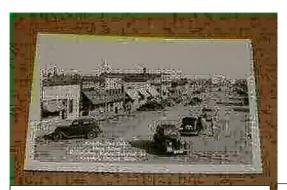
# The Clyde Henry Copeland (West) Letter July 21, 1971

By Melford Clyde Copeland (West), Aaron Eaton. Robert Leichner et. al.



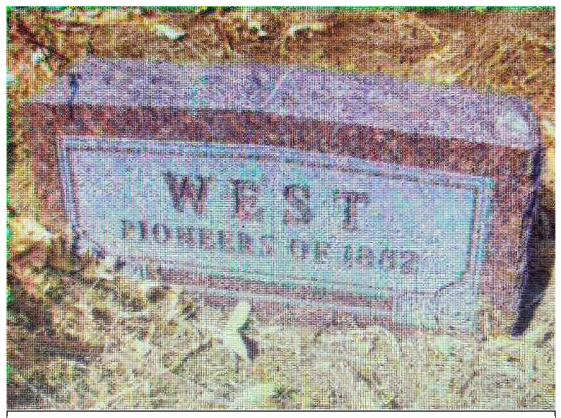
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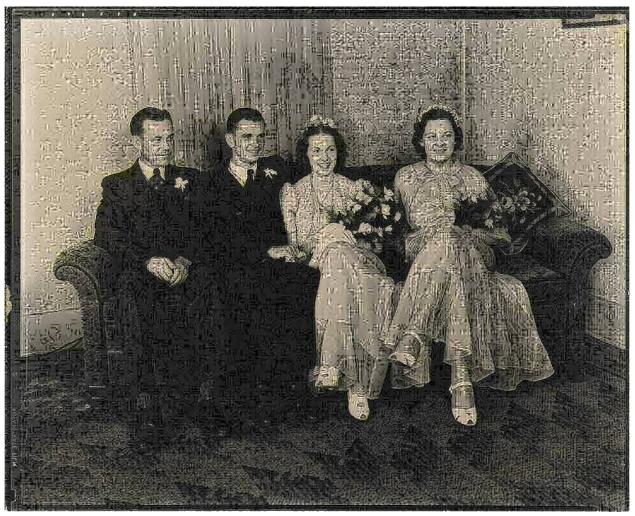
Possible tombstone of Melford Henry West, husband of Grace West, son of the West family Great Great Grandfather Kern(s), on his homestead where Woonsocket, SD is now located. The tombstone is in a cemetery that is a cornfield. The date of the tombstone is before Woonsocket, SD, was developed (1883) as a railroad town and incorporated in 1888.

# Clyde Copeland's Letter of July 27, 1971 to Melford Clyde Copeland with pictures of the Copeland, Keck and Eaton families.

by Melford Clyde Copeland, Robert Leichner and Aaron Eaton September 27, 2021 (Update 04.26.2022)

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Center: Alonzo Dwight Copeland and Margaret Virginia Copeland (Farlee) with friends.

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Grandpa Clyde Henry Copeland, son of Great Grandpa Kern,

## 7.27.21

" I only know that grandpa Kern came to S. Dakota from Pennsylvania when quite young to homestead the land on which now is the city of Woonsocket, South Dakota (seen as Si...?) is the county. Grandpa West also from Penn. Grandpa West (lived?) in SD. Grandpa Kern (from?) St. Cloud, Florida, where I was born and adopted when 1 year old by Mr. and Mrs. Lou Copeland—The year Baker was hung 72 years ago—The only man or person hung in Shannon Co. He murdered his wife while drunk. My adopted dad—uncle Joe—was deputy sheriff and arrested Baker with Baker holding a rifle on him, saying make one more step and I'll kill you. Dad hung his gun on the gate post and walked up to Baker, pushed the rifle down, and Baker broke down and cried—Joe you are my best friend will you stay with me—Dad put him in jail—When he was hung Dad walked up the stairs to the platform and holding his hand and when the executioner took hold of the trap rope --asked Baker have you anything to say before I spring the trap.

(page 2) I must write down as it comes to me—Your great uncle John Melford Eaton and your great aunt Minnie Grace Eaton –Minnie died at age23—John died at age 56—Both died in Kansas City—Dr. Eaton adopted them the same year Mr. Copeland adopted me—My own father and mother passed away 72 years ago— Within three months apart—Father's name was Melford Henry West—Mother's name was Grace West. Buried in Winona, Mo.—I never seen my Bro. or Sis. 'till I was 20 years old—Never knew about them 'till I was 19 and married to your grandmother Copeland. You can see that your name has followed all along—Your great uncle John Melford had a son named Melford and daughter named Fabelle—Melford died very young—Fabelle may still be alive in KC. I have some old pictures of all I have mentioned. Some day you will see them—Should I go before Lou she will have them—If she goes first I haven't decided where they go as yet. Perhaps to Melford.

(page 3) Baker said so long Joe, hurry and pull the rope, I want to get to hell in time for breakfast—I've got a picture of the hanging—Now Grandpa Kern died in old soldier's home in St. Cloud, Florida. Grandma died in Winona, Mo. My own parents Mr. Henry West and Grace West died in Winona, Mo. 72 years ago. My wife's mother & father were named Mr. and Mrs. Will Frye—My wife's name was Little Lilly Lovey Frye—Only carried name Lovey—She was the mother of my 3 children—Your father Dwight Alonzo Copeland, your uncle Melford William Copeland, your aunt Lucille Clara Copeland—Your father and uncle were born in W. Eminence, Mo. Your aunt Lou was born in Slagle, La. Lou had one child a boy named Dick Keck—Your father had 2 boys, uncle Pal had 5, 3 boys and 2 girls. Now I'll have to wait to hear from Lou to find out their ages. Until then hope this will help some—We send our love to you & wife. Grandpa and Grandma (end)

End note. Grandpa Clyde Henry Copeland was born 12 April, 1897 (See Adoption Certificate dated 9 December 1889 at Winona, Mo.)

Melford Clyde Copeland was married to Marietta Paras Copeland (Married Nov.1970, Divorced ~1979). I can't remember the name of Grandpa Clyde's wife when I visited them on a farm outside Eugene, Oregon in 1970-1971.

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Jeremiah Kerns 123 Ind. Inf.

Birth	1846 Indiana, USA
Death	12 Sep 1926 (aged 79–80) Saint Cloud, Osceola County, Florida, USA
Burial	<u>Mount Peace Cemetery</u> Saint Cloud, Osceola County, Florida, USA

**Memorial ID** 40186014

(From findagrave.com)

#### Note on Jeremiah Kerns (by Mel Copeland)

The Clyde Copeland letter refers to his Grandfather Kern. His daughter, Lucille Copeland's handwritten notes appear to refer to a Grandfather Kerns. (See her notes, pages 23-28). The birth date of 1846 seems late, as for Grandpa Kern(s) to arrive in the Dakota Territory and homestead the land where Woonsocket, SD is located before enlisting in the Union army in 1861, he would have had to have been born well before 1846. Furthermore, the Clyde Copeland letter says that Grandpa Kern came to the Dakota Territory from Pennsylvania. However, the Clyde Copeland letter refers to Grandpa Kern(s) dying in an old soldier's home. There is a Brown County, SD record of a Jerome Kern returning from the Civil

War. I found in the South Dakota Civil War veterans list of 1885 the following that may be of interest. Jerome Kern, when he arrived (back?) in SD in 1883, was 40 years old. I'm thinking that he might be the brother of Grandpa Kern: (He's not Jeremiah Kerns because of the difference in regiments.)

Jerome Kern, 78<sup>th</sup> regiment, New York, age 16, from Michigan, enrolled May 1862, ended service 1865, enrolled 3 years, private, (wounded, in 60 engagements), arrived in SD May 1882. (Brown County 1885 census)

We have inquired with the Mount Peace Cemetery whether there are other Kern(s) in their records and await a firm answer.

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This Indenture Witnesseth that for and in consideration for the love and affection of A. his wife, for the Minor child of the premises herein after set for th, the said A. D. Copeland and Molly Copeland, his wife, do their child and legal heir Henry day of April 1897. To have and enjoy all of the rights of one of their own children. I Mrs. Grace West a widow, Mother of Henry Clyde West in consideration of said A. D. Copeland and Molly Copeland, his wife adopting Henry Clyde West as their child and legal heir at law do hereby give to said A. D. Copeland and Molly Copeland, his wife, the legel care, Custody and control of said menry Clyde West, releasing all right and elaim to the care Custody and control of said Henry Clyde West.

In Witness Wherof the said Parties have hereunto set their hands this 9th day of December, 1898, Done at Winona, Missouri

A. I	. Copeland	(seal)	h
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Mrs.	Grace West	(seal)	

State of Missouri ] County of Shannon

On this day personally appeared before me, A. D. Copeland and Molly Copeland, his wife, and Mrs. Grace West, a Widow, the parties described in and who signed the foregoing instrument of writing as parties thereto, and jointly and severally acknowledged the same to be their free act and deed witness my hand and official Seal.

Done at my Office in Winona, Mo. Dec. 9th, 1898

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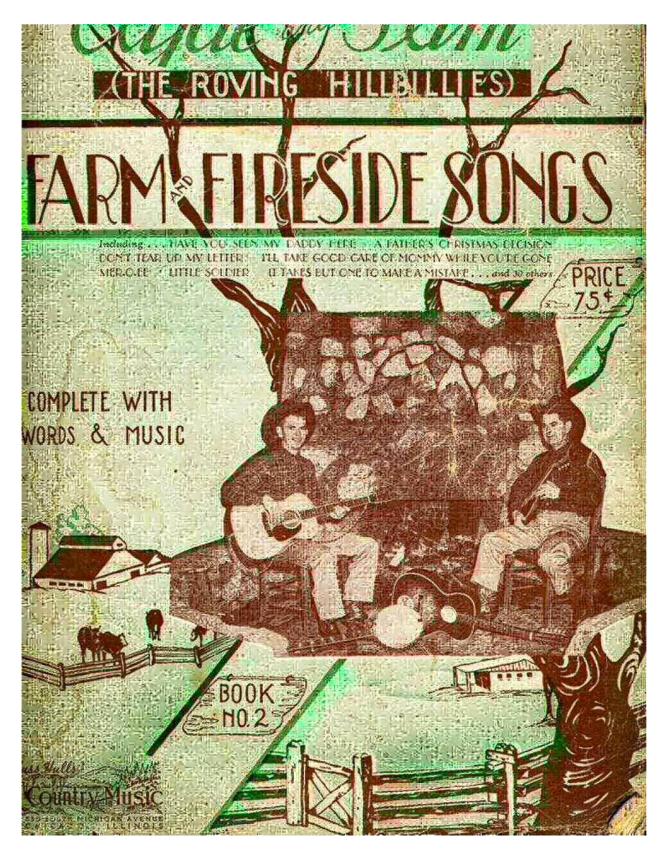
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Alonzo Dow. Copeland and wife Molly



#### THEME:

I'm just a ravin' hillbilly, ravin' down the road, Singin' the songs you all like to know. If you like our program write and tell us so. I'm just a rovin' hillbilly, rovin', rovin' on.

CLYDE AND SLIM COPELAND hail from the Southern Ozarks in the state of Ol' Missouri. They are probably the best known "father and son" team in radie today, and have been entertaining together since 1935. The bays have appeared as regular features on stations XEMO Tijuano, KNX and KMTR Hollywood, KRLD Dallas, and KGA, KHQ and KFPY Spokane. They have been associated with KFPY for the last five years and are held in high

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regard there. CLYDE WAS BORN in Winona, Missouri, April 12, 1896. His parents were Mr. and Mrs. Henry West, pioneer settlers of Woonsocket, South Dakota. They died when Clyde was less than a year old, and he was adapted by Mr. and Mrs. Lon Copeland. He had a brother John Mellord, and a sister Minnie. Both were adapted adapted by Mr. and Mrs. Lon Copeland. He had a brother John Mellord, and a sister Minnie. Both were adapted the had a brother John Mellord. by Mr. and Mrs. W. Earon. The three children were separated for nearly twenty years, then met one happy day in Kansas City. Clyde's brother still resides there, but his sister passed away in 1917.

CLYDE MET, COURTED AND MARRIED charming Lovey Frye in 1915, and they later moved to Slage, Louisi-

and, where their daughter Lou was born. JIMMIE RODGERS AND CLYDE have something in common as both had a passion for railroading. It was as a railroader that Clyde, like the late beloved Jimmie, learned so many of the falk songs now enjoyed by a large following of faithful fans. Clyde was a firemon for many years on the Missouri. Pacific, and also served as an engi-neer for the Missouri Lumber and Mining Company Line. Clyde had the songs of the hills in his heart and so natu-rally became interested in radio. Under the guidance of Bill Ellsworth, well known Chicago tolent agent, he appeared on station WIL St. Louis, and in a short time was well along the way to a successful radio career. Since then Clyde on station Will St. Louis, and in a short time was well along the way to a successful radio career. Since then Clyde has broadcasted and made personal appearances throughout the entire western half of these United States. He was for many years the partner of Lonnie Glosson, now of the Renfro Volley Bam Dance. Later he was known as "Missoun" with those old western favorites, the Arizona Wranglers. CLYDE AND LOVEY are the parents of three children, and the grandparents of four grandchildren. Their children are Lou, Melford or "Pol," and Dwight, nicknamed "Slim." Lou is known on the radio as "The Gal from the Ozarks," and in private life is Mrs. James Buckley and the mother of little Dickie. Her husband is serving in the

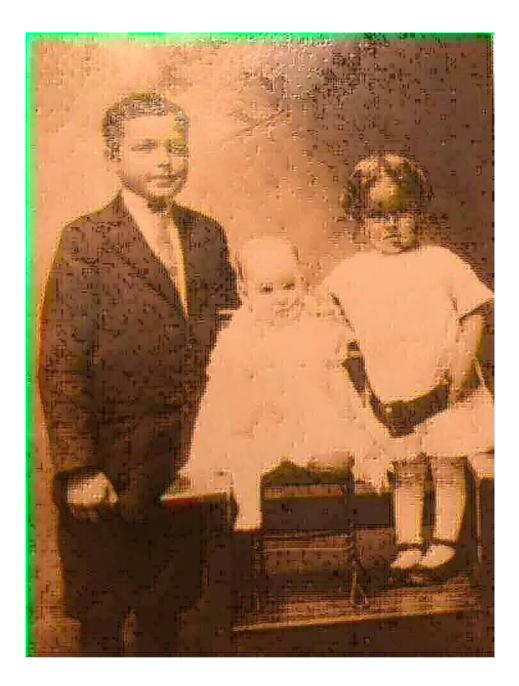
U. S. Army 3rd Air Force. Pal is recognized as a leading branc buster and rodeo performer. He is serving in the 2nd Air Force. He has an attractive wife June and a little boy Johnny. Slim is married, has a lavely wife Margaret, and two boys, Melford and Donnie. They have their own home in Mead, Washington. Clyde and Lovey's place is on the Spokane River, where they hope to remain among the many fine friends they have made in the Northwest, SLIM WAS BORN in Eminence, Missouri, Heart of the Ozarks, on August 12, 1916. His childhood was spent

learning the songs his Daddy knew so well, so it was no surprise when he teamed up with "Daddy Clyde," Sim first appeared on station KMOX, St. Louis, playing a small harp on the Ford Rush program. Ford is now famous on WSM as "The High Sheriff." Slim says he can hardly recall those days, and for him radio really started in earnest at KFBB, Great Falls, Montana.

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ments throughout the Northwest. WHAT ARE YOUR HOBBIES fons often ask, and so here is Clyde to take over in his homey fashion to say a few words: "Hello Falls, Well, both bein' from Missouri, Slim and myself still like to go rabbit huntin' - And a tew words: These rolls, well, both bein from mission, stim and myser sha like to go roboth dufint — And wouldn't mind bearin' a good for chase either — Or mebbe take a possum hunt down through a papaw patch takin' a nibble now and then — Then likhin' is lots of fun, and say. Why don't you Western folks like catfish? Yummm, mighty good! — Our isside hobby is rollroadin', and we have electric trains all over the place, but any time I want a section crew I have to do all the work!" CLYDE AND SLIM THANK YOU, their friends, most sincerally for keeping

them on KFPY for such a long stay, for it is your loyalty, your letters and your interest that make this possible. They enjoy saying "Howdy" to you early in the morning, and singing the songs YOU like best. NOW HERE'S SLIM to say, "So long and thanks for listenin"," while Clyde follows with, "Be a seein" you in the mornin". Good luck to you all."



Children of Great Great Grandpa Kern who homesteaded land where Woonsocket, South Dakota now is located. Their names are John Melford West (Eaton), adopted by Dr. Eaton), Clyde Henry West (Copeland, adopted by Sheriff Copeland), and Minnie Grace West (Eaton, adopted by Dr. Eaton).



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	(Date of)	Address Spoka	ne, Wash.
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Dick Newton Keck filed with the Division of Vital Statistics of the Board of Health of the City of Spokane, Washington.

This is the third ...... certified copy issued on above record.

Hazel G. Ellsworth Deputy Registrar Spokane, Wash., September 24, 1956

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REGISTRANT(S):

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PLIED REMITTANCES ONLY VALID FOR ONE YEAR AFTER RECEIPT. When you include about your request, please return this receipt. If return is indicated, it will be mailed within 30 to 60 days. Comments and forms sent:

This is in reply to your recent correspondence requesting a birth certificate.

On January 1, 1910, the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, Bureau of Vital Records, officially began recording birth and death records on a statewide basis. However, there are some birth records on file prior to that date. In the 1930's a delayed filing process was implemented for individuals born prior to 1910 to register a birth. There are approximately 600,000 such birth records on file for individuals born between 1860 and 1910.

This is to certify that a search was conducted to locate a record of birth for the individual named below. Unfortunately, no record was found.

> FOR: HENRY CLYDE WEST/COPELAND

BORN-APRIL 12, 1897

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GRACE/MINNIE PARENTS: KERN HENRY J WEST

Enclosure

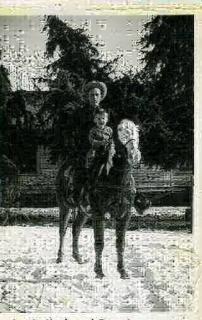






Dick Keck Son of Aunt Lou





Louie Keck and Donnie



Horses, rodeos and horse racing were important to the Copeland and Keck families. Newt Keck became

famous in the quarter horse racing circuit as trainer of several "bar" horses, the first of which was Pokey Bar, (Hugh Huntley, owner), which became the all-time money winner and fastest quarter horse in the world





in 1961.



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# Lucille Claire "Lou" Copeland Hopper

BIRTH	20 Nov 1919
	Slagle, Vernon Parish, Louisiana, USA
DEATH	13 Apr 1982 (aged 62)
	Spokane County, Washington, USA
BURIAL	Greenwood Memorial Terrace
	Spokane, Spokane County, Washington, USA
PLOT	Hope Lawn
MEMORIAL ID	222829924

#### **Family Members**

#### Parents



**Clyde Henry Copeland** 



Lovey Lilly Fry Copeland

#### Siblings



Dwight Alonzo Copeland 1916-1950



Melford William Copeland 1918–1968

### Spouse



Newton Keck 1912–1996 (m. (married) 1937)

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have homesteaded land where Woonsocket, SD is located, and then joined the U 1861, 1862. Grandpa Copeland, his brother and sister were all born in Woonsoc a review of the Wests in South Dakota.

#### The Sanborn Civil War Veterans Census shows:

Lawrence West, enrolled 1865, age 18, from New York, ended service July 1865, Oct. 1881.

**David G. West**, enrolled June 9, 1862, age 19, from Vermont, ended service June in SD, Davison County, April 1880.

**Eugene A. West**, 2<sup>nd</sup> Wisconsin Calvary, enrolled Aug. 6, 1864, age 22, from New service June 12, 1865, Arrived in SD March 1880.

I H. West, 2<sup>nd</sup> Minnesota Calvary, enrolled Feb. 1864, from Minnesota, ended se 1864, arrived in SD, Hughes County, 1877.

**James West**, 38<sup>th</sup> Mass. Volunteers, enrolled July 1863, from Mo., ended service reenlisted in 30<sup>th</sup> Mass. Infantry, arrived in SD May 1885.

Frank A. West, 2<sup>nd</sup> Minnesota, enrolled June 1861, from Minnesota, ended servi arrived in SD Aug. 1883.

**Darius B. West**, 3<sup>rd</sup> Iowa Infantry, enrolled May 1861, from Iowa, ended service engagements, wounded), arrived in SD Minnehaha County, June 1873.

**Abram F. West**, 93<sup>rd</sup> New York, enrolled Nov. 1861, ended service June 1965, fro arrived in SD May 1883.

John M West, 94<sup>th</sup> Illinois Volunteers, enrolled Aug. 1862, from Illinois, ended se 1863, arrived in SD April 1883.

**Charles J West**, 6<sup>th</sup> Minesota, enrolled Feb. 1863, from Iowa, ended service Aug. in SD April 1883.

Jerome Kern, 78<sup>th</sup> regiment, New York, from Michigan, enrolled May 1862, ende 1862, (wounded, in 60 engagements), arrived in SD May 1882.

Jerome Kern returned to South Dakota in 1882. He was wounded in 60 engagem and ended service May 1862? He is not Jeremiah Kerns, however, since Jeremial Sanborn County Veteran's List many joined the army in 1861, 1862, which is whe presume that great, great grandfather Kern(s) would have joined.

For Melford Henry and Grace West to have lived on the Kern(s) homestead, th had to arrive there before 1861, 1862 and lived on it until 1896, 1897. They are the Sanborn County birth or tax records. However, about 2 miles southwest fror was a cluster of West families near the McRoberts home, and this may explain v in the Woonsocket records.

An account by Elsie West Robertson says that "the West, McRoberts and Holle were early pioneers. An N. T. West came to Sanborn County in 1882 and settled McRoberts home, southwest of Woonsocket. West built two soddies, one of wh another piece of land due to a mistake in "description." His brother Harry West a homesteaded and his homestead was on the northeast 5-106- 62 now known as farm. An outbreak of black small pox occurred after a stranger stayed at the McR Both the McRoberts and N. T. West had been vaccinated and were immune and the sick, getting provisions and burying the dead. Mr. West had to take lumber of ceilings of the sod houses to make coffins and Mr. McRoberts donated ten acress cemetery. At one time there were 75 graves there but not all due to the epidem was one of the victims."

The first homestead registered in the Dakota Territory was in 1863.

#408 First Homestead In Dakota

"3 1/2 Miles- The 1862 Homestead law bet 160 acres against the homesteaders years. At 12:01 A.M. January 1, **1863**, Mahlon Gore, a printer, filed at the Vermil for a claim 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> miles north, where an arrow marks the spot. It was the first filing probably in the United States. He failed to 'prove up' and never got the land. He acquire considerable fame thereby."

Erected: 1966

Location: Union County, SD 50 – ¼ mile east of Richland & follow arrow

Citation on a marker:

#### #374 KELO –LAND Centennial Gold Rush

"1961 Dakota Territory was created in **1861** and got its first big impetus in **1874** when gold was confirmed in the Black Hills by General Custer."

Melford Henry and Grace West, Father and mother of Clyde Henry West (Copeland), his brother John Melford West (Eaton) and sister, Minnie Grace West (Eaton) were apparently in Woonsocket, South Dakota. Going back to the Death Certificate of John Melford West (Eaton), we can see that his birth of **Feb. 12, 1889**, in Woonsocket, and Grandpa Clyde's birth of April 12, 1896 in Woonsocket, suggest that Melford Henry and Grace West lived on the Kern(s) homestead earlier than 1889 until 1896, 1897, when Melford Henry West apparently died and Grace West and her three children moved to Winona, Missouri. Her three children were given up for adoption immediately thereafter in 1898. (Grandpa Clyde's letter says that Melford Henry West died "72 years ago," from 1971 = 1889.) If Melford Henry West and Grace West were ~20 years old when they married, that would be ~1860-1861. This would be the time when great great grandfather Kern(s) joined the Union army.

Compare the birth dates of John Melford West (Eaton) and Henry Clyde West (Copeland) with the N. T. West family.

#### Sanborn "West" births:

**Elsie Sophia West**, birth 6 Nov. 1882, father **Nicholas T. West**, mother Elizabeth Krueger. Nicholas T. West grave is lot no. 17, block 19 in Eventide Cemetery, Woonsocket, SD, date of death unknown.

Harry Carr West, born 30 May 1884, father Nicholas T. West, mother Elizabeth Krueger Arthur Nicholas West, born 4 July, 1886, father Nicholas T. West, mother Elizabeth Krueger Emma Ruth West, born 13 Feb. 1888, father Nicholas T. West, mother Elizabeth Krueger Jean Louise May West, born 20 May 1890, father Nicholas T. West, mother Elizabeth Elmer Carl West, born 24 May 1894, father Nicholas T. West, mother Elizabeth Krueger Gordon Leigh West, born 9 Sept. 1896, father Nicholas T. West, mother Elizabeth Krueger John Arthur West, born 2 Oct. 1899, father Nicholas T. West, mother Elizabeth Krueger William Leroy West, born 20 Sept. 1893, father William Frederick West, mother Mary Ethie West

Emails 01.07-10.2022, from Aaron Eaton on Othello West:

Lucius West, father of Othello West had a brother named Henry and several of the West clan moved to, lived and died in Clyde, New York.

I find Henry West, son of Othello West in these 3 documents only:

1. 1875 New York state census living in Middleburgh, Schoharie, New York stating he was born in 1871(4 years old). father Othello (32), Mother Anna (21), brother Mahlon (5)

2.1880 United States Federal Census living in Middleburgh, Schoharie, New York stating he was born in 1872 (8 years old) father "Athelo" (39), Mother Anna (27), brother Malon (9), sister Ida Belle West (3), brother Charles West (one month)

3.1885 Dakota Territory Census for Sanborn County district 93

Father Othello (strangely still listed as 39), Mother Anna L. (32), brother "Mall" (15), illegible West (14), sister Ida Bell (9), sister Tressie (3), brother "Chas. (5),

Note: the "illegible West" entry would be Henry West that was in the previous two census records and there were at least two more children that would be added to Othello's family, "Dot" in 1885 and William in 1887.

Note that the Eventide Cemetery in Woonsocket, SD has 11 West family members.

#### West candidates for the West 1882 tombstone in Woonsocket, SD:

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Sally Harrison.com: "Galobar: Winner of first All American Futurity"

August 26, 2008

Trainer Newt Keck spent Labor Day morning, 1959, with Hugh Huntley's filly Galobar and a mountain of ice, on the backside of Ruidoso Downs. That

afternoon, Galobar ran to immortality as the first winner of the All Amercian Futurity. In a span of five years, Keck would win the race two more times. Not bad for a man who grew up in the "stick country" around Nocona, Texas, baling hay for fifty cents a day. "Work made me have a lot of luck in those big races," said Keck, who was 78 in 1990, when I visited him at his home in Colleyville, Texas. "Nobody worked as hard at it as I did." ... Keck and Huntley connected in the early '50s and began assembling a top band of broodmares, including Josephine R, dam of Josie's Bar and Galobar, by Three Bars. Pokey Vandy, Hard work, together with an eye for horseflesh and an understanding of a horse's needs

helped make Keck one of Quarter racing's most successful trainers in the 1950s and 1960s. As a kid, he bought his first mount for \$10.25. Later he worked for his uncle, John Hancock, breeder of match racing sensation Joe Hancock, who became a foundation sire for the famed Four Sixes Ranch. Before Keck was through, he had trained horses that broke records for earnings, as well as for speed.nother purchase, produced 1961 All American Futurity winner Pokey Bar.

Pokey Bar set a new world record of 21.1 in the 400-yard All American Futurity and another record with \$120,000 (his All American win paid \$101,112), more than any Quarter Horse had ever earned in a season. As a three-year-old, he set a

world record of :21.6 for the quarter-mile, outshining his dam, who had tied the world record for 440 yards in 1955..."

Note on Photos: Newt Keck is holding the reins of "Globalbar." Photo below it is of Newt Keck (left), his child Dick Keck and unknown person. The following is the marriage certificate of Aunt Lou and Woodrow Kivett, following her divorce from Newt Keck.

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· typewriter	KNOW ALL MEN BY THIS CERTIFICATE: That any regularly ordained minister of the Gospel, authorized by the rites and usages of the church or denomination of Christians, Hebrews, or religious body of which he may be a member, or any Judge or Justice of the Peace, or competent officer to whom this may come, he not knowing of any lawful impediments thereto, is hereby authorized and empowered to solemnize the rites of Matrimony between:
ē	GROOM AND Clare Lucifie Copeland 1. Full Name Woodrow James Kivett 9. Full Name Great Falls Cascade Montana 2. Address: Gooding Gooding Idaho 10. Address: City County State D 3. Age40 4. Color or Race W 5. Single 6. Widowed 7. DivorceD 8. Birthplace: City Krage County State Oklahoma 16. Maiden Name if proviously married 16. Copeland 16. Maiden Name if proviously married 16. Copeland Louisiana
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ld send this o	of the state of <u>Montanasse</u> , in the presence of <u>Mrs. Metudic Kennedyand Mr. Tomas Kennedy</u> WITNESS My hand at the county aforesaid, this <u>L3</u> th. <u>day of July</u> , <u>A.D. 1953</u> . In the presence of: <u>Jins. Winudic</u> , <u>Meruday</u> , <u>D</u> (1) (1) (1) (1)

Of my relationship to Dick Keck, rockets and covered wagons (from Mel Copeland's email to Robert Leichner 11.8.2021)

I can say that Aunt Lou would have been in Hollywood as a teenager with Grandpa Clyde who was at the time broadcasting on the radio in Hollywood. He told me that he was a close friend of the actor Wallace Beery. Grandpa Clyde also said that my father, Dwight Alonzo "Slim" Copeland, was Wallace Beery's chauffeur at that time. Before this Grandpa Clyde had broadcasted from Tijuana, Mexico.

I think I may already have mentioned that when Grandpa Clyde was about 19 (1917?), he consulted with a lawyer in Missouri about the Woonsocket, ND homestead. The lawyer advised that his chances were slim, but to claim the property back he should go to Woonsocket, ND and pitch a tent in the main street of the town, along with the procedure of placing his claim in a can on the street. He did this and the people chased him out of town.

I went to Los Angeles with my grandmother Sadie Ione Farlee (Collier) and stayed with her and Collier relatives for a few months, then moved in with Dick Keck and his roommate Jack Mckibben near Century Blvd., in Inglewood, Ca. During this time Dick's father, Newt Keck, would invite us to the quarter horse races to watch Pokey Bar. Before the races Newt would tell us which horses to bet on, but we never took his advice and bet on our own choices--and lost money when we could have made money, as Newt knew which horses were in the race to win it. Often trainers race their horses but avoid the effort to win the race by reason of saving the horse for a better race. Some wanted to win, others didn't. Dick and I apparently chose the horses that were not in the race to win it.

We continued to be roommates for about a year, until Dick and Rita got married. I roomed with Jack for a while longer and then got a job with North American Aviation which had a large building complex on Century Blvd, with an X-15 on its roof. I was hired by North American Aviation as a machinist, but I had a neighbor girl who was a secretary in purchasing, so I called there to see if I could get transferred. I was called into HR and lectured by the HR employee that hired me, who said that normally I would be fired, but he liked my gumption and told me that there was an opening in their Space and Information Systems Division, in

Downy, Ca., and sent me there for an interview. I was hired in their Documentation Control Dept. and grew from there. The first assignment I had was, with another clerk, to mail a proposal on the Apollo program, which was a large stack of white reports that filled a room the size of a small bedroom. The company was awarded the prime contract on the Apollo Program and I continued serving on it until the company broke the effort into three main elements, Research, Apollo and Saturn. Besides having the contract for the Apollo Command Module we had the contract for the second stage of the rocket (S-II) and other divisions of North American, such as Rocketdyne, who made the rocket engines, and Autonetics, who contracted for the electronic products. By that time North American Aviation had become North American Rockwell and I was assigned to support the "think tank" with regard to the various research that had to be done/invented to get to the moon. I administered and saw a lot of stuff. I was also assigned to review all the classified reports in the vault with our security department. Among the documents were the Peenemunde V2 rocket reports. During the early stages of the Apollo program Dr. Warnher von Braun, who headed the V2 rocket program in Germany, was at the facility.

I often dealt with machine shop operators to confirm progress on various research products and on their same floor was a mock-up of the Apollo Command Module which was available for a look inside. Also, as time progressed often I had to go to the Saturn II buildings and walked by a mock-up of the S-II stage. It was huge. A friend who worked on the S-II told me that they did water pressure tests on it and one day it blew and those who were near it had to swim for it. Nearby the stage I saw a man on a small round one-person platform designed to fly by means of fans. They had it tethered and as it rose up it was quite unstable.

I also administered the documentation requirements of the Gam-77 "Hound dog" missile program. It was a precursor of the Cruise Missile, and was designed to be slung under the B-52 and fly low to the ground, dodging mountains, etc. It had a few failures. One failure report showed a bobby pin in the electronics.

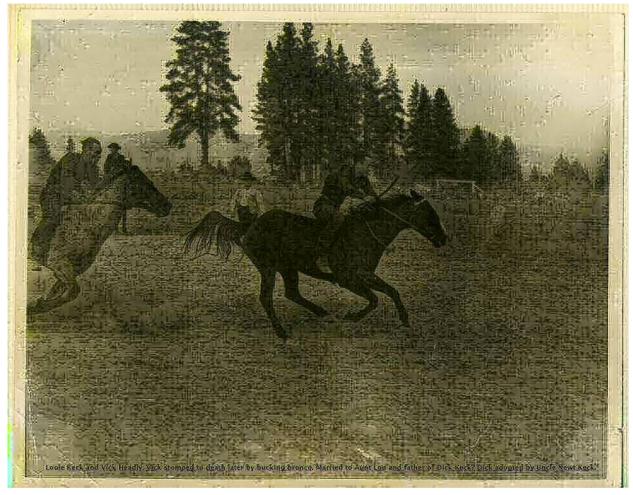
I was living in Bellflower, a town next to Downey, in an apartment not far off of Bellflower Blvd. It was the time of the Watts Riots. My roommate and I watched on TV as the rioters headed our way, burning buildings in their path, and feared that they would reach our area. I moved to El Cerritos, Ca., and had my grandmother Ione (Sadie Ione Farlee) living with me. We watched the Apollo moon landing on TV and as it was happening, I asked her how she felt, having come from Missouri to Montana as a child, in a covered wagon, where her parents set up a homestead. She had migrated to Montana in a covered wagon and her grandson had participated in the first landing of a man on the moon.

Incidentally, one of the reports submitted on Academia.edu., ["Catacomb culture wagons of the Eurasian steppe," by Natalia Shishlina, et al.], covered research on Bronze Age wagons {~2500 B.C.) used in Europe and Asia. Many of the wagons were found in burials and the drawing of the wagons showed that they were in size and shape the same as the "Prairie Schooners," that made up most of the wagon trains coming west from Missouri. The same wagons had been in use for over 5,000 years and were probably similarly equipped and pulled by oxen. Then July 20, 1969 man landed on the moon. It took seventy years to graduate from covered wagons to a rocket to the moon.

Sadly, the momentum we had in discovery during that 70 years was set back, beginning with the Carter administration, as space exploration was considered by many as a waste of money (as some are questioning again today). Ironically, the NASA Artemis project to return to the moon is at best a slight improvement over the Apollo program, and all of the documentation and designs of Apollo that would have been helpful in reinventing the wheel as it were could not be found, as North American Rockwell, then known as Rockwell Inc., then, as the divisions supporting Apollo were sold to Boeing and somehow, in the process the designs of Apollo went missing. By the way, Artemis, the goddess of the hunt, was the sister of Apollo, the god of invention, healing, etc.

Because of Dick Keck who helped me get started, I became a part of the greatest adventure of mankind. For the first time, after looking up and worshiping the moon for millions of years, in a matter of 70 years mankind stood on the moon. One may wonder where we might be had Jimmy Carter not slowed down the pace of invention and discovery. Now the pace of invention and discovery is no longer affected by one man.

So much for my relationship to Dick Keck, rockets and covered wagons.



#### Caption on photo:

"Louie Keck and Vick Headly. Vick stomped to death later by bucking bronco.



Married to Aunt Lou and father of Dick Keck. Dick adopted by Uncle Newt Keck." (Newt is the biological father of Dick Keck. See Birth Certificate.)

Uncle Pal's wife, June Copeland's maiden name was Headlee and she was Vick's and Don's sister. Robert Leichner has corrected the caption. He supplied the obituary and death certificate of Don Headlee who was killed by a horse in 1947. Vick died in 1969 according to the death certificate supplied by Robert Leichner.

Email from Robert Leichner 3.15.2022

Mel

I attached Dick's birth certificate.

When I met with Annette Copeland last time she said the notes I sent you from Lou could be read Kerns & West instead of Kernso West.

Email from Robert Leichner 10.17.2021 Mel,

My son-in-law, John D. Keck, son of Dick Keck, has been in contact with Tom Keck, son of Louie Keck, to see if he can provide any additional information on Dick's biological father. Tom is visiting family in Pennsylvania and will not return to the Spokane area for several weeks, then John will meet with him. We are hoping Tom will take a DNA test so that we can compare it to Dick N. Keck's DNA test.

Louie D. Keck, born Mar 25, 1902, and was married to Sadie Jane Fitzpatrick on Aug 4, 1924, in Spokane. Lou Copeland was born Nov 20, 1921, and married Newton Keck in Spokane on May 24, 1937, when she was 16 years old. Dick was born on Jun 24, 1938, when Lou was 17 years old. When Lou conceived Dick, she was 16 years old.

According to my records Newt was the first husband of Lou, and James Buckley was her second husband. Also, according to records I have found she was married three times after James Buckley.

Would you send me a genealogical summary of Clyde's biological parents, maternal & paternal grandparents as you understand it?

# Email to Robert Leichner 10.17.2021

Grandfather Clyde Henry West (Copeland) was son of Melford Henry and Grace West. Clyde says his grandfather was a Mr. Kern who homesteaded land where Woonsocket, SD is now located. We don't know how grandpa Clyde was related to great great grandfather Kern. Aaron and I are not able to get beyond that. The problem is that he homesteaded the property about 1841, in response to the 1841 Homestead Act. There was another Homestead Act in 1861 that would be too late. In 1883 the railroads took over the land and sold 50 lots within two days. Records begin in 1883. We have been searching for the homestead data. This and more are in the Clyde Copeland Letter PDF. Mel



Clyde Henry Copeland (West) and wife Lovey L Copeland (Frye)

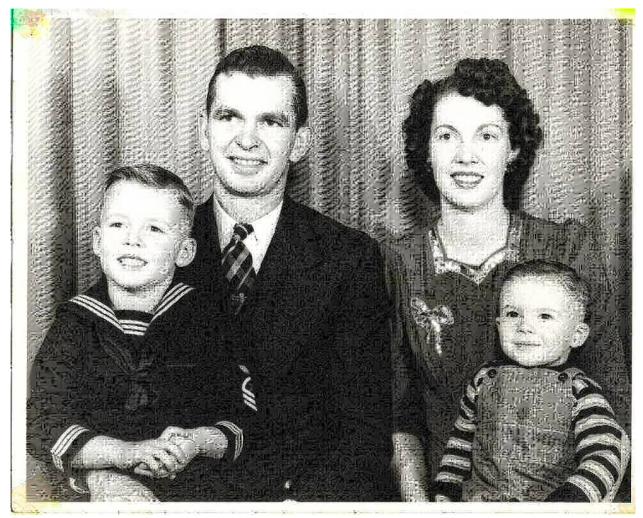


Alonzo Dwight Copeland

Margaret Virginia Copeland



Mom's High School Graduation picture (Margaret Virginia Farlee)

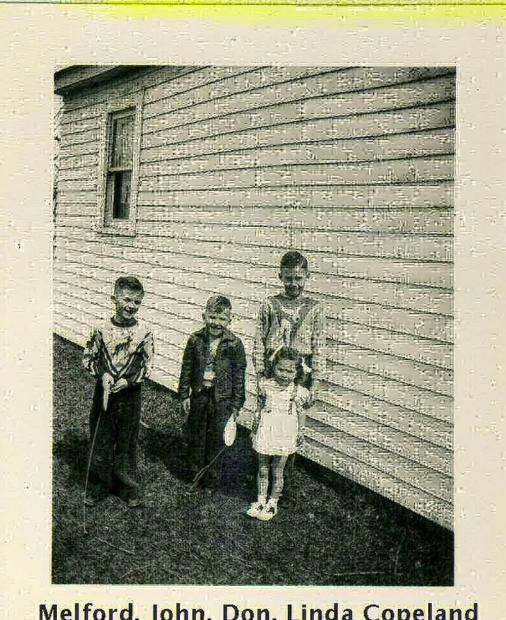


Dwight Alonzo "Slim" and Margaret Virginia Copeland with sons Donald Dwight and Melford Clyde Copeland



Melford (Pal) and June Copeland

One of many Jam Sessions



Melford, John, Don, Linda Copeland

Behind the kids is the window to Don's and my bedroom. I often looked out the window, wondering what was beyond the hills of Mead, Washington. As it happened, with my wife, Marietta Paras Copeland, I traveled to Europe, the Far East, Mexico, etc., several times. She was a sales representative for Mexicana Airlines which at the time enabled free airline travel anywhere in the world.

### Email 9.28.21 from Sherie Stinger Bury

My name is Sherie Stinger Bury, granddaughter of Pal and June Copeland and daughter of Linda Lou Copeland Stinger and Craig Stinger. I was forwarded your email about the family history of Aunt Lou (My great Aunt) and her son Dick. What a treat to read! I grew up listening to the music of Great Grampa Clyde, Great Uncle Slim, Great Aunt Lou and Grampa Pal and listening to all the stories about them from the Rodeos and Radio shows and their amazing lives. We were close to Aunt Lou until her passing. She was quite the woman! Our beloved, beautiful Gramma June passed at the age of 96 about 5 years ago. She was an incredible lady. Her and Grampa Pal raised the most fantastic family, my mom and her siblings. From your family history you shared in your email it sounds like amazing families is a trait that runs strong in the Copelands. I've attached some recent pictures for you of your cousins, Grampa Pal and Gramma June's children. John William Copeland, Linda Lou Copeland Stinger, Dwight Donald Copeland, Christine Ann Copeland, and Michael James Copeland. I hope you enjoy them!

With much regard, Sherie Stinger Bury





Four brothers: Tom Alvar Nord, Melford Clyde Copeland, Donald Dwight Copeland, Larry Allen Nord, 4th July 2005

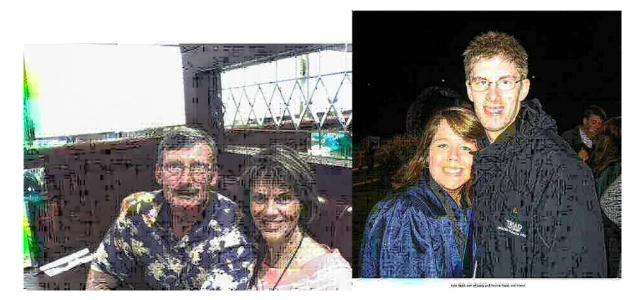
### Photo of a family reunion at Tom Nord's home, July 2005:

Larry Allen Nord and Thomas Alvar Nord are sons of Gene Alvar Nord and Margaret Virginia Nord (formerly Copeland). Larry Allen Nord is married to Bonnie Nord and they have a son, Kyle Nord. Tom Nord is married to Carol Nord. They have no children.

Donald Dwight Copeland and Kayla Copeland (both deceased) have two children, Sheryl Copeland and Jeremy Copeland. Melford Clyde Copeland and Jocelyne Anouilh (of Paris, France), have a daughter, Anais Margarite Anouilh.

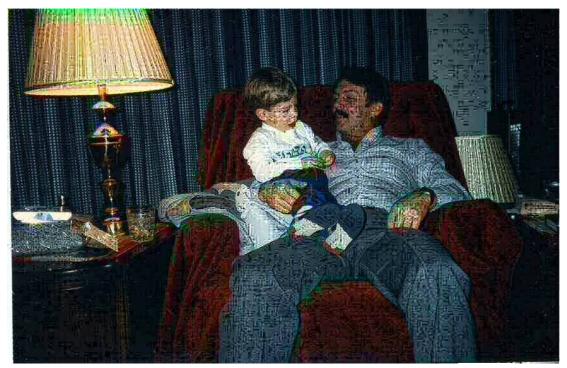


Sherryl Copeland and friend, 4th July 2005



Larry and Bonnie Nord

Kyle Nord



Melford Clyde Copeland and Kyle Nord



Carol and Tom Nord, 4th July 2005



Mel, Jocelyne and their child, Anais, with George Wright and Margaret Virginia Wright (previously, Copeland), in Redding, California



Anais Margarite Anouilh

Jocelyne Anouilh

Melford Clyde Copeland



Anais and her father Mel Copeland Mel, Jocelyne and Anais aboard Mel's Yacht, "Anais," in San Francisco Bay. Her first birthday and when she first walked aboard the yacht. Anais was born September 2, 1986, in Paris, France.

#### A little bit about Melford Clyde Copeland:

I was fortunate to have been part of the Apollo Space Program. I joined North American Aviation in 1962 and was assigned to the Space and Information Systems Division, Downy, Ca., initially as a clerk and then graduated to administering study contracts in the division's "think tank." North American

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Aviation was known for the F-15 rocket plane and the Mustang fighter of the Korean War. The company submitted a proposal that would fill up a bedroom sized room



(which I and another fellow mailed) and subsequently received the prime contract on the Apollo Program. North American's share of the program included the command capsule, the second stage of the rocket, the launch tower, electronics through its Autonetics Division, and rocket engines through its Rocketdyne Division. North American then became North American Rockwell and later just Rockwell Inc. The initial stages of the Apollo Program were all paper, mostly studies having to do with inventing the way to get to the moon and back. I administered many of the studies, one of which included the ablative reentry shielding for the Apollo command capsule.

When Apollo 11 was landing on the moon my grandmother, (mother's mother) Sadie Ione Farlee, was living with me. She and her parents had come from



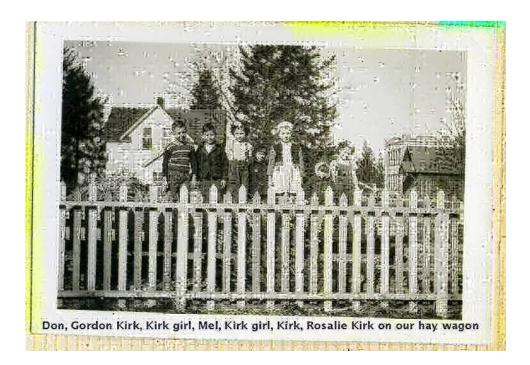
Missouri when she was a child in a covered wagon and homesteaded a ranch in Montana that was bordered by an Indian burial ground. (The bodies were on platforms.) As we watched the landing on the moon on TV I asked my grandmother how she felt, having crossed the United States in a covered wagon and now watching the Apollo moon landing in which her

grandson had participated.

About 1966 I left North American Rockwell and became involved as a contract administrator in Electronic Warfare and other products until Jimmie Carter cut back on aerospace projects.

After changing careers I ended up in the newspaper business as a Sales Manager. I am currently retired and an active researcher, writing on varied subjects but specializing in Bronze Age archeology and linguistics. I am one of the editors of academia.edu. My works may be viewed at: https://independent.academia.edu/MelCopeland

# When the world was less complicated:



The Slim Copeland house with its white picket fence and view of the High School in the background is still there and just as the family left it about 1950-1951. Standing on a hay wagon my Dad had are the Kirk children from the neighborhood. My mother and Gene Nord sold the white house with picket fence and moved with the Nord family to an area near Spenard, Alaska.

The present owner of our old white house (as of 2005) added a larger garage to the property, but the old garage is also there.

### Email from Aaron Eaton on Eaton Family, 10.08.2021

Hello, my name is Aaron Eaton and I live in Independence, Missouri. My grandfather and your father were first cousins. I have been lucky enough to come across Mr. Bob Leichner, who is the gentleman you have had correspondence with and shared a lot of West family history and he has passed that along to me.

Firstly, thank you for you kindness in sharing some of the information you have. I have been trying to find information on our family for most of my life and have come up with very little except dead ends.

My great grandfather was John Melford Eaton... John Melford Eaton>Melford West Eaton>Raymond Eaton>Me

John Melford Eaton had two children, Melford West Eaton and Cleon West Eaton.

Melford West Eaton had two boys, Raymond and Francis Eaton

Cleon West Eaton had a boy (John Melford Brittain) and a girl (Della Vivian Brittain).

Minnie West Eaton (Clyde Copeland's sister) had two children, a boy (Clyde Jones) and a girl (Faybell Jones)

Minnie passed away from the Spanish flu in 1918 as noted by Clyde Copeland in his letter. There is supposed to be a diary out there somewhere of hers that tells of family history and her adventures as a rodeo performer and playing piano in silent movie houses. I have no actual proof of this but hopefully one day it will surface.

John Melford lived on a farm in Cass County, Missouri and raised Black Angus cows while working as a plasterer. My father spent a lot of his time on the farm working as a boy with his brother. My dad told my mom that our last name should be "West" but that is all he knew. John Melford was remarried and his wife had children and she outlived John Melford by 20 years and all of his belongings and photo's went to her family so we have no photos or documents for him.

John Melford's son, Melford West Eaton was a good man and died of appendix attack while working out of state as a boilermaker. He left two small children and a lovely wife. He did not pass any information about his family history if indeed he knew any. So my dad was very much in the dark about "West" history. Also note that both of John Melford's children have the middle name of "West".

I have a photo or postcard of a hillbilly group playing in a band. It has the name of "Hill Folks" on the top and several members of the band written on it (including Clyde). This was in a family album that my great grandmother (John Melford's first wife) gave to my dad. I couldn't figure out its significance for 20 years I kept it and was curious. I then found John Melford's obituary and there was mention of a brother in Oregon named Clyde and it all made sense after a little research which lead me to your site! (if you would like a copy of this photo, let me know and I will send it)

I read the fantastic email you sent to Bob. It was a goldmine of information and to see those photos and read the information was amazing for someone like me who has been searching for so long for any info. In the letter that Clyde Copeland wrote to you, he mentions photos he had of the Eaton's. If you know how I could get a copy of any of those, please let me know.

Again, thank you for sharing with Bob and myself this great information and I want you to know it

# email from Aaron Eaton 10.08.2021:

Perhaps this was prior to his son being old enough to play with him? This must have been something he sent to his brother.

Aaron

# Who is buried in the old Woonsocket Cemetery>

Email from Arron Eaton 10.12.2021 Mel.

I will really look through and reply best I can to the emails you sent today. I was glad to receive them.

Here I can give you a couple things quickly. The last bit you write about is betting a relative was actually buried in Woonsocket, SD. There is an old cemetery in Woonsocket, SD that only has one marker but legend has it that many are buried there. It is searchable by google or any search engine. The name is "Pioneers of 1882 Cemetery" located in Woonsocket, SD. It is only marked with one marker and it is an interesting one. I have included the one headstone at this cemetery.

Email to Aaron Eaton 10.12.2021 Mel,

Got it. I believed all along that this is a murder mystery. The tombstone alone is very suspect. We need to hear from Brian Gevik as to what the history of Woonsocket says. And wait.

Mel



# Tombstone of Grace West, wife of Melford Henry West

Grace is the mother of John Melford Eaton (West), Minnie Grace Eaton (West) and Clyde Henry West (Copeland). After her husband Melford Henry West died about 1898, Grace married B. H. Crawford.

She died age 28, May 13, 1900. Grandpa Clyde Henry Copeland said in his letter of July 21, 1971 that his father, "Melford Henry West, died 72 years ago."

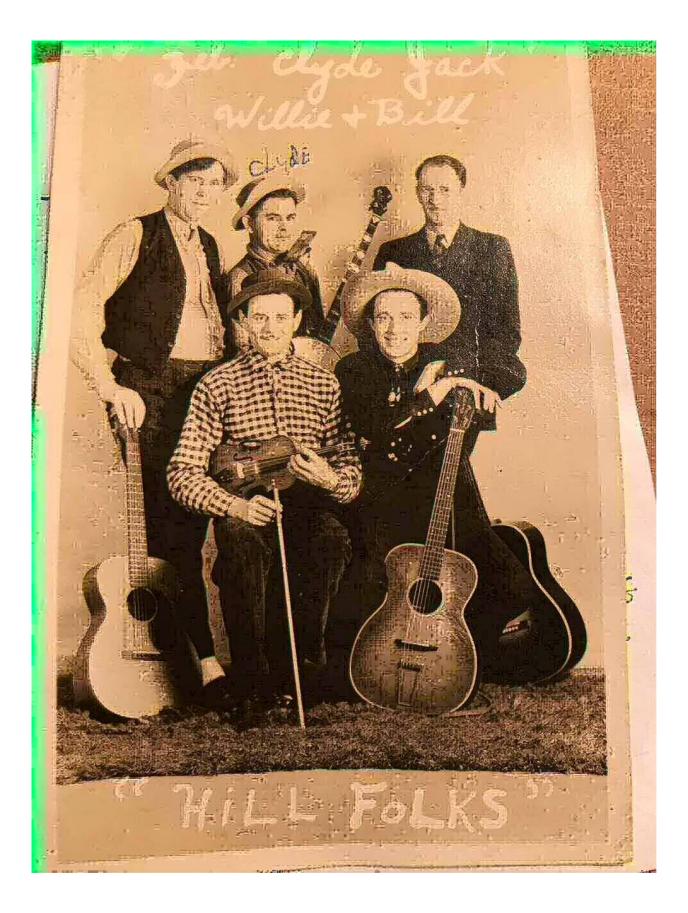
All of the children were adopted in 1898. Clyde Henry West was adopted by Mr. and

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Grace West married B. H. Crawford (Harrison Crawford) December 13, 1898. It is not known why Grace

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Clyde E. Jones , Son of Minnie West Eaton



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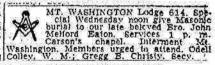
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#### Melford West Eaton.

Melford West Eaton, 29, 1306 North McCoy street, Independence, diedit Saturday in Keckuk, Ia., following an |. operation for appendicitis. He became ill in Keokuk after going there last week for employment as a boilermaker ( in a war plant. He leaves his wife, Mrs. Pauline Eaton, and two sons, Raymond Earl Eaton and Francis Edward Eaton of the home: his mother, it Mrs. Vivian Greener, 216 North Crescent avenue, Fairmount; his father. John M. Eaton, Pleasant Hill, Mo.; a! sister, Mrs. Cleon Brittain, Wood River. Ill., and a half brother. John M. Reilly, 210 North Glenwood avenue. Fairmount. Funeral services will be held at 3:30 o'clock Tuesday at the: George C. Carson chapel. 101 North !: Pleasant street, in Independence. Burial will be in Mt. Washington cemetery,

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A GIRL GETS \$11,800 DAMAGES. One of Miss Francis Shaw's Legs Cut Off By n C. & A. Tenha.

Miss Francis Shaw, who was injured by a Chicago & Alton train near Mt. Wäshington July 17, 1907, was given a verdiet of \$11,500 damages against the railroad company by a jury in Judge James E. Goodrich's division of the clicuit court today. She sued for \$20,000.

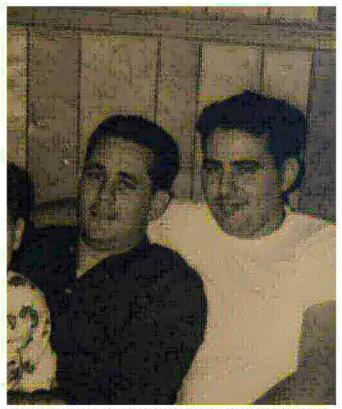
Miss Shaw, who was 16 years old at the time of the accident, and a cousin, Miss Minnie Eaton, were walking along the Chicago & Alton tracks when they heard a train coming. In her attempt to eacape Miss Shaw's feet were caught in a cattle guard. Miss Eaton stood in the center of the track trying to release her cousin. She couldn't. Miss Shaw pushed her from the track as the train approached and, leaning far out, waited. The leg was cut off botween the ankle and the knee.

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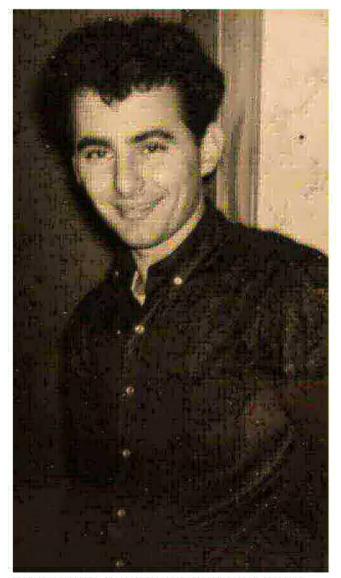
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The story of the bravery and suffering of a girl of 15 was told this morning in Judge Goodrich's division of the circuit court, March 17, 1907, Frances Shaw was crossing the Chicago & Alton Railroad tracks cast of Mount Washington station. One foot caught in a frog of the A train was approaching. tracks. She struggled, but could not release herself. She tried to unlace her shoe, but the train i was too close. Looking up, she saw Minnie Eaton, her companion, standing in the middle of the track so frightened she could not move.

The 15-year-old girl pushed her companion from the track and then leaned i over the rail so her own body would beclear of the track. The train came around a sharp curve and the wheels passed over her ankle, cutting off her foot. She would have been killed had she not had courage and presence of mind. The engineer did not see her in time to stop. Her father, William A. Shaw, as her next friend, brought a suit for her in the circuit court against the railroad company asking for \$20,000 flamages. A jury was empaneled this morning to try the: case. The father obtained a verdict for \$650 in a former suit.



Francis and Raymond Eaton (sons of Melford West Eaton and Pauline Yuhas)



Raymond Eaton (son of Melford West Eaton) my dad

Appendix A Newspaper Accounts/ Miscellaneous Documents

#### Appendix: Newspaper Accounts

#### **Robert Leichner comments on Newspaper accounts and Census data**

I am still puzzled about the release of Clyde by Grace West to the Copelands on Dec 9 189 then a marriage license to Grace West and Benjamin Harrison Crawford on Dec 15 1898. She dies in May 1990, so almost 18 months after releasing Clyde.

On June 8, 1900, John Melford West is living with William & Cora Airy (Aery) in Winona according to the 1900 census.

On June 8, 1900 Minne Fenay West is living with Robert & Mary Price in Winona according to the 1900 census.

On June 9, 1900, Clyde is living with Alonzo & Molly Copeland in Winona according to the 1900 census.

In 1910 John Melford West now John Eaton is living as a boarder with the Debert Fitzpatrick in Mount Washington, MO according to the 1910 census.

In 1910 Minnie West is living as an adopted child with Elliott & Nellie Eaton in Mount Washington, MO according to the 1910 census.

In 1910 Clyde Copeland is living with Alonzo and Molly Copeland in Eminence, Mo according to the 1910 census.

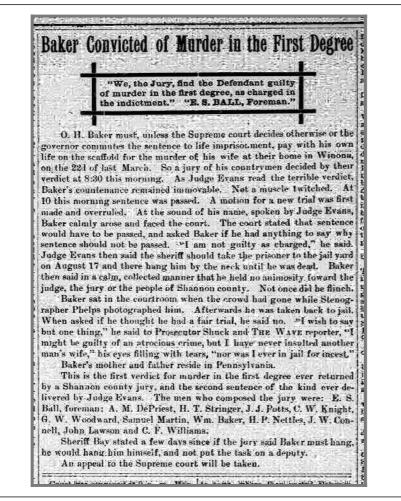




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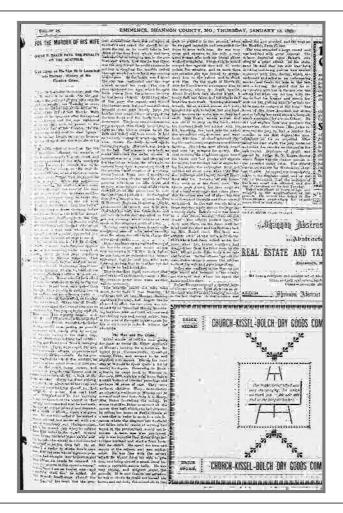
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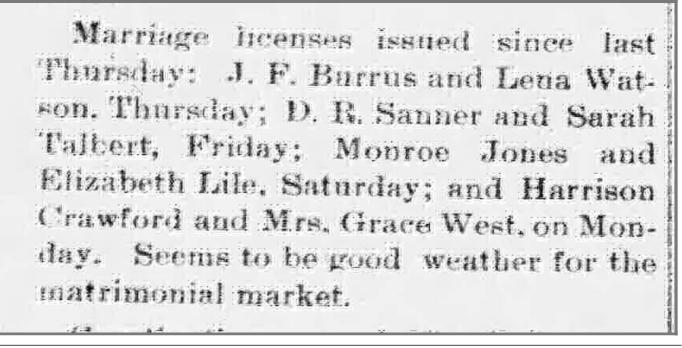














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A. D. Copeland, of Grandin, was here over night Saturday on his return from the funeral of his mother at Eldorado. She was upwards of eighty years old and her death was not unexpected. Mr. Copeland received a telegram from Baxter Springs, Kaus., where Mrs. Copeland was living with a daughter, announcing her dangerous illness and although he hastened there at once she had passed away several hours before his arrival. As per her request the remains were brought to Eldorado for interment. -- Winona Democrat.

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Raymond Copeland and wife returned to Detroit Sunday after a visit here to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Copeland.

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Resolution of Respect To the memory of Alonza Dow Copeland, whereas the Attaignty and eternal God, in his wisdom had been pleased to remove from the circs and housiles of this transitory existence, to a state of sternal duration our worthy brother Alonzo Dow Copeland, thereby weakening the chain by which we are united. And whereas, orother. Copeland was highly esteemed us a citizen, a neighbor and a faithful and efficient member of our fraternity, therefore, bo it resolved, that is members of Shannon Chapter No. 274 O.E.S. we recognize in his death, a serious less to our order, that as a member of long standing, we acknowledge his ability, fidehuj integrity, and that as a Chapter honor to bis memory. Resolved, that we extend to the bereaved family our heart felt sympathy and condelence, in this their great loss, and that copies be fusnished the newspaper of Winona, Mo., for publication, also, a copy be sent the family, and that the above be spread at length on the records fé of the Lodge. 0 J. A. Tobline, 0.8 Lolu A. Beckman, Kate Embeck, 6

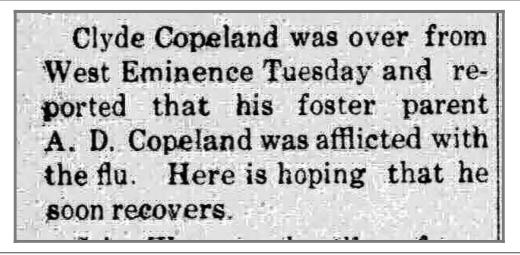
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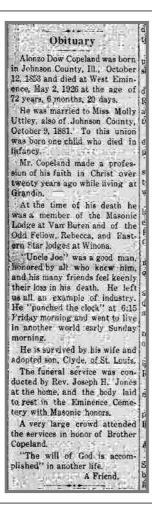


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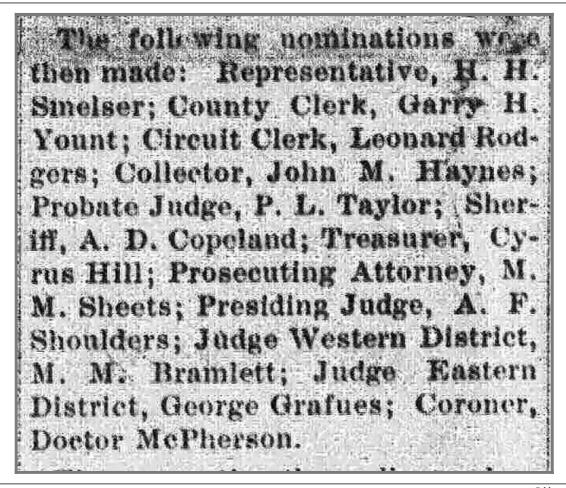
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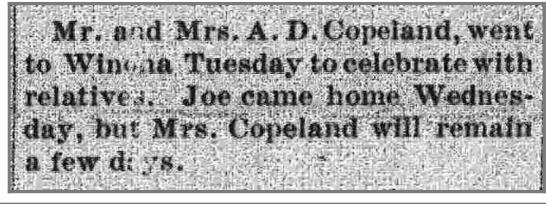
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Last Friday evening the pupils of the grammar room organized a literary and debating society. After much discussion the society was named "The Shakespeare Literary Society." The following officers were elected:Herbert Carr. president: Leonard Shockley, vice-president; Bessie Barnette, secretary; Kaney Lacy, asst secretary; Clyde Copeland seargant-at-arms. The society will meet every other Friday evening. This work is compulsory and every pupil shall take a part in it. Everybody knows how beneficial a literary society is to a school.



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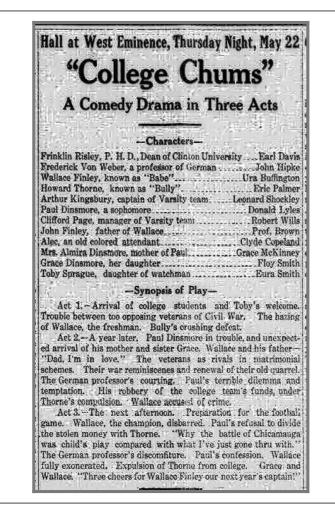
The graduating class this year is composed of the following young men and women: Wm. Berry, Wm. Hyde, Norris French Donald Lyles, Clyde Copeland, Ethel Stout, Naoma Deatherage, Valma Hasty, Elsie Barnett, Bertha Rhinehart, Bessie Jorden, Bessie Keathly, Midia McPhee. The 8th grade class to be promoted into high school is composed of about 18. The high school will reach 40 next year without any doubt. Let us talk up our high school and secure as many outside of district as pos-These folks make splensible. did students and also the tuition We shall receive means much. nearly \$200 this year in tuition. Next year we should receive not less than \$300.



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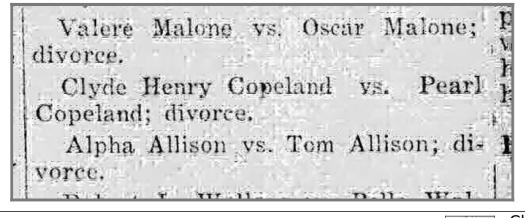


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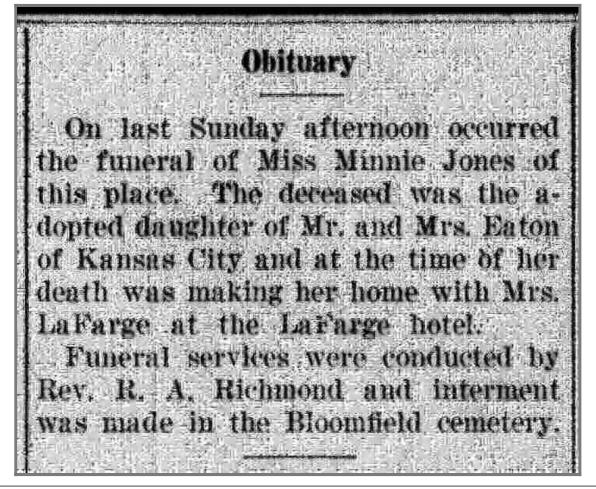


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Individual Summary:	Lucille Claire "Lou" Copeland		
Sex:	Female		
Father:	Clyde Henry West		
Mother:	Lovey Lilly Fry		
Individual Facts:			
Birth:	20 Nov 1921 in Sleigal, Louisanna, USA		
Residence:	1930 in Central, St. Louis, Missouri, USA; Marital Status: Single; Relation to Head: Daughter		
Residence:	1935 in Hollywood, Los Angeles, California		
Residence:	Abt 1937 in Spokane		
Residence:	Relation to Head. Wife		
Advanta better and better	Abt 1943 in Spokane		
	04 Jan 1943 in Spokane, Washington		
Lou Copeland / James Buc	05 Jan 1943 in Spokane, Washington		
Death:	13 Apr 1982 in Spokane, Spokane, Washington, USA		
Lucille Claire Copeland - O	16 Apr 1982 in Spokane, Washington		
Burial:	Greenwood Memorial Terrace, Spokane, Spokane, Washington, USA		
Residence:	Spokane, Washington, USA		
Residence:	Spokane		
Shared Facts:	Newton Keck		
Marriage:	24 May 1937 in Spokane, Spokane, Washington, USA		
Children:	Dick Newton Keck		
Shared Facts:	James Glenn Buckley		
Marriage:	03 Jan 1943 in Coeur d'Alene, Kootenai, Idaho, USA		
Children:	[no children with James Glenn Buckley]		
Shared Facts:	Robert Wayne Reynolds		
Marriage:	27 Jun 1950 in Kootenai County, Idaho, USA		
	[no children with Robert Wayne Reynolds]		
Shared Facts:	Woodrow James Kivett		
Marriage:	15 Jul 1953 in Coeur d'Alene, Kootenai, Idaho, USA		
Divorce:			
Children:			
Shared Facts:	Bobby Joe Hopper		
Marriage:	10 Nov 1961 in Sutherlin, Douglas, Oregon, USA		
Children:			
Notes:			
Person Notes:	[no notes]		

#### Individual Report for Lucille Claire "Lou" Copeland

Person Notes: [no notes]

Note: this report was compiled from Ancestry.com by Robert Leichner

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MARRIAGE LICENSE RECORD No. 44, KOOTENAI COUNTY, IDAHO Putt 154440 0 MARRIAGE LICENSE STATE OF IDAHO, COUNTY OF KOOTENAL, KNOW ALL MEN BY THIS CERTIFICATE, That any regularly ordained minister of the gospel authorized by the rites and usages of the church or denomination of Christians, Hebrews, or religious body of which he may be a member, or any judge or justice of the peace or competent officer to whom this may come, he not knowing of any lawful impediment thereto, is hereby authorized and empowered to solemnize the rites of matrimony between ..... James G. Buckley of \_\_\_\_\_\_ Geiger Field \_\_\_\_\_\_ of the County of \_\_\_\_\_\_ Spokane , State of ... Washington and Lou C. Copeland of Spokane of the County of Spokane State of <u>Washington</u> and so certify the same to said parties, or either of them, under his hand and seal, in his ministerial or official capacity, and thereupon he is required to return his certificate in form following as hereto annexed. IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have bereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said County RECO at Cocur d'Alene, Idaho, this 3rd \_\_\_\_\_day of \_\_\_\_\_January 0 A. D. 19.43. SEAL Jas. A. Poster County Recorder. COUNT Ardath Bakke By\_ Deputy Recorder. MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE I. M. E. Frandson 8 Justice of the Peace residing at Coeur d'Alene ... in the County of Kootenai, in the State of Idaho, do certify that, in accordance with the authority on me conferred by the above license, I did on this 3rd day of January in the year A. D. 19.43., at \_\_\_\_\_\_ in the County of Kootenai, in the State of Idaho, solemnize the rites . . . . .. . . . . . . . .

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2	GROOM A	ND	BRIDE
	1. Full Name Robert W. Reynolds	9. Full Name Clara I	ucille Copeland
Ļ	2. Address: Spokane Spokane Washington	10. Address: Spokes	Spokane Could ashington State
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gi		JAS. A. FOST	00
			Recorder
-		- Sue	Langford
P	<b>.</b> .	10	Deputy
2	Marriage	Certificate	
à.	M.E.Frandsen		of the Peace
our	residing at COeur d'Alene , in the county	of Kootenal	in the State of Idaho, do cert
-	that, in accordance with the authority on me conferred by the above	license, I did on this 27	th day of June
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pa	solemnize the rites of matrimony between <b>Robert W. F</b> in the county of <b>Spokane</b>	, of the State of	Wash.
34	and Clara Lucille Copeland of	Spokane , in th	he county of Spokane
	of the state of Wesh. , in the presence of Chas J.	Hilgers	and Crystal Hilgers
8	WITNESS Me hand at the sounds afarmaid this 27th		June AD 10 5

County of Kootena1	Marriage License
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	And to certify the same to said parties, or either of them under his hand and seal, in his ministerial or official capacity, and thereupon he is required to deliver this copy to the parties so married.
4	IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal, at COCUP d Alene Kootenal County, Idaho,
	this ISON day of James D. Lggs
	Marguerite Tomblin
Rev. Florence Cumin	Harriage Certificate
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in the county of Gooding	, of the State of Idaho
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In the presence of:	erundy. DE (1 C) INDEXED

#### WOONSOCKET

The town of Woonsocket was platted on Sections 21, 22 and 28, Township 107, Range 62, on claims belonging to A. J. Gains and George Hollenbeck. Like most South Dakota townsites it was owned by the railroad company or its townsite auxiliary, in this case by the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railroad Company, who in the sale of lots was certain to make a very nice initial killing. The name was given the new town by C. H. Prior, superintendent of the railroad and its townsite agent who had lived in Woonsocket, Rhode Island. In this case the auxiliary company was known as the Minnesota and Dakota Land Company and the plat was filed for record on the 17th day of October, 1883. Just where the line from the east would meet the line pushing up from the south, was a question that only the railroad people knew about and both Forestburg and Milwaukee Junction had their lightning rods up and were hopeful. The townsite agent on the ground was William F. Summerfield and on October 16, 1883, a town lot sale was initiated by the sale of the first lot to Cornelius Carr who bought Lot 5, Block 26. The opening of the new townsite convinced the promoters of Milwaukee Junction, three miles northeast, that their future lay in Woonsocket and they pulled their not too substantial buildings over to the new townsite as rapidly as possible, and having no lots on which to temporarily poise them they were scattered about initially in a haphazard fashion. Dakota was on the boom in 1883 and railroad building an index to the influx of settlers. What is now South Dakota had a gain of 163,000 people in the five year interval between 1880 and 1885, nearly tripling its population. The railroad people, not displeased with the fine growth of their new city, somewhat facetiously called it "Boom-strucket" and this was descriptive of its rapid growth. Within three weeks it had four buildings of considerable size and 100 other buildings of sorts with a population of 300. At two months its population had jumped up to 525 and by June, 1884 it had an estimated 800 people. The first train came from the south and was credited as arriving on October 2, 1883, and on Novem-

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Appendix B

Death Certificates regarding dates mentioned in this document

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# Appendix C Woonsocket history, West ancestors

Information from the Early History of Sanborn County (through <u>www.familysearch.com</u>) Extracted by Robert Leichner

(page 161) **An account by Elsie West Robertson** says that the West, McRoberts and Hollenbeck families were early pioneers. An N. T. West came to Sanborn County in 1882 and settled near the McRoberts home, southwest of Woonsocket. West built two soddies, one of which was built on another piece of land due to a



mistake in "description." His brother Harry West also homesteaded and his homestead was on the northeast 5-106-62 now known as the Runafelt farm. An outbreak of black small pox occurred after a stranger stayed at the McRoberts home. Both the McRoberts and N. T.

West had been vaccinated and were

provisions and burying the dead. Mr. West had to take lumber out of the ceilings

of the sod houses to make coffins and Mr. McRoberts donated ten acres



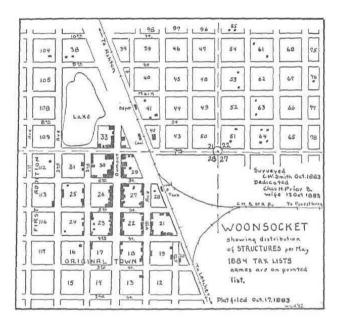
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cemetery. At one time there were 75 graves there but not all due to the epidemic. Harry West was one of the victims.

Near the West tombstone is a tombstone of George Hollenbeck, also dated 1882. Just behind the Hollenbeck tombstone and below the tubular rail one can see the West tombstone sticking up above the leaves. Beneath the stone may be Harry West. Harry is a male given name, the Middle English form of Henry. It is also a diminutive form of Harold, Harrison or Harvey [wikipiedia.org]. The West tombstone may therefore be that of Melford Henry West, son of Mr. Kern who homesteaded the land where Woonsocket, SD is now located. Melford Henry West died in SD according to Grandpa Clyde Henry West and his wife, Grace, died in Winona, Mo. N. T. West, who survived the epidemic, may be the brother of Melford Henry West.

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ber 12, 1883 the first train came in from the east. When it was only nine months old it was the situs of 60 business houses, including eight groceries, three hardware stores, three banks, eight hotels, five lumber yards, three livery stables, two newspapers and the usual assortment of saloons and many small establishments.



#### Structures and Owners and Personal Property

#### Woonsocket Tax List of 1884

Block	Lots	Owners Tax	Tax
13	3 and 12	L. O. Libby\$200.00	
16	1-2	Vincent, Wise\$100.00	
17	21-24	E. G. Hill\$125.00	
18	1	Sevis A. Hazen\$ 75.00	
	3-4	John Dodge\$150.00	\$ 35.00
	7-8	Thomas Shannon\$ 50.00	\$160.00
	8-10	S. E. Murgatroyd\$175.00	\$375.00
	19	Horn Bros\$ 60.00	
	20	John Davison\$ 75.00	
	24	C. H. Kendall\$125.00	
19	2	Charles Bryan\$100.00	
	7-8	E. Dyche\$125.00	
	19-20	Jos. T. Chittingworth\$150.00	

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Block	Lots	Owners Tax	Tax
20	7	F. A. Taylor\$125.00	
21	1	Alex Grant\$125.00	
	4-5	C. E. Dyche\$150.00	
	6-7	J. B. Currens\$150.00	
	8-9	G. M. Mattison\$ 75.00	
	10-11	George S. Nave\$250.00	
	12-13	M. J. Walcott\$250.00	
	14-15	James T. Harris\$ 80.00	
	16-17	Morris & Locke\$225.00	
	18-19	J. G. McDouglan\$200.00	\$230.00
	20-21	Leonard McGarvey\$ 80.00	\$197.00
	22-23	Ivory A. Bibbey\$150.00	
	24-25	M. M. Collins\$150.00	
22	1	Wm. McGarvey\$200.00	\$ 15.00
	3-4-5	Nave & Lock\$125.00	
	6-10	Theo. D. Kanouse\$500.00	\$ 40.00
	11-12	Geo. W. Harger\$350.00	
	13-14	David M. Tiffany\$150.00	
	15	Mrs. Hutchinson\$ 75.00	
	16	Amelia E. Seaton\$ 75.00	
	17	Mrs. Cordelia Harwood\$ 75.00	
	18	G. B. Smith\$ 75.00	
	19-20	Charles H. Elliott\$150.00	
	21	Ivory A. Libby\$150.00	
	22	Vinus Smith\$100.00	
	23-24	Mary R. Dzie\$850.00	
		Gib Dzie\$251.00	
23	1	E. Johnstone\$350.00	\$ 25.00
	2	Sanborn Co. Bank\$150.00	
	3	Schultz Bros\$100.00	
	4	F. C. Buten\$100.00	
	5	E. D. Maxon\$350.00	\$1140.00
	6	Adele Tiffany\$ 80.00	
	3-7	F. C. Buten\$100.00	\$105.00
	7	Custer\$100.00	
	8	J. P. Cook\$100.00	
	9	W. F. Sommerfeld\$100.00	
	10	Amelia F. Seaton\$ 75.00	
	11-12	Clarence E. Sprague\$175.00	
	13-14	Carpenter & Hamm\$100.00	
	15-16 19-		
	21-22	F. E. Harrison\$ 60.00	
	23-24	John H. Smith\$125.00	\$182.00
24	5	William Crothers\$ 75.00	9 Mar 1
	7-8	Wm. B. Sayles\$125.00	\$155.00
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Block	Lots	Owners	Tax	Tax
	13-14	Helen Elliott	\$150.00	
	18	R. A. Wheeler	\$ 50.00	
25	3-4-11-12	J. E. Carpenter	\$165.00	
	9-10	A. G. Miller		\$ 55.00
	17-20	Ed Connery		
	24	W. F. Sommerfeld		\$ 80.00
26	2	J. E. Carpenter		
	3	M. Schleyer		
	4	Geo. Mills		\$575.00
	5	Cornelius Carr	\$300.00	\$ 5.00
	6	W. J. Burdette		
	7	F. M. Lithizer	\$150.00	
	7	Dr. J. E. Lusk	\$200.00	
	8	W. H. Rolf	\$150.00	
	9	Geo. W. Chandler	\$350.00	
	10	Miss S. E. Johnston	\$150.00	
	11	L. O. Libbey	\$350.00	\$1404.00
	12	King & Miller	\$600.00	\$700.00
	13	Ed Baker		
	24	Ed Baker	\$100.00	
27	1-2-3-4-5 E 50'	E. F. Kearney		
	1-2-3-4W Pt.	Merriman & Brigham.		\$100.00
	4	Samuel Stackland		
	5-6	Joseph Tyrell	\$125.00	
	10	Elias Angles		
	11-12	Geo. W. Chandler		
	13	Estel & Rock	\$150.00	
	14	Geo. W. Knee	\$150.00	
	15	C. E. Haven	\$300.00	\$270.00
	17	Henry J. Duffy	\$225.00	
	18	R. J. Grissell		
	19-20	W. H. Rolf	\$300.00	
	21	Dr. J. M. Hull	\$200.00	
	22	Ida Newcome	\$150.00	
	23	Geo. S. Nave	\$350.00	\$100.00
	24	Sanborn County Bank		\$3350.00
	24 E 82 ft.	M. J. Walcott		\$550.00
28		M. J. Walcott	\$250.00	
29	2	Elliott C. H.	\$150.00	
	3	M. A. Newcome		\$305.00
	N 45' 5-6	W. T. Rounsberry	\$400.00	
	8	Noah Keller		\$800.00
	9	D. A. Scott		\$100.00
	10-11-12	L. E. Rock		
	13 to 16	J. M. Levake & Co		\$1500.00
30	95' E pt. 12-3	E. H. Walker		1.22.2.2.2.2

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Block	Lots	Owners	Tax	Tax
	4	O'Connell & Chute	\$200.00	
	6	M. S. Wellman	\$250.00	\$ 50.00
	8	J. E. Carpenter	\$300.00	\$120.00
	9	Jas. M. Estee	\$400.00	\$ 25.00
	10	C. P. Grove	and the construction of the	\$860.00
	18	Horn Bros.		and the second second second
	19-24	Fullerton Lumber Co		a second s
31	5	F. W. Pettigrew		\$1000.00
51	6-8-10	Geo. F. Gund		
33	1	E. Sharpe		
	2	H. D. Howelle		\$340.00
	3	Havens & Gay		\$200.00
	4	Henry H. Mohr	\$200.00	
	5	Louis C. Butler		
	9	O'Connel & Chute	\$300.00	\$375.00
	5-10	T. J. Bell		
	11	John H. Lee		\$ 40.00
	12	Rogers		
	13	Knight Bros.		\$ 20.00
	15-16	A. H. Peck		
34	1	J. E. Douglas		
	Pt. of 2-3	George Hollenbeck Catherine Richter		
01	117' S pt. 2-3-4-5	Geo. W. Lawrence		
35	1	D. Serveson		\$ 75.00
38	10-11 12-13	Mrs. M. B. Underwood		φ 10.00
41	8-9	H. McIntosh		\$121.00
TI	17	George Knott		
	19-21	J. C. Sullivan		and an and a surger surger
42 /	All	C. S. Coleman		
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53	SE 1/4	Jesse C. Merriaman	\$ 65.00	
	SW 1/4	Henry Neville	\$200.00	\$ 62.00
55	17-18	F. A. Remington	\$ 50.00	
	14-16	Wm. Goodwillie	\$100.00	
59		N. B. Reed		
61	NW 1/4	Samuel J. Mitchell		
	W 3rd SW1/4	W. V. Nelson		
	SE <sup>1</sup> /4	A. H. Van Vorhie		
63	W 3rd NW 1/4	Northey Bros.		
	SW 1/4	N. B. Reed		
64	W1/2 NE	C. E. Schufelt		
	$W_{2}^{1/2}SE_{4}^{1/4}$	R. W. Gage		
70	E 1/4 SW 1/4	H. O. Woodley J. G. McDougal		
76	Mid. <sup>1</sup> / <sub>3</sub>	o. G. merougar		

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Block	Lots	Owners Tax	Tax
		First Addition	
104	22-24	Catherine Richter\$150.00	\$126.00
112	1-2	N. P. Wildrich\$140.00	
113	10-12	L. E. Rock\$ 75.00	

The following people appeared to have structures of some sort on the following lot which do not appear on the map: W. E. Gessell, Lots 12-13, Block 4, \$225.00; Parks, Huron Lots 14-16, Block 32, \$75.00 (this is now in the lake); Lot K, Block 35, N. B. Reed, \$75.00.

The following personal property taxes were on the record where there was no real property taxed to the person: Adler, S. and Co., \$1,000; J. L. Letcher & Company, \$1,600; Ira Nash, \$100; L. L. Stevens, \$100; L. L. Woods, \$150.

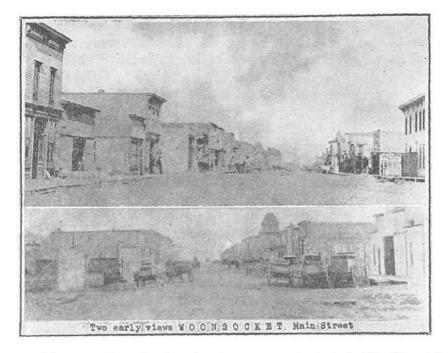
Thus in the first six months of Woonsocket's life as a metropolis it had over 140 structures, some of them if the valuation is a fair indication, of very considerable size and permanence.

By February 5, 1884, a petition was being circulated asking for the incorporation of a town and pursuant to that request an election was held on April 27, 1884, and a town government set up. At the election on March 11, 1885, Cornelius Carr, A. Kalder, G. S. Nance, C. P. Grove and J. W. Paine were elected trustees. Town officers were G. S. Dziewanowski, clerk; George W. Corkings, treasurer; G. Dziewanowski, assesor; H. J. Briggs, marshal, and T. J. Kanouse, justice.

A saloon appears to have been the first building and the first business but on the first sabbath, October 19, 1883, a minister was on hand and by that time he was able to locate a place in a vacant carpenter shop in which to hold services. This was the Rev. J. B. Currens who conducted a Presbyterian service in a building just hauled in from Milwaukee Junction. It was January 7, 1884 until Woonsocket got a postmaster, Rufus W. Gage, it being served by Milwaukee Junction and Forestburg up to that time. The first railroad agent was John W. Paine. The first load of grain to be hauled to the Woonsocket market was a load of flax hauled in by Rev. J. G. Campbell in the fall of 1883. The

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grain buyer was not on the job and John T. Kean, a lawyer, rather than see this initial load hauled back out of town made the purchase.



Names of early day business men included: E. M. and C. W. Smith, druggists; D. K. Cole, jeweler; D. C. Bassett, harness; A. K. Cochran, bakery; a second jeweler, C. G. Holmberg; Albert Strub, general store; George L. Fish, grain buyer; N. B. Reed, W. F. Kenfield, S. A. Ramsey, J. T. Kean, Walter Masten, and N. J. Funkam, lawyers; Cornelius Carr, furniture; V. M. Gussel, merchandise; John Hopkins, Batis Wecher, ran saloons; Mrs. John Dodd and Miss Hynes had millinery shops; Conner & Cooney were realtors; bakeries were run by Joe Olson and Steven Graft and J. B. Morse; grocerymen were W. N. Brown and Ed Frank, L. H. Pier and Albert Strub; another drug store was run by Alden Sampson, S. L. Wood had the meat market; hotel men were E. H. Walker, Gib Dzie with his Merchants and Louis B. Richter and John Richter with the Delevan hotels; barbers were John Pocin and Will Spears; W. J. Woodruff and

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E. J. Dean published the News at one time and Frank and George Kelly also had this newspaper; Charles S. Reed published the Herald; bankers were W. H. Williams, Merchants bank, and Noah Keller and W. H. Allen in the Citizens bank; K. O. and Andrew Stakke handled implements; Frank Ervin had one of the lumber yards, and Mark Williams ran a lumber yard; D. B. Finch likewise had a lumber yard; C. E. Fisher, furniture; Sam Stackland and William Keene were stock buyers; Duncan, Keller and Carlisle ran the roller mills; John Dodge was a mason; John Gerken was a wagon repair man; Knight Brothers were blacksmiths, and John Adair was a painter. Early doctors were Dr. E. W. Feige and Dr. C. V. Templeton. The list of 1883-84 business men also included: C. Buten, real estate; A. Barth, furniture store; Jos. T. Chillingsworth, contractor, carpenter; J. E. Carpenter, real estate; J. L. Cupp, manager lumber yard; A. V. Custer, grocery store; D. S. Dunkel, clerk of courts; J. B. Estee, banker; R. J. Grissell and Strub, general store; R. W. Gage, postmaster; Eugene Hull, well digger; Havens and Gay, saloon; Frank T. Houx, contractor and builder; C. E. Havens, editor Woonsocket Times; T. D. Kanouse, manager lumber yard; Noah Kellar, hardware store; ---. H. Letcher & Co., hardware store, (Fred Steadman, manager); Dr. G. M. Mattison, dentist; H. B. Merriman, blacksmith; Geo. S. Nave, real estate; M. A. Newcomb, harnessmaker; O'Connell & Clute, saloon; A. H. Peck, livery stable; John Stoolmiller, meat market; W. B. Sayles, dray line; L. L. Stevens, banker; J. F. Waldron, blacksmith; G. W. Buchannon, manager lumber yard; G. W. Corkings, banker; Connor Cooney, real estate and register of deeds; R. A. Moses, attorney; A. Kalder, homesteader and clerk of courts; A. N. Carlisle, grain buyer (later in flour mill); C. E. Hinde, Woonsocket Bank; Carr & Richford, meat market; Briggs & Bradle, livery stable; Chas. Chute, saloon; J. B. Currens, Presbyterian minister; F. M. Cook, carpenter and builder; A. Grant, livestock buyer; C. P. Grove, druggist; H. E. Greeman, hotel; Dr. J. M. Hull, veterinary; H. D. Howells, livery and stable; Horn Bros., lumber yard; Geo. Hollenbeck, hotel; L. O. Libby, general store; E. D. Maxon, hardware store; Thos. Murgatroyd, blacksmith; Geo. Mills,

restaurant; L. H. Pier and L. H. McDougal, feed store; Dr. Henry Neville, physician; Jas. O'Brien, grain buyer; J. W. Paine, depot agent; Dr. F. A. Remington, physician; D. Serveson, carpenter; A. Schultz, general store; R. A. Wheeler, harnessmaker for Noah Kellar; H. D. Woodling, carpenter; W. N. Brown, general store; John Bratsberg, general store; W. H. Burdick, abstractor; J. E. More, general store; W. V. Nelson, editor Woonsocket News; J. T. Fosdick, clothing store; Frank Anderson, meat market. Woonsocket was a well rounded frontier town able to serve a large territory with full lines of merchandise and services.

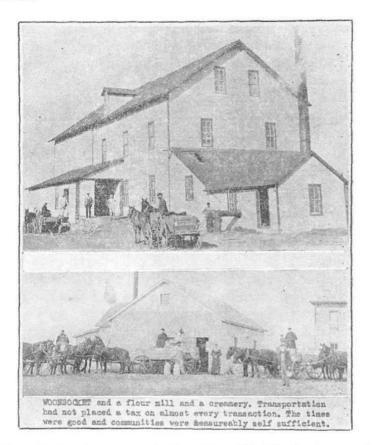
In June, 1885 the town experienced its first large fire when the Flatiron building was destroyed with a \$15,000 loss.

The first child born in the new town was Ralph Woonsocket Elliott.

During the first winter a private school was conducted at the Merchants Hotel by Miss Ida Ferris with about twenty pupils, and S. A. Ramsey also had a private school in the Rolf building. The first public school was in the Heldenreich building with Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Person the teachers in 1884, and the new public school building was completed on October 5, 1885, and the growth was such as to then require four teachers. There was no public school to attend in Woonsocket that first winter and some Woonsocket children, among them Tessie Carr, walked the two miles out to the McRoberts school, two miles southwest of town. The winter of 1883-84 was a mild one so that even in the middle of February work was going on in the building trade and coats were not a necessity. Woonsocket postmasters were Rufus Gage; Cornelius Carr, January 26, 1886 until he was succeeded by a Mr. Sampson in 1891. The fourth postmaster was Dan Samuels who served for four years. By 1886 Woonsocket High School had a school paper, the "Alpha Blizzard", printed by the News. Some of the names and ads therein still bring forth memories; John Kean, C. C. Holmberg, Smith brothers, Lena Caldwell Graham, Bell Baker, Eberhart and Frank Kelley. The first Catholic service in Woonsocket was at the Cornelius Carr home and baptisms and marriages were performed there until a church was available. One of the early attractions of

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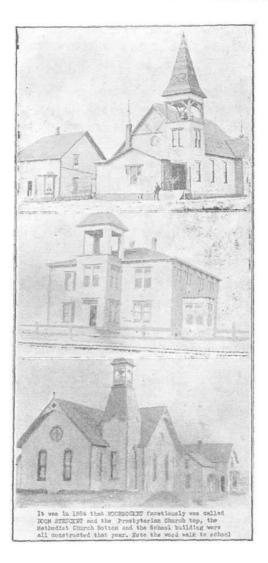
Woonsocket was its giant 4-inch artesian well which initially had a tremendous flow. A separate story on this well is elsewhere.



Rev. J. B. Currens, plucky "Sky Pilot" of pioneer days' has given a detailed account of his experiences at Woonsocket at the moment of its origin. The following excerpts from his history of church work in the Presbyterian faith, present a first hand picture of daily life in the mushroom town which sprung up as the railroad moved forward. Rev. Currens arrived in Woonsocket the day after the sale of lots for the new village. His first service (Presbyterian) was held in a carpenter shop. On the occasion of the 20th anniversary of the dedication of the church which he built in 1883, he returned to Woonsocket for the anniversary celebration in 1903. His memories go back farther than most early accounts. Those which pertain to Sanborn county are here included.

"My first recollection of Woonsocket, was one rainy night, about nine o'clock in October of 1883. I stepped off the train from Mitchell into mud and water, nearly shoe top in depth. There was a very small platform near where the water tank stands, and a temporary shanty for a depot. But the passenger car was far back in the mud. I asked the agent where there was a hotel. He pointed to one light visible from the shanty, stating that that was the hotel. The light was in its window. It was pitch dark. In getting to the hotel one encountered lumber piles, wagons and endless mud holes. We found the hotel, yet unplastered, full to overflowing. There were no beds available; it was too late for supper. The late comers decided to spend the night in the chairs drawn around the stove in the lobby. About midnight the door opened and Mr. and Mrs. Hollenbeck, the proprietors, came in with two new straw ticks. They had made and filled them since our arrival. We brushed the carpenter's shavings from the floor and six of us men spent the rest of the night sleeping on them on the floor, with but one cover. But we were grateful for that, after the tiresome chairs. My bed fellows were a real estate agent from Wisconsin, looking for a location; a young man from Ohio, just out of college, looking for a homestead. I was a young preacher looking for a spot to plant a church.

The first sale of town lots had taken place just the day before. The town was full of home seekers, carpenters and prospective merchants. One or two saloons were already in operation. We could hear men yelling and shooting through the night. Saloons, tents, livery stable and stores were full of men sleeping, and at breakfast time the restaurants were a perfect jam. Milwaukee Junction, the town which had been platted where they thought the railroad junction was to be, moved in enmasse before the town of Woonsocket was platted. Their buildings temporarily squatted and tarpaper shanties dotted the prairie facing in every direction. Mr.



Hollenbeck's cow had her residence right in the middle of Dumont avenue. By looking at the lumber piles one could tell where the street would eventually be. Mr. Libby's grocery and Mr. Haven's residence, with Times Office printed over the door, stood on temporary piles until the locations were determined when the mud should dry enough to see the stakes that had been driven by the platters in their preliminary work.

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I spent the day going from one building to another, explaining my mission and asking for contributions for the building of a church and inviting everyone to come to church on Sunday. Everyone seemed interested in the church and donated liberally, according to their means. I found that the Methodist Brethren were also building a church. To my invitation to come to church, most replied that it was too soon for church. They must hurry to finish the buildings before winter should set in. They couldn't stop work just yet, that families were to come soon, and the places had to be ready. When asked where to come for church I told them in the depot, for I had asked the agent if I might hold the service there. He replied that I might, but when I went there on Sunday I found the place full of freight.

I went into another nearby building, but a barber was shaving a man on one side of the room and a harnessmaker was working on the other. I knew that my quest was futile there. What to do? I was at a loss to determine. I was eager to have that first Sabbath service in the new townbesides, I had extended my invitations. I wanted the pioneers to feel that even though they were on the frontiers, the gospel could be had. I was beginning to feel discouraged when the town site agent came along. I told him the problem that faced me. He said, "Come with me." I followed him to a building that had been dropped down just the evening before, having been moved from Milwaukee Junction. It was an empty carpenter shop standing about three lots north of where the Strub store now stands. As we pushed the door open he asked, "How will this do for a church?" It would do. He helped me sweep it out. We placed a few kegs for chairs and a grocery box for a pulpit. I placed hymnals on the seats, then went to the door to await the church comers. Three women, one little girl and nineteen men constituted that first congregation. The singing and interested participation counteracted the discouragement I had felt. They felt privileged to hear the first gospel preached in the town and a feeling of rejoicing permeated the group such as one does not often find. Perhaps the very fact that it was an unexpected event added to the interest.

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They expected the crude living, the saloons in their midst, the pistol shooting and Sabbath desecrating. But a church service the very first Sabbath of the life of the new little town came as a complete surprise. Their feeling was reflected in the hearty handshaking at the close of the service and in the welcome extended the pastor. My heart was warmed. I felt new courage.

I came to the new town from Parker, where I had been pastor for about five years, about twice a month until I could build a house and move my family to Woonsocket. The second service was held in the depot, where the Sunday school was organized. The next Sunday found us in a store building for services, and the next upstairs in a brick building occupied by Smith's drug store. When the skating rink was finished we held services there until our church was finished. The church organization meeting was held in Mr. Kanouse's lumber yard office. Nine were present of the fourteen original request signers. We were surprised by the town's generosity. The full amount of the debt was pledged before the dedication. The Ladies' Aid was organized and helped materially in the fund raising campaign. Though the town boomed, we were all poor. A donation of \$10.00 was considered "superb". Most contributions were less than \$5.00. But the day came when the church was completed; and when the debt pledges were assured the dedication took place in late December, 1883."



# The West Family Heritage

(4.26.2022)

Email from Robert Leichner, 4.18.2022:

Also, this weekend through DNA I was able to identify the earliest West ancestor in America for Clyde, Minnie and John - Francis West. Here are his descendants that lead to Clyde, Minnie and John:

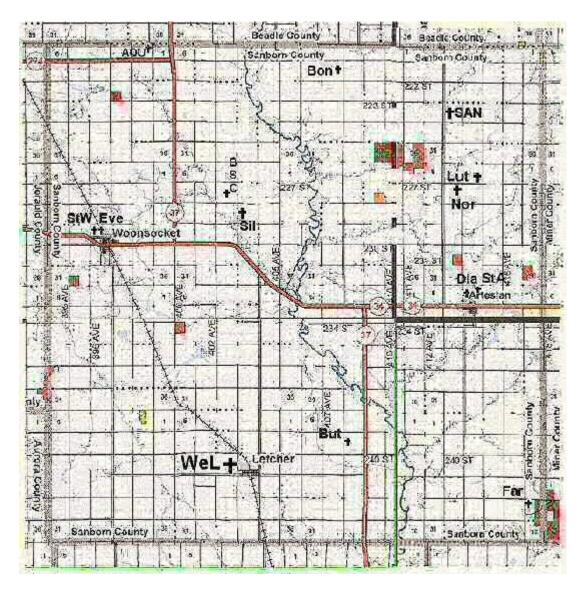
Francis West, b. 1606 Samuel West, b. 1643 Francis West, b. 1669 Samuel West, b. 1700 Abner West, b. 1737 William West, b. 1762 Lucius West b. 1805 Othello West b. 1841 Henry West b. 1871 John, Minnie, Clyde West

Bob



# Sanborn County South Dakota

# Cemeteries



Cemetery	Latitude	Longitude	Ave	St	Addl
<u>Aquilla</u>	44.196°N	98.232°W	399	220	

Bethany-Silver Creek	44.091°N	98.161°W	402.5	227.5	no Topo
Bonney	44.177°N	98.050°W	408	221.5	W side
<u>Butler</u>	43.917°N	98.051°W	408	239.5	E side
Diana	44.017°N	97.921°W	414.5	232.5	Artesian; StAnth?;
<u>Eventide</u>	44.060°N	98.285°W	396.3	229.6	NW Woonsocket E of StWilf
Farwell	43.879°N	97.869°W	417	242	SEquad; sec25;
<u>Lutheran</u>	44.096°N	97.928°W	414.6	227	Sside
Mount Pleasant					
<u>Norwegian</u> <u>Lutheran</u>	44.097°N	97.934°W	414.4	227	Nside
Saint Anthony's	44.020°N	97.920°W	414.5	232.3	Eside; sec4;
Saint Anthony's NW	44.148°N	97.950°W	413	223.5	Eside; sec20;
<u>Saint Wilfrid</u>	44.060°N	98.288°W	396.2	229.6	NW Woonsocket; Wside Eventide;
Silver Creek	44.076°N	98.150°W	403	228.5	Eside; sec15;
Trinity/Glendale Colony	44.866°N	98.291°W	396.5	174	not Sanborn; sec9?;
West Lawn	43.896°N	98.153°W	403	241	NWquad W of Letcher;

Many thanks to Michael Bonnes for this information!

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# **Births W-Z**

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## **BACK**

Name	Birth Date	Gender	County	Father	Mother	
Arthur Cleveland	4 Mar	Male	Sanborn	John Franklin	Mary Elizabeth	
Waldron	1893	Male	SanDorn	Waldron	Hart	
Martha Pauline	5 Sep	Fomalo	Sanborn	George Crawford	Clara Mackral	
Walker	1881	remare	SanDorn	Walker	Ciara Mackfal	
Violinta Walker	12 May	Fomalo	Sanborn	George Crawford	Clara Lin	
vioinita waikei	1883	remare	SanDorn	Walker	Mackall	
William Wallace	15 Jun	Male	Sanhorn	George C Walker	Clara Macrall	
Walker	1889	Male Sandorn G		George C walker		
Charles Edward	8 Aug	Male	Sanborn	George Crawford	Clara Mackrell	
Walker	1895	Male	Sanborn	Walker	CIALA MIACKI EII	
Nina Elizabeth	23 Oct	Fomalo	Sanborn	Phillip M Walls	Emma	
Walls	1887	remare	SanDorn		Burrington	
Maude Leona	31 Jan	Eomolo	Sanborn	Phillip Mcloyd	Emma Jane	
Walls	1889	remaie	Sandonn	Walls	Burrington	
Mable Max Walls	5 Sep	Eomolo	Sanharn	Dhillin M Malla	Emma J	
Mable May Walls	1890	remaie	Sanborn	Phillip M Walls	Burrington	
Ray Dewey	27 Aug	Male	Sanborn	Leo Edward	Minnie Alice	
Walton	1898	Male	SanDorn	Walton	Wares	

Rollin Oliver Ward	18 Nov 1885	Male	Sanborn	George Ward	Linnie Adams
Lillian Booth Washburn	21 Dec 1893	Female	Sanborn	Arthur Sanford Washburn	Nettie Platts
Josephine Gertrude Watkins	2 Feb 1892	Female	Sanborn	George G Watkins	Josephine Stekl
Marie Albertina Watznauer	1 Dec 1890	Female	Sanborn	Edward F Watznauer	Justine Schriber
Leo Henry Watznauer	27 Jan 1891	Male	Sanborn	Leopold A Watznauer	Anna Hinker
Frances Watznauer	17 Apr 1892	Female	Sanborn	Joseph Watznauer	Mary Hinker
Josephine Watznauer	10 Oct 1894	Female	Sanborn	Joseph Watznauer	Mary Hinker
Cora Daisy Weatherill	5 Jan 1900	Female	Sanborn	George Weatherill	Anna Owen
Lela Vay Weaver	16 Sep 1894	Female	Sanborn	Samuel Orrin Weaver	Amanda Pearl Pepper
Edward Herschel Webster	9 Dec 1894	Male	Sanborn	Frank Herschel Webster	Katherene Robinson
John B Wecker	13 Jun 1894	Male	Sanborn	Nick Wecker	Kathleen Privet
Anna Ethel Weir	23 Feb 1885	Female	Sanborn	James Weir	Harriet Shiner
William Weir	13 Dec 1903	Male	Sanborn	William Weir	Jenny Steiner
Mary Welch	6 Nov 1901	Female	Sanborn	W H Welch	Ella Mernough
Edna Laura Welfring	4 Jan 1894	Female	Sanborn	Peter W Welfring	Fananie Cowan
George William Welfring	12 Aug 1898	Male	Sanborn	Peter William Welfring	Fanny May Cowan
Elsie Sophia West	6 Nov 1882	Female	Sanborn	Nicholas T West	Elizabeth Krueger

Harry Carr West	30 May 1884	Male	Sanborn	Nicholas T West	Elizabeth Krueger
Arthur Nicholas West	4 Jul 1886	Male	Sanborn	Nicholas T West	Elizabeth Krueger
Emma Ruth West	13 Feb 1888	Female	Sanborn	Nicholas T West	Elizabeth Krueger
Jean Louise May West	20 May 1890	Female	Sanborn	Nicholas T West	Elizabeth Krueger
William Leroy West	20 Sep 1893	Male	Sanborn	William Frederick West	Mary Ethie West
Elmer Carl West	24 May 1894	Male	Sanborn	Nicholas T West	Elizabeth Krueger
Gordon Leigh West	9 Sep 1896	Male	Sanborn	Nicholas T West	Elizabeth Krueger
John Arthur West	2 Oct 1899	Male	Sanborn	Nicholas T West	Elizabeth Krueger
Nettie Fay Westfall	8 Oct 1902	Female	Sanborn	Samuel Warren Westfall	Della Weigart
Ralph Bates Weston	10 Nov 1887	Male	Sanborn	George Bates Weston	Sarah Delphina Corliss
George Ray Weston	24 Jun 1893	Male	Sanborn	George B Weston	Sarah D Corliss
Isabelle Wheaton	17 Aug 1899	Female	Sanborn	Walter Halsey Wheaton	Eva Matilda Baldwin
Asa Benton Wheeler	20 Jun 1884	Male	Sanborn	Thomas L Wheeler	Mary Viola Newman
Elmo Clifford Wheeler	12 Sep 1900	Male	Sanborn	C C Wheeler	Renne R Brooks
Thomas Leroy Wheeler	13 Aug 1902	Male	Sanborn	C C Wheeler	Renne R Brooks
Edna White	7 Feb 1887	Female	Sanborn	Matthew White	Etta M Browning
Helen Evangeline White	6 Jul 1897	Female	Sanborn	Charles Nathan White	Alice Louise Serveson

Winnie Faye Whitney	12 Feb 1901	Female	Sanborn	Frank Bartlet Whitney	Iva May Shoemaker
Mary Claire Wilde	29 Mar 1891	Female	Sanborn		Lena C Ashmore
Edith Ashmore Wilde	10 Feb 1895	Female	Sanborn	Eber Wilde	Lena C Ashmore
Grace Elizabeth Wilder	18 Aug 1890	Female	Sanborn	Benjamin Vaughan Wider	Anna Alberta Bowers
Glen Bowers Wilder	14 Jul 1892	Male	Sanborn	Benjamin Vaughn Wilder	Anna Alberta Bowers
Delma Marion Wilder	23 Aug 1894	Female	Sanborn	Benjamin Vaughn Wilder	Annie Alberta Bowers
Elva May Thelma Wilder	13 Dec 1899	Female	Sanborn	Benjamin Vaughan Wilder	Anna Alberta Bowers
George Charles Wilds	9 Jun 1899	Male	Sanborn	Earl Bliss Wilds	Winnifred Idella Welch
Myrtle Wilkinson	4 Jan 1901	Female	Sanborn	Edward F Wilkinson	Maggie O Boldan
Hiram John Willard	2 Mar 1884	Male	Sanborn	Hiram Willard	Esther Fisk
Iruie Warren Willard	19 Feb 1895	Male	Sanborn	Charles Fredric Willard	Josephine Adair
Ira Walter Williams	11 Oct 1882	Male	Sanborn	Isaac Williams	Nancy Long
Bessie Mary Williams	20 Feb 1884	Female	Sanborn	Issac Williams	Nancy Long
Ray Edwin Williams	15 Jun 1891	Male	Sanborn	Issac Williams	Nancy Long
Zadia Mildred Williamson	6 Feb 1902	Female	Sanborn	Andrew Williamson	Ella Ida Smith
Grace Amelia Wilson	24 Dec 1885	Female	Sanborn	Stephen Findly Wilson	Catherine Laing
Margaret Gould Wilson	20 May 1887	Female	Sanborn	John E Wilson	Hortense Mckune

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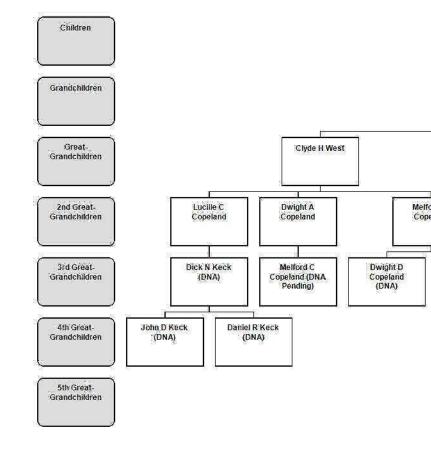
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Appendix D

Family Tree(s)

### Descendant Chart for Lucius West



#### Keck DNA Matches By Robert Leichner

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