GENEALOGICAL INFORMATION FROM THE HINSDALE DOINGS

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Introduction

The abstracts contain not only births, marriages, and deaths, but also information from "gossip" columns that would be helpful in searching for ancestors. This includes "visits" that include a relationship or different surname that includes the relationship. Some listings are abstracts, others in which the articles were very short include the full text. Obvious spelling errors are not corrected but followed by "[sic]". Generally, other spelling, abbreviation, capitalization, and punctuation, especially the use of, or lack of, commas, is left as in the original article. The date at the end of the listing is the date of the issue of the newspaper. The volume and number are shown at the first listing for the date. When the same information was reported in several issues, the information was only included once. When additional important information was included in a later issue, for example, out of town relatives at a funeral, the information is shown in "[]" with the issue date. The ¶ symbol in an abstract indicates the information following was in a separate article in the same issue. The newspapers are available on microfilm at Hinsdale Public Library but will not be loaned on interlibrary from there. The microfilm can be borrowed on interlibrary loan from the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library in Springfield, Illinois. Beginning with the January 3rd, 1902, issue, the paper changed its publication date to Friday instead of Saturday. Continued from The Review Vol. 37, Number 3, February 2011 issue.

Oak Forest Cemetery frequently cited in obituaries is the current Bronswood Cemetery located at 3805 North Madison Street, Oak Brook, Illinois. The name was changed from Oak Forest to Bronswood about 1910. A searchable database for the Bronswood Cemetery burial index is now available on the Oak Brook (DuPage County, Illinois) Historical Society's website at www.oakbrookhistory.com/Bronswood/. That society will also begin gradually placing photos of gravestones, where a stone exists, with each burial record.

Vol. VIII, No 27. The April 3, 1903 issue is missing from the film.

Another Hinsdalean wedded. In the private parlors of the Great Northern hotel, Chicago, on last Saturday evening, the 4th of April, Thos. W. **Hislop** and Miss Sarah E. **Rector** were united in marriage by the Rev. H. C. **Rogers**, the officiating minister. After the ceremony there was served ... an elegant dinner in honor of the bride and groom, Rev. and Mrs. H. C. **Rogers** and Peter G. **Maitland**. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. P. **Rector** of the north side, Chicago. *Vol. VIII. No.* 28, Friday April 10, 1903

The Women's Missionary society held a meeting Wednesday ... Mrs. E. M. **Barnes** of Chicago was present ... incidentally... Mrs. Barnes, who is an aunt of Mrs. **Brodie** and Mrs. **Cowles** was a charter member of the Hinsdale Congregational church and her son was the first child baptized in it. ... Mrs. **Cushing** said since we last met we have been called upon to part with one of our member, Mrs. Sarah L. **Clark** ... who was called into peace March thirteen April 10, 1903

Last Saturday morning fire partially destroyed the **Skinner** house, corner of Vine and Second street, which is occupied by Martin **Schuster**. April 10, 1903

Mrs. Salome Lehman **Hoffert**, formerly of Hinsdale, wife of Samuel **Hoffert**, died at the family residence on Grove street

Wednesday morning at four o'clock, aged 33 years. The immediate cause of death was pleuro-pneumonia. Funeral services will be held at the house at 1:30 o'clock. Friday ... and burial will be made in the West cemetery. She leaves a husband and three young children ... April 10, 1903 [Mr. and Mrs. John Wepprecht of Union Hill, were present at the funeral of their sister, Mrs. S. Hoffert. April 17, 1903. Miss Clara Frost was out from Chicago last week to attend the funeral of her cousin, Mrs. S. Hoffert. April 17, 1903. Mrs. Daniel Wepprecht, formerly Miss Lulu Lehman was called from her home in Buckingham, Ill., to the death-bed of her sister, Mrs. S. Hoffert, of Downers Grove. Her husband came to attend the funeral but returned immediately on account of business. April 17, 1903]

Miss Kate **Lewney**, who is fatally ill with Bright's disease, was taken to the city Tuesday ... and from there to her home in Stockton, Ill.. Her sisters arrived last Friday ... Miss Lewney has worked in Hinsdale for many years and was employed in several leading households. April 10, 1903

Mr. **Frost** took pictures of the Junior class this week of which Louise and Julia **Aldinger** are members, who leave school Monday. ¶ A. H. **Aldinger** and family leave Monday for their new home in Indiana. April 10, 1903

Chester **Hancock**, the popular young barber, who has been dangerously ill, is improving. His father was called here from Kansas. April 10, 1903

Mrs. Cowles is enjoying a visit from her aunt, Mrs. E. M. **Barnes**. April 10, 1903

Robert Arthur of Chicago visited his cousin, Ernest Jeffers. April 10, 1903

Mr. George M. Morse, of Connecticut is visiting his cousin, Mrs. Branch. April 10, 1903

Mr. and Mrs. Wood and two children of Chicago have moved into the Wm. Johnson home on the North side. April 10, 1903

L. H. Lamb and family, will move into E. E. Hoar's house on Garfield avenue, the first of May. Mr. Lamb is from Keokuk, Iowa. April 10, 1903

Born – Last Friday a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kohout. The mother has been in critical conditions since, though last reports show encouraging improvement. April 10, 1903

Albert S. Sabin, an old settler in the vicinity of Chicago, died at his home in this village, early Monday morning. ... Feeling that death was near at hand, Mr. Sabin hastened northward from a winter resort in Florida, and reached his Hinsdale home the day before he died. He was 82 years old. Mr. Sabin was born at Alexandria, N. Y., in 1821. In 1839 he came west with his father, who settled at Naperville ... He lived there until 1874 at which time he moved to Gilman. Mr. Sabin moved to Hinsdale thirteen years ago. He is survived by a widow and three children. Vol. VIII. No. 29, Friday, April 17, 1903

Nelson Lay, who came to Chicago sixty-five years ago from New England, is dead at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Warren A. Pierce, 4227 Berkeley avenue. He was 91 years old. He was one of the founders of the towns of Hinsdale and Kewanee, Il., and in 1862 was a member of the Illinois legislature. April 17, 1903

Real Estate transfers:

Hinsdale Cemetery Co. to Hattie M. Hughes Geo W. Hinckley to Grant C. Miller

Dennison seen in St Louis ... letter received from J. B. **Campbell**, former Hinsdalean, tells of seeing man in St. Louis hotel two weeks ago. Had several talks with Mr. **Dennison**. A letter received this morning from J. B. **Campbell**, president of Campbell's Illustrated Journal, with offices in St. Louis, furnishes the most important clue that has been uncovered since C. G. Dennison disappeared completely at Buffalo, March 18. ... Letter from Mr. Campbell: "St. Louis, Mo., April 17, 1903. To Hinsdale Doings: Gentlemen ... Mr. Dennison stopped at the hotel here week before last ... Having known him very well when I lived in Hinsdale, I had several talks with him while here. ... I do not think family should have any fears for his safety." April 17, 1903

Mrs. Ellis of Keokuk, Iowa, was the guest of Mrs. F. M. Jones, last week. April 17, 1903

N. Scott this past week. April 17, 1903

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. **Johnson** are making their home with the Misses Blodgett on Lincoln street. April 10, 1903

Mrs. Frank **Needham** has returned from a month's visit at the home of her parents, in Garden Grove, Iowa. April 17,

Walter VanAken, who has for a few years been traveling extensively, surprised his friends and family by returning home last Wednesday. April 17, 1903

The Rev. David S. **Johnson**, who was for four years the pastor of the Presbyterian church in Hinsdale, died on the 17th inst. At his home in California. The funeral, was held at the Hyde Park Presbyterian church, of Chicago, at 3 o'clock, this the 25th, day of April. George E. **Fuller**, and T. R. Swezey, were honorary pallbearers, from the Hinsdale church. The Chicago Record Herald speaks of his death as follows: David Summer Johnson, D. D. of Chicago, ... at National City Cal., died there yesterday, aged 68. Dr. Johnson had been a leader among clergymen ... leaves a widow and seven children, five sons and two daughters. Mrs. **Johnson** and his daughters, Edna and Helen, were with him at the National City home. Four of the sons are in Chicago and one in New York. The funeral will be held Monday at National City. The body will be shipped to Chicago Tuesday. Dr. Johnson was a native of New York. One of his sons is Rev. Harmon **Johnson** who resides in Chicago. Vol. VIII. No. 30, Friday, April 24, 1903

A quiet wedding which was a surprise to many, took place at the residence of Mrs. Mary C. Hinds last Monday evening, when Miss Lillian **Hinds** was united in marriage to Percy Tallman of this village. The Rev. H. C. Rogers officiated. April 24, 1903

Mrs. Harriet Coe, wife of John S. Coe of Fullersburg and well known among the older residents of Du Page county, died at her home in Fullersburg, Wednesday, April 22nd, aged 83 years. The funeral will be held at the home Friday afternoon, April 24, at 2 o'clock. Mrs. Col was the daughter or Jacob W. Fuller, one of the pioneers of York township, and came in 1856 and was therefore one of the earliest settlers in this county. April 24, 1903

Master's sale: State of Illinois, Du Page County: Circuit Court of Du Page County in Chancery. William H. Edwards complainant VS Lucy J. Lascelles, Harriet L. Burnette and Charles S. **Thompson** defendants: ... in Village of Downers Grove foreclosure general No. 5123. April 20, 1903

Mr. **Giesselman** and family moved to Glen Ellen, Thursday. April 24, 1903

Mrs. Williams, sister of W. J. Clark visited him Tuesday while on her way to Freeport, Ill. April 24, 1903

