

INFORMATION & DATA ON THE FAMILY OF:

ELIAS PERRY & ALTA OCENA (BRANDON) WARD
1843-1917 1848-1936

Being a collection of information from Public records, biographies, histories and family sources, and arranged to present a coherent view of said family and their individual relationship. This has all been done for the purpose of preserving for future generations a knowledge of their past.

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Children of Elias Perry and Alta Ocena (BRANDON) WARD

Sex	Name	Birth	Death	Marriage	Spouse	Spouse Dates
(4)	Name	<u>Charles Clinton WARD</u>				
	born on	<u>27 July 1879</u>	at	<u>St. Clair Co., Missouri</u>		
	died on	<u>23 June 1960</u>	at	<u>Lowery City, Missouri</u>		
	married	<u>as follows: at</u>				
	to:	<u>#1. Sarah F. MAGGARD Moore, 17 May 1899</u> <u>#2. Ethel BURTON, 2 Oct. 1918</u> <u>#3. Betty SUMNER, 6 Apr. 1932</u>				
					Alta Isabell 1901-1963 Zola Anna 1902-1947 Nina Alice 1903- Earnest R. 1903-1926 Zona Pearl 1905- Alva Marvin 1906- Above children are by 1st wife.	
()	Name					
	born on		at			
	died on		at			
	married		at			
	to:					
(5)	Name	<u>Frank Henry WARD</u>				
	born on	<u>9 Jan. 1883</u>	at	<u>St. Clair Co., Missouri</u>		
	died on	<u>31 Jan. 1953</u>	at	<u>Pond Creek, Oklahoma</u>		
	married	<u>as follows: at</u>				
	to:	<u>#1. Mary Ellen HACKNEY, 19 Sept. 1904</u> <u>#2. Vernie Hattie HALDERMAN, 1 June 1915</u> <u>#3. Lizzie (HORN) Peters,</u>				
					Mabel Fredrick Bessie Pauline 1908-1972 by 2nd wife: Ethel Mae 1916-1916 Edward Earl* 1918- William Perry 1920- Velma Fern 1922- Margaret Viola 1924- by 3rd wife: Alice Faye 1926-1963 Frank Henry, Jr. 1928-1986 Marvin Glenn 1930- Lizzie HORN, born 23 Oct. 1885, in Nemaha Co., Kansas, was christened Louise Wilhelmine Sophie 14 June 1886. On 23 Aug. 1905 Lizzie Horn married Herman PETERS at the Frieden Evangelical Church. Mr. Peters died 26 Mch. 1909.	
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	died on		at			
	married		at			
	to:					
(6)	Name	<u>Clarence Perry WARD</u>				
	born on	<u>15 Sept. 1886</u>	at	<u>Norton County, Kansas</u>		
	died on	<u>1 Feb. 1967</u>	at	<u>Kellogg, Idaho</u>		
	married	<u>17 Sept. 1907 at Alma, Nebraska</u>				
	to:	<u>Mary F. RILEY</u> 1881-1965				
					Harold Dale 1908-1965 Ola Irene 1910- Clyde Everett 1914-1970 Calvin Lloyd 1925- Arthur Lee 1928-1966	

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WARD
Surname
FAMILY INFORMATION CHART NO. _____

Husband's full name <u>Elias Perry WARD</u> born on <u>25 Sept. 1843</u> at <u>Licking County, Ohio</u> married <u>7 Mch. 1867</u> at <u>St. Clair County, Missouri</u> died on <u>20 June 1917</u> at <u>Wilsonville, Nebraska</u> Interred at <u>Wilsonville Cemetery</u> Groom's <u>1st</u> marriage Occupation <u>Farmer</u> Religion _____ Military Service <u>22^d Iowa Vol. Infantry Co. "B". GAR Post 204</u> Tartus M. WARD _____ Elvira M. DOOLITTLE _____ His father <u>1815-1897</u> Mother's maiden name <u>1820-1892</u>	Authority/Source of Data: Dates and names agree with photostatic copy of pages from the family bible. Records, Census & Other: Marriage recorded in St. Clair Co., Missouri Court house, Book AB, page 140.
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Wife's maiden name <u>Alta Ocena BRANDON</u> born on <u>19 Nov. 1848</u> at <u>Newburgh Twp., Pike Co., Ills.</u> died on <u>19 Jan. 1936</u> at <u>Wilsonville, Nebraska</u> Interred at <u>Wilsonville Cemetery</u> Bride's <u>1st</u> marriage John L. BRANDON _____ Louisa BURBRIDGE _____ Her father <u>1818-1875</u> Mother's maiden name <u>1824-</u>
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Abodes & removals: In 1846 Elias went with his parents from Ohio to Crawford Co., Illinois, & to Jasper Co., IL, in 1852, then to Washington Co., Iowa in 1860. Elias returned to there after the Civil War then went to St. Clair Co., MO, in 1866. He & his family went to Norton Co., Kansas in 1883 and homesteaded there.

Sex	Their Children:	Additional Information:
	(1) Name <u>Laura Irene WARD</u> born on <u>30 Apr. 1868</u> at <u>St. Clair Co., Missouri</u> died on <u>4 May 1915</u> at <u>Oberlin, Kansas</u> married <u>29 June 1886</u> at <u>Norton, Norton Co., Kansas</u> to: <u>Andrew Addison REAGER</u> <u>1858-1949</u>	Joseph Wilbur 1888-1943 Clyde Emmett 1891-1959 Albert Clinton 1892-1968 Roy Clifton 1895-1951 Earl Everett 1899-1899 Pearl Evelyn 1899- Nellie Irene 1908-1982
	(2) Name <u>Fredrick Stanley WARD</u> born on <u>20 Apr. 1870</u> at <u>Riverside, Iowa</u> died on <u>27 July 1947</u> at <u>Wichita, Kansas</u> married <u>14 June 1896</u> at <u>Oberlin, Kansas</u> to: <u>Eunice ARCHER</u> <u>1872-1942</u>	Ira Albert 1897- Flossie Mae 1899-1982 Edie Pearl 1901-1971 Alma Fred 1904-1966 Elsie Ruby 1906-1931 Perry Otis 1914-
	(3) Name <u>Earnest Hayes WARD</u> born on <u>11 Mch. 1877</u> at <u>St. Clair Co., Missouri</u> died on <u>18 Aug. 1928</u> at <u>Wilsonville, Nebraska</u> married <u>12 Oct. 1897</u> at <u>Oberlin, Kansas</u> to: <u>Clara Rosetta GARDNER</u> <u>1880-1959</u>	Mark H. 1895 E. Nell 1908 Chas. A. 1897 Leo L. 1910 Zean E. 1899 Glen L. 1901 Delancey 1902 Neva L. 1904 Earnest 1905 Cleo A. 1906

1850 CENSUS — UNITED STATES

SCHEDULE 1. Free Inhabitants in _____, in the County of _____, State _____
 of ILLINOIS, enumerated by me on the 27th day of AUGUST, 1850. G. W. Smith Ass't Marshal
 CRAWFORD

Line No. on page	House No.	Family Number	The name of every person whose usual place of abode on the first day of June, 1850, was in this family.	Age	Sex	Color	Profession, Occupation, or Trade of each male person over 15 years of age.	Value of Real Estate owned	Place of birth	Married within the year	Attended School within the year	Over 20 who cannot read & write	Whether deaf & dumb, blind, idiotic, pauper or convict.	(Remarks)	
40	123	123	Jonas WARD	60	m		Farmer	(n/r)	Virginia					Married 22 Sept. 1814, Licking Co., Ohio to Elizabeth DeWeese.	
41			Elizabeth WARD	55	f				Ohio						
42			Elias C. "	25	m		Farmer	1600	"						
1			Jerusha WARD	10	f				Ohio	/					
32	128	128	Gasway H. SELBY	38	m		Stone cutter	(n/r)	Maryland					Married 1839, Delaware Co., Ohio to Margaret Bockover	
33			Margaret SELBY	27	f				N Jersey						
34			Thomas J. "	10	m				Ohio	/					
35			Tsaac N. "	8	m				"	/					
36			Abigail L. "	6	f				"	/					
37			Sarah F. "	1	f				Illinois						
38			Jonas L. WARD	28	m		Cabinet maker	(n/r)	Ohio					Married 3 Mch. 1852, Crawford Co. Ills. to Widow Margaret Selby.	
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1850 CENSUS — UNITED STATES

SCHEDULE 1. Free Inhabitants in (Not recorded) 1. _____, in the County of _____, State _____
of ILLINOIS, enumerated by me on the 27th day of August, 1850. _____ G. W. Smith Ass't Marshal
CRAWFORD

Line No. on page	dwelling house No.	Family Number	The name of every person whose usual place of abode on the first day of June, 1850, was in this family.	Age	Sex	Color	Profession, Occupation, or Trade of each male person over 15 years of age.	Value of Real Estate owned	Place of birth	Married within the year	Attended School within the year	Over 20 who can not read & write	Whether deaf & dumb, blind, insane, idiotic, pauper or convict.	(Remarks)	
10	119	119	Tartus M. WARD	34	m	n/r	Farmer	1200	Ohio					Married 14 Mch. 1839, Licking Co., Ohio to Elvira N. Doolittle.	
11			Alvina WARD	30	f				N York		n/r				
12			William J. "	9	m				Ohio		/				
13			Elias P. "	6	m				"		/				
14			Josiah W. "	2	m				Illinois						
15			Melissa J. RIDENOUR	7	f				Ohio		/				
16			Thomas LEWIS	24	m		Farmer		Pennsylvania						
33	122	122	Josiah S. WARD	32	m		Farmer	1500	Ohio					Married 21 Feb. 1839, Licking Co., Ohio to Marv N. Burner	
34			Mary M. WARD	30	f				"						
35			Rebecca E. "	10	f				"		/				
36			Elias S. "	9	m				"		/				
37			Sarah C. "	6	f				"		/				
38			Jonas H. "	4	m				Illinois						
39			Isaac M. "	1/3	m				"						
			This is page 1 of 2												
			n/r = not recorded												

1850 CENSUS — UNITED STATES

SCHEDULE 1. Free Inhabitants in Township 5S 3W, in the County of Pike, State Illinois, enumerated by me on the 22nd day of August, 1850. J. Grimshaw Ass't Marshal

Line No. on page	Dwelling house No.	Family Number	The name of every person whose usual place of abode on the first day of June, 1850, was in this family.	Age	Sex	Color	Profession, Occupation, or Trade of each male person over 15 years of age.	Value of Real Estate owned	Place of birth	Married within the year	Attended school within the year	Over 20 who cannot read & write	Whether deaf & dumb, blind, insane, idiotic, pauper or convict.	(Remarks)
13	101	104	John BRANDON	32	M		Farmer	800	Mo					Married on the 14th of June, 1841 to Louisa BURBRIDGE in Pike Co., Missouri.
14			Louisa "	26	F				Ky					William James
15			William J. "	7	M				Ills		/			Mary Jane
16			Mary J. "	5	F				Do		/			
17			Nancy A. "	3	F				Do					Alta Ocena
18			Alty O. "	1	F				Do					
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ELIAS PERRY WARD & WIFE, ALTA OCENA BRANDON
(Photo 1915)

1860 CENSUS — UNITED STATES

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Jasper State

SCHEDULE 1. — Free Inhabitants in Grandville Township in the County of Jasper, 1860
of Illinois, enumerated by me, on the ___ day of ___ , 1860 Joseph Schifferstine, Ass't Marshal

Post Office Ste. Marie 1.

Line No. on page	Polling house No.	Family Number	The name of every person whose usual place of abode on the first day of June, 1860, was in this family.	Age	Sex	Color	Profession, occupation, or Trade of each person, male or female, over 15 yrs. of age.	Value of Estate owned		Place of birth	Married within the year	Attended School within the yr.	Over 20 yrs of age not read & write	Whether deaf & dumb, blind, idiotic, pauper or convict.	(Remarks)
								Real Estate	Personal Estate						
22	981	902	Tartus WARD	45	M		Farmer	3000	100	Ohio					Married 14 Mar. 1839 in Licking Co., OH,
23			Alvira "	40	F					NY					to Elvira M. Doolittle
24			Elias P. "	17	M					Ohio	/				
25			Josiah "	12	M					Ills	/				
26			Emily "	7	F					"	/				
27			Hannah DOOLITTLE 2.	72	F					NY					

1. Mr. Schifferstine lived in Ste Marie Township and his post office was Ste. Marie, thus opposite end (south) of the county from Grandville Township. He put down Ste. Marie as the post office for every township in the county. For Grandville Township it probably was the village of Yale, Illinois.

