baltimore.

David Spahr was born in 1818, and when a young man he migrated west, about 1836, and settled in Boonville, where he entered the manufacturing business, operating a tobacco factory, associated with Mr. Calhoun. The factory of Spahr & Calhoun was located on Fourth Street, and the firm was a very successful one. Later, Calhoun sold his interest in the factory, and Jacob Spahr, a son of David Spahr, entered in partnership with his father. David and Ann Elizabeth Spahr were the parents of the following children: Jacob W., who was born in Pennsylvania and is now deceased; Mrs. Maria Brewster, deceased; David O. deceased; Mrs. Susannah R. Steel, deceased; Mrs. Frances (Watson) Hurd, who married a brother of ex-Congressman Hurd, of Sedalia; Mrs. Levina Edgar, deceased; Adda, deceased; Helen, deceased; Captain Andrew Jackson, the subject of this sketch; J. C., deceased; Thomas Frederick, deceased; and Charles C., who is now with the police force of Boonville. Of this splendid family but three remain: Captain Spahr, Mrs. Hurd, and Charles C. The father died in 1861, and the mother died about 1884. The remains of both parents rest in Walnut Grove Cemetery.

Captain Spahr attended the Loomis Private School and Kemper School, the latter being later known as Kemper Military School. After leaving school, he followed farming for two years and then returned to Boonville and began the work of carriage making. This business he abandoned to begin, with his brothers, the manufacture of tobacco. Of the plant the Spahr brothers established, Captain Spahr was foreman. He was for 50 years employed as pilot on the Missouri River, a part of the time with

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Captain Kinney's boats and later with the Star Line. He made regular trips from St. Louis to Kansas, and, for a time, to Fort Benton in Montana, the head of navigation on the Missouri River. It usually required from two to three months to make the trip to Fort Benton, and the return trip was made in from 8 to 10 days. As pilot, Captain Spahr received from \$600 to \$700 a month remuneration. The capacity of the boats was from 200 to 500 tons. Captain Spahr worked on the river until five years ago, and the last 25 years of his work on the river was done for the Government in the Missouri River improvement work. He recalls that in 1868 his crew had a skirmish with the Indians in Montana, and again at Fort Peck, where one of the number was killed. Captain Spahr has the distinction of having brought Sitting Bull with 250 Sioux Indians from Fort Buford to Fort Yates, at the time of Sitting Bull's surrender.

Oct. 17, 1880, Captain Spahr and Erma Palmore Browne, a daughter of W. S. and Mary (Blackburn) Browne, of Miami, Mo., were married. The Brownes are honored pioneers and prominent citizens of Saline County. Mr. Browne was born in Richmond, Va., and Mrs. Browne was born at White Sulphur Springs, Va. They were the parents of the following children: Mrs. Adelaide Guthrie, deceased; Mrs. Helen Spencer Irvine, of Marshall, Mo.; Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Hudson, of Los Angeles, Cal.; Anna; Mrs. Mary Ellis Webster, deceased; Mrs. Martha Washington McDaniel, of Siloam Springs, Ark.; Lilia Leola, of Marshall, now deceased; Mrs. Captain Spahr, the wife of the subject of this sketch; Mollie, deceased; and George W., a dry goods merchant at Platte City, Mo. Mr. Browne was the first banker of Saline County, and he was afterward interested in the mercantile business in that county. He died at the age of 99 years at Siloam Springs, Ark., and Mrs. Browne died at the age of 52 years in Miami, Mo.

Captain Spahr is a member of the Ancient Order of United Workmen, and he is a democrat. He is well known throughout this State and he is held in the highest regard in Cooper County.

Elijah Hugh Roberts
(Transcribed by Laura Paxton)

Elijah Hugh Roberts, a well-known and respected citizen of Boonville, is one of the Boonville boys of yesterday, a native son of Cooper County. Mr. Roberts was born and reared in Boonville, a son of E H and Ellen (Sweeney) Roberts, the former of Welsh descent, and the latter of Irish. He was born November 30 1862.