Robert Clark, who has been absent from Hinsdale for two years, traveling, returned last week. April 24, 1903

Dr. **Haskell** will celebrate his seventy-sixth birthday, Saturday. April 24, 1903

Newton Scott of Oceola, Iowa, was a guest of his son, Dr. E. Mrs. Long, of Wheaton, is visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. M. J. Palmer. April 24, 1903

S. J. **Perkins** of Waukegan, Ill., visited his Hinsdale friends Friday. He has a position at LaGrange and will move there about May4. April 24, 1903

Mrs. Olive **Hayes** will move into the house now occupied by M. R. M. **Sherry** next week. J. M. **Frost** and family will be located with her. April 24, 1903

Mrs. R. A. **Childs** left for an extended stay in the East. While gone she will visit her sons, George and John, in Philadelphia. April 24, 1903

Miss Marie **Wagner** and Harry **Langkafel** were united in marriage Wednesday evening. The happy couple will reside in the **Perry** house on Maple street. April 24, 1903

Died – Wednesday morning, Mrs. Lena **Horstman**, wife of Wm. **Horstman**, age 43 years. The deceased had been ill for some time. She is survived by a husband and four children, three daughters and one son. The funeral will occur from the house, Sunday at 2 o'clock, and services from the German Emanuel church. April 24, 1903 [The funeral of Mrs. Wm. **Horstman** was held Sunday afternoon ... a touching tribute was paid by Rev. **Luedeke** of the German Emanuel church ... May 1, 1903]

Mr. **Bogan** and family, will move to Wheaton, May 1st. April 24, 1903

Frank **VanInwagen**, of Momence, Ill., is visiting at the home of his grandmother Mrs. **Irish**. April 24, 1903

Austin **Melcher** has gone to Crow Lake, South Dakota, to spend the summer with his grandfather. April 24, 1903

Mrs. W. H. **Knight** returned Saturday from a three weeks' visit with Mrs. Margaret **Fayerweather** of Baltimore. April 24, 1903

The **Fayerweather** family formerly of Hinsdale moved this week from Baltimore to Boston, where Rhodes has accepted a position in a hospital. April 24, 1903

New family in Hinsdale. Fred **Clark** and family, who have occupied C. B. **Kimbell**'s place for several years, are moving out and will board in Hinsdale this summer. H. S. **Mecartney**, a prominent attorney of Chicago, who has resided in Evanston, has rented the Kimbell place and will move in immediately. *Vol. VIII. No. 31*, Friday, May 1, 1903

Miss Bertha **Heidel**, who has been a member of C. B. **Kimbell**'s family for over 8 years, was married Monday to Louis **Frisbie**, who came here with Mr. **Woodworth** and has been his valued assistant ever since. The happy couple went to housekeeping in a flat in the **Schikkorra** building. May 1, 1903

Mrs. **Jay** of Chicago was a guest of her daughter, Mrs. George **Lewis**. May 1, 1903

Miss Pauline **Hogan** of LaGrange, visited her cousin, Miss Celine **Lilly**, this week. May 1, 1903

Mr. and Mrs. G. P. **Cary** have given up their home on Fourth street and are located in Chicago, for the present. May 1, 1903

Mr. and Mrs. **Schoenthaler** have given up their home on Lincoln street and will be located with Mrs. **Hayes** on Fourth street. May 1, 1903

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. **Cutler**, of Hyde Park, have come to reside in the H. L. **Conard** residence, which they have leased for the coming year. May 1, 1903

The marriage of Mary **Schneider**, oldest daughter of officer Joseph **Schneider** to Harry **Mochel**, of Downers Grove, was performed at the German Lutheran church Wednesday evening. May 1, 1903

Arrested for Deserting Army. Dispatches from the military post at Fort Sheridan tell of the arrest of Robert **Clarke**, of this place, on the charge of desertion from the army. Robert enlisted at Fort Morgan, Ala., last July, after his return from Cuba ... About a month ago he came back to Hinsdale, where officers arrested him Thursday ... he is a young man of exemplary habits and excellent character. ... May 1, 1903

E. B. **Kettles** moved today into a flat in Chicago. May 1, 1903

Born – A son to Mr. and Mrs. E. E. **Gray**, Saturday, April 25th. May 1, 1903

Rev. Earnest **Carlson** of San Francisco, Cal., former pastor of the Swedish Bethel church was here last night. May 1, 1903

Mrs. Thomas **Murray** and son, Ross, are guests at the home of Mrs. Murray's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. **Ross**. May 1, 1903

Mrs. **Johnson** with her daughter, Helen and son, Charles, spent a few days here. Mrs. Johnson and family will occupy a flat in Hyde Park, after May 1st. May 1, 1903

After an illness of three months, John Wesley Webster, one of Hinsdale's early and highly esteemed residents passed away Thursday evening at his late residence on South Lincoln street. ... heart failure ... daughter, Mrs. John Hall. Mr. Webster was born at Pompey, Onondaga county, and was seventy-seven years of age last December. Coming west in 1840, resettled in Milton township near Wheaton ... He married Miss Lucy N. **Dodge**, January 1st, 1854, ... ten children were born, eight of whom with their mother survive, and all with the exception of one reside in Hinsdale. The children are: Mrs. Wm. Evernden, Mrs. John Hall, Mrs. Bertha Irvine, Mrs. Jas. Shannon, Miss Edna, Nelson H. and Roy, of this place, and Mrs. Sherman **Trowbridge**, of Adams Center, N. Y. Soon after the Chicago fire, the diseased came to live in Hinsdale. ... The funeral will be held Sunday at one o'clock from the residence. Rev. A. M. **Brodie**, D. D., officiating. Burial at Torode cemetery, where the remains will be laid to rest besides those of his father, who passed away in 1855. Vol. VIII. No. 32, Friday, May 8, 1903

The mysterious disappearance of C. G. **Dennison**, of this suburb, in Buffalo was solved Friday by the finding of the body in the Niagara River as related in the press dispatch below. Mrs. Dennison and sons leave Saturday afternoon for Buffalo ... The funeral will be held Sunday in that city, where the remains will be interred by the side of the dead man's beloved daughter. "Buffalo, N, Y. May 8 - The body of Charles G. **Dennison**, the wealthy Chicago businessman who disappeared from the Hotel Broezel in this city on March 18, was found in Bass eddy, Niagara river ... on the Canadian side, this afternoon. ... The police say there is no doubt the body was swept over the falls. ... Mr. Dennison was 61 years old." May 8, 1903 [Mrs. C. G. Dennison and sons returned Wednesday from Buffalo, where they went on the sad mission of burying the remains of the beloved husband and father. May 15, 1903]

Real estate transfers:

Geo. E. Fuller to Peter C. Bachman Adelbert E. Oldfield to Patrick Welch Eugene C. Crosby to Geo. E. Fuller

<u>Marriage licenses</u>. The following licenses have been issued during the month at the office of the county clerk: May 8, 1903 issue

August C. **Pingle**, Hinsdale, 23 and Emma **Mueller**, same, 22

John **Dressler**, Clarendon Hills, 21, and Marion **Ramsey**, West Grossdale 19

Detrick F. **Brockman**, Western Springs, 33, and Dorotha **Hageman**, Hinsdale, 20

Percy L. **Tallman**, Hinsdale, 23, and Lillian C. **Hinds**, same, 23

Harry R. **Mochel**, Downers Grove, 22 and Mary A. **Schneider**, Hinsdale, 18

L. A. **Vaught**, a brother-in-law of Mrs. Walter **Davidson**, died at Grossdale, Tuesday, of small pox. Mr. Vaught was editor of Mind and Culture. May 8, 1903

Dwight **Goddard**, of Aurora spent Wednesday evening with his sister, Mrs. Will **Alcott**. May 8, 1903

Mrs. Geo. L. **McCurdy** gave an elegant luncheon on May 1st, in honor of the birthday of her mother, Mrs. A. E. **Dow**. May 8, 1903

Mr. and Mrs. Bert **Mitchell**, who are enroute for Houston, Tex., where they will make their home, are guests of their father, D. J. **Mitchell**. May 8, 1903

Fred **Schmidt** and family are settled in their new home in Aurora, where Mr. Schmidt is superintendent of the lithographing department of the Pictorial Printing Co. Fritzremains in Hinsdale to complete his studies in the high school, while William will remain here permanently. May 8, 1903

Mrs. Geo. F. **Lewis** went in to the city Thursday to spend several days at the home of her parents. Her father, Dr. **Jay**,

celebrates his birthday, Sunday, and a large number of relatives will be present. May 8, 1903

Mr. and Mrs. **Cummings**, who have occupied the **Shannon** house, left for Macomb, Ill., where they will make their home. May 8, 1903

Mr. and Mrs. Chas **Pope**, of Chicago, made a trip to Hinsdale Sunday in their automobile and spent the day at the home of Mrs. Polk's sister, Mrs. Herbert **Thayer**. May 8, 1903

Miss Bess **Brodie** has accepted a most flattering offer, as principal, of Kindergarten instruction, in Alma college, Michigan, and has resigned her position at Manistee, to accept. Miss Brodie graduated from Alma college only a few years ago. *Vol. VIII. No. 33*, Friday, May 15, 1903

W. A. **Jackson** and Miss Josephine **Williams**, of Hinsdale, sister of Mrs. W. **Coffeen**, and Mrs. Harry **Dana**, were quietly married Thursday evening, May 7th. And slipped away to Washington, without enlightening their friends. It was not until the employees in the office discovered their names in the marriage license column, that the secret ... was explained. May 15, 1903 [Mr. and Mrs. W. W. {sic}**Jackson** returned from their wedding trip Thursday and are visiting Mrs. Jackson's sister, Mrs. Wm. **Coffeen**. May 22, 1903]

John **Hall** left Tuesday for Assiniboia, Canada, to purchase land in the great wheat belt. May 15, 1903

News was received Thursday that Chester **Hancock** died Tuesday at the home of his parents in Florence, Kansas. The deceased came to Hinsdale a year ago and worked as a barber in the Orr barber shop. ... peritonitis ... only 20 years old. May 15, 1903

Two important deals in farm property near Hinsdale were made this week by Jas. **McClintock**. The Sara **Pfeifer** farm of 60 acres, south of town was sold to Mr. **Price**, and the Henry **Mueller** farm, which consists of 80 acres northwest of Hinsdale, has been bought by Wm. **Swigart**. May 15, 1903

Dr. and Mrs. J. B. **Hench** went to Rockford Thursday to attend the funeral of the doctor's sister, who died Tuesday after an illness of two weeks. Her death was caused by a hemorrhage of the brain. May 15, 1903

The funeral of the late J. W. Webster was held from the family residence at one o'clock Sunday, and was largely attended by friends of the deceased, many old settlers being present from various parts of the county. Dr. **Brodie** made a prayer, and Rev. M. N. **Preston** ... brief address. Interment in Torode cemetery. ¶ Messrs. And Mesdames Frank A. **Rogers**, T. O. **Aldrich** and E. E. **Downer**, of Downers Grove, attended the funeral of the late J. W. **Webster** Sunday afternoon. ¶ Deacon **Bowles** and daughter, and Jason **Clark**, of LaGrange, attended the funeral of J. W. **Webster**. May 15, 1903

Last Monday morning while Mrs. Geo. **Bullerman**, who lives on Clay street, was out in the yard, her eighteen month

old daughter was nearly drowned by falling headfirst into a tub of water. May 15, 1903

Lawrence **Ridgway** left Tuesday for Omaha, Neb., where he will locate. May 15, 1903

Mrs. Joseph **Kohout** and daughter are visiting her mother at Naperville. May 15, 1903

Mr. **McCoy** is anticipating a visit very soon from his son, Jay, who has been in China for several years. May 15, 1903

Miss **Salava**, who is well known to Hinsdale people by her missionary work, has been absent from her duties owing to the death of her father in Kansas. May 15, 1903

J. V. **Ridgway**, of this place is erecting a pretty home at Western Springs ... he will occupy it himself, and will share its comforts with a June bride. May 15, 1903 [The marriage of James Vanderoot **Ridgway** and Mrs. Jessie Stewart **Grant** we solemnized at the home of the bride's sisters, the Misses **Pott**, at Summit, Wednesday. The couple will be at home after September 7th, at their new residence is Western Springs. May 22, 1903]

Mrs. **Spike** is visiting her sister, Mrs. D. A. **Courter**. May 15, 1903

Mrs. F. W. **Goetz** and infant son, Edgar, are making an extended visit at the home of Mrs. Goetz's father, John **Wadington**. May 15, 1903

W. T. **Barr** is enjoying a short visit from his mother, Mrs. **Janes**, of Jackson, Tenn., who is on her way to make her home with her son in Massachusetts. May 15, 1903

Mrs. **Hoag**, of Grossdale, called on Hinsdale friends Thursday, bidding them good-bye as they have sold their Grossdale and will move to Albuquerque, New Mexico, where Mr. Hoag will go into business. May 15, 1903

Little George **Miller**, of St. Louis, is visiting at the home of his aunt, Mrs. **Delano**. ¶ Mrs. Delano and children, returned Wednesday from a three weeks stay in St. Louis. *Vol. VIII. No. 34*, Friday, May 22, 1903

Mr. and Mrs. John **Wilferth**, (nee **Bowles**), of LaGrange, leave during July for Europe. They will visit Mrs. **Wilferth**'s sister, Mrs. **Hitchcock**, at Lee, Mass., while enroute. May 22, 1903

During the Congregational association at Evanston this week, the sad news of the sudden death of Dora **Kimbell**, was received by those attending. Mr. **Kimbell** was one of the principal workers in the Congregational church. May 22, 1903

A double wedding was performed at the German church on Wednesday afternoon at five o'clock. The nuptial parties were Henry **Robert** of Kankakee, formerly of Hinsdale, and Emeline **Graue**, and Walter **Christenson** of Saginaw, Mich., and Bertha **Graue**. Rev. **Guebert** of the Lutheran church officiated. ... Mr. and Mrs. **Roberts** left Friday morning for Kankakee where they will reside. Mr. **Christenson** and his bride leave next Wednesday for Saginaw. May 22, 1903

Administrator's Notice. Estate of George G. **Mansfield**, deceased. The undersigned having been appointed Administrator of the Estate ... he will appear before the County Court of Du Page County ... on the first Monday of July. Dated this 16th day of July [sic] A. D. 1903. Alonzo H. **Palmer**, Administrator. May 22, 1903

Miss Alice **Edwards** is visiting at the home of her brother, Bertram, in Chicago. May 22, 1903

Mrs. Wm. **Thompson** gave a luncheon Monday at her home in Chicago for her sister, Miss Adalaide **Gregston**. May 22, 1903

Gathering of Old timers. The pioneers of Chicago and their descendents met in their fourteenth annual reunion at the Sherman House in Chicago on May 26th ... Hinsdale was represented by Mr. and Mrs. C. B. **Kimbell**, Mrs. S. T. **Kimbell** and daughter, Virginia. A large number of the old people present were between 80 and 90 years of age and had lived in Chicago and its immediate suburbs for upwards of 60 years. *Vol. VIII. No. 35*, Friday, May 29, 1903

Real estate transfers May 29, 1903 issue

Henry **Buchholz** to John **Bohlander** Magdelain **Wright** to Geo. A. **Davidson**

Master Geo. Henry **Serviss** of Bonhampton, N. J. is a strong, healthy and handsome youngster, so Grandma **Williams** reports. Last Saturday, May 23rd, he was three months old. He received, in honor of the day ... spoon ... from Mrs. L. C. **Ruth** of Hinsdale, a silver cup from Grandma **Williams** and a carriage from his father and Grandma **Serviss**. May 29, 1903

Lightning Kills Two. Howard and George **Shaw** were struck and instantly killed by a bolt of lightning during the storm Monday afternoon shortly after 2 o'clock. Jake **Klein**, who stood scarcely ten feet away, between the brothers, and was talking with them, escaped uninjured. The Shaw brothers who are famers and lived with their widowed mother, Mrs. Harriet **Shaw**, on the Andrew **Wehrli** farm, a mile and a half south of Naperville, were at Klein's farm south of Downers Grove to buy stock. George and Howard Shaw were sons of the late Albert **Shaw**, and were 34 and 26 years old respectively. ... Both were unmarried. The bodies were taken to the home near Naperville Monday night, where the funeral was held yesterday. May 29, 1903

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. J. **Keith**, of Baltimore, are visiting their son, A. E. **Keith**. May 29, 1903

Mrs. Fred **McElhone** enjoyed a visit from her aunt, Mrs. **Stearns** and Miss **Stearns**, of Chicago, Sunday. May 29, 1903

M. E. **Saltzman**, who has for the past two years and a half has been in charge of the Sanborn (Minn.) Sentinel, is visiting his sister, Mrs. C. F. **Merrill**. *Vol. VIII. No. 36*, Friday, June 5, 1903

Hinsdalean Takes European Trip. Miss Belle **Preston** with Mr. and Mrs. **Bassett** sail for Europe, the sixth of this month, Mrs. **Kelsey** with Howard and Preston **Bassett** came

to Hinsdale, Wednesday, to Rev. M. N. **Preston**'s and the children will remain with their grandparents, while their parents are in Europe. ¶ Masters Preston and Howard **Bassett**, of Brooklyn, N, Y. are spending the summer with their grandfather, Rev. M. N. **Preston**. June 5, 1903

Hugh W. **Ditzler** and Miss Charlotte **Tiedemann**, of New York, were united in marriage, Thursday evening, at the home of Mr. **Ditzler** on third street, the ceremony was performed by Dr. **Brodie**. Those present besides the immediate family were Mr. and Mrs. **Gates** and daughter, Marjorie, Miss **Radcliffe**, and Capt. **Railborne**, of the U. S. Army. The couple left for New York, their future home. June 5, 1903

Born – To Mr. and Mrs. Wm. **McKeand**, a daughter, Saturday. June 5, 1903

Irvin **Ruth** has again left for St. Louis, Missouri, having accepted a position with Nelson Morris & Company. June 5, 1903

Mr. **Thompson** and family have rented their home on Park Avenue ... [in two weeks] they will leave for Seattle, Wash. June 5, 1903

Mrs. G. E. **Robertson** is enjoying a visit from her mother. June 5, 1903

Mrs. Helen **Rowell**, of Stratford, Conn., is visiting her sister, Mrs. M. N. **Preston**. June 5, 1903

Mrs. George H. **Smith**, of New Haven, Conn., has come to spend the summer with her daughter, Mrs. Geo. E. **Robertson**. June 5, 1903

A hold-up occurred about 7:45 o'clock Sunday evening, at the home of Joe **Kosid** at West Hinsdale. Mrs. **Kosid**, mother of Joe, the well known local athlete, was sitting on the porch when two men approached. She was alone ... [afterwards] Mrs. Kosid immediately set out to notify the police. On the way she met her daughter ... who has a phone. About twelve o'clock the officers arrested two tramps in H. C. **Middaugh**'s farm who nearly filled the description. *Vol. VIII. No. 37*, Friday, June 12, 1903

A trip to his home from his lumber camp in Mississippi, was made by S. T. **Kimbell**, Monday. He returned Monday night accompanied by his cousin, L. H. **Heafield**, for many years identified with the lumber business in Chicago. Sherman is falling into the ways ... June 12, 1903

An interesting wedding took place at Chicago Beach hotel, Thursday evening, at which time Miss Maude Harris **Douglas** was married to James. S. **Hopkins** of Aurora, son of Senator **Hopkins**. Lester and Robert **Childs** [of Hinsdale] assisted as ushers. June 12, 1903

In the drainage canal near Lamont, the body of a man was found and dragged from the water Monday afternoon by Martin **Clark**, who lives near the canal. In the pocket was a card bearing the name "John **Clark**", also a note which read "To any one finding my body: Please notify Mrs. Jon **Nolan**, 700 West 21st place." ... The body had apparently been in the water about three weeks. June 12, 1903

Born -- To Mr. and Mrs. E. O. **Troeger** twins, boy and girl, Sunday June 7th. June 12, 1903

Mrs. T. W. B. **Murray** and daughter Hannibel, returned last week from a short stay in Mudlava. June 12, 1903

Penn **Cole** entertained several of his young friends Saturday afternoon, the occasion being his birthday. June 12, 1903

Albert C. **Williams** has entered the employment of L. L. Summers & Co., at Denver, Colorado ... June 12, 1903

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. **Chant** of Spokane, Wash., and Mrs. **Huffman** of Chicago, [visited] Mrs. A. **Dalton**. June 12, 1903

Prof and Mrs. F. B. **Webster** came out from the city Wednesday night for a two day's visit with Mrs. Webster's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. **Kimbell**. ¶ Mrs. C. W. and F. B. **Webster**, of Chicago, Mrs. L. C. **Harner** of N. Y. City, and Mrs. Milton **Griffeth** of Duluth, Minnesota are being entertained by Mrs. C. B. **Kimbell**. June 12, 1903

Miss Nellie **Gaskell** and Miss Kathryn **Steele**, from Chicago, Mrs. **McNay**, from Valparaiso, Ind., and Miss Edna **Mann**, from Russell, Kansas, were guests of Mrs. Edith **Steele**, over Sunday. June 12, 1903

Mrs. Geo. T. **Williams** visited her brother, Wm. **Clark**, this week while on her way to Cleveland, from Freeport, where her husband and daughter who have spent the winter in California, joined her. June 12, 1903

Mrs. **Colburn** and daughter, Mrs. **Barker** and granddaughter, Dorothy **Barker**, of Sioux City, Iowa, arrived in Hinsdale last week. ... the first of the month they will move into the home of Theron **Linsley** for the summer. June 12, 1903

The marriage of Miss Laura Radcliffe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Phelps, to Guy E. Ditzler of Hinsdale took place at St. Mark's chapel last evening at 8:30 o'clock, in the presence of a large number of friends. Mrs. Daniel Taylor of Minneapolis attended the bride as matron of honor, and Misses Agnes Wing and Mary McDonald were bridesmaids. Little Miss Dorothy Phelps, sister of the bride, acted as flower girl. Percy **Batten** was the best man ... the ushers, Messrs. Marvin Fox, Alec Blumenthal, Bernie **Beckman**, and Ellis **Gates** all of Chicago. ... the bride on the arm of her brother, Frederick **Radcliffe**. The service was read by Rev. Edmond **Duckworth** of St. Louis. After the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents, 330 Oakland avenue. Mr. and Mrs. Ditzler ... will be at home at the Groveland, Oak Park, Ill., after Aug. 1. Milwaukee Sentinel. ¶ Mr. Ditzler and family attended the wedding of his son Guy in Milwaukee, last Monday. Vol. VIII. No. 38, Friday, June 19, 1903

Hinsdaleans attend a Wedding. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. **Jeffers** and Marjorie attended the marriage of Mrs. Jeffers' niece, Miss Marjorie **Arthur**, and Stuart **Murdock** last week at the Reform Episcopal church, Chicago. The ceremony was performed by Bishop **Fallows**. ... they will make their home

in Chicago where Mr. **Murdock** is assistant manager of Crane Manufacturing Company. June 19, 1903

Mrs. **Pease** of Chickopee, Mass. is visiting her sister-in-law, Mrs. D. K. **Pearsons**. . . . June 19, 1903

On Thursday evening the high school held its commencement exercises, graduating a class of seven. ... The graduating class were the Misses Mary and Delia **Payne**, Ben **Candee**, Arthur **Frost**, Clem **Hildebrand**, Jay **Hench** and Roswell **Swezey**. Owing to the recent serious illness of Hoyt **Stewart**, who was also a member of this class ... ¶ Mr. and Mrs. Alex **Frost** of Chicago attended the graduation exercises, Thursday evening. June 19, 1903

Mr. **Kinyon** and family have moved to Pontiac where Mr. Kinyon will start a green house. June 19, 1903

Haskell and Elizabeth **Clark** celebrated their tenth birthday by visiting Lincoln Park, Friday. June 19, 1903

Mr. and Mrs. Frank **Krohn** and Willard went to Ga_lion, Ohio, this week to attend the wedding of Mr. Krohn's sister, Miss Ida **Krohn**, on the eighteenth. June 19, 1903

Miss Julia **Greene** leaves this week for her home in Amherst, Mass. She will not return to Hinsdale as she expects to teach in the east the coming year. June 19, 1903

The marriage of Miss Lizzie **Thomas** and Elmer **Williams** took place in Chicago, Wednesday June 17. On their return a wedding feast was served at the home of the bride, covers being laid for twenty-five. June 19, 1903

Ben **Hughs**, of Mendota, spent Sunday with his parents. June 19, 1903

Mrs. **Davenport**, of Downers Grove, formerly of Hinsdale, visited at the home of Adolph **Froscher** several days of this week. June 19, 1903

On Saturday afternoon Isabelle **Delano** will celebrate her 5th birthday by entertaining her youthful friends. June 19, 1903

Mrs. H. M. **Kimbell** and children have gone to the city where they will spend a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. **Sherwin**. June 19, 1903

Dr. **Brodie** will perform the marriage ceremony of C. E. **Russell**, a merchant of Manistee and Miss Mary **Belknals** at 40 Lake Shore drive Saturday at noon. June 19, 1903

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. **Prouty**, leave next week for Evanston, where they will make their home in the future with Mr. **Prouty**'s father and brother Wm. Mr. **Prouty** will engage in the printing business. June 19, 1903

Charles **Mason** was here from Evanston Thursday calling on old neighbors. His brother Harry is convalescing from a severe attack of diphtheria. *Vol. VIII. No. 39*, Friday, June 26, 1903

The pleasant commodious home of Mr. and Mrs. M. N. **Kimbell**, at 1529 Kimbell avenue, Chicago, was the scene ... a "shower" given by Mrs. **Kimbell** for her nephew, Ralph **Stryker**, and Miss Alma **Nemoede**, who were subsequently united in marriage on the 24th. ... Mr. and Mrs. C. B. **Kimbell**, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. **Kimbell** and Mrs. S. T. **Kimbell** of Hinsdale were among the guests. Mr. **Stryker** is a veteran of the Spanish war, having served in the Dewey squadron with his brother, Mark K. June 26, 1903

Rev. Bliss a Forger. The Pinkerton detectives, who were here last week on the trail of J. C. Bliss, wanted for forgery, arrested their man at Monmouth, Wednesday, upon his return from Alexis, Ill. Bliss is an expert forger and an exconvict. Three weeks ago Rev. J. C. Bliss, alias J. S. C. Bliss, alias J. C. S. Bliss, alias Rev. A. A. Arthur, came to Hinsdale ... give lectures on the Holy Land. ... His plan was to lecture in a series of towns, gain the confidence of the people, then double back on his trail ... He would then forge a draft ... and would secure some reliable person to identify him to the local bank and endorse the draft ... He has a prison record, for in 1889 he was sent to the penitentiary from Sioux City for forging a check. Description 60 to 69 years; height 5 ft. 11 inches, or 6 feet; weight 180 to 190 pounds; grey hair and beard. Looks like a well-to-do farmer. Speaks English with a slight german accent. June 26, 1903

Miss **Gibbs** left Wednesday for her home in Detroit. June 26, 1903

Mr. **Roe** of Evanston spent the Sabbath with his mother and sister. June 26, 1903

Thurber **Cushing** of Chicago will spend the summer with Mrs. Otis **Cushing**. June 26, 1903

Bertram **Edwards** and family, of Chicago, visited Sunday at the home of Harry L. **Edwards**. June 26, 1903

Mr. Cole made a bus trip to Council Bluffs, Iowa, this week. While gone he visited his family at Mt. Pleasant. June 26, 1903

I. S. **Bush** ... has been at the home of his daughter, Mrs. **Carsely** in Chicago. June 26, 1903

Samuel **McCoy** returned from Washington D. C. where he has been employed writing ... for the Times since leaving Princeton University. He intends to enter newspaper work in Chicago. June 26, 1903

F. M. **Merrill** enjoyed a visit today from G. E. **Hall** of Fremont, Ohio, who is on his way to Denver, Colo. Mr. Hall was in the employ of Mr. Merrill in 1880, when the business part of their old town, Bergen, New York, was destroyed by fire. June 26, 1903