2. Hannah is the widow of William Doolittle, the parents of Elvira.

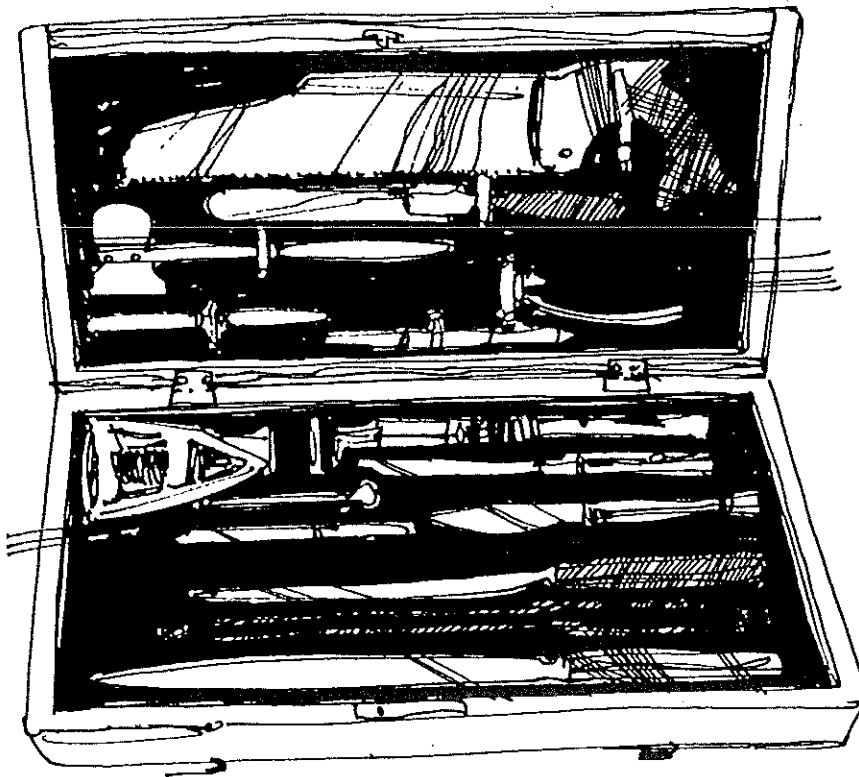
page 217 1659/1494 Ste. Marie Township - Post Office, Ste Marie
Joseph Schifferstine age 38 Real Estate Agent born in France

Ferry Ward Family			
Jonas Ward Born	Dec 17 90	Maurice Ward	April 30-1868
Elizabeth Ward	= 1796	Fred. S. Ward	April 20-1870
Sarah Ann Ward	Dec 31-1816	Ernest H. Ward	March 10-1877
Josiah S. Ward	Dec 29-1817	Charley C. Ward	Jan 27-1879
Jonas L. Ward	Nov 23-1820	Franklin Ward	Jan 9-1883
Eliaz. C. Ward	Feb 10-1823	Clarence Ward	Nov 1886
Fidelias Ward	March 24-1830	Si Ward Family	
Jerusha E. Ward	Nov 22-1836	Alice M. Ward	March 8-1878
== = = = =	= = =	Grace E. Ward	Feb 15-1881
Lester M. Ward	July 31 1815	Donald C. Ward	Dec 29-1882
Oliver M. Ward	March 22-1820	Florence Ward	April 8-1883
William J. Ward	Dec 8-1833	Mildred Ward	Dec 23 1881
Hannah E. Ward	June 19-1841	Bennie H. Ward	Nov 7 1887
Eliaz. H. Ward	Sept 25-1843	Nora Ward	Jan 1889
Josiah W. Ward	March 26-1848	John B. Webster Family	
Emily A. Ward	Nov 7-1852	Chester W. Webster	Feb 17-1871
		Mildred M. G. Webster	Nov 15-1874
		John J. Webster	Nov 18-1876
		Jerome E. Webster	April 5-1880
		Louise H. Webster	Dec 1-1888
			1889-1888

A paper found in Mrs. Jerome E. (Irma M.) Webster's family bible by her daughter, Mrs. Walter R. (Ruth Webster) Hoefflin, Jr.
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WAR AND MEDICINE

By Mobashir Salahuddin



Mobashir Salahuddin, writes a grim chronical of medical care during the war, but shows as well how Confederate doctors and nurses working under desperate conditions were at times as heroic as those they treated.

Political leaders on both sides saw the terrible conflagration coming and, yet, they acted as if somehow it would blow away without stealing their young men, as if war could depart without leaving behind broken spirits and broken homes. War at first promised to be a romantic interlude. Mr. Lincoln called up only 75,000 men for short service.

Fireworks and spontaneous celebration greeted the secession of South Carolina. When, in April 1861, Virginia also joined the fray "all business was suspended," wrote one observer, "and young and old, rich and poor, gave themselves up for a grand carnival of rejoicing."

The gaiety and sense of adventure were short-lived. The War turned out to be one of the bloodiest ever fought. Approximately 620,000 men died—360,000 Northerners and 260,000 from the South. In addition, the Union soldiers alone suffered 400,000 cases of wounds and injuries and almost 6 million cases of sickness.

The physicians in gray also faced medical problems of unprecedented magnitude. In an invaded and blockaded country and with little or no experience in military medicine or surgery, they were quickly confronted with caring for more than 3 million wounded and sick soldiers.

Both sides faced overwhelming medical problems and neither had as much as one satisfactory hospital. It was believed that the War would be over quickly. Therefore,

little thought was given to building hospitals. As the dead and the wounded came pouring in, they were unceremoniously dumped in various large buildings hastily converted into hospitals.

Church pews, hotel lobbies, barns, even the Lee Mansion in Arlington were used to house the wounded. As late as the summer of 1862, casualties were being taken care of in the rotunda and congress of the capitol.

"Nothing that I had ever heard or read had given me the faintest ideas of the horrors witnessed here," wrote Confederate nurse Kate Cunningham in her famous journal, describing the scene at one converted hospital.

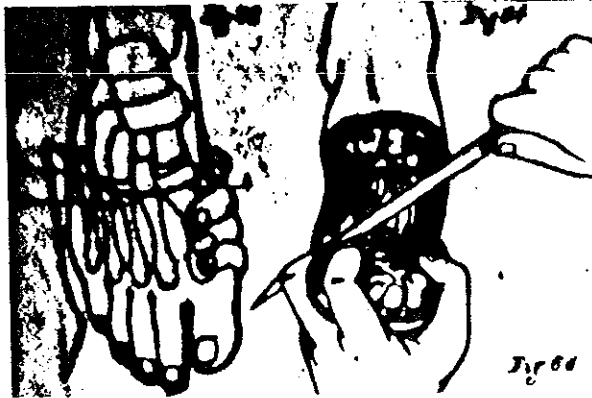
"The men are lying all over the house, on their blankets, just as they were brought from the battlefield. They are in the hall, on the gallery, and crowded into very small rooms."

"The foul air from this mass of human beings at first made me giddy and sick, but I soon got over it. We have to walk and, when we give the men anything, kneel in blood and water."

The makeshift arrangements away from the battlefields mirrored the primitive medical facilities available on the field. Upon arrival the injured soldier would often find himself one of a large number of men, lying on the ground or upon piles of straw, awaiting their turn at the operating table.

In reality, the operating table was just a fancy name for what was "always a crude affair and sometimes merely a door torn from its hinges," according to the noted historian George W. Adams.

If the examination was expected to be painful, the soldier would be given a general anesthetic "but sometimes," writes Adams, "a simple bullet wound would be probed while the patient was fully conscious, and shrieks and groans would alarm those waiting their turn."



Operations were even less inviting. Usually they were carried on next to mounds of severed arms and legs, and perhaps near disfigured swollen corpses. Adams quotes one eyewitness account from Gettysburg:

Most of the operating tables were placed in the open where the light was best, some of them partially protected against the rain by tarpaulins or blankets stretched upon poles. There stood the surgeons, their sleeves rolled up to their elbows, their bare arms as well as their linen aprons smeared with blood, their knives not seldom held between their teeth, while they were helping a patient on or off the table or had their hands otherwise occupied.

As a wounded man was lifted from the table, often shrieking with pain as the attendants handled him, the surgeon quickly examined the wound and resolved upon cutting off the injured limb. Some ether was administered and the body put in position in a moment. The surgeon snatched his knife from between his teeth. . . wiped it rapidly once or twice across his blood-stained apron, and the cutting began. The operation accomplished, the surgeon would look around with a deep sigh, and then, 'Next!'

It's been well remarked that the War Between the States was fought in the closing years of the medical Middle Ages. Knowledge of infection and standards of cleanliness left something to be desired.

"We operated with clean hands in the social sense but they were undisinfected hands," wrote one surgeon. "If a sponge or an instrument fell on the floor it was washed and squeezed in a basin of tap water and used as if it were clean."

There was little or no awareness of public health meas-

ures. The U. S. Sanitary Commission noted that in one of the regiments, large numbers of men refusing to use the latrines were contaminating the slope leading to the small stream that served as its water supply.

Nurse Kate Cunningham describes an even more revolting scene. "The passage to the kitchen leads directly past the amputating room below the stairs, and many a time I have seen the blood running in streams from it."

Not surprisingly, disease was the big killer. One June 26, 1862, a South Carolina surgeon writing from a camp near Richmond declared that sick men were dying by the thousands.

Out of the Federal dead, approximately three out of five died of disease, and of the Confederate dead probably two out of every three. Still, that was considered a great improvement over the Mexican War when 10 soldiers died of disease for every one killed by the enemy. It wasn't until World War I that fatalities from the battle outnumbered those from communicable diseases.

The abysmal conditions of makeshift hospitals and the general ignorance of good sanitation practices posed a grave threat to life. However, many soldiers no doubt considered themselves lucky to have even made it away from the battlefield.

At the start of the war, neither side had an ambulance corps. At Manassas, the civilian ambulance drivers, hired for the occasion, got scared when the shooting began and raced away with their horses. Hundreds of wounded soldiers were left to drag themselves to safety.

When available, neither the two-wheel nor the four-wheel horse-drawn ambulances were famous for their comfort. "A ride in one of these insolent chariots on a corduroy road must have been a kind of vehicular purgatory even to one in the best of health," writes Stewart Brooks.

"Actually, not a few of the wounded were jarred to death and overnight the two-wheeler became known throughout the Army of the Potomac as the 'avalanche.'"

In time, of course, both sides rallied and profited greatly from lessons learned in the war. In 1861, the U. S. Medical Department was hopelessly naive, ill-equipped and ill-prepared but by 1865, concludes Adams, "it was a large, smooth-functioning organization, controlling a system of hospitals more imposing than anything seen down to that time.

"The field-relief system had evolved from the near-anarchy of regimental and hospital units to the integrated division and corps hospitals and ambulance trains."

The Ambulance Corps, established in 1864, was one of the most important developments and the forerunner of modern field medicine. Another crucial event was the start of nursing as a profession. If the medical profession was in a state of infancy at the outbreak of hostilities, the nursing profession hadn't yet been born.

"Nursing soldiers was no work for a refined lady," as Kate Cunningham's brother put it, in deterring her

from going to the front.

The North was the first to see the advantages of having well-trained nurses. On June 10, 1861, Dorothea L. Dix was appointed Superintendent of Female Nurses of the Army of the United States. She quickly made it clear she meant business, as exemplified by the early circulars promoting her work.

"No women under thirty years of age need apply to serve in government hospitals," the circulars read. "All nurses are required to be very plain looking women. Their dress must be brown or black, with no bows, nor curls, no jewelry, and no hoop skirts."

The Confederacy was slower in recruiting nurses but by September 1862 it, too, granted them official status. The presence of nurses in hospitals, says Adams, "was not only one of the outstanding novelties of the War, but an event in American social history."

Surgeons, too, gained immeasurably from the War. The soldiers paid a fearful price, to be sure, but by the time hostilities ended, many surgeons had become adept at entering the chest, abdomen, and even the cranium.

Dr. George Otis, Assistant Surgeon of the U. S. Army, summed it up well in his report: "surgeons have been schooled to deal with the most ghastly injuries of the face without dismay, to obtain unexpected results, and to accomplish favorably reparative operations from which, formerly, they would have recoiled."

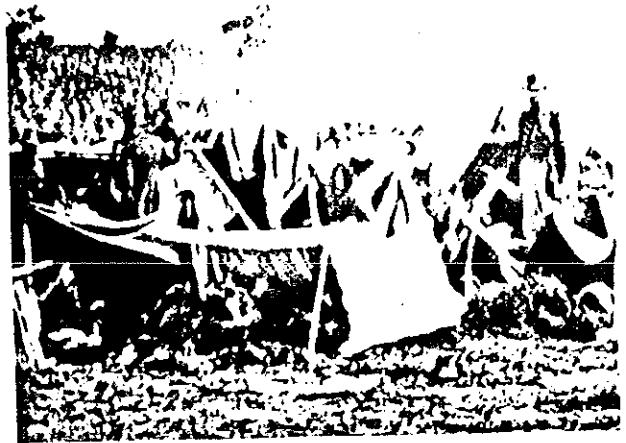
Above all, the terrible losses inflicted by the War stimulated thoughtful men on both sides to consider improvements and to report systematically and analyze developments. Such a scientific spirit is clearly evident in the various medical reports included in the massive three-volume *Medical and Surgical History of the Rebellion*, a work compiled by the War Department.

The conflagration also brought forth an awareness of public health and good sanitation practices which ushered in the era of modern hospitals. Confederate doctor Samuel Moore was way ahead of others in anticipating the hospital of the future. Other Confederate doctors who achieved fame include John Chisolm and Joseph Jones, for their contributions to anesthesia and surgery and medical history of the war, respectively.

On the Union side, Drs. William Hammond and Jonathan Letterman laid the framework for the medical corps of the future, while Silas Mitchell achieved world-wide fame as an authority on nervous disorders.

Elisha Harris founded the American Public Health Association and Dr. John Billings started the *Index Medicus*, the well-known guide to medical literature.

Most accounts of the medical conditions during the war are horrifying, if not hair-raising. A soldier's chances of not returning home were one in four, as compared to the Korean War when a soldier's odds were one in 126. Nevertheless, the War Between the States also produced its share of hardy soldiers, who smiled at the odds and kept on charging.



Samuel Wright was one such crusty fellow. He fought in 21 battles. At White Oak Swamp, he was wounded in the head by a shell fragment and at Sharpsburg, he suffered wounds in both legs. He injured his arm at Cold Harbor, and was shot in the head and lost his right eye at the Battle of the Crater.

He also went down with typhoid fever, broke a leg in an attempt to save a piece of artillery, and was run over by an army wagon in Kentucky. He lived to be 79.

For men like Sam Wright—and for many of us who study the causes, the heroism and the strategy of armed conflict—there is a terrible appeal in warfare. Even General Lee, as he surveyed the awesome spectacle of his men lined up in ranks awaiting command, commented that it is well that war is so terrible. "Otherwise," he said, "we might grow too fond of it."

Much has been written on the legacy of war, especially that war—the War Between the States. Still, there is lively discussion on why the War was waged, how it might have been avoided and who was to blame. But on one point, there can be general agreement: the War led to medical improvements that have saved and enhanced the lives of hundreds of thousands in the decades that followed. In that sense, the young men who died left us a valuable gift, a legacy that was not interred with their bones. ☆

Mr. Salahuddin is a medical writer reporter for The State Newspaper in Columbia, South Carolina.



1860 s AMBULANCE STAMP

Used by the United States Postal Service in the 1980 s. One wonders why the 1860 s Ambulance rates to grace our stamps over one hundred years later. Elias P. Ward and all the other ambulance drivers of that day would have no doubt enjoyed this one.

Edw^d Bartlett, 12-04-87

1880 HISTORY OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, IOWA

page 532 YATTON POST-OFFICE, the first one in the township was established in 1841, N. P. Cooper being the first postmaster. The mail, which was carried on horseback, was received once each week.

THE TOWN OF YATTON

Yatton is located on the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 19, Township 77, Range 6. It was laid out by John F. Vandyke and Nathaniel McClure, in July 1856. It was at one time an important trading point, and among other important business interests was the location of one of the best flour mills in the county. Upon the completion of the railroad to Riverside, in 1872, Yatton begin to decline, and it was not many years til all the business of the town, with the exception of the mill, was transfered to the new town. (Riverside)

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In the 1880 Federal Census of Washington County, Iowa, 17 families are recorded living in the village of Yatton, Iowa.

FAMILY INFORMATION FROM MARY WARD

E.B.: How and where did Elias P. Ward meet Alta Brandon ?

M.W.: If I remember right, it was at a dance near Appleton City, Missouri, after the war and they were married there. Grand-dad never danced. He just went, he said, "To watch the girls hop around."