E H Roberts, father of Elijah Hugh Roberts, was born March 19 1830. He immigrated to America in the early fifties and located at Buffalo NY. From Buffalo, he went to Indianapolis, Ind., thence to Louisville Ky., whence he came to Cooper County in 1854, and settled in

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Boonville, where he opened a lumber yard and entered the contracting business. Mr. Roberts built the James Nelson residence in Boonville, and he erected the Christian and the Evangelical churches, the hall of the Knights of Pythias, and one of the buildings of the Kemper Military School. He died Jan 22 1907. Mrs. Roberts was born in 1832 in Ireland. In Buffalo NY, she was united in marriage with E H Roberts in 1852, and to them were born the following children: T E., a late lumberman of St. Louis Mo, who was engaged in the lumber business for 20 years and he died in 1895 and is buried in Walnut Grove cemetery; Sallie, the only woman living in Boonville who attended the Kemper School; Mary; James W., a contractor and builder of splendid reputation, who died in 1904; Elijah Hugh, the subject of this sketch; Hattie, the widow of Herman Appel, a late river man and boat clerk at St. Louis, who died in 1916, leaving his wife and one daughter, Mrs. Ruth Roeschel of Chicago Ill., whose husband served with Company I, 135th Infantry, in France and at the time of this writing in 1919, is in Chicago Ill.; and Dora the wife of Harry L. Byler of Kansas City MO. All the Roberts children were born, reared and educated in Boonville. The Roberts home is the same as when Mr. & Mrs. Roberts decided in Boonville to reside permanently, in 1868, although they had located in this city 14 years before, in 1854. Mr. Roberts was a member of the Home Guards during the Civil War. The family suffered many hardships and privations in those days, due to the general scarcity of provisions. Mrs. Roberts is a brave and noble woman. She will be 88 years of age January 20 1920, the oldest living member of the Boonville Presbyterian Church, a woman worthy of the highest respect and greatest consideration.

Elijah Hugh Roberts is a graduate of the Boonville High School. He completed the high school course, May 29 1880, studying under D A McMillan, one of the most renowned and best educators of Missouri, who left Boonville to take up work in Mexico MO., where he died. The McMillan School in Mexico MO, was named in honor of D A McMillan. After leaving school, Mr. Roberts entered the lumber and building business and upon his father's death succeeded him. For one year he was foreman of a lumber camp in Texas, and there operated a mill. He disposed of the lumber business in Boonville in 1911, selling the Roberts plant to the Logan Moore Lumber Company, after the Roberts Lumber Yards had been in operation for more than 50 years. T E Robert's wife, Kate Roberts and son, Hugh reside in St. Louis MO. Mr. Roberts and his mother and his sisters reside at the old home place at 1135 South Seventh Street in Boonville.

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Charles A. Friedrich (Transcribed by Jim Thoma)

Charles A. Friedrich, a successful farmer of Saline township, is a native of Germany. Mr. Friedrich was born July 15, 1862. He came to America in April, 1879, and located at Pittsburg, Pa., and there helped build and operate the first complete wire mill in this country. He learned his trade at Krupp, Germany. At Pittsburg, Mr. Friedrich remained three years. He then spent a short time in Chicago and came to Missouri about 36 years ago.

Mr. Friedrich is a son of Herman and Elizabeth Friedrich, who were the parents of the following children: William, deceased; Ferdinand, who resides in Pennsylvania; Charles A., the subject of

this sketch; Henry C., of Palestine township, and Adam, of Kelly township, Tipton, Mo. The father died in Germany in 1867, and the mother then came with her children to America. She now makes her home with her son, Henry, in Kelly township.

When Mr. Friedrich first came to Missouri he worked on a farm by the month for four years, and in 1892 he purchased his present home, a farm comprising 442 acres of land in Saline township. This farm is one of the best in the township and upon it are two sets of improvements. Mr. Friedrich is engaged in general farming. He raises hogs, cattle, sheep, horses and mules. Formerly Mr. Friedrich raised Big Bone Poland Chinas, but is now raising Spotted Poland China hogs.

March 18, 1891, Charles A. Friedrich and Louise Effinger, a daughter of Blasius and Louise Effinger, of Saline township, were united in marriage. Mr. Effinger was born in 1830 in Germany, and came to America in the early fifties and died at the Effinger home place in Saline township, the farm now owned by Charles A. Friedrich and wife. To Mr. and Mrs. Friedrich have been born the following children: Herman, a farmer on the old Effinger home place, who was in the United States Army from Sept., 1918, to Dec. 23, 1918, and was on his way to France when the armistice was signed; Lula, at home; Laura, the wife of Emil Derendinger, who served in the United States Army, and was stationed at Camp McArthur, Waco, Texas, and they now reside in Kansas City, Mo.; William, George and Anna, at home. Mrs. Effinger, mother of Mr. Friedrich, died in Oct. 1905, and she was laid to rest in Walnut Grove cemetery. Mrs. Friedrich has one sister and one brother now living: Mary, the wife of George Effinger, of Boonville township; and Henry, a farmer of Boonville township. Herman Friedrich married Dora Oerly, a daughter of Samuel Oerly, and they have a son, Ewing Joseph.

