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## Frederick H. Kirchner [A00215]

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One of the most influential and prominent citizens of Lone Tree, Iowa, is Frederick H. Kirchner, the subject of this sketch, who was identified with the grain business in that town for upwards of twenty years, and is now a large property owner in Iowa and Minnesota, and a stockholder in the banks of Lone Tree and Nichols, Iowa. The father of our subject was Bernhard Kirchner, a native of Saxony, Germany. He married Charlotte Lenz, a native of Landerbauch, Germany. The former came to America when he was seventeen years of age, arriving in New York City after a voyage of seven weeks. He at once took up railroading, and in pursuance of this occupation came to Rock Island, Illinois, where he resided for a time. Thereafter he removed to Muscatine county, Iowa, where he bought his first farm and commenced business as an agriculturist. He remained on this farm until 1872, when he entered the general mercantile and grain business at Nichols, Iowa, continuing therein for over twenty years. At that time he retired and the remainder of his life was devoted to looking after his extensive property interests. He died at Nichols in 1906. Charlotte Lenz, his wife, came to America with her parents when a child and settled with them in Illinois, where the family resided for a number of years. Attracted by the fertile soil of Iowa, the Lenz family removed to Muscatine county, which became their permanent home. Eight children were born to Bernhard and Charlotte Kirchner; Elizabeth, now the wife of Chas. Kolling, resides at What Cheer; Margaret, now the wife of Dr. F. F. Carl of Nichols; Henry, living at Nichols; Bernhard, living at Nichols; Anna, now Mrs. Maypes, living at Nichols; John, residing at present in Portland, Oregon; Gertrude, living at Nichols.

Our subject assisted his father in his boyhood days in the work upon the farm and in the store, but at the age of twenty-five began business for himself in the grain business at Lone Tree, which, as before stated, he continued for twenty years. In December, 1895 he was married to Miss Anna May Constant, born in Johnson County, May 14, 1869 and identified with the public schools of the county as a teacher for nine years. They have one son, Gildra Bernhard Henry, born March 11, 1897, who is now attending high school at Lone Tree.

Mr. Kirchner has been secretary of the local school board for the past fifteen years, and has held several local offices of importance. Thoroughly identified with the interests of Lone Tree, he is regarded as one of the most progressive citizens of that thriving town.

Mrs. F. H. Kirchner was the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Henry Constant. Mr. & Mrs. Henry Constant were married in Washington, Iowa, December 15, 1864 and came to Johnson county and lived on a farm one and one-fourth miles south of Lone Tree. The town of Lone Tree was not built then, and the nearest trading point was Iowa City. It was all prairie then and the only tree in sight was what is called the Lone Tree, for which Lone Tree was afterwards named. The railroad was built through Lone Tree in 1872 and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Constant moved to town and built the first hotel and ran it for seven years. Mr. Henry Constant then ran a large shoe store for several years, and sold out on account of poor health. He was an invalid for five years. He died January 20, 1892. He and his wife joined the M.E. church before the old M.E. church was moved to Lone Tree, and were always faithful members. Mr. & Mrs. Constant had four daughters born to them: Mrs. J. W. Croneweth of Sigourney; Mr. & Mrs. F. H. Kirchner, of Lone Tree; Miss Ella Constant, of Lone Tree; Mrs. J. R. McVickers of Sigourney. Mr. & Mrs. Henry Constant were pioneers of Johnson county, having moved here nearly 40 years ago. Mrs. Constant is still living in Lone Tree.

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**D.L Draperis [A00216]**

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D. L. Draperis one of the solid substantial citizens of Johnson county who have won success in agricultural operations there. He is a native of Canada, born October 9, 1843, a son of William and Rhoda (Reeve) Draper, natives of England. William Draper was born in the County of Kent, was married in his native country, and soon thereafter came to Canada, where the remainder of his life was spent. Rhoda Reeve was born in Devonshire. There were seven sons and five daughters born to this couple, of whom five sons now survive: William, Thomas, D. L., James, and Richard. They all reside in Canada except D.L.

In boyhood D. L. Draper attended the schools of his native place and there grew to maturity. When he reached his majority he began life for himself in the line of lumbering, first in Canada and later in Michigan. He came to the United States in 1864 and has since lived here. After spending but a few months in Michigan he lived about a year and a half in Wisconsin, after which he came to Johnson county, Iowa. He took up the occupation of farming and soon after his arrival in Iowa purchased an eighty-acre farm near Lone Tree. He operated this a few years, then sold out and purchased a tract of sixty acres south of Lone Tree which he farmed for some twenty years, after which he sold out and bought his present fine farm of 160 acres in Fremont township. He has continued to make improvements on his place and has one of the most pleasant homes in the neighborhood. He is much interested in local affairs and performs the duties of a good citizen in all ways. He is a member of the Methodist church and helps in its good work. Mr. Draper has won many friends in various circles, by whom he is held in high regard. He is a self-made man, having won his way in the world by industry and good business management, and is therefore deserving of much credit.

Mr. Draper married, in October, 1868, Rosa Ann Constant, born in Canada, and the following children were born to their union; Charles, Albert, Elmer, Bertie, and Rosa, of whom but one survives, Elmer of Lone Tree, Iowa. Mrs. Draper died September 5, 1881. Mr. Draper married his second wife, Miss Mary Porter, born in Iowa, daughter of John and Louisa (Marvin) Porter. To this union three children were born: one died in infancy; Marvin, who died when eight months old; and Myron, now fifteen years of age, living with his parents.

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THE CONSTANT FAMILY

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Michael Constant was born on \_\_\_\_\_  
at \_\_\_\_\_ Canada,  
died August \_\_\_\_\_, 1892, at his home in Lone Tree, Johnson County, Iowa,  
aged \_\_\_\_\_, buried in Swank Cemetery, about 4 or 5 miles  
southwest of Lone Tree, Johnson County, Iowa.

Michael Constant married Rose Viquenave, born on \_\_\_\_\_  
at \_\_\_\_\_ Canada,  
died at Lone Tree, Johnson County, Iowa, on \_\_\_\_\_,  
aged \_\_\_\_\_, buried in Swank Cemetery, 4 or 5 miles southwest  
of Lone Tree, Iowa.

Michael Constant, by occupation a farmer, with his family came from Canada  
about 1854 and settled first at Washington, Washington County, Iowa, and later  
removed with his family to Fremont Township, Johnson County, Iowa.

Children of Michael Constant and Rose (Viquenave) Constant:

- 1 Henry Constant (March 10, 1841 — January 20, 1892)
- 2 Martin Constant
- 3 Frank Constant
- 4 Duell Constant
- 5 Matilda Constant
- 6 Margaret Constant
- 7 Rose Constant
- 8 Virginia Constant
- 9 Angeline Constant
- 10 Amelia Constant

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## THE CONSTANT FAMILY

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Henry Constant, son of Michael Constant and Rose (Viguenave) Constant, was born on March 10, 1841, in Canada. (He was born in the same locality, Hawkesbury, in Canada as was Amanda DeMarce, that was at or near St. Eugene, Prescott County, Province of Ontario, Canada.) He died at Lone Tree, Johnson County, Iowa, on January 20, 1892, buried in the Lone Tree Iowa Cemetery. He married (December 15, 1864) Amanda DeMarce, who was born on April 17, 1847, at or near St. Eugene, Prescott County, Province of Ontario, Canada, daughter of Anthony DeMarce and Elizabeth (Rabiour) DeMarce. Amanda (DeMarce) Constant died on May 29, 1931, at her home in Lone Tree, Iowa, buried in Lone Tree Iowa Cemetery. Amanda DeMarce at 9 years old came with her family from Canada to Washington, Iowa.

*The Elmer Draper farm, 1 mi. north of Lone Tree*  
 After their marriage, Henry Constant and Amanda (DeMarce) Constant lived on a farm south of Lone Tree, Iowa, for some time. He went from the occupation of farming to that of conducting the Lafayette Hotel at Lone Tree, Iowa, at the outstart of the town. By trade a shoemaker, he engaged in partnership with his brother-in-law, Frank Cayott, in operating a shoe store at Lone Tree, and later by himself conducted a combined shoe store and notions store in Lone Tree, Iowa.

A native of Canada, Henry Constant residing in Johnson County, Iowa, declared on oath before the Clerk of the District Court of Johnson County, Iowa, his intention to become a citizen of the United States and to renounce all allegiance to any foreign state or sovereignty whatsoever and particularly to Victoria, Queen of Great Britain, and two years afterward, namely, on October 28, 1868, he perfected in the District Court of Johnson County, Iowa, in proceedings in open court and by the testimony of Moses DeMarce the proof of all required conditions and was admitted as a citizen of the United States before Presiding Judge James H. Rothrock and received his Certificate of Naturalization under the seal of the District Court of Johnson County, Iowa, F. H. Lee, Clerk of the District Court of Johnson County, Iowa, by Thomas Hughes, Deputy.

## Children of Henry Constant and Amanda (DeMarce) Constant:

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|---|---------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 | Rosa Isabelle Constant    | b. February 23, 1866 | d. June 27, 1946      |
| 2 | Anna May Constant         | b. May 14, 1869      | d. February 19, 1938  |
| 3 | Mary Ellen Constant       | b. July 25, 1871     | d. January 12, 1943   |
| 4 | Virginia Matilda Constant | b. October 30, 1878  | d. September 19, 1963 |

Clipping.—CONSTANTS RAN FIRST HOTEL.

Lone Tree's first hotel, back in the early years of the town's existence, was operated by Mr. and Mrs. Henry Constant, who established their residence in Lone Tree in 1872.

The Constant family resided on what is now known as the Draper farm one mile south of Lone Tree for eight years before coming to town. With the beginning of the town it soon became apparent that a hotel was needed, so the demand for such a convenience was met by Mr. Constant, who erected a building for that purpose. Mr. Constant also built the first exclusive shoe store in Lone Tree.

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## THE CRONEWETH FAMILY

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John Wesley Croneweth was born on July 29, 1848, at Bloomington Grove, in Morrow County, Ohio, died on August 21, 1933, at his home in Sigourney, Iowa, buried in Sigourney West Cemetery.

His father, Philip Croneweth, was born in Baden, in Germany, on April 29, 1822, died at his home in Sigourney, Iowa, on July 11, 1902. Philip Croneweth married at Bucyrus, Ohio, on August 5, 1846, Miss Mary Mark who was born in Baden, Germany, on February 2, 1827, died at her home in Sigourney, Iowa, on February 3, 1909, Miss Mary Sitler child of an adopted daughter having lived with her grandmother since infancy. John Wesley Croneweth (1848-1933) was the youngest son (two other sons having died in infancy) of Philip Croneweth (1822-1902) and Mary (Mark) Croneweth (1827-1909). When 21 years of age Philip Croneweth left his native land and passing through France came to New York in 1843. He first located at Bucyrus, Ohio, until after his marriage there in 1846, when he and his companion located at Galion, Ohio, for two years and then moved to Bloomington Grove, Morrow County, Ohio, and resided there until 1854 when he moved his family across the country in a one horse wagon, landing in Sigourney, Iowa, November 5, 1854, where he resided the rest of his life. Mary Mark came to America when 6 years of age. Her father died on board the ship of cholera; also her mother, two brothers and baby sister died soon after they landed. She was cared for by an aunt at Fremont, Ohio, living there until she was 18 years of age. Philip Croneweth was a member of I.O.O.F. Philip and Mary (Mark) Croneweth, buried in Sigourney West Cemetery.