E.B.: I would like to have a list of the occupations and military service of all your boys.

M.W.: Dale or Harold, our oldest boy, was in limited service, never was out of the states. He worked in camp as a cook and butcher also as a ward helper in the hospital. During the last year he was in several camps in California. Then he worked in the army postoffice.

Calvin was in the occupational service in Germany for two years. He was a sergeant and that is all I know. They didn't like it so they don't talk much.

1860
Missouri
By Francis Dillon De

State of Missouri }
County of St. Clair } J. L. Rose do hereby certify
that I found on the hands of Matrimony in the
of Bondon 21st day of March 1867 Miss Corina Bondon to
with Elias P. Ward both of Belair County Mo.
The Stamp cancelled }
} Day of March 1867
} J. L. Rose J. P.

Filed March 25th 1867
Missouri
Francis Dillon De

Know All Men THAT *En. J. Ward*

and *Elta C. Ward*

of the said *En. J. Ward*

of the County of *Washington* State of *Iowa* in consideration of the

Sum of *Seven hundred* Dollars,

in hand paid by *En. J. Ward*

do hereby Grant, Bargain, Sell and Convey unto the said *Elta C. Ward*

heirs and assigns forever, the following

described Real Estate, situated in *Washington* County in the State of

Iowa to-wit:

The north half of the south east quarter

of the north west quarter of section 12

also the south half of the north east

quarter of the north west quarter

of section 12 all in township

recently made (17) north of range 21 (6)

west containing forty acres

more or less

And the said Grantor hereby WARRANT THE TITLE of said Premises against the lawful claims of all

Persons whomsoever, and the said *Elta C. Ward* hereby relinquishes

her Right of Dower in and to said Premises.

WITNESS our hands this *14*

day of *February* A. D. 18*90*



En. J. Ward
Elta C. Ward

STATE OF IOWA, }
WASHINGTON COUNTY, }

in and for said County, do hereby certify that *J. B. Brink* and

Elta C. Ward are personally known to me to be the identical person whose names are

affixed to the above Conveyance as Grantor and that *they* this day

came personally before me and acknowledged the same to be *their*

voluntary act and deed. WITNESS my hand and

this *14* day of *February* 18*90*

J. B. Brink
Justice of the Peace

Warranty Deed

E. P. Woods

TO

J. M. Wood

STATE OF IOWA,
WASHINGTON COUNTY,

Entered for taxation and filed for re-

cord the 25th day of *Nov*
1870, at 10 o'clock, A. M., and re-

corded in Book *U*
of *Deeds* Page 36

Plat Book, Page

Description Book, Page

Transfer No. Page

J. M. Wood
Recorder.

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Recy Job Printing Office, Washington, Iowa.

Deed for Washington July 25 1870

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W. R. Jeffrey, Recorder

W. R. JEFFREY,

WASHINGTON, IOWA,

Buyer and Seller Real Estate, Examines & Issues
Titles, Pays Taxes, &c.

U 6

Know all men by these presents
that we J. M. Ward and A. M.
Ward his wife of the County of Was-
hington State of Iowa in consideration
of the sum of Four hundred dol-
lars in hand paid by E. P. Ward of
Washington County State of Iowa the
receipt of which is hereby acknowl-
edged as by these presents grant
Bargain sell and convey unto the
said E. P. Ward his heirs and assigns
forever the following described pre-
mises situated in Washington County
State of Iowa to wit: The North
half of the south East quarter of the
North West quarter of section No fifteen
(15) also the South half of the North
East quarter of the North West quarter of
section fifteen all in Township seven-
ty seven (77) North of Range No six (6)
West containing forty acres more or
less. And we hereby covenant
to warrant and defend the said
premises against the lawful claims
of all persons whomsoever and
the said A. M. Ward wife of said
J. M. Ward hereby relinquishes her
right of dower in and to the
above described premises
In witness whereof we have here
to set our hands this 18th day of Febru-
ary A. D. 1868

J. M. Ward
Elvira M. Ward



State of Iowa } ss.
 Washington County }
 I, Wm. Hawthorn a Justice of the peace
 of Iowa Township in said County hereby
 certify that J. M. Ward and A. M. Ward
 are personally known to me to be the
 identical persons whose names are sign-
 ed to the foregoing deed of conveyance
 personally appeared before me and
 acknowledged the same to be their vo-
 luntary act and deed for the use
 and purposes therein stated
 Witness my hand hereto this 18th day
 of February A. D. 1868
 Wm. Hawthorn
 Justice of the peace

J. M. Ward & wife

To S. Seed

E. P. Ward

Filed in Record

February 19 1868

at 12 o'clock M.

Recorded in Book A

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Grantor Book Page 124

W. M. Applegate

RC

Know all Men by These Presents
That we Alfred Gray and Eliza Ann
Gray his wife of Washington County
State of Iowa in consideration of the sum of
two hundred and fifty Dollars \$250.00
in hand paid by T. M. Ward of Washing-
ton County State of Iowa the receipt
whereof is hereby acknowledged do by these
presents Grant Bargain Sell and Convey
unto the said T. M. Ward his heirs and
assigns forever the following described
premises situated in the County of
Washington and State of Iowa
to wit the North half of the North East
quarter of the south west quarter of section No
fifteen (15), Township seventy seven (77) North Range
No six (6) West and the south East quarter of
the North West quarter of section No fifteen
(15) also the South half of the North East
quarter of the North West quarter of section
fifteen (15), all in the same town and
Range as a bove stated containing
Eighty Acres more or less
To Have and to hold the said premises unto
the said T. M. Ward his heirs and assigns
forever and we do hereby covenant warrant and
Defend the said premises against the lawful
Claims of all persons whomsoever and the
said Eliza Ann Gray wife of the said
Alfred Gray hereby relinquish her
Right of Dower in and to the above described
Premises

In Witness Whereof we have hereto
set our hands this 22 day of December
A D 1860

State of Iowa } Alfred Gray
Washington County } Elizabeth Ann Gray

I do hereby certify
that before me John L. Vandyke a

justice of the peace in and for said
County personally known to me to be the

identical persons whose names is affixed to
the above conveyance as granters and acknowledged

the instrument to be their voluntary act and
deed for the purpose therein named

Witness my hand this 22 day of December
A D 1860 John L. Vandyke J. P.

Post from
Alfred Gray
to Ed. H. Ward

Order for Penna.

March 14/1864

At 3 o'clock P.M.

and received in

cash of paper 500

of Sam. Pennell

Washington County,

Pa. A. H. Ward

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Page No. 13
 Supervisor's Dist. No. 6
 Enumeration Dist. No. 229
 SCHEDULE 1. Inhabitants in

Monegaw Tp, in the County of St Clair, State of MISSOURI
 enumerated by me on the 24th day of June, 1880

Chas W. Nesbit Enumerator

House Number	Name	Color	Sex	Age prior to June 1st	Month of birth if born in census yr.	Relationship to head of house	Single	Married	Divorced	Married in census yr.	Profession, Occupation or Trade	No. of months unemployed	Health Inform. section item No.	Attended School	Cannot write	Place of birth	Place of birth of father	Place of birth of mother
107 111	WARD, Perry	W	M	36			Single	/			Farmer					Ohio	Ohio	NY
	Alta	W	F	32		Wife	/				Keeping House					Illinois	Ky	Mo
	Laura	W	F	12		Daughter										Iowa	Ohio	Ills
	Fredie S.	W	M	10		Son										Iowa	Ohio	Ills
	Earnest H.	W	M	3		Son										Missouri	Ohio	Ills
	Charles C.	W	M	12		Son										Missouri	Ohio	Ills

Health Information Item Numbers: 15 - Sick or temporarily disabled; 16 - Blind; 17 - Deaf & dumb; 18 - Idiotic; 19 - Insane; 20 - Maimed or crippled

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R 24 W
R 25 W

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T 26 N

NORTON COUNTY KANSAS

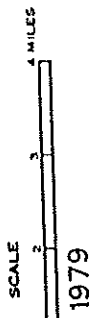
**HOMESTEAD OF
ISAAC M. WARD**
Application No. 21 Aug. 1886
SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 28, T25, R25W, 160 acres

**HOMESTEAD OF
ELIAS SPENCER WARD**
Application No. 11809, 20 Jan. 1886
SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 22 & NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of
Sec. 27, T25, R25W. 160 acres

**HOMESTEAD OF
JONAS HENRY WARD**
Application No. 11808, 21 July 1885
NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 34, T25, R25W of 6th P.M.
160 acres

**HOMESTEAD OF
ELIAS PERRY WARD**
Application No. 7625, 23 Mar. 1892
Lots No. 3 & 4 and the S $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of
Sec. 2, T35, R25W of the 6th P.M.
consisting of 159 and 1/100 acres.

**HOMESTEAD OF
ROLLIN F. WARD**
Application No.



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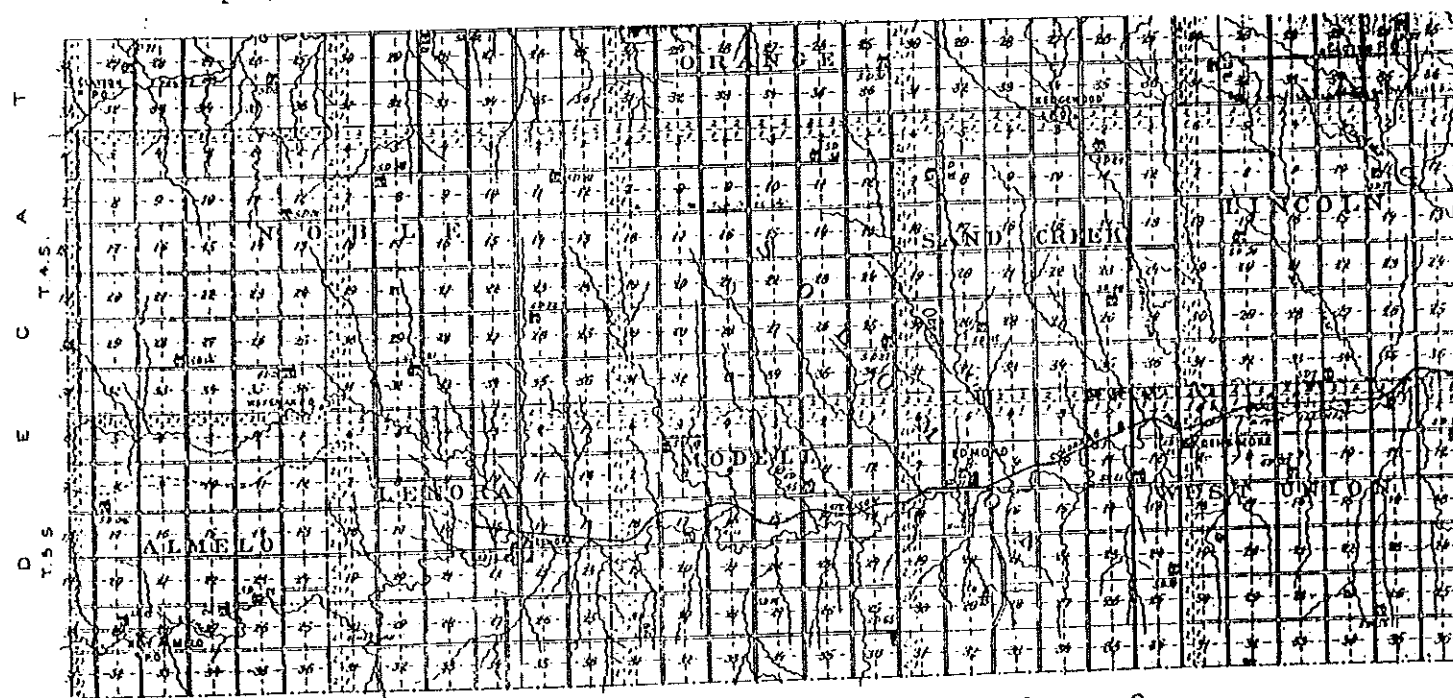
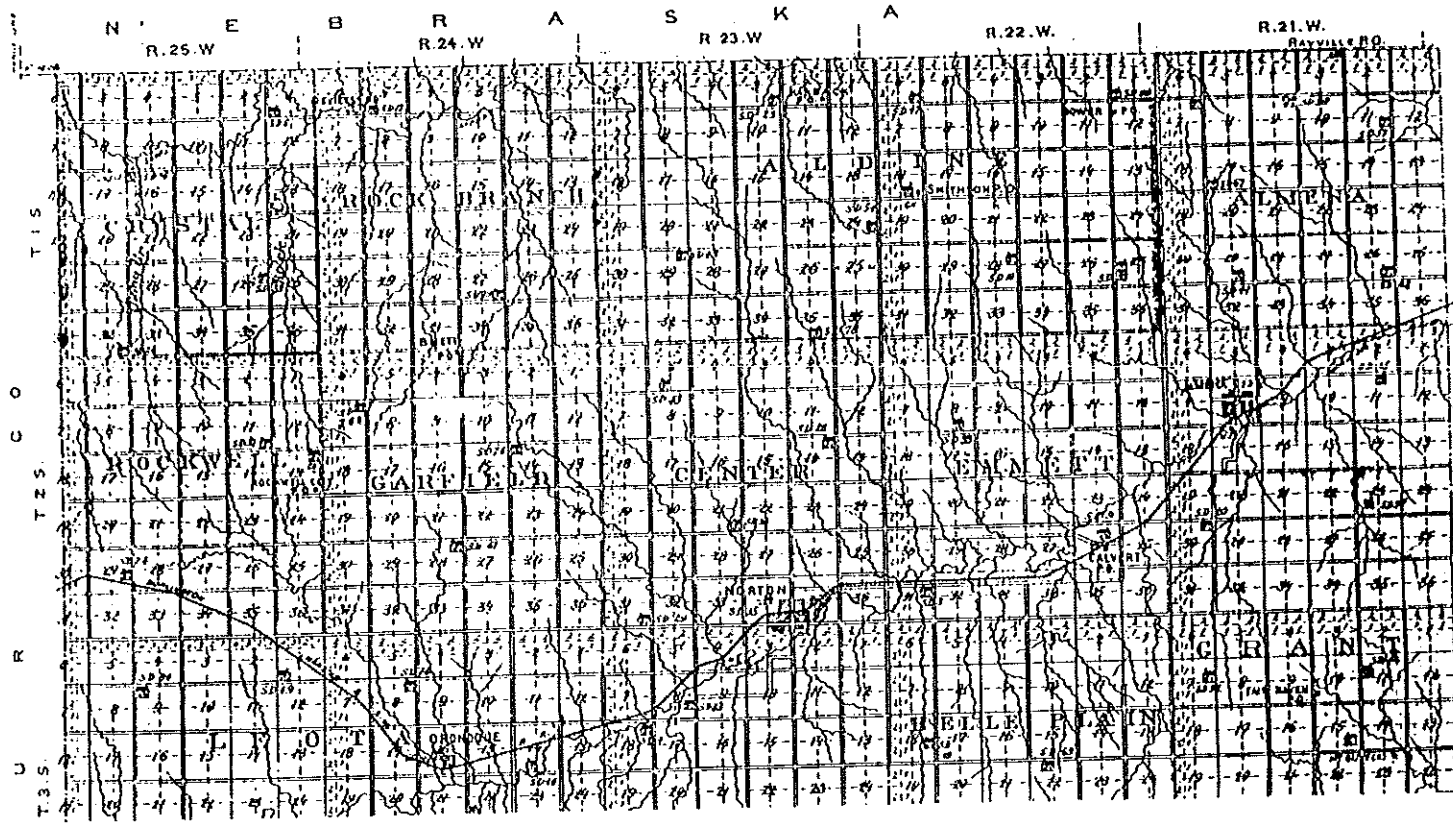
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T 27 N

NORTON CO.

KANSAS

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I, James L. Wallace, County Clerk of Norton County, do hereby certify that I have examined the above Map and find that it is carefully and accurately compiled from the records in my office. Given under my hand this 22d of Dec., 1886.

James L. Wallace County Clerk

TABLE OF EXPLANATIONS

County Lines	-----	Churches	+
Section Lines	-----	School Districts	+
Quarter Section Lines	-----	Cemeteries	+
Rail Roads	-----	Marshes	+
Rail Road to homopole	-----	Streams	+
Public Roads	-----	Post Offices	+

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Not Public Land of the State of Kansas, but is the property of the State of Kansas, and is subject to the laws of the State of Kansas.

Completion of this Office

of up ad 1876 - 5. P.

Leota Township, Post Office Oronoque
Norton County

Family #3

Ward, E.P., age 51, married, born Ohio, to Ks. from Missouri
Iowa Co. B, 22 Iowa Infantry

Alta, age 46, born Illinois
Fred, age 24, born Iowa
Earnest, age 18, born Missouri
Charles, age 15, born Missouri
Frank, age 12, born Missouri
Clarence, age 8, born Kansas

AGRICULTURAL:

160 acres, 120 acres cultivated
water supply: well, 114 ft. windmill
40 acres fenced, 360 rods wire
120 acres not fenced
\$1600., value of farm, including improvements
\$23., value of farm implements & machinery
15 acres rye planted this year
100 acres corn
1/4 acres potatoes
3 acres millet & Hungarian
7 bushels corn on hand, Mar. 1, 1905
12 bu. wheat on hand, "
\$24., value poultry & eggs sold during past year
\$17., value butter made past year
6 horses
2 mules & asses
2 milk cows
1 milk cow, died from disease
2 cherry trees, not bearing
1 dog

Received from Mrs. Gwynn A. Ward

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State NORTON

County

Town/Township ROCKWELL TOWNSHIP

Date 12th June 1900

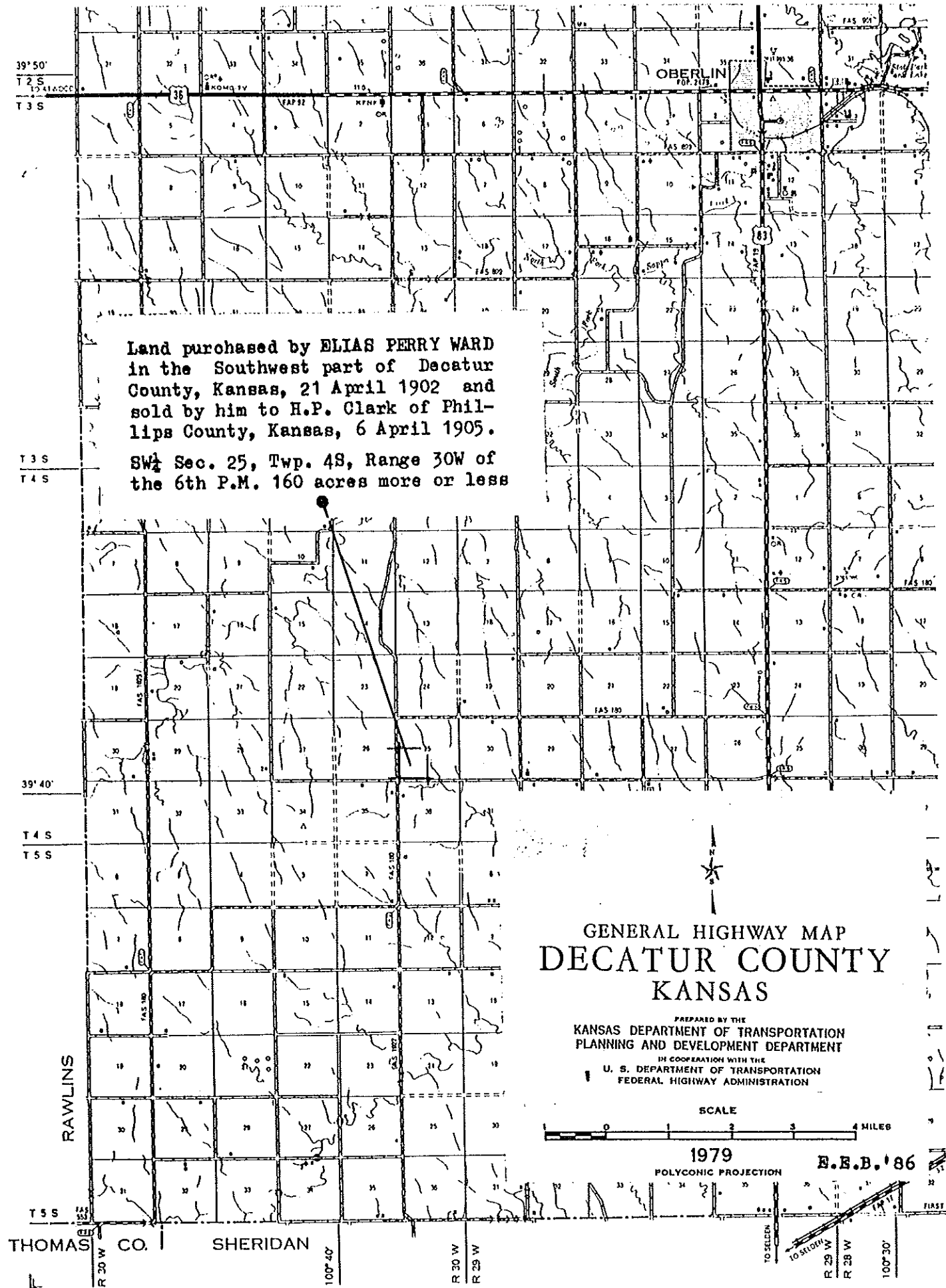
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Enum. Dist. No. 94 Page No. 75 B

LOCATION				PERSONAL DESCRIPTION										MATRITY				CITIZENSHIP				OCCUPATION				EDUCATION			
Street	House No.	Dwelling No.	Family No.	Color	Sex	Month of birth	Year of birth	Age	Single, married, widowed, divorced	No. of years married	Mother of how many children	Number of these children living	Place of birth	Place of father's birth	Place of mother's birth	Year of immigration to U.S.	No. of years in U.S.	Naturalization	Occupation	No. of months not employed	Attended school (months)	Can read	Can write	Can speak English	Home owned or rented	Home owned or mortgaged	Farm or house		
		70	70	W	M	Sept	1843	56	M	33	0	0	Ohio	Ohio	New York				Farmer	0		Yes	Yes	Yes	0	0			
				W	F	Nov	1848	51	M	33	0	0	Illinois	Illinois	Kentucky							Yes	Yes	Yes					
				W	M	Sept	1886	13	S				Kansas	Ohio	Illinois				At School	4		Yes	Yes	Yes					
		21	21	W	M	June	1879	20	M	1			Missouri	Ohio	Illinois				Farmer	0		Yes	Yes	Yes	2	2			
				W	F	June	1879	20	M	1	1	1	Missouri	Missouri	Missouri							Yes	Yes	Yes					
				W	M	July	1896	3	S				Missouri	Iowa	Missouri							no	no	no					

* sic, should be Alta O.

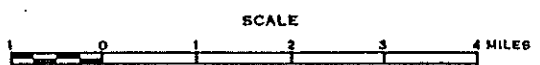
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Land purchased by ELIAS PERRY WARD
 in the Southwest part of Decatur
 County, Kansas, 21 April 1902 and
 sold by him to H.P. Clark of Phil-
 lips County, Kansas, 6 April 1905.
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 25, Twp. 4S, Range 30W of
 the 6th P.M. 160 acres more or less

GENERAL HIGHWAY MAP DECATUR COUNTY KANSAS

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RAWLINS
 THOMAS CO. SHERIDAN
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 100° 40'

LAND RECORDS, DECATUR COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS

Page	Book	Grant ee	Grant or	Inst.	Date of	Am't pd.	Property Description
346	25	WARD, ELIAS P.	JOHN KOEHLER & Wife A. C. KOEHLER	W.D.	1902 Apr. 21	\$900.00	The South West Quarter (SW4) Section Twenty-five (25) Township Four South (4) Range Thirty (30) West Sixth P.M.
							Subject to lease for year 1902 and the Purchaser to have Grantor's share of crops.
4	33	H. P. CLARK of Phillips Co., Kansas	ELIAS P. WARD & ALTA C. WARD Husband and Wife	W.D.	1905 Apr. 6	\$1400.00	SW4 Sec. 25, Twp. 15S, Range 30W 6th P.M. containing 160 acres more or less
384	33	SAYLER, FRANK E.	ROLLIN F. WARD and HENRIETTA WARD Legal Guardians of RALPH J. WARD, Minor	W.D.	1905 Sept. 25	\$300.00	Part NE4 of NE4 Sec. 36, Twp. 2S, Range 26W Land in Kenney's Addition to the Original Plat of City of Norcature, Decatur County, Kansas.

Edw. Bartlett/Jan, 1982

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FILM ROLL NO. 449 (SUPERVISOR'S DIST. NO. 6 SHEET NO. 2 A)
 STATE Kansas (ENUMERATION DIST. NO. 112)
 COUNTY NOXTON (WARD OF CITY X)

Crystal Township (NAME OF INCORPORATED PLACE) (TOWNSHIP OR OTHER DIVISION OF COUNTY) X
 enumerated by me on the 20 DAY OF April 1910 (ENUMERATOR) ROSS A. Eakin

LOCAT'N	NAME	PERSONAL DESCRIPTION						NATIVITY			CITIZEN				OCCUPATION				EDUCAT'N				HOME											
		House No. IN CITIES	Dwelling No.	Family No.	Relation to head of family.	Sex.	Color or race.	Age last birthday.	Singles, married, divorced or divorced.	No. years of present marriage.	No. born.	No. living.	Mother of how many child'n.	Place of birth.	Place of birth of father.	Place of birth of mother.	Year of immigration to the U.S.	Naturalized/Allen.	Speaks English or other.	Trade or Profession.	General nature of work.	Employer, employee or works on own.	Out of work Apr. 15.	Weeks out of work '09.	Can read.	Can write.	Attended School.	Home owned/rented.	Free/mortgaged.	Farm/house.	No. of farm enum.	Confed. or Union veteran.	Blind in both eyes.	Deaf and dumb.
37	WARD, Elias P.	37		37	Head	M	W	66	M1	43	6	6	Ohio	Ohio	New York			Eng	Farmer	Home Farm	VA			Yes	Yes		0	F	38	III				
	Alta O.				Wife	F	W	61	M1	43	6	6	Illinois	Missouri	Kentucky			Eng	none					Yes	Yes									

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Township/Town
Kansas

Crystal Township

State
Norton

Ross A Eakin, Enumerator

Date 27 April

Enum. Dist. No. 112 Line No. 45

LOCATION	NAME	PERSONAL DESCRIPTION						NATIVITY			CITIZEN.			OCCUPATION					EDUCATION				HOME				
		Sex	Color	Age	Single, married, widowed, divorced	No. of years of present marriage	Number born	Number living	Place of birth	Place of father's birth	Place of mother's birth	Year of immigration	Naturalized / Alien	Speaks English or other	Trade or Profession	Nature of work	Employer, employee works on own	Out of work Apr. 15	Months out of work '09	Can read	Can write	Attended school	Home owned or rented	Free or mortgaged	Farm or house	No. of farm encls.	Confid. or Union veteran
61	C-400	M	W	36	M1	14	1	Colorado	Indiana	Iowa			Eng	Farmer	General Farm	Emp			Yes	Yes		O	F	F	62		
61	CALOWAY, George C.	F	W	34	M1	14	1	Iowa	Indiana	Iowa			Eng	Teacher	Public School				Yes	Yes	yes						
	Nora M.	F	W	12				Nebraska	Colorado	Iowa			Eng	none													
	Eunice E.	F	W																								

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 Enumeration Dist. No. 93 } 70 A

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 State Kansas
 County Norton

Crystal Township
 Name of incorporated city, town, or village, within the above named division, _____

Ward of City _____

Name of incorporated city, town, or village, within the above named division, _____
 Enumerated by me on the 25 day of June, 1900, J. F. Graves, Enumerator.

LOCATION		PERSONAL DESCRIPTION										NATIVITY			CITIZEN.			OCCUPATION			EDUCATION			HOME					
House No.	Dwelling No.	Family No.	Head of family	Color	Sex	Month of birth	Year of birth	Age at last birthday	Single, married, widowed, divorced	No. of years married	Number of how many children	Number of those children living	Place of birth	Place of birth of father	Place of birth of mother	Year of immigration to U.S.	No. of years in U.S.	Naturalization	Occupation, Trade, or Profession, of each person ten years of age and over.	No. of months not employed	Attended school (months)	Can read	Can write	Can speak English	Home owned or rented	Home owned free or mortgaged	Farm or house	Number of farm schedule	
138	138	138	Head	M	M	June	1873	26	S				Iowa	Ill	Iowa				Farmer	0		Yes	Yes	Yes	O	M	F	126	

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 State Nebraska
 County Furnas

Sherman Precinct
 Name of Institution
 Township or other division of County
 Name of incorporated city, town, or village, within the above named division, Pierce D. Flemming, Enumerator.
 Enumerated by me on the 14th day of June, 1900.

LOCATION	NAME	PERSONAL DESCRIPTION										NATIVITY			CITIZEN.			OCCUPATION			EDUCATION			HOME					
		House No.	Dwelling No.	Family No.	Relation to head of family	Color	Sex	Month of birth	Year of birth	Age at first birthday	Single, married, widowed, divorced	No. of years married	Mother of how many children	Number of living children	Place of birth	Place of birth of father	Place of birth of mother	Year of immigration to U.S.	No. of years in U.S.	Naturalization	Occupation, Trade, or Profession, at each session for years of age and sex.	No. of months not employed	Attended school (months)	Can read	Can write	Can speak English	Home owned or rented	Home owned free or mortgaged	Farm or house
67	Calloway George C			67	Head	M	Aug	1873	26	M	5	1	1	Colo-rado	Illi-nois	Iowa				Farmer	0		Yes	Yes	Yes	0	F	F	79
	Nora M				Wife	F	Nov	1875	24	M	5	1	1	Iowa	Iowa								Yes	Yes					
	Eunice E				Dau	F	Dec	1897	2	S				Neb-braska	Colo-rado	Iowa							Yes	Yes	Yes				
	Railsback William				Sgt	M	Dec	1876	23	S				Mis-souri	Indi-ana	Ohio		0		Farm Laborer	0		Yes	Yes	Yes				
	Cunningham John W				Sgt	M	July	1874	25	S				Iowa	Ire-land	Ger-many		0		Farm Laborer	0		Yes	Yes	Yes				
	Hurley James S				Sgt	M	Aug	1880	19	S				Massa-chuset	Massa-chuset	Massa-chuset		3	0	Farm Laborer			Yes	Yes	Yes				

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Supervisor's Dist. No. Colo
 Enumeration Dist. No. 41
 SCHEDULE 1. Inhabitants in (not recorded) (Precinct No. 4), in the County of Elbert, State of Colorado

enumerated by me on the 14th 15th 16th day of June, 1880 Reuben Berry Enumerator

House Number	Dwelling Number	Family Number	Names	Color	Sex	Age prior to June 1st	Month of birth if born in census yr.	Relationship to head of house	Single	Married	Divorced	Profession, Occupation or Trade	No. of months unemployed	Health Inform. *	Attended School	Cannot read	Cannot write	Place of birth	Place of birth of father	Place of birth of mother
101	110		Caloway Clancy	W	M	36			/			Farmer & Stock-raiser	15	*				Illinois	Ky	(Ill)
			Bessie	W	F	35		Wife	/									Scotland	Scotland	Scotland
			Louie	W	F	12		Dau										Iowa	Ill	Ind
			Frank	W	M	10		Son												
			George	W	M	7		Son										Colorado		
			(Loind)Elbert	W	M	22		Servant	/			Laborer	20					Wisconsin	NY	NY

* Cannot distinguish the details on this.

Health information item numbers: 15 - Sick or temporarily disabled; 16 - Blind; 17 - Deaf & dumb; 18 - Idiotic; 19 - Insane; 20 - Maimed or crippled

20 April 1910

1910 Census

Name	Speaks English, if not give language spoken	Occupation		If an employee		Education		Ownership in home				Whether blind (both eyes)	Whether deaf or dumb
		Trade or profession	General nature of trade or occupation	Employer, employee, self-employed	Out of work on 15 April 1910	7 weeks out of work during 1909	Able to read	Able to write	Attended school anytime since 1 Sept 1909	Owned or rented	Owned free or mortgage		
			Home Farm OA			Yes	Yes	0	P	F	30	U	0
Ward, Elias P.	English	Farmer				Yes	Yes	0			30	U	0
— Alta O.	English	None				Yes	Yes						

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BISHOP'S ANNUAL REPORT
Of Receipts and Expenditures of the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ
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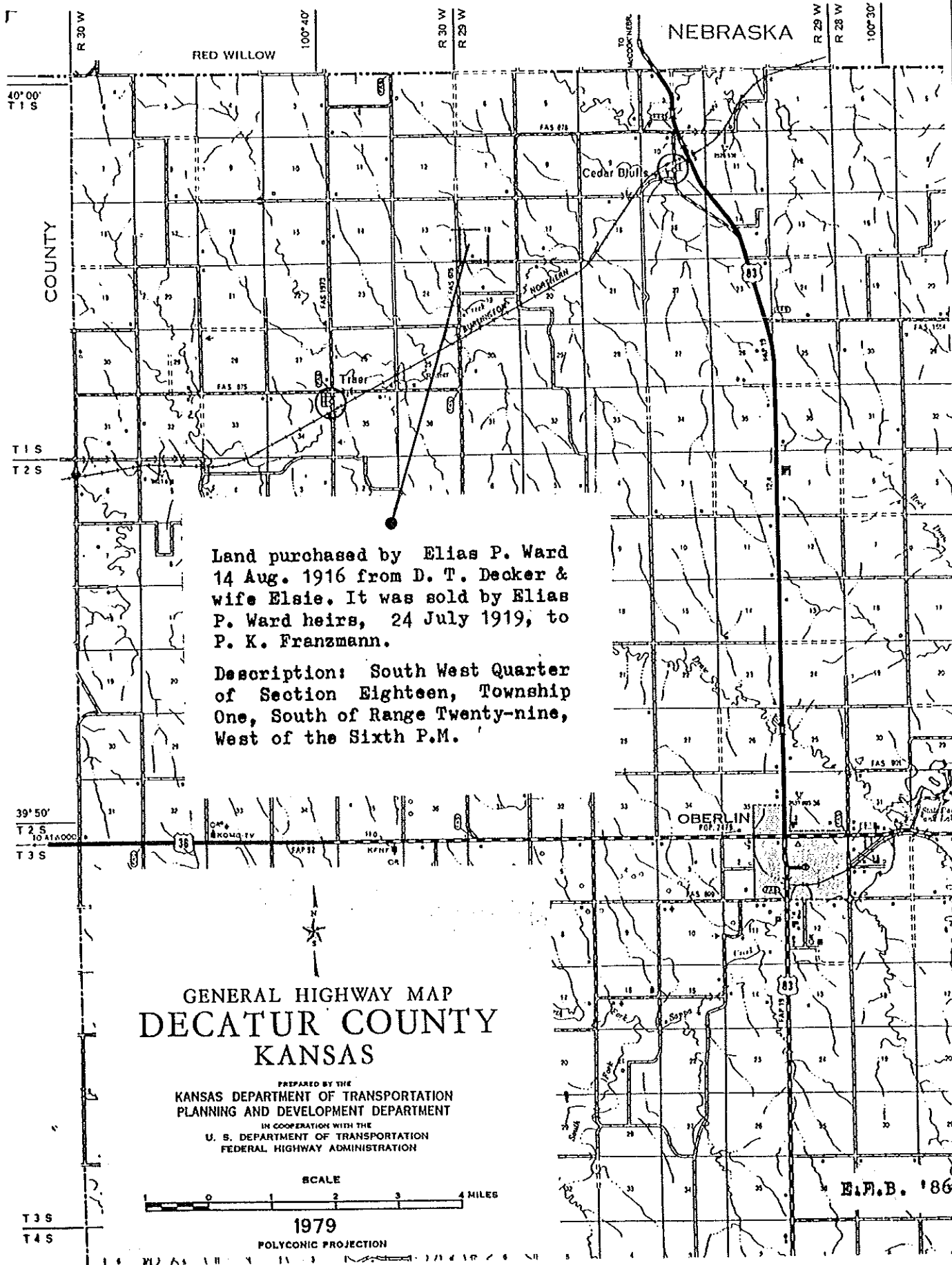
page 18 Northwestern District
 J. A. Teeters, Agent

Receipts

Balance due Church December 31, 1910	67.78
Ansley, John B.	4.87
Brown, Maria	21.50
Bergeir, Mary	15.00
Bullard, E. L. & Lois	15.00
Cole, J. A. & Sadie	50.00
Drovetta, Sarah	2.00
Flemming, Grace	3.00
Palmer, H. A. & family	8.03
Sumner, Addie	5.00
Sears, Mary	10.00
Seaman, Mrs. I. H.	3.50
Teeters, J. A. & Eva	10.00
Teeters, M. V. & Mary	100.00
Ward, Alta	5.00
Wolfe, Mrs. F. B.	10.00
Total	<u>330.63</u>

Expenditures

Fields, S. H., f	25.00
Madden, S. J., f	52.00
Teeters, J. A., a	231.00
Agent's Expenses	<u>.30</u>
Total	308.30
Due Church	22.38



Land purchased by Elias P. Ward
 14 Aug. 1916 from D. T. Decker &
 wife Elsie. It was sold by Elias
 P. Ward heirs, 24 July 1919, to
 P. K. Franzmann.

Description: South West Quarter
 of Section Eighteen, Township
 One, South of Range Twenty-nine,
 West of the Sixth P.M.

GENERAL HIGHWAY MAP DECATUR COUNTY KANSAS

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POLYCONIC PROJECTION

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NUMERICAL INDEX OF LOTS
FURNAS COUNTY, NEBRASKA
BLOCK 37, TOWN OF WILSONVILLE

Grantee	Grantor	Inst.	Month	Day	Year	Town	Lots	Book	Page
Olof Pearson	Lorenzo M. Wilson & wf.	WD	Aug.	26	1887	1		13	79
John D. Pearson	Olof Pearson & wf.	WD	Mar.	20	1889	1		13	375
Isaac S. Shirey	John D. Pearson (Sing.)	WD	Apr.	10	1889	1		13	411
A. M. Cowden	Heirs Isaac S. Shirey	SCD	July	21	1894	1		23	26
To whom it may concern	J. F. Filts	Aff.	Jan.	8	1914	1		44	49
Geo. A. & Robert Miller	Avin Arnsberger	TD	Jan.	8	1914	1		44	49
E. P. Ward	Robert E. Miller, et al	WD	Mar.	17	1916	1		45	595
Elias P. Ward, Heirs of	W. D. Butler, Co. Judge	Dec.	June	21	1919	1 & 2		G	180
Alta O. Ward	Fred S. Ward, et al	Deed	July	30	1919	1 & 2		47	437
Alta O. Ward	Fred S. Ward, et al	GWD	July	30	1919	1 & 2		49	398
Clarence P. Ward	Alta O. Ward	WD	Oct.	10	1934	1 & 2		55	379
Charley C. Ward	Clarence P. Ward & wf.	WD	Apr.	23	1936	1 & 2		54	373
Enterprise Loan & Bldg. Ass'n.	Charley C. Ward & wf.	Mtg.	May	5	1936	1 & 2		27	693
John D. Pearson	R. E. Miller	Aff.	May	18	1936	1		K	84
Ellis Shirey, et al	County Court, Furnis Co.	Dec.	June	2	1936	1		K	92
To whom it may concern	R. T. Cline	Aff.	Apr.	28	1936	1 & 2		K	94
To whom it may concern	Luella Coler	Aff.	May	11	1936	1 & 2		K	94
Clarence P. Ward	Nellie Reager Hawkins & husband	QCD	Apr.	28	1936	1 & 2		54	381
Betty Ward	Homer Smith	WD	Dec.	27	1937	3		56	319
Charley C. Ward & wf.	Enterprise Loan	Rel.	Feb.	19	1941	1 & 2		16	419
Edward Hummell & wf.	Charley C. Ward	WD	Mar.	2	1943	1, 2 & 3		57	374
Enterprise Loan	Edward Hummell & wf.	Mtg.	Mar.	25	1943	1, 2 & 3		36	548
Edward Hummell & wf.	Enterprise Loan	Rel.	Apr.	11	1944	1, 2 & 3		17	1
Alta Ocenena Ward	Jean Barrett, State Reg.	DC	May	11	1936	1 & 2		S	475
Charles D. Jackson & wf.	Edward Hummell & wf.	WD	May	2	1950	1 & 2		62	654
John Stitgel & wf.	Charles D. Jackson & wf.	WD	Apr.	30	1958	1 & 2		67	586

Aff. - Affidavit, DC - Death Certificate, Dec. - Decree, GWD - Guaranteed Warranty Deed,
Mtg. - Mortgage, QCD - Quick Claim Deed, Rel. - Release from a mortgage, SCD -
TD - Tax Deed, WD - Warranty Deed.

Edw. Bartlett, September 1981

GENERAL INDEX
FURNAS COUNTY, NEBRASKA, DEEDS

Grantee	Grantor	Date & time filed	Date of Inst.	Inst. Book	Page	Description
Ward E. P.	Robert E. Miller, et al	May 20, 1916 4PM	Mar. 17, 1916	WD 45	595	Lot 1, Blk 37 Wilsonville

MISCELLANEOUS RECORDS
Book G, page 180

W. O. Butler, County Judge, to Heirs of Elias P. Ward, deceased, 21st day of June, 1919.
Filed 6th of August 1919.

Elias P. Ward also owned the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 18, Twp. 18 of Range 29W of the 6th PM in Decatur
County, Kansas

Lot 1 and 2, Block 37, is located at the intersection of Omir Street
and Furnas Street at the Southwest corner of the intersection, or on
the right hand as one is standing, facing South and looking towards
Railway Street (Where the tracks lay) in the town of Wilsonville,
Nebraska.

CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

No. 419

Furnas County, Nebraska
Township, Wilsonville
City, Wilsonville
Name, Alta Ocenena Ward
Died, January 19, 1936 at 4PM
Principal cause; Cirrhosis of liver, Diabetes
Mellitus, Cerebral anemia.

Edw. Bartlett, September 1981

DEED RECORD.

GENERAL WARRANTY

FROM
S. J. Decker, Clerk M. Decker
Husband and Wife
 TO
E. W. Ward

State of Kansas, Decatur County, ss.
 This instrument was filed for record on the *13th* day of *September* A. D. 19*16*, at *11* o'clock *P.* M.
Paul Frank Holcomb
 Register of Deeds.
 Deputy.

This Indenture, made this *14th* day of *August* A. D. 19*16*, between *S. J. Decker, Clerk M. Decker, Husband and Wife* of *Decatur* County, in the State of *Kansas*, of the first part, and *E. W. Ward* of *McPherson* County, in the State of *Kansas*, of the second part.

WITNESSETH, That said part *of the first part*, in consideration of the sum of *Three Thousand Dollars (\$3000.00)* and *25* DOLLARS, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, do by these presents Grant, Bargain, Sell and Convey unto said part *of the second part* heirs and assigns, all the following described real estate, situated in the County of Decatur and State of Kansas, to wit:
The south West Quarter (1/4) of Section Eighteen (18) Townships (T. 20) Range Twenty Nine (R. 29) West of the 6th S. M. Containing 160 acres more or less according to Government Survey.
(3.00 Revenue Stamps attached)

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD THE SAME, Together with all and singular the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining, forever,
 And said *S. J. Decker and Clerk M. Decker, Husband and Wife* for *themselves, their* heirs, executors or administrators, do hereby covenant, promise and agree, to and with said part *of the second part*, that at the delivery of these presents *they* lawfully seized in *their* own right, of an absolute and indefeasible estate of inheritance, in fee simple, of and in all and singular the above granted and described premises, with the appurtenances; that the same are free, clear, discharged and unincumbered of and from all former and other grants, titles, charges, estates, judgments, taxes, assessments and incumbrances, of what nature or kind soever;

and that *they* will warrant and forever defend the same unto said part *of the second part*, heirs and assigns, against said part *of the first part*, heirs, and all and every person or persons whomsoever, lawfully claiming or to claim the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, The said part *of the first part* hereunto set *their* hand on the day and year first above writen.
S. J. Decker
Clerk M. Decker

State of Kansas, *Decatur* County, ss.
 BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this *14th* day of *August* A. D. 19*16* before me, the undersigned, a *Notary Public* in and for the County and State aforesaid, came *S. J. Decker and Clerk M. Decker* *Husband and Wife* who *are* personally known to me to be the same person who executed the within instrument of writing, and such person *has* duly acknowledged the execution of the same.
 IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my *Notarial* seal, the day and year last above written.
Justin T. Henry Notary Public.
 (Term expires *January 3* 19*18*)
 Entered in Transfer Record in my office, this *13th* day of *September* 19*16*
Jan. 1917 County Clerk.

WARRANTY DEED.

Alta O. Ward et al. to P. K. Franzman

THIS INDENTURE, Made this 24th day of July, A.D. 1919 between

Alta O. Ward, widow of Elias P. Ward, deceased, Fred S. Ward, and Eunice Ward his wife, Ernest H. Ward and Clara Ward his wife, Charles C. Ward and Ethel Ward, his wife Frank H. Ward and Verna H. Ward his wife, Clarence P. Ward and Mary F. Ward, his wife said Fred P. Ward, Ernest H. Ward, Charles C. Ward, Frank H. Ward and Clarence P. Ward, being the sons and heirs at law of Elias P. Ward, deceased, and Joseph E. Reager and Bertha H. Reager his wife, Clyde C. Reager and Lizzie Reager his wife, Albert C. Reager, single, Roy C. Reager, single, and Pearl Walton and Phillip Walton her husband, said Joseph W. Reager, Clyde C. Reager, Albert C. Reager, Roy C. Reager and Pearl Walton being; sons and daughter of Laura Reager, deceased, who was a daughter, of Elias P. Ward, Deceased,

And P. K. Franzman of Decatur County, in the State of Kansas of the second part,

WITNESSETH, That said parties of the first part in consideration of the sum of Thirty Five Hundred & No/100 Dollars, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, do by these presents grant, bargain, sell and convey unto said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns, all the following-described real estate, situated in the County of Decatur and State of Kansas, to wit:

South West Quarter of Section Eighteen, Township One, South of Range Twenty-nine, West of the Sixth P.M.

(REVENUE STATE \$3.50)

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD THE SAME, Together with all and singular the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining, forever

And said above named grantors, for themselves, their heirs executors or administrators, do hereby covenant, promise and agree, to and with said party of the second part, that at the delivery of these presents they are lawfully seized in their own right, of an absolute and indefeasible estate of inheritance, in fee simple, or in all and singular the above granted and described premises, with the appurtenances; that the same are free, clear, discharged and unincumbered of and from all former and other grants, titles, charges, estates, judgments, taxes, assessments and incumbrances, of what nature or kind soever; and that they will warrant and forever defend the same unto said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns, against said parties of the first part, their heirs, and all and every person or persons whomsoever, lawfully claiming or to claim the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, The said parties of the first part have hereunto set their hands the day and year first above written.

Alta O. Ward
Frank H. Ward
Pearl E. Walton
Fred S. Ward
Ernest H. Ward
Charles C. Ward
Joseph E. Reager
Albert C. Reager
Clyde E. Reager
Clarence P. Ward
Vernie H. Ward
Phillip Walton
Eunice Ward
Clara Ward
Ethel Ward
Bertha H. Reager
Roy C. Reager
Lizzie H. Reager
Mary F. Ward

STATE OF NEBRASKA }
Furnas County } SS.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 24th day of July, A.D. 1919 before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, came Alta O. Ward, a widow, Pearl Walton and Phillip Walton her husband and Frank H. Ward and Verna H. Ward his wife who are personally known to me to be the same persons who executed the within instrument of writing, and such persons duly acknowledged the execution of the same.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal, the day and year last above written.
E. J. Hamilton, Notary Public
Commission expires June 12, 1920.

STATE OF KANSAS }
Sedgwick County } SS.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 12 day of August, A.D. 1919, before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, came Fred S. Ward and Eunice Ward, husband and wife who are personally known to me to be the same persons who executed the within instrument of writing, and such person duly acknowledged the execution of the same.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal, the day and year last above written.
O. L. Andrews, Notary Public
(Term expires Dec. 24, 1922)

STATE OF Nebraska }
Lincoln County } SS.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 19th day of August, A.D. 1919, before me the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, came Charles C. Ward and Ethel Ward, his wife who are personally known to me to be the same persons who executed the within instrument of writing, and such persons duly acknowledged the execution of the same.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal, the day and year last above written.
L. E. Mehlmann, Notary Public
(Term expires Jan, 1, 1923.)

GUARDIAN'S DEED.

Andrew Reager, Guardian to P.K. Franzman

THIS INDENTURE, Made this 26th day of September, 1919, between Andrew Reager, as Guardian of Nellie Reager, minor daughter of Laura I. Reager, deceased, of Dundy County, State of Nebraska, party of the first part, and P. K. Franzman of Decatur County, State of Kansas, party of the second part:

WITNESSETH, That the said party of the first part, by virtue of an Order of Sale made and issued by the Probate Court of Decatur County, State of Kansas, and dated the Eighteenth day of September, 1919, has sold to the said party of the second part, the real property hereinafter described, in conformity to law and to said Order of Sale, for the sum of Forty Eight and 60/100 Dollars, which sum is more than three fourths of the appraised value of said real property; and said Court has duly approved and confirmed said sale, and ordered the said party of the first part to make a deed for said premises so sold to the said purchaser.

NOW, THEREFORE, In consideration of the sum of Forty-Eight and 60/100 Dollars and by virtue of the powers in him vested by law and the aforesaid orders of said Court, the said party of the first part, as Guardian as aforesaid, does hereby grant, bargain, sell and convey, unto the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns, forever, all the right, title and interest of the said Nellie Reager, minor daughter of Laura I. Reager, deceased, in and to all of the following-described real property, situated in Decatur County, State of Kansas, to wit:

The undivided One Seventy-second (1/72) interest in and to the South West Quarter (SW $\frac{1}{4}$) of Section Eighteen (18) in Township One (1) South in Range Twenty-nine (29) West of the 6th Principal Meridian.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the above-granted premises, together with the appurtenances, unto the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns, forever.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, The said party of the first part has hereunto set his hand, the day and year first herein written.

In presence of
R. D. Druliner

Andrew Reager
Guardian of Nellie Reager

STATE OF NEBRASKA }
Dundy County } SS.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 26th day of September, 1919, before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, came Andrew Reager, Guardian of Nellie Reager, Minor daughter of Laura I. Reager, deceased who is personally known to me to be the same person who executed the foregoing deed, and duly acknowledged the execution of the same.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my official seal, on the day and year last above written.

R. D. Druliner
Notary Public
Commission expires Oct 23, 1921.

STATE OF KANSAS }
Decatur County } SS.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF SAID COUNTY,

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 27th day of September, 1919, the within and foregoing Deed was returned to this Court, and in open Court the sale of the premises therein described and the said Deed were approved and confirmed by the Court.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of said Court, on the day and year last above written.

John C. Lathrop
Probate Judge.

Entered in Transfer Record in my office, this 11 day of Oct. 1919.

Harry L. Henton
County Clerk.

STATE OF KANSAS }
Decatur County } SS.

This Instrument was filed for record on this 11th day of October A.D. 1919 at 11:00 o'clock A.M.

H. L. Haden
Register of Deeds.

MRS. ALTA O. WARD
A BIOGRAPHY

This is one of a series of articles relating to pioneers, historic spots and interesting incidents of Furnas county.

By DORR TRESSLER

John and Eliza Brandon, farmers, lived in Pike County, Illinois, when the subject of this biography was born. The father was a hard working German, having cleared his Illinois farm of heavy timber, such as that country boasted in those days. The reward of that work wrecked his physical health to the point where his family doctor ordered for him a change of climate. This change was made in 1866, the family traveling by covered wagon to St. Clair county, Mo., the trip requiring about two weeks. However, before this move was made Mr. Brandon made a trip with the '49ers to California, traveling from the concentration point at St. Joseph, Mo., over the Mormon Trail which had been established five years previously. On November 19, 1848, Alta was born. She grew to young womanhood on her father's farm. The trading post of Detroit, was two miles away, while the school she attended was on a corner of the farm, about a quarter of a mile from their home. Folks in those days said a girl didn't need an education unless she intended to teach, and as she did not intend to teach, her schooling was not extensive; she wanted to study but the war came on and this was interrupted. She became an adept speller and attended one spelling bee mentioned in particular. The pupils were ranged along three sides of the room and they spelled until only she and the teacher, who had taken part, were left standing. They continued until three pages of their spelling book had been exhausted, when she won. The victory word has long since been forgotten. The young women, she said, didn't run around much, they had too much work to do. They remained in Illinois until after the war, leaving there at the age of eighteen. Arriving in the Missouri location the father bought 400 acres of land which he farmed and then when his health became so that he had to give up that hard work he bought and operated a merchandise store, passing his last days there.

In 1867 she was married, in her Missouri home, to Elias P. Ward a soldier of The Civil War who had fought at the Siege of Vicksburg in Company B, 22nd Iowa volunteer infantry. He enlisted on September 9, 1862 at Iowa City and was discharged July 25, 1865, at Savannah, Georgia. He was born in Licking county, Ohio. His army chaplain whom he held in high regard, was Richard L. Allender. Enroute to the battle of Vicksburg this chaplain wanted to stop and pray. The captain, hurriedly rushing up exclaimed; "You do the praying for them while we shoot at em!"

Mrs. Ward and husband lived in their Missouri home a year and moved to a farm near Iowa City, Iowa, where they remained for three years, then moved back to Missouri and lived there for thirteen years. In 1883 via a covered wagon and nineteen days travel they reached a new country - Norton county, Kansas. As the years rolled by six children came to them, Laura, Fred, Earnest, Charles, Frank and Clarence. Laura and Earnest together with the father now are awaiting the mother and brothers, having passed on. Fred lives in Wichita; Charles makes his home in Wilsonville with his mother; Frank in Blue Hill, Nebraska, and Clarence in Hayes county, near Palisade.

On arriving in Norton county they took a homestead 12 miles west of Norton. Their first impressions were of prairie, buffalo grass, hot winds, and jack-rabbits. The nearest railroad was the central branch of the Missouri Pacific, 18 miles away at Lenora. In 1885 a track was built through Norton, Norcatur and Oberlin, this road being only a half mile from their farm.

The farm machinery used at that time was the stirring plow, the walking cultivator and the wooden harrow, the frame being of wood with iron spikes driven through. Wood for fuel was hauled twelve miles. Oxen were used to break the prairie with sod-busters. Clothing was made at home from yard goods. After the railroad came people bought buggies, some mortgaging their land for the money. Travel was by wagon, horseback and on foot. Roads were trails. Wagons followed the ruts till the wind blew the dust out and let the wheels down to the axles, then a new trail was broken alongside the first. A mill, eight miles away ground their wheat and corn; it was on the Prairie Dog and known as the Van Meter mill. They had no trouble getting flour and together with frys from Mrs. Ward's 400 or 500 chickens, and custard and pumpkin pies, and all the other enticing things a good cook can make, they had plenty to eat. Between 1883 and 1901 they operated a second farm near Norcatour; this was sold and they moved to Decatur county, in turn going back to Norton county where they lived for ten years from 1905 to 1915, and moving to Wilsonville early in 1916. Here they built where their present home is. Mr. Ward died June 20, 1917, following injuries sustained by a fall from the Presbyterian church steps. He was 74 years of age. Burial was in the Wilsonville cemetery.

The house on their Kansas homestead was built of sod and wood. Their first crop failure was in 1890. In 1893 no prices for produce; 1894 complete failure. Not a stalk of corn nor bit of hay in the whole country with this exception; Mr Ward was the only farmer in Norton county to cut grain that year, and he had ten acres of rye which yielded 100 bushels. Photographers came to get pictures of it. It was threshed by frails made of pitchfork handles and seed was saved from this for the next year, He also got about 40 bushels of corn for his years work. In those days they planted from 80 to 125 acres of corn, 15 to 30 acres in spring wheat, 5 to 10 acres rye and for prices received 50¢ to \$1 on wheat, 15¢ to 25¢ on corn and 40¢ to \$1 on rye. It was thought that 25 to 50 bushels of corn made a good yield.

A blizzard held sway for two days and two nights in early November, 1884. They had about thirty head of cattle and to keep them alive fodder was dragged some distance away to a canyon where this stock had found a sort of shelter. To keep themselves from freezing their fuel consisted of cow chips, cornstalks, bits of wood and what few cobs they picked and had stored in the house. The children went to school 1 3/4 miles away where 40 to 50 were enrolled after fall work was over, the smaller scholars enrolling earlier. Albert Hicks, Ora Brown and Asel Davis were some of the teachers. Entertainments in this school house consisted of literaries, spelling bees, singing, church, basket suppers and the like. The hat was sometimes passed three times to get enough money to buy coal oil, lamps, and chimneys. At times money was very scarce.

The soil was too dry on the farm to grow trees, although they planted a mixed orchard. But few trees ever bore much fruit. Water for drinking came from dug wells, sparkling and clear. These wells were walled up with rock that came from the hills, each farmer quarrying his own or picking them up from the hillsides where they had been exposed by erosion.

Mrs. Ward is now eighty-four years old, but even with all those years she is spry and active and does her housework alone. When this story was in the making she was working with cherries, getting ready to can or make pies or jell, maybe all three, but she visited all along in a merry way except when rehearsing the tales of long ago. To her, some of those happenings weren't so long ago, for one lives in memory of certain events which have a way of coming back often. It takes courage to live a good life and fight a good fight, and Mrs. Ward turns the pages of her Bible often, as is evidenced by her cheerful manner.

(As published in the local newspaper in 1932)

ALTA OCENIE BRANDON WARD

Alta Ocenie Brandon was born November 11, 1848 in Pike county, Illinois, near Pittsburg and died at her home in Wilsonville, Nebraska, January 19, 1936 at the age of 87 years, 2 months and 8 days.

When twelve years of age, she came with her parents, John and Louise Brandon to Missouri, where she spent her girlhood and was married to Elias P. Ward, March 7, 1867.

In 1883 she and her husband became pioneers and settled on a homestead four miles east of Norcorator, Kansas. In 1916 they moved from the Kansas home to Wilsonville, where she has since resided.

She was preceded in death by her only daughter, Laura Irene Reager, May 4, 1915; her husband, June 20, 1917, and her son, Ernest H., August 18, 1928.

Those of her immediate family left to mourn her going, are her sons: Fred S. of Wichita, Kansas, Charles C. of Wilsonville, Clarence P. of Palisade, Nebraska, and Frank H. of McPherson, Kansas, together with 35 grand children, 39 great grandchildren and a host of friends.

Mrs. Ward became affiliated with the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, November 11, 1895 and remained a devout member until her death.

We have lost our darling mother,
She has bid us all adieu;
She has gone to live in heaven—
And her form is lost to view.

Oh, that dear one, how we loved her!
Oh, how hard to give her up!
But an angel came down for her,
And removed her from our flock

The funeral services were held from the Methodist church Tuesday afternoon with Rev. Foster in charge, and Cline & Cline directing, and the body was laid to rest in the Wilsonville cemetery.

Those out of town who attended the funeral were: Mr. and Mrs. Wagner of North Platte, Mr. and Mrs. Hawkins of McDonald, Kans., Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Reager, Oberlin, Kans., Mrs. Bessie Kinsman, Cambridge, Mr. Roy Reager, Oberlin, and Mr. and Mrs. Phil Waiton of Oberlin.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank all who so kindly assisted us in any way during the illness and death of our dear mother, for the floral offerings and the words of comfort.

The Children and
A. A. Reager



Clyde Emmet Reager

Clyde Emmet Reager was born to Andrew and Laura Ward Reager Aug. 12, 1891, in Decatur county, Kansas, and died during the night of June 11, 1959.

Dec. 6, 1916, he was married to Elizabeth Montgomery; they had three children. Emmet Andrew died in infancy at the age of five days.

Surviving are Catherine Wilson of Gunnison, Colo., and Doris Briggs of Magna, Utah. He was preceded in death by his parents, three brothers, one sister, and an infant son.

In addition to his daughters, he is survived by two sisters, Mrs. Nellie Hawkins of Atwood and Mrs. Pearl Walton of Oberlin; one brother, Albert Reager of Oberlin; four granddaughters, two grandsons, numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives.

All his life he was a conscientious, hard worker with a cheerful outlook on life, always ready with a pleasant remark.

He had been in failing health for the last few months, being tenderly cared for by his sister, Mrs. Hawkins.

Obituary

Laura I. Ward was born April 30, 1868, married A. A. Reager June 28, 1886. To this union were born 4 sons and 2 daughters. She was the third of seven children and came to Missouri in 1867. She was united with the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints and her favorite hymn was "On the Evening of My Life." She had 6 brothers, a number of sisters, and a host of friends. Her great-grandfather was one of the first settlers on the Evergreen farm, which is now the site of the Wilsonville cemetery. Her feet have trod the path which will be beckoning her hands to her dear ones to Heavenly Land.

By W. L. Kahlor.

OBITUARY

Elias P. Ward was born in Lincoln county, Ohio, September 25th, 1843 and died at his home at Wilsonville, Nebraska, June 26th, 1917, aged 73 years, 8 months and 25 days. He moved with his family to Jasper Co. Illinois in 1847 and later to Washington county, Iowa, in 1862. He enlisted in the 22nd Iowa Infantry and served his country until the close of the rebellion when he received an honorable discharge after having served in 37 battles during the service.

March 7th, 1867 he was united in marriage to Miss Alta O'Brandon and to them five sons and one daughter were born, the wife and one son being the deceased but the daughter preceded him in death two years ago, at Oberlin, Kansas. In the year 1883 Mr. and Mrs. Ward moved to what is now Norcorator, Kansas, where they lived until taking up their home in Wilsonville about two years ago. In 1895 Mr. Ward united with the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, to which faith he clung until the last. The funeral service was conducted from the M. E. church Thursday, June 21st, at 2:30 p. m., by the pastor, Rev. D. W. Parker, and the remains were tenderly laid to rest in the Wilsonville cemetery to await resurrection morn.

PERRY WARD PASSES AWAY.

Ferry Ward passed away Wednesday evening at his home in the north part of town. Death was the result of injuries received nearly two weeks ago in a fall from the steps of the Presbyterian church since which time his condition has been precarious, lying in an unconscious state. Funeral services were held Thursday from the Methodist church. Death was anticipated and the children were all at his bedside.

OBITUARY

Elias P. Ward was born in Licking county, Ohio, September 25th, 1843, died at his home in Wilsonville, Nepr., June 20, 1917, aged 73 years, 8 months and 25 days.

He moved with his parents to Jasper county, Ill. in 1847 and later to Washington county, Iowa. In 1862 he enlisted in the 22nd Iowa Infantry and served his country till the close of the Rebellion, when he received an honorable discharge, having engaged in 37 battles during this service.

On March 7, 1867, he was united in marriage to Miss Alta O. Brandon. To them was born five sons and one daughter, the five sons and wife survive the deceased; the daughter having preceded him in death two years ago at Oberlin, Kansas. In the year 1883, Mr. and Mrs. Ward moved near to what is now Noreatur, Kans., where they until taking up their residence in Wilsonville about one year ago.

In 1894, Mr. Ward united with the Re-organized Church of Jesus Christ or Latter day Saints, to which faith he clung until the end of life. The funeral services were conducted from the M. E. church Thursday, June 21, at 7:30 p. m., by the pastor, Rev. D. W. Parker, and the remains were tenderly laid to rest in the Wilsonville Cemetery to await the resurrection morn.

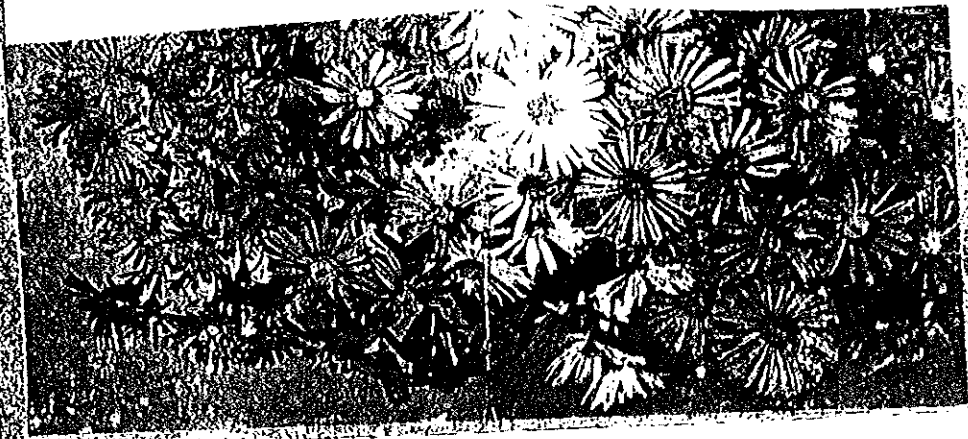
We desire to express our appreciation of the many kindly acts and assistance of our friends and neighbors during the late illness and death of our beloved husband and father.

Mrs. E. P. Ward and children.

Elias P. Ward, born
September 25, 1843
Newark, Licking Co.,
Ohio. Baptized April 25
1895 at Cronogue, Wilson
County, Kansas and
confirmed by G. H. Scholtz

Alta C. Ward - born 19th
of Nov, 1848, Detroit
Pike County, Illinois.
Baptized 11th of Nov. 1891
at Cronogue, Kansas

From old church record
in Independence,
Missouri.



CHRONOLOGICAL HISTORY

of

- ELIAS PERRY WARD, son of Tartus M. WARD & Elvira M. DOOLITTLE, born 25 September 1843, Licking County, Ohio. Married 7 March 1867, St. Clair County, Missouri, to Alta Ocena BRANDON, daughter of John & Louisa (BURBRIDGE) BRANDON. Died 20 June 1917, Wilsonville, Furnas County, Nebraska.
- 1846 Removed from Licking Co., Ohio, with his parents and his brother, William Jonas, to Crawford Co., Licking Twp., Illinois.
- 1846 Oct. 24th his father purchased his first land in Crawford Co., Illinois, from Arnold Rickenson. For the sum of \$350.00 he obtained 40 acres in the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 34, Twp. 8N, Range 13W and also 40 acres in the N $\frac{1}{2}$ of the E $\frac{1}{2}$ of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 34, Twp. 8N, Range 13W as recorded in book E, page 51, of said county.
- 1848 Mar. 26th his brother Josiah Wilson was born in Crawford Co., Illinois.
- 1852 July 2nd his father paid \$1200.00 to William W. Fisher & wife, Jane, for their land in Jasper County, Illinois, described as follows: N $\frac{1}{2}$ of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$, Sec 1, Twp. 8N, Range 10E, containing 87 & 14/100 of an acre; NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$, Sec. 6, Twp. 8N, Range 11E, containing 43 & 50/100 of an acre; also N $\frac{1}{2}$ of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$, Sec. 6, Twp. 8N, Range 11E, containing 51 & 91/100 of an acre. (Total 182 & 57/100 acres in Grandville Twp.) - Deed Record Book C, page 768 of said county.
- 1852 Nov. 1st his sister Emily Amelia was born in Jasper County, Illinois.
- 1853 Jan. 31st his brother William Jonas died in Jasper County, Illinois.
- 1860 his grandmother Hannah DOOLITTLE, age 72, is living with his parents in Jasper county. Their Post office is Ste. Marie.
- 1860 July 11th his father, for \$3000.00, sold the above described land to Z. H. McCubbins. Jasper Co., Ills., Deed Records, Book M, page 179.
- 1860 July 11th his father for the sum of \$1800.00, in hand paid to Zackariah H. McCubbin & wife Mary F., purchased the following described land; Lots No. three & four & the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$, Sec. No. 14, Twp. 77N, Range 6W, containing one hundred and thirty seven acres more or less. (in Iowa Twp.) - Deed Book K, page 667, of Washington County, Iowa.
- 1860, Fall of, his family removed from Jasper County, Illinois, to Washington County, Iowa. Their post office was the Yatton Post Office, the first one to be established in the township. The mail, which was carried on horseback, was received once each week.
- 1862 Aug. 8th he enlisted in Iowa City, Iowa, and was mustered into Company B, 22^d Iowa Volunteer Infantry Regiment August 8th which was rendezvoused and organized by Col. Wm. M. Stone at Camp Pope, Iowa City in the month of August, 1862. It was composed of seven companies from Johnson Co., one from Jasper, one from Monroe and one from Wapello Counties and was mustered into the U.S. service by Capt. H. B. Hendershott, on the 9th day of September, 1862. (Iowa City was about fifteen miles due north of Yatton, Iowa.)

- 1862 Sept. 14th the organization of the 22^d Iowa Volunteer Infantry Regiment being complete, it was ordered to the field, and on the night of the same day it was conveyed by rail to Davenport and thence by steamer Metropolitan down the Mississippi river to St. Louis, where it arrived on the 18th inst. and quartered in Benton Barracks. At this place it remained for several days, during which time it was thoroughly equipped for active service in the field.
- 1862 Sept. 22nd orders were received to move, and at 2 p.m. it was marched to the depot, and from thence was conveyed by railroad to Rolla, Missouri, arriving at the latter place at 12 noon on the 23rd. Marched out on the Springfield road and encamped on an eminence about 2 miles from town. It was subsequently assigned to the Post of Rolla, and remained here, guarding commissary stores and the railroad, and escorting supply trains to the Army of Southeast Missouri.
- 1863 Jan. 27th orders were received to join the army under Genl. Davidson, at West Plains, Missouri. After a march of five days it reached its destination. It remained at this point til a train of supplies arrived from Rolla on the 9th of February.
- 1863 Feb. 9th the regiment's line of march to Iron Mountain was by way of Thomasville and Eminence, arriving February 26th. Encamped here til March 9th when orders were received to join Genl. Grant, then operating against Vicksburg, Mississippi.
- 1863 May 1st he (Elias Perry) was engaged in the following battles; Port Gibson, Mississippi, May 1, 1863; Champions Hill, May 16, 1863; to
1865 Apr. 11th Big Black River, May 17, 1863; Siege of Vicksburg, Mississippi, May 19th to July 4, 1863; Jackson, Mississippi, July 10th to 17th, 1863. And in the state of Virginia: Winchester, September 19, 1864; Fishers Hill, September 22, 1864; Cedar Creek, October 19, 1864.

For more details see Histories and the Adjutant's Reports of the 22^d Infantry's movements and military operations.

Information from the company muster rolls show that Elias Perry Ward was on detached service or detailed in the Ambulance Corps as a driver from August 24, 1864 to April 1865. A comparison of these dates with the regimental history shows that he was detailed to drive an ambulance during Sheridan's Shenandoah Valley Campaign which occurred from August 7th to November 28th, 1864.

- 1865 July 25th he was mustered out of service at Savannah, Georgia, where the regiment had been on duty since April 11th.

Regimental losses during service were:

6 officers ... killed and mortally wounded
108 enlisted men " " " "
1 officer by disease
135 enlisted men " "
<u>250</u> total

- 1865 he returned to his home in Washington County, Iowa, after he was mustered out of the army.
- 1866, Fall of, he removed from Washington County, Iowa, to St. Clair County, Missouri, where he found work at a saw mill.
- 1867 Jan. 29th he, for the sum of \$260.00, purchased from Daniel Dillman & wife, Rachel, 40 acres of land described as follows: The NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 26, Twp. 39 of Range 27 (Monegaw Township), St. Clair Co., Missouri. Deed Records, Book J, page 595, of said county.
- He never danced. He just went to dances he said, "To watch the girls hop around." It is said that it was at one of these dances that he met Alta O. BRANDON.
- 1867 Mar. 7th he and Alta Ooena BRANDON were married at the home of her parents, John L. and Louisa (BURBRIDGE) BRANDON, who were living near by Johnson City, in Monegaw Township.
- 1868 he and wife, Alta, removed from St. Clair County, Missouri, to Washington County, Iowa Township, Iowa.
- 1868 Feb. 18th he for the sum of \$400.00, in hand paid to T. M. WARD and wife, A. M., purchased from them forty acres of land described as the North half of the South East quarter of the North West quarter of Section fifteen all in Township seventy seven (77) North of Range No. Six (6) West, in Washington County, Iowa. (Iowa Twp.) Deed Records, Book R, page 154; Plat Book, page 63; Transfer Book 1, page 124.
- 1868 Apr. 30th his and Alta's first child, Laura Irene, was born in Washington County, Iowa.
- 1868 Sep. 26th he and his wife, Alta, for the sum of \$275.00 sold their forty acres in St. Clair County, Missouri, to Francis Aiken. (NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 26, Twp. 39, Range 27, Monegaw Twp.) Deed Records, Book M, page 95 of said county.
- 1870 Feb. 14th he and wife, Alta, for the sum of \$400.00, sold to his brother, Josiah Wilson WARD, their forty acres of land in Washington Co., Iowa. (N $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 15, also the S $\frac{1}{2}$ of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 15, all in Twp. 77N, Range 6W) Deed Records, Book U, page 36 of said county.
- 1870 Apr. 20th his and Alta's second child, Fredrick Stanley, was born in Riverside, Iowa.
- 1870 he, wife Alta and their children, Laura and Fred, removed from Washington County, Iowa, to St. Clair County, Missouri.
- 1872 Feb. 7th he for the sum of \$240.00 purchased forty acres from his father-in-law, John L. BRANDON, described to wit: NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$, Sec. 15, Twp. 39, Range 27. (Monegaw Twp.), Deed Record Book W, page 636.

- 1874 Feb. 7th he, for the sum of \$280.00, purchased forty acres from Sarah Spangler, described as follows: The South West quarter of the South East quarter of Section No. (22) Twenty two, Township No. (39) Thirty nine, Range No. (27) Twenty seven, St. Clare, Co., Missouri. Deed Record, Book One, page 378, of said county.
- 1877 Mar. 11th his and Alta's third child, Earnest Hayes, was born in St. Clair County, Missouri.
- 1879 Apr. 25th he & wife A. O., for the sum of \$16.00, sold to Lucinda L. Marker a parcel of land described as follows: a seven foot wide by forty rod long parcel on the West line of the South West quarter of the South East quarter of Section Twenty two, Township Thirty nine, Range Twenty seven, St. Clair, Missouri. Deed Record Book 7, page 295.
- 1879 June 27th his and Alta's fourth child, Charles Clinton, was born in St. Clair County, Missouri.
- 1883 Jan. 9th his and Alta's fifth child, Franklin Henry, was born in St. Clair County, Missouri.
- 1883 Feb. 17th he and wife A. O., for the sum of \$700.00, sold to R. E. Biles their land of the following description: The South West quarter of the South East quarter of Section No. (22) Twenty two, Township No. (39) Thirty nine, Range No. (27) Twenty seven, containing (40) Forty acres, more or less, in St. Clair Co., Missouri. Deed Records, Book 18, page 160.
- 1883, early, he, wife Alta and their five children, Laura, Fred, Earnest, Charlie and Frank who was only a few months old, removed from St. Clair County, Missouri, to Norton County, Kansas, where they settled twelve miles west of the town of Norton. Their house was built of sod and wood.
- 1883, late, that he applied for a pension for disabilities acquired during his army service is evidenced by a report from the War Department, Adjutant General's Office, Washington, dated January 28, 1884, wherein is given all the information they have on file on Private Elias P. Ward from his Regimental Rolls. Also was the following information: "Not found on rolls Amb Det 19th Army Corps with which Regt served our file records are incomplete. Books of above named Amb. Det. not on file. No evidence of alleged disabilities 1863 and 1865. No hospital records of organization on file. Company morning reports do not show him sick."
- From what he told his family, sometime before August, 1864, he had been having a problem with his back and because of that he had been assigned to duty as an ambulance driver. It would seem by the above document that he did not get a pension at this time for the lack of records.
- 1886 Sep. 15th his and Alta's sixth child, Clarence Perry, was born in Norton County, Kansas.

- 1893 Mar. 23rd he took out a land patent from the United States on the land described as follows: Lots numbered Three (3) and Four (4) and the South half ($\frac{1}{2}$) of the North West quarter ($\frac{1}{4}$) of Section Two (2) in Township Three (3) South of Range Twenty-five (25) West of the Sixth P.M. in Kansas. (Leota Twp.) Norton County, Kansas. Patent Record, Book 5, page 53.
- 1894 Aug. 6th he mortgaged the above described patent land for a loan of \$230.00 to be paid back in three years at 10 percent interest to Mr. S. J. Powell. Norton County, Kansas, Mortgage Book 4, pg. 464.
The mortgage was satisfied September 18, 1895.
- 1894 Nov. 11th his wife, Alta, born November 19, 1848, in Pike County, Illinois, was baptized into the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints at Oronoque, Norton County, Kansas, by Elder G. W. Shute who also confirmed her. G 36 Book 33nl.
- 1895 Mar. 1st his was family # 3 in the Kansas State Census of Leota Township of Norton County of that year. Post office: Oronoque, Kansas.

Name	Age		Place of birth	Where from to Kansas	Military Record
WARD, E. P.	51	Married	Ohio	Missouri	Enl. Iowa Co. B,
— Alta	46		Illinois		22 ^d Iowa Inf.
— Fred	24		Iowa		
— Earnest	18		Missouri		
— Charles	15		Missouri		
— Frank	12		Missouri		
— Clarence	8		Kansas		

Agricultural Schedule: 160 acres, 120 cultivated; water supply 114 ft. well, windmill; 40 acres fenced w/ 360 rods of wire; 120 acres not fenced; Value of farm including improvements, \$1600.00; Value of farm implements & machinery, \$23.00; Planted to crops this year: rye 15 acres, corn 100 acres, potatoes $\frac{1}{4}$ acre, millet & Hungarian 3 acres; Grain on hand March 1, 1895: corn 7 bushels, wheat 12 bushels; Value of poultry & eggs sold during past year, \$24.00; Value of butter made the past year, \$17.00; Live stock owned: Horses 6, Mules & asses 2, Milk cows 2, Stock that died from disease: Milk cow 1; Fruit trees not bearing: Cherry trees 2; Dog 1.

1895 Kansas State Census, Microfilm Reel #5363

- 1895 Apr. 16th his son, Fredrick Stanley, born April 20, 1870 at Riverside, Washington County, Iowa, was baptized into the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints at Oronoque, Norton County, Kansas, by Elder G. W. Shute. He was also confirmed by Elder Shute. Book 33nl.
- 1895 Apr. 28th he, Elias P. WARD, born September 25, 1843, Newark, Licking County, Ohio, was baptized into the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints at Oronoque, Norton County, Kansas, by Elder G. W. Shute and also confirmed as a member by him.
Book 33nl.

Elder George W. Shute, born about 1830 in New York, came from Illinois to Kansas about 1874. He had a one hundred sixty acre farm in Altory Township in 1895. Schedule 8 of the 1895 Kansas State Census has recorded the "Church of Jesus Christ called Latter day saint" as having 12 members. Elder Shute was probably pastor at this time.
Decatur County, Kansas, 1895 Census, Reel 35, Altory Township, page 2.

1895 Sep. 10th he and wife, Alta, for the sum of \$1000.00, sold to Albert L. Hicks their one hundred fifty nine acres and one hundredth of an acre. they had obtained by patent from the United States in March of 1892. (description above) Norton Co., Kans., Deed Record Book 26, page 277.

1898 Jan. 15th he received a "circular" from the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Pensions, that had the following instructions: "In forwarding to the pension agent the executed voucher for your next quarterly payment please favor me by returning this circular to him with replies to the questions enumerated below."

This document has Certificate No. 954920, Name, Elias P. Ward and is evidence that he had been receiving quarterly pension payments.

The questions on the circular were replied to and provide first-hand vital statistics of his family as follows:

First. Are you married? If so please state your wife's full name and her maiden name.

Answer. Yes Alta C. Brandon

Second. When, where, and by whom were you married?

Answer. March 7th 1867 in St Clair Co Mo By Esqr Ross

Third. What record of marriage exists?

Answer. Recorded at Oceola County Seat of St Clair Co

Forth. Were you previously married? If so, please state the name of your former wife and the date and place of her death or divorce.

Answer. No

Fifth. Have you any children living? If so, please state their names and the dates of their birth.

Answer. Yes 6 Laura I Ward Born April 30 1868 Fred S Ward Born April 20 1870 Earnest H Ward Born March 11 1877 Frank H. Ward Born Jan 7 1883 Charley C Ward Born June 27 1879 Clarence P Ward Born Sept 15 1886.

All of the above was over the signature of Elias P. Ward, Date of reply, no date was entered.

A similar form with the same questions was hand dated Jan 27, 1898 and sent by the Bureau of Pensions to Mr. Elias P. Ward, Oronoque, Kan. This was returned with all the questions answered basically the same as the above with the exception of his wife's maiden name, here he has it Alta Cena Brandon.

On many of the land deed records the various recorders have put her name down as Alta C. Ward. On her Declaration For Widow's Pension it has her name as Alta O. Ward and also has her signature as Alta O. Ward. In a document her husband made out in 1915 for the Bureau of Pensions he gave his wife's name as Alta Ocena Brandon Ward. By this it would appear that her middle name was Ocena but was often shortened to Cena which possibly explains why she so often has the middle initial of C. in the records.

- 1902 Apr. 21st he, for the sum of \$900.00, purchased one hundred sixty acres situated in Decatur County, Kansas, from John Koehler and wife, A. C., which was described as follows: The South West quarter of Section Twenty-five, Township Four South of Range Thirty West of the Sixth P.M.. It was subject to lease for the year 1902 and the purchaser was to have the grantor's share of crops. (Bassettville Twp.) Decatur Co., Kansas, Deed Record Book 25, page 346.
- 1904 Sep. 19th his and Alta's son, Frank Henry, married Mary Ellen HACKNEY, daughter of James Barton HACKNEY and Dora Frances NEHLS whose home was in Section Six of Bassettville Township.
- 1905 May 25th he, for the sum of \$1575.00, purchased one hundred and sixty acres in Crystal Township of Norton County, Kansas, from T. M. Morris which was described as follows: SW $\frac{1}{4}$, Sec. 3, Twp. 1, Range 25 West. Norton County Deed Record, Book 35, page 66.
- 1905 Sep. 25th he and wife, Alta, for the sum of 1400.00, sold to H. P. Clark of Phillips County, Kansas, their 160 acres in Bassettville Township, (SW $\frac{1}{4}$, Sec. 25, Twp. 4S, R30W, 6th P.M.) Decatur Co., Kansas. Deed Record, Book 33, page 4.
- 1907 Sep. 17th his and Alta's son, Clarence Perry, married Mary F. RILEY. They eloped and went to Alma, Nebraska, to be married.
- 1910 Apr. 20th he and wife, Alta O. are among those in the enumeration of Crystal Township as taken by Ross A. Eakin, Enumerator. Pertinent information recorded here is as follows: Elias P. WARD is head of the family, No. 37, is a white male, age 66, married once, which at present has been for 43 years. He was born in Ohio, his father was born in Ohio and his mother was born in New York. He is a farmer who owns his farm, free of mortgage. He speaks English and is able to read and write.
- Alta O. WARD, wife, is a white female, age 61, married once and for 43 years. She is the mother of six children all of which were still living. She was born in Illinois, her father was born in Missouri and her mother was born in Kentucky. She speaks English and is able to read and write. She has no trade or profession. 1910 Federal Census, Norton County, Kansas, Crystal Twp., Dwelling/Family No. 37, Sheet No. 1 B, Film No. 624 449.
- 1912 May 21st he entered a Declaration For Pension for the purpose of being placed on the pension roll of the United States under the provisions of the Act of May 11, 1912. Therein he declared,

among other things, that he is a resident of Crystal Township, county of Norton, State of Kansas, and that he was 68 years of age.

Also that his personal description at enlistment was as follows: Height, 5 feet 6 inches; complexion, Dark; color of eyes, grey; color of hair, dark; that his occupation was farming; that he was born September 25th, 1843, at Newark, Licking County, Ohio.

He also declared "That his several places of residence since leaving the service have been as follows: Iowa from 1865 to 1870; Johnson City, Mo., from 1870 to 1883; Norton Co. Kansas 1883 to present time. Also "That his post office address is Wilsonville, county of Furnas, State of Nebraska. All of the above is over the signature of Elias P. Ward.

1914 Apr. 15th he is given a certificate by the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Pensions, notifying of a pension increase. It stated that he was entitled to a pension at the rate of Twenty-four dollars per month from September 25, 1913 and Thirty dollars per month from September 25, 1918.

1915 Jan. 2nd is the date of a questionnaire sent by the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Pensions, to Elias P. Ward, Devizes, Kans. (Devizes is in Rock Branch Twp.) It had nine questions that required answers that basically were the same as those on previous questionnaires from said department. Some questions and the answers thereon are worth mentioning here and are as follows: No. 2. What was your post office at enlistment? Answer. Yatton, Iowa. No. 3. State your wife's full name and her maiden name. Answer. Alta Ocena Brandon Ward. No. 8. Are you now living with your wife, or has there been a separation? Answer. I am still living with the same old gal. No. 9. State the names and dates of birth of all your children, living or dead. Answer. (all are listed the same as previously except the following.) Lora I Ward Born April 30 1868 now deceased Charley C Born June 29 1879 (previously it was reported that Charley was born June 27)

1916 Feb. 26th he and wife, Alta O., for the sum of \$3200.00, sold their farm situated in Crystal Township (SW $\frac{1}{4}$, Sec. 3, Town 1, Range 25W) to Mr. Edward Hill of Furnas County, Nebraska. Norton County Deed Record, Book 45, page 93.

1916 Mar. 17th he purchased Lot one in Block thirty-seven in the town of Wilsonville, Nebraska. Furnas County, Nebr., Deed Record, Book 45, page 595.

1916 he proceeded to build a dwelling on his lot in the town of Wilsonville, Nebraska. His sons, Fred and Clarence done the carpenter work for him. During this time they lived in the old Calloway Ranch house. It sat very close to a large creek bank. With walls constructed of rough field stone it had its four rooms arranged in a line.

1917 June 20th he died at his home in Wilsonville, Nebraska, aged 73 years, 8 months and 25 days. He passed away Wednesday evening at his

home in the north part of town. Death was the result of injuries received nearly two weeks before in a fall from the steps of the Presbyterian church, since that time his condition was precarious, lying in an unconscious state. Death was anticipated and the children were all at his bedside.

His death certificate, filed in the State of Nebraska, stated that the cause of death was meningitis and injury was contributory and the duration of his illness was 10 days. Signed by E. B. Johnson, M.D..

1917 June 21st his funeral services were conducted from the Methodist church Thursday, June 21, at 2:30 p.m., by the pastor, Rev. D. W. Parker, and the remains were tenderly laid to rest in the Wilsonville cemetery to await the resurrection morn.

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