Mr. Friedrich has filled the position of road overseer twice, the first time his services covered three years and the second time seven years.

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He has always been a "booster" for good roads. Mr. Friedrich operated the first road grader in Saline township. He has talked and worked for good roads, but he admits that we are not making the progress he would like to see. Because of his interest in better roads he is known as the "Road Booster" in his township.

Mr. and Mrs. Friedrich are consistent members of the Evangelical Church of Boonville. Mr. Friedrich is a member of the Woodmen of the World and the Knights of Pythias. He is a good citizen and he and Mrs. Friedrich are highly regarded in their community.

John Cardwell Sappington

(Transcribed by Jim Thoma)

John Cardwell Sappington, a prominent citizen of Boonville, is a member of one of the old, colonial families of the south, a native of Saline County. Mr. Sappington was born Feb. 4, 1849, a son of William B. and Mary Mildred (Breathitt) Sappington.

William B. Sappington was born Jan. 4, 1811 in Madison County, Tenn., a son of Dr. John Sappington, who located in Missouri more than 100 years ago. Dr. Sappington located first in Franklin in Howard County, moving thence to Arrow Rock in Saline County, where he settled. He was engaged in the practice of medicine and was the owner of a large plantation and he had from 50 to 60 slaves. Governor Claiborne F. Jackson, Missouri's Civil War governor, married three daughters of Dr. Sappington, namely: Jane, who died within a short time after her marriage; Louisa, who died; and Eliza. The Sappington family is of English ancestry. Mary Mildred (Breathitt) Sappington was born in Russellville, Ky., Aug. 7, 1827, a daughter of Governor John Breathitt, of Kentucky. To William B. and Mary M. Sappington were born the following children: William B., Jr., deceased; John Cardwell, the subject of this sketch; Mildred Jane, who died in

1896; E. D., who died Nov. 24, 1908; Mrs. Stella P. Gephart, deceased; and Price, who died in infancy. William B. Sappington was engaged in farming in Saline County and he was president of the Bank of Arrow Rock for many years. He was a resident of Arrow Rock for more than a half century. He died Aug. 16, 1888. Mrs. Sappington died Aug. 13, 1880. Both mother and father were laid to rest in the Sappington cemetery near Arrow Rock, Mo., in the burial ground established by Dr. John Sappington about 1840,

John Cardwell Sappington was educated in private schools and he was a student of the Presbyterian College at Lebanon, Tenn., a member of the class of 1867. He also attended Kemper Military School at Boonville, Mo. and the State University of Missouri at Columbia, a student at the latter institution in 1869. Mr. Sappington has followed the vocation

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of farming practically his entire life and he is the owner of two farms in Boone County. Formerly, he was engaged in raising livestock extensively. He moved from his farm to Boonville in April 1905, but he still attends to his farms and farming interests. He keeps a few registered cattle of the Jersey breed at Boonville, which he raises more for the pleasure than the profit of so doing.

Oct. 22, 1873, John Cardwell Sappington and Pauline W. Nelson, a daughter of Dr. George and Pauline E. (Wyan) Nelson, were united in marriage. Dr. Nelson, a native of Virginia, was one of the honored pioneer physicians of Cooper County. Mrs. Nelson was a native of Boonville and daughter of Jacob F. Wyan. He died Aug. 13, 1867 at the age of 40 years and Mrs. Nelson died Oct. 15, 1910 at the age of 82 years. Both parents of Mrs. Sappington are buried in Walnut Grove cemetery. Mrs. Sappington has one sister now living, Mrs. Sallie N. Chandler, who makes her home in New York City. To Mr. and Mrs. Sappington have been born the following children: George William, at home; and Cardwell Wyan, who died at the age of 42 years, Dec. 18, 1918. Cardwell Wyan Sappington was a successful farmer and stockman, a leading agriculturist of Columbia, Mo. He was a graduate of Nelson High School. He left a wife and two children, May (Hupp) Sappington, formerly of Marshall, Mo., Pauline and Arthur Cardwell. One child, a daughter, Lena May, died April 11, 1910, at Boonville. Son and daughter are buried in Walnut Grove cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Sappington are members of the Methodist Church South. Mr. Sappington is a democrat. Mrs. Sappington is a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution.