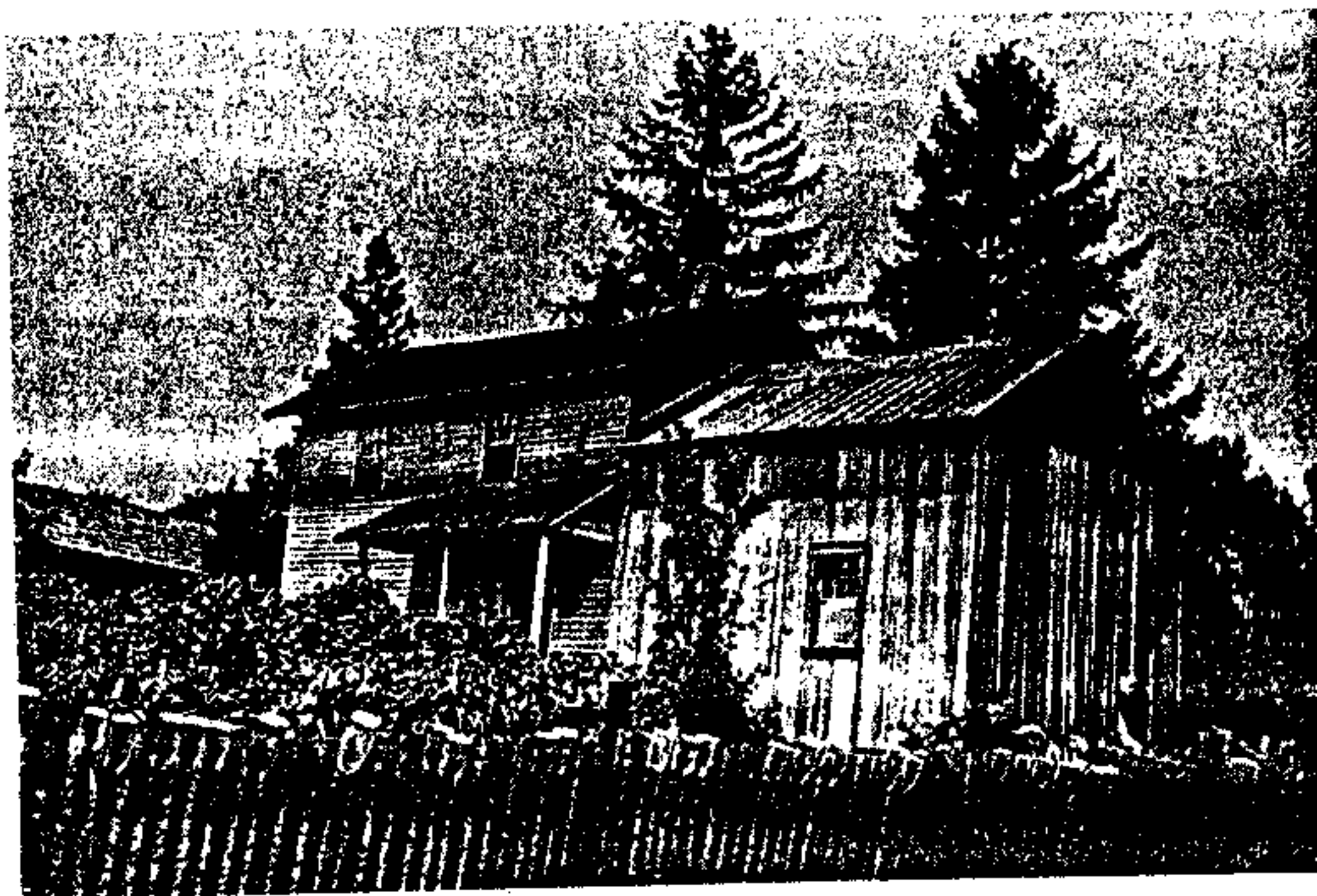


WILLIAM KORNS BRANCH

William, youngest son of Michael and Susannah (Baker) Korn, was born in Somerset County, Pa., Feb. 25, 1806, and married Elizabeth Hoyman, daughter of Philip and Elizabeth Hoyman of Berks Co., Pa. Philip d. June 6, 184... or aged 70. (When this date was copied from the tomb stone they made it out 1843 but Jacob Korn says he remembered his grandfather Hoyman as he gave him a penny and as Jacob was born 1845 the grandfather must have lived for a few years after that date.) His wife d. March 20, 1848, aged 69.

William probably settled on the farm near Millersburg, Holmes Co., Ohio, soon after his marriage as most of their children were born there. His wife died when Jacob the youngest child was two years old and the daughters of the family took care of the younger children, filling the place of the mother so well that they never felt the loss of the mother. Those older sisters were dearer to them on this account. William Korn in these days would be considered a horticulturist as in addition to running his farm he raised fruit and bees and was very successful, loving the care of them. The loss of his wife and later the death of his son, William, in the Civil War, probably shortened his days as he died when about 60 years old (1864). Their children:

1. Susan, b. Feb. 19, 1828, in Holmes County, married George Uhl.
2. Levi, b. Feb. 16, 1829, married and died in California.
3. Delilah, b. May 20, 1830, married Chas. Cornell, b. 1825, lived in Waseon, Ohio.
4. Joseph, b. May 22, 1831, lived in Dixon, Ill., married and had three sons and one daughter. Two sons living.
5. Caroline, b. Aug. 19, 1832, married Isaac Donaldson, and died 1878.



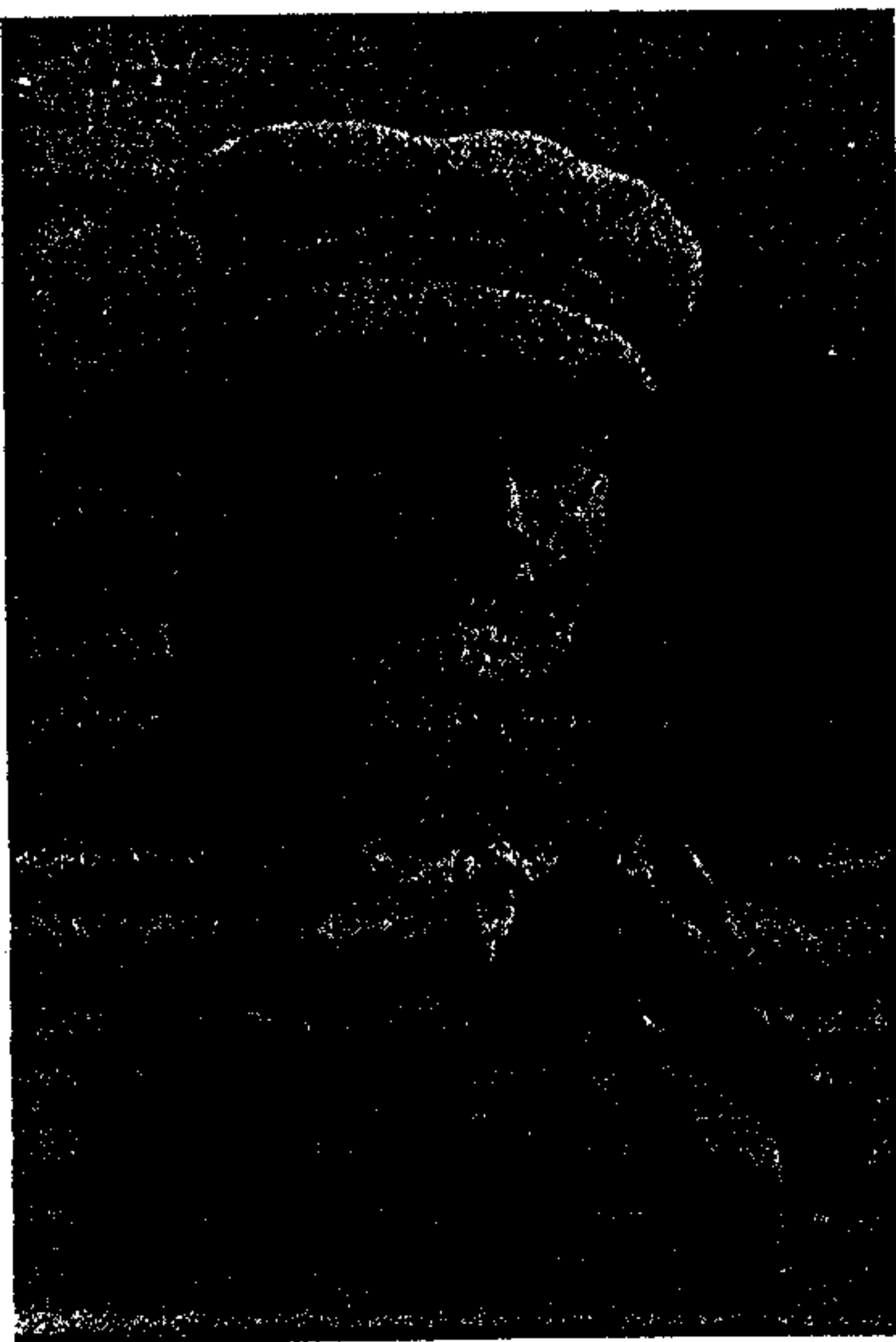
Original Farm Home of William and Elizabeth (Hoyman)
Korns in Hardy Township, Holmes County, Ohio, 1829.

6. Lydia, b. July 12, 1834, married John Holmes Ostrom, and died May 1924.
7. Moses, b. Sept. 3, 1835, married (1) Syrena Lane, (2) Jane Shreve. He died 1922 and she died 1921.
8. Elizabeth, b. Mar. 6, 1839, d. Dec. 17, 1847, of T. B. in Colorado.
9. William, b. April 2, 1840, served in the Civil War and d. Sept. 9, 1865, in the service of his country.
10. Philip, b. May 7, 1843, and died in Grinnell at the home of his brother, Jacob, Aug. 26, 1902.
11. Jacob, b. April 29, 1845, married Emma Jacobs, Dec. 14, 1871, and died in Grinnell, Iowa, March 25, 1930. Emma Jacobs Korns died 1934.

JACOB KORNS, Son of William

Jacob, youngest child of William and Elizabeth (Hoyman) Korns was born in Holmes County, April 29, 1845, and lived in Ohio until a young man when he came west and settled on a farm in Poweshiek County, Ia. This farm was one of several obtained from the government by the father, William Korns.

Jacob served in the Civil War enlisting May 16, 1864, in the 46th volunteers at Brooklyn. Many of this company were college students from Iowa College at Grinnell. They were sent to Memphis and experienced some hard service. Jacob was discharged Sept. 23, 1864, with poor health, caused by exposure, while in the service. After his return home he engaged in teaching school till the spring of 1865 when he worked on a farm. In the fall of 1866 he returned to Ohio and attended school the following winter. Worked on a farm the next summer and attended school again the next winter then in the spring of 1868 returned to Iowa and again engaged in farming, realizing a good harvest for his labor, selling wheat to amount of over \$700. In the fall of 1868 he returned to Fulton County, Ohio, where he engaged in the mercantile business and there made the acquaintance of Emma Jacobs who had come from Norwalk to visit her



Jacob Korn, son of William

sisters, Mrs. Tip Palmer and Mrs. Albert Bloomer. He returned to Iowa and engaged in farming until the fall of 1871 then went back to Ohio where, Dec. 14th, they were married at her mother's home near Norwalk, Huron County. He returned to Iowa with his young wife and settled on the farm.

This young couple were a great help to the community in those pioneer days, both were musicians. Many winters he conducted singing schools and she taught music to the children and young people having brought with her from her old home, a melodeon, one of the finest of that day. In this home music was always essential, everyone of the six daughters could play, first the melodeon then the organ and later the piano. The oldest daughter played for Sunday School and church, beginning when 10 years of age. All had good voices and one, the youngest, was a member of the Glee Club in college and was in on the memorable trip given the Glee Club by the Santa Fe Railroad to California and back, they giving concerts on the way. She so often sang in the Congregational Church, this church up to a few years ago was the largest in the state, and to this day she is called on for a solo each summer when she makes her yearly visit home. Many people look forward to that event. The family has always been musically inclined and from Jacob down to his grandchildren have been members of the church choir sometimes there being the three generations represented.

In that community Jacob and his young wife conducted Sunday School in school houses until they could build a church; the church was built on a corner of their farm and was the center of community life until the Railroad came through and the little town of Hartwick was founded, then the church was moved to town.

This family always stood for the higher things of life and did their best to give all of their children a chance. Sent the oldest daughters to High School in a day when very few country children had such advantages. In 1894 they left the farm and moved to Brooklyn to be near high school.

In the fall of 1900 they bought acreage property at Grinnell to which they moved the following spring in order that the daughters might have advantage of a college education.

In 1919 they left this home and came into town to 1018 Park St., and there the mother still resides, tenderly cared for by the fourth daughter, a teacher of Latin in the High School a block away.

Children all born on the farm in Warren Twp., Poweshiek County.

1. Olive Alta, b. Sept. 10, 1872, married Frank Reed Porter, lives in Grinnell, Iowa.
2. Elizabeth Adell, b. Sept. 11, 1873, married James Lavender McIlrath, lives in Grinnell, Iowa.
3. Mabel Revina, b. Sept. 20, 1877, married Clark Larue Dayton, lives in Brooklyn, Iowa.
4. Harriet Eugenia, b. Nov. 10, 1883, lives at home with her mother.
5. Jean Eulalia, b. April 12, 1886, married Alvin Emery Stickle, lives in Des Moines, Iowa.
6. Bessie Florence (Floy), b. Oct. 5, 1888, married Ralph Manny, lives near Ft. Madison, Iowa.

OLIVE ALTA KORNS

Olive Alta, oldest daughter of Jacob and Emma (Jacobs) Korns, was b. Sept. 10, 1872, and married Frank Reed Porter, son of John and Julia (Barnd) Porter, both natives of Ohio. He was b. April 19, 1861, in Jones County. Was a business man and Postmaster in Hartwick several years and after moving to Grinnell worked at carpenter work until in 1914 when he built a planing mill just east of town. This he conducted with success until the war came on and building ceased, then he took the position of caretaker at Grinnell College and to this has been added the work of Technician.

Mrs. Porter attended country school and later high school in Brooklyn, was taught music by her mother and began at an

early age to play for Sunday School and Church. Has been a teacher of music specializing in first grade and beginners. She is a worker in the Congregational Church and Sunday School having superintended the Junior Department and at present is pianist for the Primary Department. She is also a member of the church choir and a member of the Thursday Club which she with the help of a friend organized almost 30 years ago.

Mrs. Porter is a Genealogist of several years standing and a member of the Poweshiek D. A. R. having been the organization Regent, a rather difficult feat as this was a secondary chapter and required 25 who had never been members, but this was done almost wholly by her efforts and she filled the office of Regent the first two years. She has been much interested in Genealogical Research work that she has been called on by the state to act as Genealogical Records Chairman and is serving her second term. In the Hand Book of American Genealogy is listed as Genealogist of Poweshiek County. Frank Reed Porter d. 1945.

They have two children:

1. Harlan Korn, b. Aug. 28, 1895.
2. Julia Emma, b. March 31, 1911.

Harlan Korn Porter was born in Hartwick, Ia., Aug. 28, 1895. When he was five he came with his parents to Grinnell and there entered kindergarten, went through the schools graduating at the age of 17, entered college the next fall, attended two years and then taught a year, went back to college but stopped before he finished his Junior year and wired the switch board in the big new electric plant built here, under the supervision of a specialist in that work. He enlisted for service in the World War and served over two years. He was in the 2nd Engineers, 2nd Division and was in the last battle and in the Army of Occupation, crossing the Rhine with the rest. Stationed in Coblenz until late the next summer, he spent most of the time doing office work and amused himself by reading German books. He came back in August, 1919, and entered



Olive Korn's Potter
Genealogist, Washington, D. C.

College in September; managed to finish his Junior and Senior work in the one year and graduated in June, 1920, and next year took a years reasearch work in Iowa City. He taught Physics in the Jefferson High School two years and there met one of the teachers, Ruth Moses of Manson, daughter of Frank Moses and they were married. Later he taught two years in Rochester, Pa., and then came to Freeport, Ill., and has taught there six years. In 1939, he located in Washington, D. C. where he is employed as an actruy with the Civil Service Commission.

Julia Emma Porter was born in Grinnell, Ia., Mar. 31, 1911. She began schopl at the age of five and music at the college at seven. She continued her music all through school playing in recitals with other children and at one time giving an entire recital with another girl of her age. In High School she played for both Glee Clubs and the orchestra and helped in dramatics taking the leading part in the Senior Class play entitled "Merely Mary Ann." In this she showed much dramatic ability. Next year she attended Grinnell College but the following year she attended Iowa State Teachers College at Cedar Falls and there made the Dramatic Club but at the end of the year found the man of her choice and as he was just graduating she decided not to go on to College so they were married May 9, 1929. Her husband, C. J. Dwight Williams, is Branch Manager for the Real Silk Hosiery Co. and at present are living in Sioux City, Ia. They have four children:

1. John Jefferson, b. Oct. 18, 1931.
2. Mariel Ann.
3. Michael Reed, b. Dec. 25, 1945.
4. Lynn, b. May 20, 1946.

ELIZABETH ADELL KORNS

Elizabeth Adell, 2nd daughter of Jacob and Emma (Jacobs) Korns, was born Sept. 11, 1873, and grew up on the farm, attended high school in Brooklyn, married June 3, 1892. James



Harlan Korn's Potter

Lavender McIlrath, son of Nathaniel and Agnes (Wylie) McIlrath. J. L. is a farmer and auctioneer of farm sales and has other outside interests. He served a term as State Representative from Poweshiek Co. and served his town as Mayor a term and a half and is Secretary Treasurer of the Poweshiek Division of the Federal Farm Loan of Iowa. Mrs. McIlrath has raised the family. They have lived 24 years in Grinnell and the family has grown up there, attended school and college and have gone out into the world a credit to their parents. Three of their sons served in the World War, two going to France, the one sustaining injuries which resulted in his death several years later. Only one of the children still lives at home, the youngest who is a Sophomore in Grinnell College. He, as others in the family making records in long distance running. J. L. was born Sept. 22, 1871. Elizabeth died July, 1945. Their children:

- 1-2. Twin sons, b. Sept. 20, 1893, lived only a few days.
3. Leroy Emery, b. Sept. 9, 1894, married Marjorie Kerr, March 6, 1918.
4. Uarda Fay, b. Jan. 14, 1896, d. when a little over a year old.
5. Azel Hull, b. March 3, 1897, married Gay Huston Jan. 12, 1920.
6. Grace Estelle, b. Aug. 25, 1899, married Harold Ellis.
7. Walter Raymond, b. April 4, 1901, d. April 27, 1930.
8. Ellsworth Korns, b. Jan. 15, 1904.
9. Emma Agnes, b. May 7, 1907.
10. Wm. Howard, b. Oct. 25, 1908.
11. Arthur Jay, b. July 29, 1912.
12. Freeman Douglas, b. Jan. 16, 1916, died when a few days old.

McIlrath, Leroy E., oldest son of Eliz. (Korns) and J. L. McIlrath was born in Hartwick, Ia., September 9, 1894. He graduated from the high school in Grinnell and attended Business College in Des Moines and is a business man in

Chicago. He is business manager for a bonding company. He served over a year in the World War, his wife whom he married a few weeks before leaving spent part of the time with his parents in Grinnell, their first child was born and died during the time he was in France. After the war was over he came back and took up his work for the same company. They still live in Chicago but have lately bought a home in Wilmette. They have two boys: James Alexander who is now 13 and Leroy, Jr., age 9.

Azell Hull, second son of J. L. and Elizabeth (Korns) McIlrath was born March 3, 1897 and attended school in Grinnell graduating in 1913 and is a graduate of Iowa State College at Ames, taking a course in Agriculture. During the World War he was in an Officers Training Camp attaining the rank of 2nd Lieut. and still attends training camp a few weeks during the summer. He served a term as Legislator from Poweshiek following his father's term. He married January 12, 1920 Gay Huson, granddaughter of the old family physician of the Korns family. They now live in Ames where he is an appraiser for an Insurance Company. They have three children: Mildred, aged 12; Paul, 10; and Margaret Ann, 6.

Walter Raymond, son of J. L. and Elizabeth (Korns) McIlrath, was born April 4, 1901. He attended the schools of Grinnell; served in the World War, enlisting two weeks before his 17th birthday. He was sent first to Lawton, Oklahoma, being put into an old Company as a refill. This company had fought in Mexico and were sent over seas only 4 months after he joined them. He was at the front for a year with Battery D, 78th Field Artillery, Third Division which saw some of the heaviest fighting of the war. He was injured by the rebound of a cannon and this resulted in kidney trouble from which he never recovered. He arrived home July 4, 1918. Following his return from France he attended Washington University at St. Louis. On July 11, 1920, he was married to Lysle Ostrom and to them was born a son Warren. Soon after his birth her

health failed and she died April 7, 1922. When a little over three, the little son went to join his mother after only a few days illness, leaving a heart-broken father and grand parents who had loved and cared for him as their own. Walter never recovered from the wound he received in action and at times suffered intensely but was cheerful and courageous to the very end. On July 3, 1928, he was married to Helena McGarry of Victor and she tenderly cared for him until the end. He died April 27, 1930, only a month after the passing of his grandfather, Jacob Korns.

Ellsworth Korns, fourth son of J. L. and Elizabeth (Korns) McIlrath was born Jan 15, 1904. He graduated from high school and college in Grinnell and then took a law course at Drake, passed the bar in Missouri and in Jacksonville, Florida. He is now a practicing lawyer in the latter place.

Emma Agnes, daughter of J. L. and Elizabeth (Korns) McIlrath, was b. May 7, 1907. After finishing school in Grinnell took a course in Domestic Science at Ames and is now clothing specialist in the Extension Department of Iowa State College at Ames.

William Howard, son of J. L. and Elizabeth (Korns) McIlrath, was b. Oct. 25, 1908. Attended Parson College at Fairfield, Iowa, and Grinnell College, graduating in 1931. He has since been a teacher of Speech and Track in the High School at Muscatine, Iowa. He worked three summers in Estes Park, one year as helper at the Y. M. Camp and two summers as Transportation and Amusement Manager at the Stanley Hotel there. He is attending summer school in Iowa City and at the close will marry Helen Davis of Muscatine and they will establish their home there.

Grace Estelle, oldest daughter of J. L. and Elizabeth (Korns) McIlrath, was b. Aug. 25, 1899, graduated from High School in Grinnell and from college at Ames taking a course in Domestic Science. She is a writer of some notes on household

subjects, specializing in antiques, old chests, etc. Using the name Grace McIlrath Ellis she has been judge in the Culinary Department at the State Fair four years and acts as judge in county exhibits. She married Harold Ellis, County Agent of Sac. County, now Business Manager of the Marengo Republican. They have one daughter, Elizabeth Whitney, aged 2.

MABEL REVINA KORNS

Mabel Revina Korns, third daughter of Jacob and Emma (Jacobs) Korns, was b. Sept. 20, 1877, and married Dec. 14, 1896, to Clark LaRue Dayton, son of Lyman J. and Calista (Bolton) Dayton, b. Jan. 15, 1873. They settled on the farm that had been his fathers, west of Brooklyn and lived there until the younger son was married, then they moved into town and still reside there. Their children:

1. Freeman Egbert, b. April 14, 1899, married Grace Ostrom, b. April 10, 1904, daughter of Grant and Ada (Doty) Ostrom. She is a descendant of Edward Doty, Francis Cooke, Stephens Hopkins, John Howland, and John Tilley, all Mayflower passengers. She is also eligible to the D. A. R. They live on a farm south of Matcom and have three children:
 - a. Norma E., b. Feb. 10, 1923.
 - b. Miriam L., b. Sept. 7, 1925.
 - c. Larry Grant, b. May 18, 1931.
2. Ray Korns, b. July 21, 1906, and married Etta Bernice Force who was b. Nov. 13, 1905. She is the daughter of Frank and Birdie (Roudebush) Force. They live on a farm west of Brooklyn. They have the following children:
 - a. Marvin Paul, b. March 12, 1925.
 - b. Wayne R., b. Aug. 8, 1927.
 - c. Eugene K., b. Oct. 14, 1928.
 - d. Lucille H., b. Nov. 28, 1929.
 - e. Lawrence, b. Jan. 31, 1932.

3. Irene Emma, b. Dec. 15, 1910, and married Frank W. Audas, b. April 22, 1909, son of George and Ada (Winchell) Audas. They live in Brooklyn. They have two children:
- a. Eldon F., b. June 27, 1929.
 - b. Eunice Irene, b. Nov. 11, 1931.
4. Ruth Calista, b. Jan. 25, 1912, and married John Roudebush, son of Gordon and Gertie (Doty) Roudebush, of Brooklyn. They live on his father's farm north of Brooklyn. They had an infant son,
Clark LaRue Dayton, dead.

JEAN EULALIA KORNS

* Jean Eulalia Korn, fifth daughter of Jacob and Emma (Jacobs) Korn was b. April 12, 1886, and married Dec. 25, 1906, to Alvin Emery Stickle, son of Alvin H. and Mary (Thachery) Stickle of Grinnell. He was b. Nov. 4, 1882, and d. July 4, 1925, killed in an auto accident near Ames. The first ten years of their married life was spent in Grinnell. For a time Mr. Stickle conducted a Self Serve Store, the first in Grinnell, and at a time when the Self Serve Store was a new idea. Later they moved to Des Moines where he was advertising Sales Manager. He was a community leader, and was widely known not only in Highland Park but throughout the entire city. He had been closely identified in assisting and directing community projects in both Highland and Oak Parks and had been active in a political way. He was defeated for State Representative by a very narrow margin. He was conductor of the Highland Park band and they attended his funeral in a body. His funeral was the largest ever held in Highland Park. His wife and two sons have continued to reside in Des Moines.

Otto Korn, b. July 13, 1909, graduated from High School and attended Des Moines University of Commerce two years, married Jan., 1932, to Inez Evans of Des Moines.

Harry Floyd, b. July 30, 1912, graduated from High School

and is a student at Drake. Has run a paper route since a small boy and has been very successful.

BESSIE FLORENCE KORNS

Bessie Florence Korn, (called Floy Korn) youngest of the six daughters of Jacob and Emma (Jacobs) Korn, was b. Oct. 5, 1888. She began her education in the country school while living on the farm, continued in it, the Brooklyn school, and finished in the High School in Grinnell, then attended Grinnell College five years, graduating in 1911, and from the School of Music in 1912. She made the Glee Club in College and at a time when they made trips to other towns and states. The outstanding trip being that given by the Santa Fe Railroad when they were given a trip to California, giving concerts at many places and as graduates from the college are scattered all over our country they were greeted by Grinnell people wherever they went.

She married Ralph Manny, son of G. K. Manny, and lives on a farm near Ft. Madison. They have three children:

1. Albert, a student in the high school in Ft. Madison.
2. Marylin, age 10.
3. Everett, age 4.

JOSEPH KORNS

Joseph Korn, was born in Holmes County, Ohio, in 1831. He married Martha Moore in 1856. He settled on a farm at Dixon, Ill. He lived to be 94 years old. He raised a family of four children, three sons and a daughter.

Francis R. Korn, graduated in Law at Drake University, Des Moines, Iowa, in 1899, and practiced there nine years when he was elected treasurer of the Modern Woodmen for a term of three years, handling thirty million dollars without a loss of a dollar. He was then elected a Director and has that office since. He is also a regent of Drake University. He was born 1873.

E. B. Korn, born in 1858, graduated in Law at Ann Arbor,

in 1881, and located in the Dakota Territory to practice Law for seventeen years, once elected as County Prosecutor. He took an active part in shaping the destinies of the new State, then he moved to Tracy, Minnesota, where he practiced twenty-one years and then moved to Long Beach, California, there he devoted his practice to probate Law and to the civic affairs of that city, being known as the silver tongued orator, he died in 1929.

Lewis F. Korns, b. in 1856, attended college. Was married to Jessie Ellis of Minneapolis, Minn., in 1896. They had one child, Bernice, who died when she was twenty-one years old.

Lewis F. Korns was an inventor. He invented a fountain pen in 1880, being one of the first pens invented. He also had many other inventions. He is also the author of several books.

Emma V. Korns, b. in 1867, and died in 1892.

MOSES KORNS

From the land records in Montezuma, county seat of Poweshiek County, we find that in 1854 William Korns and his son Joseph bought land. William bought three farms of 160 acres each and Joseph bought one. For these they paid \$1.25 an acre. On Dec. 10, 1863, Moses Korns was married to Syrena Lane. They settled on one of these farms. In Jan. 16, 1865, the wife died, aged 22 years, 3 months, and 23 days. On May 22, 1866, Moses went back to his old home in Ohio and married there Nancy Jane Shreve, b. Dec. 30, 1838. They came to Iowa and settled on the farm where they lived the rest of their lives. All of their children were born there and all settled on farms near the father who gave each of his children a farm of 160 acres except the youngest son who preferred a business career and for him the father invested in a hardware store in the little town of Hartwick.

After the marriage in 1899 of Elmer the fifth child, Moses built a new home on a part of his land which adjoined the town of Hartwick and Elmer lived in the old home. Moses Korns

d. Feb. 2, 1922, in Calif., while on a visit in that state. Nancy Jane, his wife, d. May 22, 1921. Their children:

1. William Ora, b. March 24, 1867, married Icy May Lee, in 1890, lives in Brooklyn, Iowa.

2. Lizzie, b. Dec. 29, 1868, d. Nov. 11, 1888, of typhoid fever. It was the first death in either of the two Korn's families. This was especially sad as each family had six children and up to that time there had been no break in either family.

3. Lena, b. Dec. 22, 1870, married John Victor Rowland, Jan. 1, 1891. They lived on the farm not far from Hartwick.

4. Marvin, b. Oct. 20, 1872, married Verna Rowland, Jan. 29, 1896, d. Oct. 3, 1926.

5. Elmer J., b. Feb. 25, 1875, married Nov. 29, 1899, to Lucy V. Rowland. Living in the old home farm which adjoins the town of Hartwick.

6. Clarence Glen, b. Sept. 20, 1877, d. Aug. 25, 1929.

1. William Ora Korn's has been a very successful farmer and stock raiser. He lived on the farm until his health was not so good and he bought a home in the town of Brooklyn. He spends his time in driving out to the farm where he works about as hard as ever. His wife is busy in church work and in neighborhood activities.

They have one son, Truman Tell, b. Jan. 5, 1894, and married Dec. 19, 1916, to Bessie Jones of Brooklyn. They have one daughter, Helen Jane, b. Nov. 10, 1917.

Truman Tell Korn's has inherited the music talents of both his mother's and his father's families and is a very fine singer. Attended college two years in Ames. Sings in the church and also broadcasts. His voice is the real Korn's voice. He lives on his father's farm between Brooklyn and Hartwick.

3. Lena Korn's, second daughter and third child of Moses and Jane (Shreve) Korn's, married John V. Rowland, son of Jacob and Christina Rowland. They have no children but raised a daughter, Nettie Cameron, who married Geo. Warnick and lives in Long Beach, Calif. She is quite a singer, has a

lovely voice and sings solos in one of the churches there. Had records made and sent to her foster parents and they get a great deal of pleasure hearing her sing and have their friends listen to her.

For years they have taken the place of the father and mother to the sisters and brothers families and are the main standbys in the Cong. Church in Hartwick.

4. Marvin Delno Korn, fourth child of Moses and Jane (Shreve) Korn was b. Oct. 20, 1872. He grew up on the farm attending the country school. Was a happy but quiet boy and loved by all who knew him. Married Jan. 29, 1896, to Verna E. Rowland, daughter of Jacob and Christiana (McKee) Rowland, who lived on a farm not far away. She was b. Mar. 3, 1874. In 1925 the health of the father began to fail, all was done that could be done but he passed away just when life was so full with his family and friends. This left the care of the family to the mother and the older sons. They had six children:

- a. L. June, b. June 9, 1897, graduated from the college at Ames in 1919, taught in West Bend four years and in Waterloo where she is still a teacher of Domestic Science. She has taught there ten years.
- b. Esther May, b. July 17, 1899, married Sept. 29, 1918, to Delbert H. Benton of Hartwick. They have two children: Gayle Marie, b. May 12, 1921, and Bobbie Wayne, b. Sept. 7, 1926.
- c. Cleo Clarence, b. Oct. 4, 1901, married Dec. 22, 1928, to Barbara Marugg of Montecello, Iowa, a teacher in the grade school in Hartwick. They live on a farm west of Brooklyn.
- d. J. Calvin, b. Dec. 14, 1903, lives at home with his mother and runs the home farm.
- e. Nelson Rowland, b. Dec. 24, 1906, married May 23, 1928, to Celia Grietch of Brooklyn. They have two children: Beverly Ann, b. Jan. 22, 1930, and Charles Howard, b. Aug. 27, 1931.



Elmer J. Korn
Son of Moses Korn, Hartwick, Iowa

f. Earl Rosco, b. Oct. 23, 1910, works in a store in Hartwick for his brother-in-law, Delbert Benton.

5. Elmer Jonah Korn, fifth child of Moses and Jane (Shreve) Korn, was b. Nov. 29, 1899. He married Lucy V. Rowland, b. June 11, 1879. She was the youngest daughter of Jacob Rowland, sister of Verna and J. V. Rowland. Has been one of the workers in the Cong. Church in the little town of Hartwick and for many years was pianist there. Their children:

a. Everett Rowland, b. June 20, 1903, married Aug. 27, 1930, to Louise Northrup, daughter of Rev. Byron W. and Leah Northrup. They live in a nice little house around the corner and farm the home place.

b. Lois Irene, b. Oct. 15, 1906, d. May 7, 1910. A lovely little daughter, aged four. At her passing the whole neighborhood mourned with the parents and friends.

c. Walter Jasper, b. Dec. 27, 1919, and d. Dec. 29, 1919.

SUSAN KORNS, b. Feb. 19, 1828, in Holmes County, married George Uhl. They had two sons and three daughters:

1. Clarence, married.

2. Edward, married, has a family. Lives in Worchester, O.

3. Serena.

4.

5.

LEVI KORNS, b. Feb. 16, 1829, married and died in Calif. Had no children but married a widow with one daughter.

DEILAH KORNS, b. May 20, 1830, married Chas. Cornell, lived in Waseon, Ohio. They had three daughters and two sons.

1. Will Cornell.

2.

Only one of the daughters is living, Mrs. Emily Hendricks.

LYDIA KORNS, b. July 12, 1834, married John Ostrom, son of Andrew and Joan (Holmes) Ostrom. They had two

daughters and two sons. Lydia Korn's and John Ostrom were married in 1866. John Holmes Ostrom was a grandson of John Ostrom of Dutchess County, N. Y., the latter was of Dutch descent, married and moved to Canada where Andrew Ostrom was born and married Joan, daughter of John Holmes of English descent. They located in Castile, N. Y., and there John Holmes was born in 1838. Later they came to Galesburg, Ill. Andrew Ostrom was a shoemaker and plasterer. John H. attended school there and in Lombard University in Galesburg and enlisted in Co. I, 102nd Illinois Vol. Inf. in 1862, and served in the army in Tennessee. After the war, he came to Iowa and remained four years on a farm near Victor then sold out and went to Brooklyn and read Law a year and was admitted to the Bar, April 1870, and practiced there four years then went to Colorado and spent six years in mine prospecting and kindred pursuits. Since 1880 he engaged in Law and real estate business in Danbury, Iowa. Served two terms as Mayor of the town. They have four children, the elder son is Editor of the Danbury Criterion.

1. Stella, married L. E. Sheldon and lives in Electra, Texas, and they had six children:
 1. Glen, deceased.
 2. Merle, married, and has one son:
 - a. Porter, married, and has two children:
 - a. Leslie, lives at home.
 - b. Lydia Emma, lives in Hollywood, Calif., and works in a designing department.
2. Ernest, married Cora Wiltsey, both deceased. Had six children:
 1. Sumner, married, and has two children, lives in Portland, Oregon.
 2. Daphne, married, no children, lives in Portland, Oregon.
 3. Joy, married, and lives in Realinda, Calif., no children.
 4. Beth, married, lives in Salt Lake City.
 5. Johnnie, married, lives in Alaska, and has one son.

3. Carrie, married, Dec. 1888, to C. F. Seibold of Danbury, Iowa, who received his education at Xgatsworth, and Chicago, Ill. He is the son of W. F. and Elis (Krise) Seibold. He was engaged in general merchandise in Danbury but now lives in Sioux City. They have three children:

1. Hope, married C. R. Anderson of Minburn, Ia., a Lawyer in Des Moines. They have twin daughters and one son:

- a. Carrie Jane.
- b. Katherine Jean.
- c. Chas. Ralph Seibold.

2. Faith, married Luther Larimer, live in Bricelyo, Minn. They have four boys:

- a. Ray.
- b. William.
- c. Fred.
- d. George Seibold.

3. Fred, married Mildred Butts of El Reno, Okla. They live in Amarillo, Texas.

4. Elmer, the youngest child of John and Lydia Ostrom is married and lives in Electra, Texas.

ELIZABETH KORNS, b. March 6, 1839, d. Dec. 17, 1847, in Colorado, where she went hoping to regain her health.

WILLIAM KORNS, b. April 2, 1840, d. Sept. 9, 1865. Served in the Civil War and died away from home.

PHILIP KORNS, b. May 7, 1843, died in Grinnell, Aug. 26, 1902. Never married.

DELILAH KORNS, b. May 20, 1830, d. Dec. 11, 1910, married Charles Wesley Cornell, d. Sept. 19, 1925. Children:

- 1. Emma Cornell, b. Feb. 22, 1858, d. Sept. 14, 1859.
- 2. Emily Cornell, b. March 31, 1860, married F. V. Hendrix of Toledo, Ohio.
- 3. William E. Cornell, b. Jan. 8, 1865.
- 4. Luella Cornell, b. Jan. 8, 1867.

5. Columbus Delano, b. Dec. 17, 1870, d. May 12, 1873.
6. Frederick Vincent, b. Oct. 18, 1869, d. Sept., 1906.
7. Libbie Elsie, b. Dec. 10, 1876, d. March 4, 1929, married to Frank P. Leu, no children.

DAVID CORNELL, married Mary Kathrine Hay. Their children:

1. Charles H. Cornell, married Fannie Fisher. Their children:

1. Ethel May Cornell, b. July 4, 1893, married Alexander W. Fendrick. Their children:

- a. Leora Fendrick, b. Aug. 6, 1913.