John Wesley Croneweth (1848-1933) married at Lone Tree, Johnson County, Iowa, on June 15, 1887, Rosa Isabelle Constant, born February 23, 1866, on a farm south of and near Lone Tree, Iowa, eldest daughter of Henry Constant (1841-1892) and Amanda (DeMarce) Constant (1847-1931).

Children of John Wesley Croneweth and Rosa Isabelle (Constant) Croneweth:

- 1 Philip Henry Harrison Croneweth (has carried his name as Harry Croneweth), born July 18, 1891
- 2 Un-named son of John W. and Rosa I. (Constant) Croneweth, born October 22, 1893, died November 1, 1895

John W. Croneweth was a leading merchant and jeweler of Sigourney and Keokuk County, Iowa, living to be the oldest active business man in Sigourney. For more than 67 years he was in business in Sigourney, 50 of those years being devoted to the jewelry business. When he became old enough to work he was employed by Samuel Parker, a house mover. Later, at the age of 18, he began business for himself; in 1867 first with a partner John Connell he was interested in a hotel, a restaurant, the grocery business, and the jewelry business; but all these enterprises became too much for him so he sold out his interest in all of the business except the jewelry trade and opened up a store of jewelry only. This store became the well known "Famous Jewelry Store," as was its trade name throughout Keokuk County. For a total of 26 years he served as a councilman of the City Council of Sigourney, Iowa. He was a long-time member of the Knights of Pythias and of Webb Lodge No. 182, A. F. & A. M., of Sigourney, Iowa. He was always a man whose word was as good as his bond, and always a staunch supporter of his community and its improvement.

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HARRY CRONEWETH

Harry Croneweth, son of John W. Croneweth and Rosa I. (Constant) Croneweth, was born on July 18, 1891, at Sigourney, Iowa. He married at Sigourney, Iowa, on May 27, 1918, Blanche Ann Smith, born near Webster, Keokuk County, Iowa, on August 21, 1894, daughter of George Smith and Florence M. (Shaw) Smith.

George Smith was born in Burlington, Iowa, on September 18, 1849, son of John Smith and his wife Smith. George Smith died at his home in Sigourney, Iowa, January 29, 1935; he married on January 23, 1874, Florence M. Shaw, a Keokuk County school teacher, born on \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ daughter of \_\_\_\_\_

Son of Harry Croneweth and Blanche Ann (Smith) Croneweth:

George Wesley Croneweth, born October 28, 1914, died May 18, 1929

Harry Croneweth devoted himself to the jewelry business with his father until his father passed beyond, and has continued to carry on the business in the same location, on the north side of the square at Sigourney, Iowa.

Wesley Croneweth (1914-1929) characteristically took the greatest of interest in his school work and also in the school's activities. He was for 3 years a member of the High School band with which he was participating in an inter-high school musical contest at Iowa City, Iowa, when he was overcome with sickness. He was a member of the Sigourney High School Latin Club, took part in athletics and had received the school's letter in basket ball. He was a fine scholar, liked his teachers and they always liked him. He was popular with schoolmates and playmates, frank and friendly toward older persons and easily made friends of all classes of people. He had joined the M. E. Church and was a consistent attendant at Sunday School. He was straightforward, clean and manly, and loved by all who knew him. Young as he was at his passing, he had demonstrated a good and excellent personality and an innate ability for getting the knack of achievement in all of his undertakings.



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## THE FREDERICK H. KIRCHNER FAMILY

Frederick Henry Kirchner was born December 2, 1864, on a farm near Nichols, Muscatine County, Iowa, the eldest of 8 children (4 boys 4 girls) of Bernard Kirchner and Charlotte (Lenz) Kirchner. He died at his home in Lone Tree, Iowa, on March 15, 1935. He married at Sigourney, Iowa, on December 25, 1895, Anna May Constant, born May 14, 1869, on a farm one mile south of Lone Tree, Iowa, the second daughter of Henry Constant (1841-1892) and Amanda (DeMarce) Constant (1847-1931). Anna May (Constant) Kirchner died at the home of her son, Gildra B. Kirchner, in Lone Tree, Iowa, on February 19, 1938. Fred H. and Anna M. Kirchner are buried in the Lone Tree Iowa Cemetery.

Bernard Kirchner was born in Saxony, Germany, on December 2, 1833, and his wife, Charlotte (Lenz) Kirchner, was born in Hesse, Germany, on November 27, 1845. They were married on December 23, 1863. Bernard Kirchner, after farming for some time, for many years conducted a general merchandise and furniture store at Nichols, Iowa.

Frederick Henry Kirchner lived most of his life in the vicinity of Lone Tree and Nichols, Iowa. For many years he was engaged in grain buying at Lone Tree, and for about a year operated an elevator at Morning Sun, Iowa. The latter part of his life was spent in Lone Tree, where he took an active part in the civic affairs of the community; serving as secretary of the school board for 18 years, as town clerk of Lone Tree, and as justice of the peace. He was also deeply interested in both of the Lone Tree Iowa banks, and served as director of the Lone Tree Savings Bank for many years. He was engaged for several years in the insurance business. He united with the Lone Tree Methodist Church in 1912. He was a highly respected and honored citizen of his community, very congenial, kindly disposed, and helpful toward his fellow beings.

Son of Frederick Henry Kirchner and Anna May (Constant) Kirchner:

Gildra Bernard Henry Kirchner, born at Lone Tree, Iowa, on March 11, 1897.

## GILDRA B. KIRCHNER

Gildra Bernard Kirchner, son of Frederick Henry Kirchner and Anna May (Constant) Kirchner, was born on March 11, 1897, at Lone Tree, Iowa. He married at Lone Tree, Iowa, on August 5, 1923, Lucy Laurel Holdeman, born at Lone Tree, Iowa, on August 2, 1895, the 7th child of Jesse Holdeman and his wife, Julia Zilpha (Hinkley) Holdeman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Hinkley of Lone Tree.

Jesse Holdeman was born on March 11, 1862, and Julia Zilpha Hinkley was born on October 6, 1862. Jesse Holdeman and Julia Zilpha Hinkley were married on October 24, 1885, and made their home at Lone Tree, Iowa, where as a contractor Mr. Holdeman constructed several of the principal buildings, and served as mayor three terms and as city clerk two terms.

Children of Gildra B. Kirchner and Lucy Laurel (Holdeman) Kirchner:

- 1 Don Frederick Kirchner, born at Lone Tree, Iowa, April 21, 1928
- 2 Gwendolyn Ruth Kirchner, born at Lone Tree, Iowa, April 21, 1928

Gildra B. Kirchner served in the first World War, overseas, and upon his return from service he worked for the Lone Tree Reporter, later in the Lone Tree Savings Bank, then embarked in the farm implement and automobile business in Lone Tree. More recently he has conducted a motion picture theatre at Lone Tree.

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## THE JAMES R. McVICKER FAMILY

James R. McVicker was born in a log house located near the boundary line of Muscatine and Cedar counties at the North of the Town of Wilton Junction, Muscatine County, Iowa, on July 6, 1876, son of Norvel Wilson McVicker (1827-1925) and his wife Margaret Emma (Hill) McVicker (1849-1899). In early December, 1888, the McVicker family moved to Sigourney, Keokuk County, Iowa. In November, 1902, James R. McVicker was elected Clerk of the District Court of Keokuk County, Iowa, and re-elected in November, 1904. He married at Lone Tree, Iowa, on March 12, 1905, Virginia Matilda Constant, born at Lone Tree, Johnson County, Iowa, on October 30, 1878, daughter of Henry Constant (1841-1892) and Amanda (DeMarce) Constant (1847-1951).

Henry Constant was born near Hawkesbury, Prescott County, Province of Ontario, Canada, on March 10, 1841, son of Michael Constant and Rose (Viquenave) Constant. Amanda DeMarce was born near St. Eugene, Prescott County, Province of Ontario, Canada, on April 17, 1847, daughter of Anthony DeMarce (1805-1857) and Betsy (Rabour) DeMarce (1805-1890). Three brothers of Amanda (DeMarce) Constant served in the Union Army in the Civil War: Joseph DeMarce (1845-1920), Private, Co. I, 18th Iowa Infantry; Alexander L. DeMarce, Private Co. A, 25th Iowa Infantry; Moses DeMarce, Corporal, Co. A, 25th Iowa Infantry, who lost his right leg in battle at Bentonville, North Carolina, on March 20, 1865. Another brother, John D. DeMarce (1848-1925) tried to enlist in Co. B, 8th Iowa Cavalry, but was rejected August 17, 1863, by the ~~mastering~~ officer -- under age. Two brothers-in-law of Amanda (DeMarce) Constant served in the Union Army: John Meyer (1835-1863) (married Esther DeMarce, 1839-1907), Private, Co. A, 25th Iowa Infantry, died of illness in service while being accompanied home on sick furlough by Alexander DeMarce, September 27, 1863, and was buried in National Cemetery, Mound City, Illinois, Section A, Grave 359; William Henry Harrison VanDyke (1839-1911) (married Rose DeMarce, 1850-1912), Private Co. H, 2nd Iowa Infantry.

James R. McVicker served as a soldier, Corporal, Co. F, 51st Iowa Infantry, in the Spanish-American War in the Philippines, 1898-1899, and as a training student, O.R.C., in the 2nd Ft. Snelling Minnesota Training Camp, Aug.-Oct., 1917. He was later commissioned Captain, promoted Major MI-Res., now Major Inact-Res., O.R.C. Graduated from high school while 16 he clerked for a year in a general merchandise store in Crescent City, Florida, next worked at the printers trade for the Keokuk County News at Sigourney, Iowa, and while 20 began teaching in rural schools of Keokuk County. He served as Clerk of the District Court of Keokuk County, Iowa, for two terms (1903-1907) being elected and re-elected with the largest majorities received by any candidates at the elections. He later served as Justice of the Peace at Sigourney by appointment of the Board of Supervisors and was re-elected as such. He practiced law at Sigourney (1913-1917) and later at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, going from law practice at Cedar Rapids to resume teaching in a law school. He headed the public schools at Fremont, Iowa (Jan.-June, 1907), at Keota, Iowa (1907-1910), at Hortonville, Wisconsin (Nov.-June, 1917-1918), where he was a member of Outagamie County Council of Defense and Chairman of Four Minute Men (speakers), at Dow City Iowa Consolidated (1918-1919), and at Belle Plaine, Iowa (1919-1923). He served as Professor of Law in the University of Detroit (1923-1928), in Chicago-Kent College of Law (1929-1930), in University of Kentucky, Lexington (1935-1936), and in John B. Stetson University, DeLand, Florida (Feb.-Aug., 1937). He had charge of and taught in the Political Science Department of the University of Kansas during summer sessions, 1925-1928. A candidate for appointment as State Law Librarian in 1939, he was appointed and served as acting assistant law librarian (for research) at the Iowa State Law Library, Des Moines during the planned re-organization of the law library by the appointed librarian (1939-1941). James R. McVicker is the author of several publications and an early writer of newspaper sketches. His brother, Harry S. McVicker, is the well-inkorsed County Superintendent of Schools of Keokuk County, Iowa.