- b. Inez Edith Fendrick, b. Oct. 31, 1915, married Arthur Duke. One child:

- a. Arthur Alexander Duke, b. 1932.

- c. Evelyn Ethel Fendrick, b. June 5, 1917.

- d. Jessie Lucile Fendrick, b. May 11, 1922.

- e. Fern Fay Fendrick, b. June 2, 1925.

- f. Iona Fendrick, b. Aug. 26, 1927.

- g. Arthur Wesley Fendrick, b. Sept. 15, 1929.

- h. Dora Marie Fendrick, b. Oct. 24, 1932.

2. Jennie May Cornell, b. July 26, 1870, married William

Smith, b. Jan. 4, 1868. Their children:

1. Paul C. Smith, b. June 29, 1896, married Pearl Patter-

son. Children:

- a. Dorothy Lucile, b. May 28, 1920.

- b. William, Jr., b. March 6, 1925.

- c. Harold Eugene, b. June 22, 1929.

2. Olive Anna Smith, b. April 12, 1905, married Herman K. Chaffee. One child:

- a. Arthur William Chaffee, b. Nov. 2, 1929.

3. Emmet Cornell, b. Aug. 17, 1872, married Della Louise

Miller. Children:

1. Glen Etta, b. Nov. 3, 1893, married Helen Gertrude Wicherow. Children:

- a. Floyd Donald Cornell, Dec. 17, 1921.

- b. Isable Geneva Cornell, Feb. 3, 1927.

- c. Don E. Cornell, Feb. 14, 1929.

4. Minnie Dell Cornell, b. March 9, 1876, married George W. Stoner. Children:

1. Roy Stoner, b. Oct. 3, 1899.

2. Mary Eliza Stoner, b. Jan. 19, 1902, married H. H. Hacktel. Children:

a. Ida Marie, b. April 3, 1920.

b. Floyd Horner Hacktel, June 21, 1930.

3. Alice Stoner, b. Feb. 13, 1905, married H. C. Bingham.

4. Ray D. Stoner, b. April 11, 1908.

5. Ruth M. Stoner, b. Sept. 5, 1911.

6. Evelyn Arabella Stoner, b. Aug. 15, 1918.

5. Alpha Cornell, b. Oct. 6, 1882, married Millie Bell. One child:

✦ 1. Derna Florence, b. Sept. 17, 1913.

CAROLINE KORNS

Caroline Korn, daughter of William and Elizabeth (Hoyman) Korn, was b. Aug. 9, 1832, in Somerset County, Pa. The mother died when the youngest child, Jacob, was only 2 and Caroline, a young girl of 15, mothered the family. She married Isaac Newton Donaldson, son of Bales and Louisa (Spinagle) Donaldson, who was b. Feb. 9, 1832, at Paint Creek, Holmes County, Ohio. In 1848 Isaac had made his first trip to California, going by sea around Cape Horn, he returned to Holmes County, and they were married about 1855. Taking his wife and baby he went again to California; settled at Vackersville and bought a wheat ranch. There four children were born:

1. Diana Estella, b. Jan. 7, 1859.

2. William Bailey, b. March 21, 1860.

3. Edward Bailey, b. Dec. 20, 1861.

4. Fort, b. July 26, 1863.

In 1865, after the death of William Korn the family asked that they return and buy the family estate of 210 acres. By this time Isaac was wealthy so returned to Ohio, bringing his family

across the Isthmus of Panama and arrived in New York just after the close of the Civil War. While in New York they watched many parades of the Union soldiers. On the farm near Millersburg two more children were born:

1. Sonora Elizabeth, b. Nov. 18, 1865.
2. Mary Lotria, b. July 13, 1875.

In that year they moved back to Iowa. They lived in the vicinity of Victor, in the same neighborhood where the other Korn families lived. In May 1880, they moved to the northwest part of the State where they farmed. Isaac suffered from sciatic rheumatism for 7 years and d. Aug. 11, 1895, buried at Matlock, Ia. After his death Caroline lived with her children or they lived with her as before that time the oldest daughter had died, also her husband, leaving the mother with the care of four children, these she raised, educated and sent out into the world. Later she went with her son to Glenham, S. Dakota, and died there March 10, 1920, at the age of 87. She is remembered by many of the family for her kindness and helpfulness in times of sickness.

Diana Estella, daughter of Isaac and Caroline (Korns) Donaldson, was b. Jan. 7, 1859, and married Dec. 30, 1880, at Victor, Ia., to Andrew E. Cone, son of Edwin who was born in Cester, Vt., 1832, and died 1913. Married 1852, Eliza A. Elmire Ostrom, 1831-1904. (See Cone Gen.) Andrew was b. Nov. 6, 1859, at Galesburg, Ill., and came with the family to Victor, Ia., in 1863. They farmed at Danbury, Victor, Laurens and George, Ia., until 1917 when they moved to Rock Rapids to be near their children and in 1926 to Spirit Lake where he d. April 15, 1929. He was a kind neighbor and friend. Diana, as was true in most of the Korn families, had musical ability. This talent was developed and she taught music for 35 years and raised her family well, is still living, at the home of her daughter, Jessie. Their children:

1. Jessie Bell, b. March 13, 1882, on the farm near Victor, Ia., married June 19, 1900, to Frank Nelson Roth.

2. Mattie Pearl, b. April 21, 1884, at Victor, Ia., married Oct. 10, 1904, to Samuel Adkins at Boyden, Ia. Live in California. Has a family.
3. Harry Ernest, b. Nov. 24, 1885, at Victor, Ia., married Feb. 17, 1915, to Agnes De Haan at George, Ia. Now a farmer and lives at Rock Rapids. No children.

Jessie Bell Cone, daughter of Andrew and Diana (Donaldson) Cone, was b. March 13, 1882, married at George, Ia., to Frank Roth, and they farmed the Roth homestead for 13 years. Their two children were born there, this same farm being the birthplace of their father, Aug. 29, 1878. In 1913 they moved to George, Ia., where Mr. Roth ran a garage until 1919, then moved to Rock Rapids where he was in the same business. In 1923 they moved to Spirit Lake. They live in a cottage by the lake and have several cottages there where people come to spend the summer. Mr. Roth is City Commissioner and Mrs. Roth is busy with church and lodge affairs. Their two children:

1. Violet Estelle, b. July 19, 1905, at George, Ia., graduated from High School in Rock Rapids in 1923, attended the Womens College in Rockford in 1923, and Cedar Falls 1924-1926, taking a course in library work. Is librarian in the public library at Spirit Lake. Married Martin Julian Hornseth, Oct. 7, 1928. Member of the D. A. R., also on the State Committee of Genealogical Records of which Mrs. F. R. Porter of Grinnell is chairman.
2. Florence Ann, b. Nov. 3, 1907, graduated from Spirit Lake High School in 1926, and 1926-1929 the Iowa State University at Iowa City, where she graduated with honors in 1929. Is assistant to Dr. Fenton in the S. U. I. in the Dental College and Honorary member of the National Nurses Fraternity.