*He served in that office nearly 40 years (Jan 1, 1909 - June 1, 1947).*

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## THE FAMILY OF JAMES R. McVICKER—HIS FATHER, N. W. McVICKER

Norvel Wilson McVicker (named for Rev. Norvel Wilson, Methodist minister) was born on a farm owned by his Uncle James McVicker (1768-1852) and being a part of the place still owned and occupied by descendants of James McVicker, at "McVicker Hill," about 3 miles east or southeast of Morgantown, Monongalia County, Virginia, adjoining the Stewartstown (and Uniontown, Pa.) road, on September 8, 1827, the 12th and youngest child of Joseph McVicker (1776-1854) and his wife Mary Prudence (McMullin) McVicker (d. 1853, buried at Salem, W.Va.). Norvel Wilson McVicker's grandfather, Capt. Duncan McVicker (1739-1818) with 3 brothers came from Glasgow, Scotland, by way of the North of Ireland to New Jersey in 1757, married Nancy McCollum, and after serving as an officer in the Second Regiment of Sussex County New Jersey Militia in the Revolutionary War moved with his family to Bedford County, Pennsylvania, having 7 sons and 2 or 3 daughters. Duncan McVicker died in Bedford County, Pennsylvania, on January 19, 1818, buried in the Schellsburg cemetery, about a quarter mile west from Schellsburg, Bedford County, Pennsylvania. His son, Joseph McVicker (cir. 1776-1854) was a constable in Sinclair (St. Clair) Township, Bedford County, Pennsylvania in the year 1799. Joseph McVicker married Mary Prudence McMullin, evidently in Bedford County, Pennsylvania, and later moved with his family to Monongalia County, Virginia, in the vicinity of Morgantown (now West Virginia). Joseph McVicker (1776-1854) died at the home of his son-in-law, "Seep" (Josephus) Protzman, on October 18, 1854, buried in the private cemetery on the McVicker place about 3 miles E. or S.E. of Morgantown (N. side of the Stewartstown road).

Norvel Wilson McVicker left Virginia at age 14 in 1841 and lived for a time with the family of his sister, Mary (McVicker) Morgan (1811-1879) in Monroe County, Ohio. Before marriage he volunteered for service in the Mexican War, but the war soon ending, the company of his enlistment was not sent to the front. At the outbreak of the Civil War he had a family, a wife and 6 children ranging in ages from one to 11 years. His cousin, Capt. George W. McVicker, of Morgantown, West Virginia, served as an officer of Co. D, 3d West Virginia Cavalry, with distinction throughout the War, and was at Appomattox upon the surrender of Gen. Robert E. Lee to Gen. U. S. Grant. Another cousin, Alpheus St. Clair McVicker, also a Morgantown soldier in the Union Army, fought throughout the Battle of Gettysburg, was shortly afterward stricken with typhoid fever at Baltimore and died while in the service.

Norvel Wilson McVicker married (1st) at New Castle, Indiana, on August 3, 1848, Mary Bryant, born on February 10, 1831, died at Urbana, Illinois, on November 14, 1857, buried at Urbana, Ill. By this marriage there were born three children:

- 1 Margaret Lucinda McVicker (1849-1920)—married David Clinton Bevard, in 1868
- 2 John Henry McVicker (1853-1895) — married Mary Jane Vest, in 1872
- 3 Elizabeth Jane McVicker (1856-1925)— married James Hall Morrison, in 1875

Norvel Wilson McVicker married (2nd) at Urbana, Illinois, on April 14, 1858, Mrs. Isabel (Henderson) Rowe, born October 30, 1832, died at Wilton Junction, Muscatine County, Iowa, on December 22, 1874, buried in Oak Dale Cemetery (N.W. McVicker's Lot No. 20 in Block No. "C" in Wilton Cemetery), Wilton Junction, Muscatine County, Iowa. She left surviving a daughter by her former marriage and two daughters of this union:

- 1 Anna Elizabeth Rowe (1857-1925) — married Levi Edwin Groves
- 2 Mary Frances McVicker (b. Feb. 7, 1859) — married Jesse Sylvester Morrison (Address, 719 North Broadway, ) on Aug 27 1876; married (Leavenworth, Kansas ) Charles A. Hamlin, June 11, 1922
- 3 Cornelia McVicker (1860-1920) — married William Staton Middleton

Norvel Wilson McVicker married (3d) at the Scott House in Muscatine, Iowa, on September 8, 1875, Margaret Emma Hill, born near Masontown, Fayette County, Pennsylvania, on August 11, 1849, died at her home in Sigourney, Iowa, on February 18, 1899, buried in Sigourney West Cemetery. To this union were born 4 children at Wilton Junction, Iowa: James Rufus McVicker; Mabel Anna McVicker, Harry Scott McVicker, and Maude Hill McVicker.

Norvel Wilson McVicker was a pioneer of the prairies and woodlands of early Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, and Iowa. From his boyhood at 14 and onward, he took hand in the reclamation of lands and forests as a farmer, woodsman, and teamster, pioneering westward in each of the states from Virginia to Iowa. He died at his home in Sigourney, Keokuk County, Iowa, on April 2, 1923, at the age of nearly 96 years, buried in Sigourney West cemetery.

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## THE FAMILY OF JAMES R. McVICKER—HIS MOTHER

Margaret Emma Hill was born on a farm about one-half mile from Masontown, Fayette County, Pennsylvania (now the site of a Mennonite cemetery), August 11, 1849, daughter of James Hill (1815-1859) and Martha (Kefover) Hill (1816-1887). Her father, "James Hill was a carpenter of ability. He was also a 'hewer' of timber. James Hill went into the forests, cut down the trees, hewed his logs and notched the corners for the house he wished to build. Every log went into its place when brought together. He built the two story log house in which A. F. Hill was born and where I was born 15 years later and lived until I was married. The house is standing but it has been framed." (—From letter of John W. Williard, Masontown, Pa., 1955). Margaret Emma Hill's grandfather, Jeremiah Hill (cir. 1755-1858) with two brothers came from Scotland to Pennsylvania and he served as a private in Capt. Thomas Butler's Company in the 3d Pennsylvania Regiment, Continental Line (1777-1781) in the Revolutionary War. Also, he was drafted at Funkstown, Maryland, in 1814 and served about 4 months in Captains Speaks and McKee's companies of Maryland or District of Columbia Militia and was guard at Georgetown during the Battle of Bladensburg. His first wife and our ancestress was Patricia Kefauver, of the Maryland branch of the family. Patricia Kefauver probably was distantly related to Margaret Emma Hill's mother, Martha Kefover (1816-1887). Martha Kefover (1816-1887) was a daughter of Philip Kefover (1789-1881) and his first wife Elizabeth Luckey. Philip Kefover (1789-1881) was a son of Jacob Kefauver (Kefover) and Mary (Iseminger) Kefauver (married, 1783) who between 1790 and 1800 moved with their family from Frederick County, Maryland, to Springhill Township, Fayette County, Pennsylvania. Jacob Kefauver was one of the 4 sons of the Philip Kefauver who is reported to have come from Alsace-Lorraine, Germany. Before 1750 this Philip Kefauver, the first and earliest we find, had settled in Frederick County, Maryland, and owned land therein for he made a deed to a tract of land in that County in 1750; he died there in 1779, leaving a will.

Margaret Emma Hill's brother, Ashbel Fairchild Hill (1842-1876) (named for Rev. Ashbel Fairchild, 1795-1864, early Presbyterian minister in Fayette Co., Pa.) served as a sergeant in Capt. C. L. Conner's Co. D of the 8th Regiment of Pennsylvania Reserves in the Civil War, participating in the engagements of Manassas, Bull Run, Hunter's Mills, Mechanicsville, and the battles of the Chickahominy, South Mountain, and Antietam, in which last named battle he lost a leg. Her cousins who served in the Union army were: John Morgan Kefover (1843-1877), Co. F, 6th Iowa Cavalry (and his son John Morgan Kefover, b. 1877, served in the U.S. Navy in the Spanish-American War, re-enlisted in the Army and served in the Philippines and in Alaska); William Cass Maleby (1848-1950), Co. E, 14th Pennsylvania Cavalry, marched with Sherman to Washington to be mustered out in the Grand Review; Calvin M. Maleby (1844-1910) James Irvin Hutchinson (1844-1938), Co. C, 87th Indiana Infantry, promoted to 1st Lieutenant commanding his company, became a Captain on detached service, was with Sherman on the march to the sea, wounded at Chickamauga—married (Sep 25, 1875) Martha Matilda ("Tille") Maleby (1850-1933), first cousin of Margaret Emma Hill. A son of her cousin, Albert Pierce Maleby (1852-1920), Dr. Zachary Taylor Maleby (b. July 6, 1872) served in the Spanish-American War in the Philippines, in the Hospital Corps, Captain and Surgeon in California Regiment.

Following his experience as a soldier, Ashbel Fairchild Hill became a writer and newspaper editor and was the author of four books, entitled:  
 "Our Boys or Adventures in the Army";  
 "The White Rocks or the Robbers Den—A Tragedy of the Mountains";  
 "Secrets of the Sanctum: An Inside View of an Editor's Life";  
 "John Smith's Funny Adventures on a Crutch, or the Remarkable Peregrinations of a One-Legged Soldier After the War."

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THE FAMILY OF JAMES R. McVICKER--HIS MOTHER

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Besides his four books (published at Philadelphia), A. F. Hill wrote many poems and numerous articles, sketches, stories and serials published in various literary periodicals of the time. His newspaper and editorial work included his services on the following named papers:

The Mercury, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania;  
The Golden City, San Francisco, California;  
The Boston Times, Boston, Massachusetts;  
The New Hampshire Patriot, Concord, New Hampshire;  
The Genius of Liberty, Uniontown, Pennsylvania.

Margaret Emma Hill's father died when she was 10 and her mother when she was 18 years old. Having in Iowa an uncle and his family (James Kefover (1811-1904) at Wilton Junction, Muscatine County) and two aunts (Mrs. Clarissa (Kefover) Hanna at Clarksville, Butler County, and Mrs. Mary Jane (Kefover) Maleby (1824-1902) at Indianapolis, Mahaska County), and her cousin John Morgan Kefover (1843-1877) and family at Brighton, Washington County, she came on to Wilton Junction, Iowa, from Masontown, Pennsylvania, about the latter part of 1868. In Iowa, for a few years, she worked in the millinery trade until she married Norvel Wilson McVicker in 1875.

CHILDREN OF JAMES R. McVICKER AND VIRGINIA M. (CONSTANT) McVICKER

1 Bernadine Constant McVicker, b. March 1, 1906, at Sigourney, Iowa

3 Benjamin Franklin McVicker, b. August 6, 1912, at Sigourney, Iowa

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## RAYMOND E. NORMAN

Raymond Earl Norman, son of David Hampton Norman and Sarah (Sadie) Elizabeth (Brindle) Norman was born on January 20, 1906, on a farm near New Providence, Hardin County, Iowa. He married at Iowa City, Iowa, on August 27, 1928, Bernadine Constant McVicker, born on March 1, 1906, at Sigourney, Iowa, daughter of James Rufus McVicker and Virginia Matilda (Constant) McVicker, of Iowa City, Iowa.

David Hampton Norman was born December 21, 1875, near East Bend, Yadkin County, North Carolina. His ancestors were North Carolinians from the earliest known information. Sarah (Sadie) Elizabeth Brindle was born October 28, 1873, on a farm near Steam Boat Rock, Hardin County, Iowa, her father having been born in North Carolina and having married in Iowa. David Hampton Norman and Sarah Elizabeth Brindle were married in 1900 at New Providence, Iowa. He is by occupation a farmer, address, R.F.D. # \_\_\_\_\_, Clemons, Marshall County, Iowa.

Children of Raymond E. Norman and Bernadine Constant (McVicker) Norman:

- 1 Constance Joan Norman, born October 9, 1929, died October 24, 1929, buried in the Henry Constant plot in Lone Tree Iowa Cemetery

Raymond E. Norman, by profession an accountant, is the City Auditor of the City of Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

## GILBERT L. KELSO

Gilbert Leroy Kelso, son of Edward Lewis Kelso and his wife Elfie Pearl (Kirkpatrick) Kelso, was born December 5, 1906, at Lone Tree, Johnson County, Iowa. He married at Iowa City, Iowa, on August 30, 1932, \_\_\_\_\_ at Keota, Keokuk County, Iowa, daughter of James Rufus McVicker and Virginia Matilda (Constant) McVicker, of Iowa City, Iowa.

Edward Lewis Kelso was born November 14, 1880, near Lone Tree, Johnson County, Iowa. His parents were born in Iowa, their ancestors (Scotch-Irish) having come to Iowa from Virginia (the County now in West Virginia) in 1838. Notably, they came from the vicinity of the locality in which the Gilbert L. Kelso have been residing, in West Virginia. Elfie Pearl Kirkpatrick (1887-1918) was born February 19, 1887, at Wellman, Washington County, Iowa. Her father was born in Illinois of Scotch-Irish ancestry and her mother was born in Iowa of Holland (Dutch) ancestry. Edward Lewis Kelso and Elfie Pearl Kirkpatrick were married on May 10, 1905. Edward Lewis Kelso is by occupation a merchant.

Children of Gilbert Leroy Kelso and Mildred Hill (McVicker) Kelso:

- 1 James Edward Kelso, born March 18, 1934, at Greensburg, Pennsylvania

Gilbert L. Kelso, by profession a chemist, has more recently been in the employ of the West Virginia State Board of Health, stationed first at Beckley, W. Va., later at Morgantown, W. Va., and in 1941-1942 working on a research fellowship project for his employers at the University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

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**BENJAMIN F. McVICKER**

Benjamin Franklin McVicker, son of James Rufus McVicker and Virginia Matilda (Constant) McVicker was born August 6, 1912, at Sigourney, Keokuk County, Iowa. He married at Media, Delaware County, Pennsylvania, on August 29, 1933, Oral Dorothy Allmond, born August 24, 1916, at Sweet Hall, King William County, Virginia, daughter of Arthur Governor Allmond and his wife Anna Levinia Custalow, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Arthur Governor Allmond was born January 10, 1889, in King William County, Virginia. His father was born in Gloucester County, Virginia, and his mother was born in King William County, Virginia, and also the ancestors of both from the earliest information, were born in Virginia. Anna Levinia Custalow was born August 13, 1892, at Sweet Hall, King William County, Virginia. Her father was born in King William County, Virginia, and her mother was born in Hanover County, Virginia, and their ancestors were Virginians. Arthur Governor Allmond and Anna Levinia Custalow were married on April 29, 1909. He was a farmer in King William County, Virginia, and later became a boilermaker by occupation in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Children of Benjamin Franklin McVicker and Oral Dorothy (Allmond) ~~McVicker~~:

- 1 Dolores Ann McVicker, born April 28, 1934, at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

**Benjamin F. McVicker** is by occupation a machinist, having graduated from the Machinists Mates Course while enlisted in the Navy. He is an employe of the United States Government at the U. S. Navy Yard, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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RICHARD D. FOLSOM

Richard Dair Folsom, son of Dr. Shirley Dair Folsom and  
Lola Ione (Levitt) Folsom, was born on May 6, 1929, at Omaha, Nebraska.  
He married at Naval Air Station Chapel, Pensacola, Florida, on July 18, 1943.

Dr. Shirley Dair Folsom was a physician<sup>n</sup> at Muscatine, Iowa. He was  
born on July 15, 1887, at Rock Island, Illinois. Lola Ione (Levitt) Folsom  
was born at Arlington, Kingsbury County, South Dakota, on January 31, 1889.  
Dr. Richard Dair Folsom ~~graduated~~ Doctor of Dental Surgery, from the Dental  
College of the University of Iowa, in 1950, and opened his practice at  
~~Spencer, Iowa~~ Spencer, Iowa.

Children of Richard Dair Folsom and  
Folsom:

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RAYMOND EARL NORMAN

(Elizabeth Brindle )

Raymond E. Norman, son of David Hampton Norman and Sarah (Sadie)/Norman was born on January 20, 1906, on a farm near New Providence, Hardin County, Iowa. He married at Iowa City, on August 27, 1928, Bernadine (Constant) McVicker, born on March 1, 1906, at Sigourney, Iowa, daughter of James Rufus McVicker and Virginia Matilda (Constant) McVicker, of Iowa City, Iowa.

David Hampton Norman was born December 21, 1875, near East Bend, Yadkin County, North Carolina. His ancestors were North Carolinians from the earliest known information. Sarah (Sadie) Elizabeth Brindle was born October 28, 1875, on a farm near Steam Boat Rock, Hardin County, Iowa, her father having been born in North Carolina and having married in Iowa. David Hampton Norman and Sarah Elizabeth Brindle were married in 1900 at New Providence, Iowa. He is by occupation a farmer.

Raymond E. Norman is a graduate of the State University of Iowa as is also his wife, Bernadine C. Norman. He is by profession an accountant and is serving as City Auditor of the City of Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Bernadine C. Norman served as a teacher in the High Schools of Kinross, Iowa, and Grosse Ile Michigan, before her marriage.

Children of Raymond E. Norman and Bernadine C. (McVicker) Norman:

- 1 Constance Joan Norman, born October 9, 1929, died October 24, 1929, buried in the Henry Constant plot, Lone Tree, Iowa

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GILBERT LEROY KELSO

Gilbert Leroy Kelso, son of Edward Lewis Kelso and his wife, Elfie Pearl (Kirkpatrick) Kelso was born December 6, 1906, at Lone Tree, Johnson County,

~~McVicker and Virginia Matilda (Constant) McVicker of Iowa City, Iowa~~  
(Constant) McVicker, of Iowa City, Iowa.

Edward Lewis Kelso was born November 14, 1860, near Lone Tree, Johnson County, Iowa. His parents were born in Iowa, their ~~ancestors~~ (Scotch-Irish) having come to Iowa from Virginia (the County now in West Virginia) in 1858. Notably, they came from the vicinity of the locality in which the Gilbert L. Kelso family later resided for some time, in West Virginia. Elfie Pearl Kirkpatrick (1887-1916) was born February 19, 1887, at Wellman, Washington County, Iowa, and died March 6, 1916. Her father was born in Illinois of Scotch-Irish ancestry, and her mother was born in Iowa of Holland (Dutch) ancestry. Edward Lewis Kelso and Elfie Pearl Kirkpatrick were married on May 10, 1905. Edward Lewis Kelso was by ~~occupation~~, for the ~~greater~~ greater part of his life, a merchant.

Both Gilbert L. Kelso and his wife, are graduates of the State University of Iowa. ~~She~~ She has taught in the Johnson County Iowa and the Rock Island Illinois Public Schools.

He is by profession a chemist and has received the degree of Master of Public Health from the State University of Minnesota. For several years he was in the employ ~~of~~ of the West Virginia State Board of Health, stationed at Morgantown, Beckley, and Charleston, West Virginia, successively. For the past seven years he has been a Professor of Public Health on the faculty of the University of North Carolina, at Chapel Hill, N.C.

Children of Gilbert Leroy Kelso and

- 1 James Edward Kelso, born March 18, 1934, at Greensburg, Pennsylvania

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BENJAMIN FRANKLIN McVICKER

Benjamin Franklin McVicker, son of James Rufus McVicker and Virginia Matilda (Constant) McVicker, was born August 6, 1912, at Sigourney, Keokuk County, Iowa. Upon attaining his 19th birthday in 1931 and completion of his high school course he enlisted in the U.S. Navy. He married at Media, Delaware County, Pennsylvania, on August 29, 1933, Oral Dorothy Allmond, born August 24, 1916, at Sweet Hall, King William County, Virginia, daughter of Arthur Governor Allmond and his wife, Ann Levinia Custalow, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Since the completion of his enlistment he has been employed in the metal trades and since 1938 has been employed in the United States Navy Yard at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Arthur Governor Allmond was born January 10, 1889, in King William County, Virginia. His father was born in Gloucester County, Virginia, and his mother was born in King William County, Virginia, and also the ancestors of both from the earliest information, were born in Virginia. Ann Levinia Custalow was born August 13, 1892, at Sweet Hall, King William County, Virginia. Her father was born in King William County, Virginia, and her mother was born in Hanover County, Virginia, and their ancestors were Virginians. Arthur Governor Allmond and Anna Levinia Custalow were married on April 29, 1909. He was a farmer in King William County, Virginia, and later became a boilermaker by occupation in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Benjamin F. McVicker is by profession and occupation a machinist, having graduated from the ~~Machinist Mates Course~~ Machinist Mates Course while he was enlisted in the U.S. Navy. For about 20 years he has been employed by the United States Government in the U. S. Navy Yard at Philadelphia.

Children of Benjamin Franklin McVicker and Oral Dorothy (Allmond) McVicker

1 Dolores Anne McVicker, born Apr 28, 1934, at Philadelphia, Pa.

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Dr. RICHARD D. FOLSOM

Richard Dair Folsom, son of Dr. Shirley Dair Folsom and Lola Ione (Levitt) Folsom, was born on May 6, 1920, at Omaha, Nebraska. He married at Naval Air Station, Pensacola, Florida, on July 18, 1945, McVicker and Virginia Matilda (Constant) McVicker. He had graduated from the University of Dubuque and had been commissioned in the U.S. Navy. After marriage he pursued a course in **Dentistry** and was graduated Doctor of Dental Surgery from the College of Dentistry of the State University of Iowa in June, 1950, and opened his practice at Spencer, Iowa.

Dr. Shirley Dair Folsom was a physician at Muscatine, Iowa. He was born on July 15, 1887, at Rock Island, Illinois. He married Lola Ione (Levitt) <sup>18</sup> was born at Arlington, Kingsbury County, South Dakota, January 31, 1889.:

Children of Ricahrd Dair Folsom and

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COPY OF NOTES SENT TO MISS GRAECIA BRITTEN

1206 Sixth Ave. S. E. Cedar Rapids, Iowa, February 18, 1958

Miss Graecia Britten  
3611 G Street, Bremerton, Washington

Dear Cousin:

I will try to comply with yours of February 11 the best I can, and think that a letter of items will be the best way.

Your numbered page 59.  
Father's Church Affiliation was formerly with the Christian Church.  
Norvel Wilson McVicker (1827-1933) 1st married MARY BRYANT ~~Nov~~ Aug 3 1848  
~~six months before he died who died Nov 14, 1857, Champaign, Ill.~~  
Norvel Wilson McVicker 2d married Mrs. Isabel (Henderson) Rowe  
April 14 1858 who died Dec 22 1874, burial Wilton Junction, Iowa.  
Norvel Wilson McVicker 3d married Sep 8 1875 Margaret Emma Hill  
~~McVicker~~ Sep 8, 1875, who died February 18, 1899, burial Sigourney, Iowa.

By first marriage, Norvel Wilson McVicker had three children:  
Margaret Lucinda, John Henry, and Elizabeth Jane. By second marriage he had  
two children: Mary Frances, Cornelia and one foster child, Anna Elizabeth Rowe  
a daughter of his wife, Mrs. Rowe by her first marriage.

You have listed his 5 children by his third marriage

Norvel Wilson McVicker's father was Joseph McVicker, one of the ~~six~~  
seven sons of Captain Duncan McVicker of the 2d Regiment of New Jersey Militia  
in the Revolutionary War. Joseph McVicker married Mary Prudence McMullin who  
died at Salem, Virginia, when Norvel Wilson McVicker was about six years old.

Your reference date of marriage of James R. McVicker should be  
on March 12, 1905

Mabel Anna McVicker spells her name as that way, not Mable.  
She was married in 1896 ~~in~~

Maude Hill McVicker married GEORGE VICTOR Wheeler and not\* Fernando.

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COPY OF NOTES SENT TO MISS GRAECIA BRITTEN

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Margaret Emma Hill born Aug 11, 1849, at Masontown, Pa.

Church Affiliation, ~~Seventh~~ <sup>Seventh</sup> Day Adventist, ~~previously~~ <sup>prior to</sup> that, Methodist  
Virginia Matilda Constant, born at Lone Tree, Iowa

Henry Constant, born in Ontario Province, Canada, naturalized U.S. citizen  
Johnson County, Iowa, October 26, 1868

Amanda DeMarce is correct spelling. Born in Ontario Province, Canada.  
Both buried at Lone Tree, Johnson County, Iowa.

~~Benjamin Franklin McVicker~~  
Benjamin Franklin McVicker and Oral Dorothy Allmond were married at Media,  
Delaware County, Pa., August 28, 1933

Your page 61

Raymond Earl Norman was born on a farm near New Providence, Hardin County,  
Iowa, on January 20, 1906—he married on Aug ~~20~~ 27, 1928,  
Bernadine Constant McVicker, born March 1, ~~1906~~ 1906, at Sigourney, Iowa.

David Hampton Norman was born Dec 21, 1875, near East Bend, Yadkin County,  
N.C. His wife, Sarah (Sadie) Elizabeth Brindle to whom he was married  
in 1900 at New Providence, Iowa, was born Oct 28, 1873, on a farm near  
Steam Boat Rock, Hardin County, Iowa.

~~Jean Constant~~  
Jean Constant Norman died at CedarRapids, Iowa in infancy.

*Constance Joan*



**Dates of births - grandchildren [A00223]**

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UNIVERSITY (seal) OF KENTUCKY

LEXINGTON

College of Law

November 21, 1935

1050 Fontaine Road

Mr. George Harold McVicker,  
2733 East 76th Street,  
Chicago Ill.

Dear George H.:

I regret very much that your wife has had a stroke of paralysis and I trust that she is getting along well since then and that she will be on the way to recovery.

I thank you for your expression of appreciation of the genealogical material. I am disappointed that I have not got to pursue the quest as strenuously since I took up this teaching. It just about takes all my time

I am glad to get those corrections and I will interline them on my record copy so that I will catch up all of them when I get around to write the sketches for publication. That may be a long time yet, as the research and collection is the biggest job. I am so interested in it I may go to some good library and get a dozen books on the Scotch and read them for a preliminary background. Some correspondents have named books that I should read until I suppose there are several of them mentioned. I am going to write to Scotland to the Head of the McVicker Clan there some of these days. I have been referred to him, so I suppose there is one.

To my great delight I received a letter and two good sketches from Dr. W.D. Hamaker yesterday. One sketch is about his grandfather and yours, Duncan McVicker. The other is about his early experiences, and I have a copy of the sketch about him and the family that was printed in the Crawford County Pennsylvania History. I had sent Dr. Hamaker the sketches we got up about yourself and father and family. He was very interested to get them. I also sent copies to my brother Harry S. McVicker, county superintendent of schools of Keokuk County, Iowa, since 1909.

~~To my great~~ As you will remember I have names of three wives of Capt Duncan McVicker. I got the 3rd after I say you, from a lady in New Jersey. It puzzled me all the more. However, I wrote to her and objected to any more wives, that there were too many already, etc., and that I doubted if it were the same Duncan McVicker since her brief to me disclosed the name of a James McVicker as a witness to a will in Baskinridge, Somerset Co. N.J., in 1754 and that was 3 years before Capt. Duncan McVicker came over from the Old Country and so there must have been a different set of McVickers there, so likely there was more than one Duncan McVicker.

However, this lady has come back with a theory that is very plausible. She says.

"It (to me) is evident that Duncan had two wives. But I think that Nancy was first wife. Nancy is only the old-fashioned name of Anna or Ann, just as Betsy or Betty is the old-fashioned name for Elizabeth. I also believe that Laurie was her middle name and not her maiden name. I also think that first wife died after 1768 and that in 1777

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Duncan had his second wife who did not live long, and not long after ~~the~~ the Revolution he went to Pa. with his sons. No mention of wife going to Pa.

"So the present indications are these:  
Duncan McVicker served in Revolutionary War from Sussex County, N.J. Came from Scotland to N.J.--and thence went to Pa. Married first to Annie Laurie McCollum, (called Nancy). She died after 1768 (sons James and Alexander born 1768 and 1773 respectively). She had children, 7 sons and 3 daughters. Duncan McVicker married 2nd, prior to 1777 (when name of Jean is mentioned in the will of Thomas McConnell as "my daughter Jean, wife of Duncan McVicker) to Jean the daughter of Thomas ~~McVicker~~ McConnell. She evidently had no children and died in New Jersey. Duncan McVicker went to Pa. with 7 sons and without wife (and with probably 3 daughters.)  
This is my theory"

This is not so bad and perhaps it may solve the problem.

I thought I would write this to you as you have been very kind in furnishing information to me.

I had planned to attend the American Association Of Law School at Chicago in December but I find that it meets in New Orleans this year. If I could go to Chicago I would have tried to find you again. When I do go I will try to see you. I think I will attend the New Orleans meeting as it may lead to an appointment for next year, I am just taking another man's place this year while he has a year off to take postgraduate work at Harvard Law School

Please give my very kindest regards to your sons and their families. If your son George Rufus McVicker has the copy of the McVicker coat of arms for James Rufus McVicker (that's me) at any time I will be glad to get it.

I have not written many letters about the McVicker clan since I got into this work so the correspondents have not run after me much, and the incoming dope is correspondingly very scarce. However, I will release the floodgates of inquiries as soon as I get time. I am taking time to write to you and Dr. Hamaker tonight whether school keeps or not.

Should you send me any further information it will be greatly valued and will all be weaved into the mosaic when I some day write. Anything more about yourself, wife, sons and their families, ancestors, etc., will be appreciated. I plan to send a copy of my publication to all State Libraries so that future genealogists among our distant kinsmen may not need to puzzle over what we give them as a foundation but can go ahead and make it better. I wish some one would do this but they won't, so "I will," as said the little red hen (in the old primary reader).

I have not bitten off more than I like to chew, but I have been slowed up by other business. I would like to have it be genealogy first and business afterward, so I guess that proves that I am a nut on this particular subject.

However, I find that the other business must have its portion or out I would go on my ear. The surest way to get a good time-taking job is to begin working on genealogy and get it worked up to the point where you are beginning to have something, to have the salt all thrown on the bird's tail so that you can almost reach out and pick up the bird, then sure as fate alone will come a job and overtake you and keep you from catching the bird

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at that time/.

I like your handwriting. It is clear and accurate as copper-plate script. I like to get your letters. Whenever you get around to write me another you will make me happy.

Hoping to get to see you before too long and with my best regards to all (as before mentioned), I am,

Sincerely yours,

(signature)

James R. McVicker

Dr. W.D. Hamaker's address: 2817 East 6th Street,  
Los Angeles, California

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DUNCAN McVICKER

Duncan McVicker was born in Scotland in 1739 and at the age of 18 in 1757, accompanied by 3 brothers, went from Glasgow, Scotland to the North of Ireland, and from there immediately came to America, settling in Northern New Jersey. During the Revolutionary War he was a captain of a company in the 2nd New Jersey line. He fought through the Revolutionary War and was with Washington at Valley Forge. He married Miss Annie Laurie \* and had several (10) children. With his family he moved away from New Jersey to Bedford County Pa., probably shortly after the War. He died on January 19 1818, aged 79 years at the home of his son Alexander McVicker, on a farm near Schellsburg, Bedford County, Pa. He is buried in the cemetery west of Scheelsburg, in the family burial plot of the McVicker and Hamaker families wherein lie six generations.

\*Now known to be Annie Laurie (Nancy) McCollum

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JAMES R. MCVICKER  
attorney and counsellor  
603 East Market Street  
Iowa City, Iowa

May 4, 1935

Mr. G. H. McVicker  
7341 Phillips Ave.  
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. McVicker:

I appreciate very much your letter of April 15 giving me the address of Dr. W.D. Hamaker. I wrote you that letters sent to both Dr. Hamaker and his sister, Miss Ida R. Hamaker were returned to me as unclaimed. I then addressed a letter to "Any Descendent of Duncan McVicker, Meadville Pa." and that letter must have reached Miss Ida R. Hamaker, for she wrote to me and in that letter mentioned have-reached that Dr. Hamaker was living in Los Angeles, so I wrote out there and secured his street address and got into communication and have received two letters from him since, giving me very greatly appreciated information. One of these was dated April 15 by Dr. Hamaker, the same as the date of your last letter, and then on April 19 Miss Ida R. Hamaker wrote me from her address, Hotel Annapolis, 11th to 12th at H Street, Washington, D.C., giving me additional information. Then a few days later I received a copy of the inscriptions from the monuments on the plot of the McVicker and Hamaker Families in the cemetery west of Schellsburg, Bedford Co., Pa., and also other information in notes from public records on the courthouse at Bedford, Pa., from a local correspondent whom I have secured at Bedford, Pa.

So with this accession of new material and information I have now revised the outline of the Alexander McVicker branch, and thinking you may wish a copy I am sending you one for your own use. I expect to go on securing more information and to revise this outline into better and more complete form later. I am also sending you a copy of the inscriptions from the monuments on the plot of the McVicker and Hamaker Families in the cemetery west of Schellsburg, Pa. I would appreciate your writing me any correction you may note for this outline, and if you wish writing me the dates for marriages of the several names, the month and day for births and deaths which I have noted only in the years of occurrence. I may later take a notion to print the genealogy, as it will contain a great deal I have had to work hard to collect and I would like to have it printed in form to be preserved. I am getting the three branches for Alexander, James and Joseph McVicker (of the 7 sons of Capt. Duncan McVicker) worked into outlines, and may yet find information as to Duncan McVicker Jr. and John McVicker, of whom I have but yet found but vague traces.

Thank you for the list from the telephone directory. As you suggest, I may uncover some information by writing to them.

I am much interested in the statement in your former letter of your having a copy of the coat of arms for "the ancient tribe of McVickers". Evidently, the family has come from a common ancestor, and the variations in the spelling of the name are immaterial. In fact, I have had some correspondents tell me that their own family changed the spelling from McVicker to McVicar. I am not going to try to do the research myself of tracing back into Scotland, but have heard from the Secretary of the McVicar Clan of Ontario, Canada, who is putting me into communication with a McVicar clan in Scotland. These organizations may have trace and work out the history of the family, and in that way we will get it.

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TRANSCRIPTION OF INSCRIPTIONS ON MONUMENTS ON PLOT OF McVICKER AND HAMAKER  
FAMILIES IN CEMETERY WEST OF SCHELLSBURG, BEDFORD COUNTY, PA.

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1739	Cap't Duncan McVicker 2nd N.J. Line, Revolutionary War	1818	
	His Wife, Annie Laurie		
1773	Alexander McVicker	1832	son of above mentioned
1774	his wife Jane Taylor	1834	
1799	Duncan McVicker	1879	" " " " " " "
1814	His wife Salome Minnick	1876	

(other side of tombstone:)

1831	Adam P. Hamaker His wife	1875	
1837	Sarah Jane McVicker	1922	
1			
1858	Duncan McVicker Hamaker	1860	" " " " " " "
1861	Elizabeth Townsend	1926	wife of second son of A.P. Hamaker, Dr. Winters Duncan Hamaker
1890	Dr. Edward McVicker Hamaker	1915	son of " " "

<p>In Memory of Duncan McVicker Who departed this Life January the 19th in the year of our lord 1818 Aged 79 yrs.</p>	<p>SACRED Memory of Alexander McVicker son of Duncan McVicker Dee this life August 5th A.D. 1832 Age 59 yrs and 21 d.</p>	<p>SACRED Memory of Jane const of Alexander McVicker who died Sept ;0th A.D. v 1834 Aged 60 yrs, 1 month 26 days</p>
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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I hereby certify that one DUNCAN McVICAR was a private in Captain  
William Swansey's Company, Second Battalion, Cumberland county Militia 1781.  
Thomas Gibson, Colonel.

See p.188, Volume Six, Pennsylvania Archives, Fifth Series.

LUTHER R. KELKER  
Custodian of the Public  
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In testimony whereof I  
hereby affix the seal of  
this Department.

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FIRST CENSUS OF THE UNITED STATES HEADS OF FAMILIES PENNSYLVANIA  
 (1790)

NAME (of head of family)	Free white Males of 16 years and upward, inc head	Free white Males under 16 years	Free white females. Inc head of family	All other free person
BEDFORD COUNTY				
McVicker, Duncan	2	5	3	----
MIFFLIN COUNTY				
McVicar, Duncan	1	0	3	---
NORTHHAMPTON COUNTY				
McVicker, William	1	1	3	---

(Listing of Slaves: none for Each name.)

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**PEDIGREE CHART**

<p>DATE _____</p> <p>NAME OF PERSON SUBMITTING CHART _____</p> <p>STREET ADDRESS _____</p> <p>CITY _____ STATE _____</p> <p>NO. 1 ON THIS CHART IS THE SAME PERSON AS NO. _____ ON CHART NO. _____</p> <p><u>Bernadine C. McVicker</u>                  BORN March 1 - 1906                  WHERE Sigourney, Iowa                  WHEN MARRIED Aug. 27-1928                  DIED _____                  WHERE _____</p> <p>NAME OF HUSBAND OR WIFE                  Raymond Earl Norman                  Jan 20 - 1906                  New Providence, Iowa</p> <p>GIVE HERE NAME OF RECORD OR BOOK WHERE THIS INFORMATION WAS OBTAINED. 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Va)                  WHEN MARRIED Sept. 1875                  DIED April 2, 1923                  WHERE Sigourney, Keokuk Co., Ia                  Married at Muscatine Iowa (Scott House)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">5</p> <p><u>Margaret Emma Hill</u>                  BORN Aug 11, 1849                  WHERE Masontown, Fayette Co Pa.                  DIED Feb. 18, 1899                  WHERE Sigourney, Iowa Keokuk Co.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">6</p> <p><u>Henry Harrison Constant</u>                  BORN March 10, 1841                  WHERE Hawkebury, Prescott Co                  WHEN MARRIED Dec 10, 1864                  DIED Jan. 20, 1892                  WHERE Lone Tree, Iowa</p> <p style="text-align: center;">7</p> <p><u>Amanda De Marce</u>                  BORN April 17, 1847                  WHERE Canada-East East. Ox-Berry                  DIED May 29, 1931                  WHERE Lone Tree, Iowa                  at or near St. Eugene, Prescott Province of Ontario, Canada                  9 yrs old when came from Canada</p> <p style="text-align: center;">2</p> <p><u>James Rufus McVicker</u>                  BORN July 6, 1876                  WHERE Milton Jc, Muscettire Co.                  WHEN MARRIED March 12 - 1903                  DIED July 15, 1963                  WHERE Marshalltown, Iowa</p> <p style="text-align: center;">3</p> <p><u>Virginia Matilda Constant</u>                  BORN Oct. 30, 1878                  WHERE Lone Tree, Iowa                  DIED Sept. 19, 1963                  WHERE Marshalltown, Iowa</p>	8	<p><u>Joseph McVicker</u>                              BORN 1776                              WHERE _____                              WHEN MARRIED _____                              DIED _____                              WHERE _____</p>	16 Capt.	9	<p><u>Mary Prudence McMullen</u>                              BORN _____                              WHERE _____                              WHEN MARRIED _____                              DIED _____                              WHERE _____</p>	17 Nancy	10	<p><u>James Hill</u>                              BORN May 22, 1815                              WHERE _____                              WHEN MARRIED Sept. 22, 1830                              DIED Jan. 2, 1859                              WHERE _____</p>	18 19 20 Tara	11	<p><u>Martha Keffer</u>                              BORN July 20, 1816                              WHERE _____                              WHEN MARRIED _____                              DIED Nov 18, 1867                              WHERE _____</p>	21 22 23 Phyllis Frederic May Opal	12	<p><u>Michael Constant</u>                              BORN Oct. 25, 1811                              WHERE _____                              WHEN MARRIED _____                              DIED Aug. 13, 1892                              WHERE Lone Tree (Swiss) Minn</p>	24 25 26 Rose Vignozzic	13	<p><u>Rose Vignozzic</u>                              BORN _____                              WHERE _____                              WHEN MARRIED _____                              DIED _____                              WHERE _____</p>	27 28	14	<p><u>Anthony De Marce</u>                              BORN Aug. 1, 1805                              WHERE _____                              WHEN MARRIED _____                              DIED Jan. 28, 1859                              WHERE Canada (Betsy)</p>	29 30	15	<p><u>Elizabeth Rapiour</u>                              BORN Dec. 1, 1805                              WHERE _____                              WHEN MARRIED _____                              DIED Aug. 12, 1890                              WHERE Near Delta, Iowa</p>	31
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		16 Capt. Dunagan
	8 Joseph M. Vicker	ABOVE NAME CONTINUED ON CHART
	BORN 1776	17 Nancy McCollum (Annie Laurie)?
	WHERE	ABOVE NAME CONTINUED ON CHART
	WHEN MARRIED	18
	DIED	ABOVE NAME CONTINUED ON CHART
	WHERE	19
	9 Mary Prudence McMullins	ABOVE NAME CONTINUED ON CHART
	BORN	20 Jeremiah Hill 1755-1858
	WHERE	ABOVE NAME CONTINUED ON CHART
	DIED about 1893	21
	WHERE	ABOVE NAME CONTINUED ON CHART
	10 James Hill	22 Phillip Kefover
	BORN May 22, 1815	ABOVE NAME CONTINUED ON CHART
	WHERE	23 Frederick Co. Maryland May 12-1789 - April 3-1881
	WHEN MARRIED Sept. 22, 1835	24 Ophelia Elizabeth Luckey
	DIED Jan. 2, 1859	ABOVE NAME CONTINUED ON CHART
	WHERE	25
	11 Martha Kefover	ABOVE NAME CONTINUED ON CHART
	BORN July 20, 1816	26
	WHERE	27
	DIED Nov. 18, 1869	ABOVE NAME CONTINUED ON CHART
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	DIED Aug. 13, 1892	ABOVE NAME CONTINUED ON CHART
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	WHEN MARRIED	
	DIED Jan. 28, 1859	
	WHERE Canada (Batsy)	
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	BORN Dec. 1, 1805	
	WHERE	
	DIED Aug. 12, 1890	
	WHERE Near Delta, Iowa	

4 Norval Wilson M. Vicker  
BORN Sept. 8, 1827  
WHERE Morgantown, Va (W. Va.)  
WHEN MARRIED Sept. 1875  
DIED April 2, 1923  
WHERE Sigourney, (Keokuk Co.) Ia  
married at Muscatine Iowa (Scott House)

5 Margaret Emma Hill  
BORN Aug. 11, 1849  
WHERE Masontown, Fayette Co. Pa.  
DIED Feb. 19, 1899  
WHERE Sigourney, Iowa  
Keokuk Co.

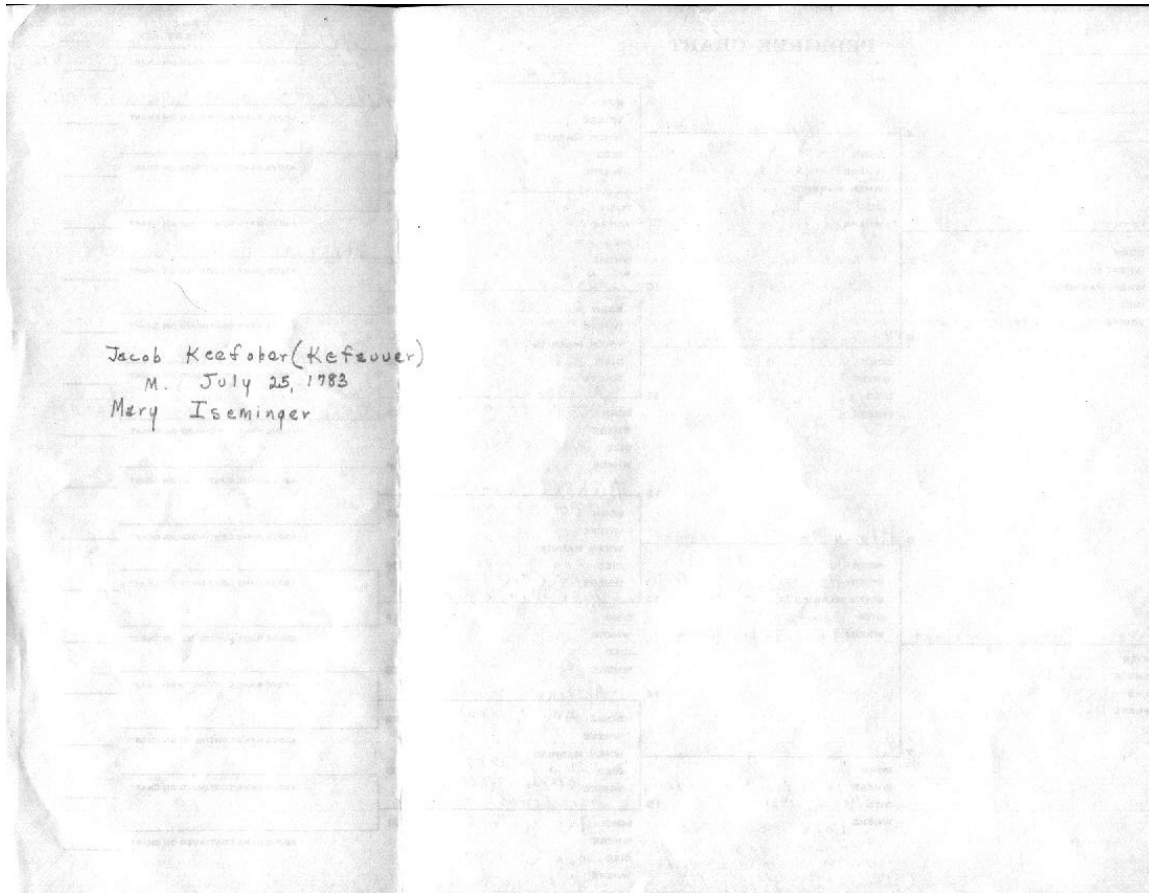
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DIED May 29, 1931  
WHERE Lone Tree, Iowa  
at or near St. Eugene, Prescott Co. Province of Ontario, Canada  
9 yrs 1/2 in Canada from

James Rufus M. Vicker  
BORN July 6, 1876  
WHERE Wilton Jc. Muscatine Co.  
WHEN MARRIED March 12-1875  
DIED July 15, 1963  
WHERE Marshalltown, Iowa

Virginia Matilda Constant  
BORN Oct. 30, 1878  
WHERE Lone Tree, Iowa  
DIED Sept. 19, 1963  
WHERE Marshalltown, Iowa

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What was on that alleged coat of arms?      DOMINUS PROVIDEBIT

What is on the enclosed document?      That he has provided himself with .....

I suppose he was a kind of old Uncle Jimmy Bowen. He was about 56 years of age then--your present age. He died at 79 years of age, at the home of his son Alexander, near Schellsburg, in 1818.

I believe that I have tentatively arrived at the list of the family of Capt. Duncan McVicker, as follows:

Capt. Duncan McVicker (1739-1818), born in Scotland, came to North New Jersey (arrived at 18 years) via North Ireland, with three brothers, whose names I may have in my archives but can not hazard WHO'S WHO.

His Wife, Nancy McCollum (daughter of \_\_\_\_\_ McCollum, whose name I may also have in the names of a well-nigh determined family) That Nancy and Annie Laurie may be and likely are of the same one. That he may have married a Miss Jean McConnell after the death of Nancy in New Jersey and that Jean also died in N.J. before Duncan with 7 sons (and 3 daughters, as I believe) moved to Bedford, or Bedford County, Pa.

The names of the sons are believed to be in the order of their record or of certainty and the later ones not so well established:

- James McVicker (1768-1852, as solely given by H.S.M from his note)
- Joseph McVicker (no dates known, but younger than two below who were on militia age in 1789)
- John McVicker (history not known, but may have it later as pieced out from my collections--he may have gone to Ky. where John McVicker (some John McV. bought land in 1807)
- Duncan McVicker (who is also a lost sheep of the house of Israel as to what became of him, but there was a Duncan McV living in Covington, Ky. in 1810 and he had a son James)
- Daniel McVicker (who promoted a lost city of Clarksburgh, Pa. in 1810-11 of 100 lots on either side of a road--map sent you with names of McVicker lot owners in part, but I now have complete list including other McVickers--will send list for you to work out puzzles with sometime)
- David McVicker, who was in strong on the deal, believed to be founder of present McVicker family descendants in Bedford--could tell more about him if we had that County History, as there are facts we could put together)
- Alexander McVicker, whose line I have almost complete, includes Dr. Hamaker, George Alexander McVicker (Des Moines Treas. and one-time County Auditor of Polk County, George Harold McVicker living in Chicago, Ill and also his wife not well, and several others not so well worked out in my account of the family)

"We are seven."      On next page, for the names of the daughters.

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Mary McVicker (name appears as one of the ubiquitous lot owners in Clarksburgh, the fabled city, in 1810-11, when your correspondent was looking it up in Bedford County last year 4 or 5 lawyers declared they had never heard of such a place in their abstracting, and last authentic account is from an old man saying that as a soldier in the Civil War one night at a campfire two of the boys were talking about the place and the "town that came to naught".

(THE TOWN OF NOT." But you have a copy of the map as recorded in the records of Bedford County. I will later send names of lot owners (about 100). Well, about 3 weeks ago a descendant of Mary McVicker broke into the limelight from Mansfield, Ohio, in a letter to Alberta Clair McVicker Whidden who regarded me as the family wizard to answer the questions, one of which was whether Duncan had a daughter, Mary? This Mary married in Hampshire County (W.) Va. in 1797 to one Thomas McBride. The descendant thought this Mary McVicker to have been born at Cullybackey, Ireland, but my guess is that her mother Nancy McCollum may have been born there.

Elizabeth McVicker, an owner of a lot No. 89 in the fabled City of NOT: Lot No.(t) in Not.

I may be off on this as she might be a wife of some McVicker and not daughter of Duncan, but have names of wives of most of them, not Elizabeth, so this Elizabeth is a "good enough Morgan until after the election."

Nancy McVicker, owner of Lot. No. 60 on the plat of the Town of Not. "We are three." What more natural than that one of Duncan's daughters was named Nancy when the stock of names otherwise ran out, as his wife's name seems to be surely Nancy.

Lot. No. 8 is put down as owned by Wm. Haslett, and I think our ("Dad") Wm. Haslett told me once he came from Pennsylvania by way of Ohio, and what more natural than that his dad or granddad owned one of these ubiquitous lots in the Town of Not. It seems to me that Dad Haslett mentioned coming from Bedford C., Pa., but that is fable of the worst type when coming down through the 1/2 remembered conversations of the years, so it may be stricken out as hearsay.

You can work magic with this list of 100 lot owners, get your stuff together ~~fixed~~ unfolded flat and pressed out, and when you tell me you have that map or plat at hand I will type off the list and send it you you. The names of 100 typed on one page, and can be done for any letter to you, and at same time I will make several carbon copies for use.

Nuts on Not.

Well, I will bring this to a close and send it to you. 'Spect the copy of the Petition of Duncan McV will be funny to you, as it is to me. Better not use it in Prairie.

Write soon. Affectionately yours,

JM  
Hagerstown, Not. P.

## Genalogy &amp; History (2985 JRM) [A00239]

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 12-JRMcV(Ia.); 198-A B(B)J  
 (N.Y.): McVicker, McCollum, Mc-  
 Connell; Scot., Ulster, N. J., Pa.,  
 W.Va.; Rev.  
 Duncan McVicker (my gt.gt.gd.  
 fa.) was b. 1739 in Scotland; when  
 18 went from Glasgow with 3 bros.  
 via North of Ireland to northwestern  
 N.J.; lt. & capt., 2d Sussex Co.  
 Reg't, N.J. Militia in Rev.; shortly  
 after war with 7 sons settled in Bed-  
 ford Co., Pa.; d. Jan. 19, 1818 at  
 farm home of son Alexander (1773-  
 1832; uncle of my fa.) whose Bible  
 I have. Thos. McConnell of N.J. in  
 1777 will refers to "my daughter  
 Joan wife of Duncan McVicker".  
 There is no way of identifying which  
 Duncan of a possible several Joan  
 md. 1777 but I believe he was not  
 mine. A gt.gt.gd.dau. of Duncan (thru  
 son Alexander) claimed to have  
 found by research in N.J. that Dun-  
 can's w. was one, Annic Laurie. No  
 one else has been able to find such  
 information, & I think this name was  
 fancifully ascribed, by the one who  
 reported finding it, because she could  
 not secure real or full name, & as  
 she was erecting a monument to her  
 progenitor & desired to also have the  
 name of a w. inscribed, she romanti-  
 cally gave "Annic Laurie". Desc. of  
 2 of Duncan's sons who settled at  
 Morgantown, W.Va., claim that he  
 md. Nancy McCollum. This claim  
 goes back 100 yrs. to statements  
 made by at least 2 of the gd. sons of  
 Duncan who should have known who  
 was their gd. mother. From this &  
 other evidence which I will not detail  
 I accept Nancy McCollum as w. &  
 believe he had but the one.—JRMcV  
 (Ia.)  
 Genealogy & History, D. C., 4-15-1941

Please give complete & exact title  
 in book or periodical references.