FLORA LANE DONALDSON, daughter of Caroline (Korns) and Isaac Donaldson, was b. Nov. 1, 1854, in Millersburg, O., d. Aug. 31, 1894, at Matlock, Ia., married Feb. 19, 1878, to

Luther Plumb, b. in La Port, Ind., Mar. 6, 1856, and d. April 24, 1884. They had four children:

1. Leroy Burdette, b. May 10, 1879, in Vinton, Ia., d. May 28, 1912, in Portland, Oregon, married Marie Nelson, April 6, 1909, who died at childbirth and her infant son also died in 1911.
2. Alma Lottie Plumb, b. Sept. 29, 1881, in Vancleve, Ia., married April 10, 1901, to Dr. E. W. Bouslough, b. June 23, 1874, in Center Twp., Monona Co., Ia. They have four children:
 - a. Irma Acta Bouslough, b. July 23, 1903, in George, Ia., married in the "Little Brown Church" at Nashua, Nov. 25, 1926, to George Wm. Paschen. They have one daughter:
 - a. Mary Jean Boslough, b. Jan. 12, 1930, live in Cedar Falls, Iowa.
 - b. Vera Lane Bouslough, b. Jan. 8, 1906, in Quimby, Ia., married June 6, 1931, to Francis Edward Northrup at Galena, Ill. They have one daughter:
 - a. Virginia Lane Northrup, b. Feb. 22, 1932.
 - c. Eunice Lucille Bouslough, b. April 2, 1908, at George, Iowa.
 - d. Vinton Ray Bouslough, b. June 20, 1910, at George, Iowa.

All of the children attended Iowa State Teachers College taking either a two or four year course and are using their education in various ways, some teaching and others doing work but all making good use of the advantages of education given them.

3. Roscoe Burdette Plumb, b. Dec. 23, 1883, in Matlock, Ia., married, and has four children:
 - a. Thomas Lane Plumb, now married.
 - b. Harlan Luther Plumb.
 - c. Aria Belle Plumb.
 - d. Dale Le Roy Plumb.

4. Justus Avery Plumb, b. Sept. 12, 1884, at Matlock, Ia., married Florence Herring. They live in Chinook, Wash. Have two children:
- a. Frank Plumb, age 19.
 - b. Francella Plumb, age 10.

MEET IN REUNION

*After Forty Years the Wm. Korn's Family Gather Once More
Around the Same Fireside.*

A pleasant and long to be remembered reunion of Wm. Korn's family occurred at the home of Moses Korn's near Hartwick, Oct. 13, 1897. After forty years of separation they came together from the east and west, and from the north and south, consisting of four brothers and three sisters. The oldest sister, Delila Cornell, resides at Wauseon, Ohio; Joseph Korn's, Dixon, Ill.; Caroline Donaldson, Matlock, Iowa; Lydia Ostrum, Beaumont, Texas; Moses Korn's, Hartwick, Iowa; Philip Korn's, Ainsworth, Neb.; Jacob Korn's, Brooklyn, Iowa. These with an additional number of thirty children and grandchildren, were all seated around one of the most bountifully supplied tables, such as is seldom witnessed at any wedding feast.

After dinner a program was rendered in which the brothers and sisters sang two very appropriate hymns, namely "Rock of Ages" and "Happy Day," with the same spirit and harmony they used to sing in their father's home in Ohio, which was a place much noted for music, both vocal and instrumental. The second and third generations followed them with several solos and vocal quartettes that showed musical talent superior to their parents. Several recitations were then given by the younger children. Then followed the recital of experiences and happenings of the brothers and sisters that occurred forty years ago which shortened the distance of time that has elapsed since we left our father's home, so much so that it seemed but yesterday since we had separated.

On Friday following, Oct. 15th, a second meeting of the

brothers and sisters, with a goodly number of the relatives, met together at the home of Jacob Korns in Brooklyn, where a similar program was rendered consisting of music upon the piano by some of the daughters of Jacob Korns, a selection of songs by different ones, and a speech was then made by Joseph Korns, which embodied in it the result of the progress and labor and industry on the part of the parents which was shown had been instilled into the minds of their offspring to a remarkable degree, being so visible by their present prosperity. For example: Wm. Ora Korns, oldest son of Moses Korns, has a farm of about 400 acres with sufficient amount of stock to make a sale of about \$10,000 during the present year.

A short description was given of the career of the three brothers who served in the war of the rebellion. William, who was considered the brightest intellectual of the family, after participating in some of the most bloody battles of the war, the first repulse and the entire Siege of Vicksburg, contracted a disease from the effects of being in the swamps and ditches so long. A furlough of thirty days was granted for bravery and valiant service when he returned home, and with the chronic diarrhoea and typhoid fever together resulted in his death. Philip and Jacob being younger, served in the war later, Philip being taken prisoner by the surrender of Col. Miles to Stonewall Jackson at Harper's Ferry but exchanged the next day. Jacob Korns enlisted under the 300,000 call of Abraham Lincoln in Co. B, 46th Iowa Infantry, commanded by Col. D. B. Henderson, now member of congress.

The meeting was then concluded by all joining in singing the hymn, "God Be With You Till We Meet Again," immediately after which the brothers and sisters resorted to the photograph gallery and had a group of pictures taken.

All of the friends met at Wm. Ora Korns' on Saturday and had a splendid and magnificent dinner, after which they were all mounted on vehicles and carried to the woods where they had a good old-fashioned hickory nut hunt and succeeded in gathering about three bushels of hickory nuts.

The Korns family are of German descent. Wm. Korns, Sr., and Elizabeth Hoyman Korns, Sr., came from Pennsylvania to Ohio during the year 1829, and located on a farm west of Millersburg, Holmes County. William was a blacksmith by trade and worked at his trade the greater part of his life while the boys cleared up the farm and carried on the farm work. William Korns was noted for being one of the most charitable to the poor and needy in all that surrounding country so far as he was known. His life showed such marked observance of the golden rule in all his business transactions that he was loved and respected by everyone.