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Dear H.S.: The only letter I am writing January 31st is this one to you. It is a fine day and the sun is shining at 4 p.m.

I received the good letter from you this morning.

I have for 2 weeks been taking vitamin tablets from the Rexall Store here--60 of them in a box (two kinds in the box, one of each or 2 tablets every day for 30 days) and have taken them two weeks and I feel fine. The box cost \$2.29 and tax. Let Luke show you a box, buy it and see how it will make you feel. They build up one and they cure disposition toward colds.

Maude is now employed at a place near North English, by some people named Bauer, a fine place. I have a good letter from her written in a very cheerful mood and have answered it but have the copy at my hotel in my grip.

Our kinsman, Dr Winters Duncan Hamaker died at Pasadena, Calif., Jan 20, and Jim Kendrick attended the funeral and wrote me about it. Dr. Winters Duncan Hamaker got his middle name from Capt. Duncan McVicker, of whom he was a great great grandson. His mother was Sarah Jane McVicker Hamaker, daughter of Duncan McVicker II (1799-1879). That Duncan McVicker II was a son of Alexander McVicker (1773-1832) who was a brother of Joseph McVicker (1776-1854) our grandfather. Dr. Hamaker 5 years ago gave me the Family Bible of Alexander McVicker (1773-1832) which contains the entry of the death of Capt. Duncan McVicker and his age, January 19, 1818.

I had many letters from Dr. Hamaker who lived with his grandfather Duncan McVicker (1799-1879) until Hamaker went away to college at about 20 years of age. Duncan McVicker, the grandfather of Hamaker lived for the first 20 years of his life (about) in the same home with the original Capt. Duncan McVicker. So Dr. Hamaker had a large fund of information to relate to me. He wrote out and sent me many sketches in writing which I had to translate into type because Dr. Hamaker was a blind man and he did not write on lines but run his lines together and his words together.

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William and Mary College Quarterly, Vol. 12, No. 3, January, 1904, pp. 231-236:

Resolutions of Loudoun County

"Loudoun County a Hundred Years Ago.

(In 1877-'78 the following article appeared in a Leesburg (Va.) newspaper.—James D. Evans)

"Major B. P. Nolan, a grandson of Burr Powell, has just put us in possession of a verified copy of the proceedings of a public meeting held at Leesburg, Loudoun county, on the 14th of June, 1774—nearly one hundred and five years ago. It is interesting, not merely for its antiquity, but as showing the spirit of independence that animated the breasts of our liberty-loving countrymen two years before the Declaration of American Independence in 1776. The original document was found among the papers of Col. Leven Powell, at one time member of Congress from this district, who died in 1810. His son, Burr Powell, forwarded a copy to R. H. Lee, Esq., who in 1826, was about to publish a second edition of his Memoirs of the Life of R. H. Lee, of Revolutionary fame. The second edition of that work, however, never appeared, and the proceedings of the Loudoun Meeting are now, for the first time, given to the public in printed form.

"We publish the accompanying memoranda of Burr Powell, as showing the authenticity of the Paper in question.

"Public Meeting in Loudoun in 1774.

"At a meeting of the Freeholders and other inhabitants of the County of Loudoun, in the Colony of Virginia, held at the Court-house in Leesburg, the 14th of June, 1774—F. Peyton, Esq., in the Chair—to consider the most effectual method to preserve the rights and liberties of N. America, and to relieve our brethren of Boston, suffering under the most oppressive and tyrannical Act of the British Parliament, made in the 14th year of his

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present Majesty's reign, whereby their Harbor is blocked up, their Commerce totally obstructed, their property rendered useless--

"Resolved, That we will always cheerfully submit to such prerogatives as his Majesty has a right, by law, to exercise, as Sovereign of the British Dominions, and to no others.

"Resolved, That it is beneath the dignity of freemen to submit to any tax not imposed on them in the usual manner, by representatives of their own choosing.

"Resolved, That the Act of the British Parliament, above mentioned, is utterly repugnant to the fundamental laws of justice, in punishing persons without even the form of a trial; but a despotic exertion of unconstitutional power designedly calculated to enslave a free and loyal people.

"Resolved, That the enforcing the execution of the said Act of Parliament by a military power, must have a necessary tendency to raise a civil war, and that we will, with our lives and fortunes, assist and support our suffering brethren (This far is written in the handwriting of George Johnston, I think; the balance is certainly written in the handwriting of the late Leven Powell.--B.F.), of Boston, and every part of North America that may fall under the immediate hand of oppression, until a redress of all our grievances shall be procured, and our common liberties established on a permanent foundation.

"Resolved, That the East India Company, by exporting their tea from England to America, whilst subject to a tax imposed thereon by the British Parliament, have evidently designed to fix on the Americans those chains forged for them by a venal ministry, and have thereby rendered themselves odious and detestable throughout all America. It is, therefore, the unanimous opinion of this meeting not to purchase any tea or other East India commodity whatever, imported after the first of this month.

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"Resolved, That we will have no commercial intercourse with Great Britain until the above mentioned Act of Parliament shall be totally repealed, and the right of regulating the internal policy of N. America by a British Parliament shall be absolutely and positively given up.

"Resolved, That Thompson Mason and Francis Peyton, Esqs., be appointed to represent the County at a general meeting to be held at Williamsburg on the first day of August next, to take the sense of this Colony at large on the subject of the preceding resolves, and that they, together with Leven Powell, William Ellzey, John Thornton, George Johnston and Samuel Levi, or any three of them, be a committee to correspond with the several committees appointed for this purpose.

"Signed by

"John Morton,  
"Thomas Ray,  
"Thomas Drake,  
"William Booram,  
"Benj. Isaac Humphrey,  
"Samuel Mills,  
"Joshua Singleton,  
"Jonathan Drake,  
"Matthew Rust,  
"Barney Sims,  
"John Sims,  
"Samuel Butler,  
"Thomas Chinn,  
"Appollos Cooper,  
"Lina Hancok,  
"John McVicker,  
"Simon Triplett,  
"Thomas Awsley,  
"Isaac Sanders,  
"Thos. Williams,  
"John Williams,  
"Henry Awsley,  
"Wm. Finnekin,  
"Richard Hanson,  
"John Dunker,  
"Jasper Grant.

"Thomas Williams,  
"James Noland,  
"Samuel Peugh,  
"William Nornail,  
"Thomas Luttrell,  
"James Brair,  
"Poins Awsley,  
"John Kendrick,  
"Edward O'Neal,  
"Francis Triplett,  
"Joseph Combs,  
"John Peyton Harrison,  
"Robert Combs,  
"Stephen Combs,  
"Samuel Henderson,  
"Benjamin Overfield,  
"Adam Sangster,  
"Bazzell Roads,  
"John Willey,  
"James Grayley,  
"Joseph Bayley,  
"John Rearion,  
"Edward Miller,  
"Richard Hirst,  
"James Davis,

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"Middleburg, 11th January, 1826.

"Dear Sir: I find in your memoir of the life of R. H. Lee, at page 97, a letter from Mr. Lee to Samuel Adams, dated 23rd June, 1774, in which is this passage: 'In the meantime, the sense of some counties is taking, and two have already declared their desire to stop all commercial intercourse between Great Britain and the West Indies and this Colony.' Here would be a suitable place to introduce into your 2d edition the Loudoun meeting and resolutions, which I furnished you with. It is more than probable, from a comparison of dates that Loudoun was one of the two Counties that had expressed an opinion, referred to in that letter. I want much to secure to my County the honor it is certainly entitled to for the course it then pursued. I want, too, to secure, in some degree to my father's character, what it deserves for the part he acted then. It will be easy to show that of the fifty odd signers to the original paper put into your possession, a large portion of them were his neighbors and personal friends. It is certain he was present in the meeting because a part of the proceedings was written in his handwriting. I shall be glad to hear from you whether there is a probability of a second edition of your work shortly coming out.

"With Respect, &c., etc, Burr Powell."

"To R. H. Lee, Esq.

(Sent to R. H. Lee, Oct. 1827.)

(The following memo. in Burr Powell's handwriting.)

"The original paper, of which a true copy follows, was put into the hands of R. H. Lee, Esq., when about to publish the life of R. H. Lee, and by him deposited in the Archives of the American Philosophical Society, of Philadelphia. (This is a mistake. Major Burr Powell was probably under

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the impression that the original resolutions placed by him in Mr. Lee's hands were among the papers presented by Mr. Lee to the Philosophical Society of Philadelphia; but after a careful search, Dr. Hayes, the present proctor of the Society, found that the Loudoun Resolutions were not among the papers in their archives, the only ones in their possession being those from which the first edition of Mr. Lee's book was written. At his suggestion, I wrote to Mr. William C. Lane, Librarian of Harvard University, who, after an examination of a part of the Richard Henry Lee papers, which were donated to that institution, wrote me that no trace of the Loudoun Resolutions could be found among them. I then wrote to Mr. F. W. Page, Librarian of the University of Virginia, to which institution most of the Richard Henry Lee papers were donated after the death of his biographer, Richard Henry Lee, since 1827. Mr. Page replied that all of the Lee papers, with the exception of a few, were destroyed in the great fire at the University in 1895. It thus seems that farther search for the original Loudoun document would be futile; but its authenticity cannot be doubted from the many marks of antiquity surrounding the copies and correspondence here given. The original copy, found by Major B. P. Nolan, is still in the possession of the Nolan family. J. D. E.)

"In looking into the papers of my deceased father, Leven Powell, who died in the year 1810, I met with it and laid it by. . . . It is written partly in the handwriting of my father and partly by George Johnston, his intimate friend, who was aid to General Washington, and died in his family in the year 1777. The signers were, most of them, residents of the neighborhood in which Col. Powell lived, and many of them were personally known to me in my youth and early manhood. I am acquainted with the handwriting of several of them, and two of the number, viz. . . Robert Coombs and Joshua Singleton, are now living, the first named about four miles from me. I found with the original paper the proceedings of the convention held at Williamsburg on the first of August, 1774, and among the members there attending was Francis Peyton, one of the members chosen by the meeting that passed resolutions of the 14th of June, 1774, contained in said paper. I know it from the circumstances to be genuine. George Johnston's handwriting is known to me from letters now in my possession.

"He was in regular correspondence with my father from the time he first entered on military service in the Fall of the year 1775 (he was in the battle of the Great Bridge in Virginia, fought on the 9th of December,

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of that year, and described on the same day in one of his letters), till his death.

"Note.—The meeting at Williamsburg on the 1st of August, 1774 (of which I have a printed statement), was attended by 108 of the most respectable and influential men of Virginia, in the order in which they are enrolled the name of George Washington stands fifth from the top; Peyton Randolph, Robert C. Nicholas.

Burr Powell."

**Compiled by James B. McVicker**

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