

A Record of a Family Who—

“Carry On”

*In the trials which beset us and the cares we look upon,
To our dead we should be faithful—we have still to
“carry on.”*

*'Twas the slogan they bequeathed us as they fell beside
the way,*

*And for them and for our children, let us “carry on!”
to-day.*

EDGAR A. GUEST.

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Dedication

This record of one branch of a family tree in the dense forest of humanity is dedicated to my mother, Sarah Youse Johnson, who was christened Mitzury Jaus in 1867.

Life is like a story in volumes three,
The past, the present, and the yet to be,
The first is finished and laid away,
The second we're living day by day.
The third and last of volumes three
Is locked from sight; God holds the key.

DR. I. B. HOWELL, in *The New Age*.

The Past

Histories have too long impressed upon a younger generation that inferior persons of overcrowded Europe were loaded pell-mell into ships and sent from their shores to either sink or find a footing elsewhere. It was of England's finest intellect that made up scholarly New England and England's wealth that settled on the rich plantations of southern colonies. It was the solidness from Holland's shores that made an empire of New York and the sturdiness and purposefulness of German pioneers known to us as the Pennsylvania Dutch that settled in the colony founded by William Penn.

Long before the year 1790 when the first census of United States was taken, the family name of Youse (also spelled Jaus, Jauss or Jauch) appeared in various counties of Pennsylvania. In 1738 the ship "Winter Galley" brought one Wilhelm Jauss into the port of Philadelphia. Wilhelm was twenty-four years of age and his name is also given as Jaus. In the year 1752 the ship "Nancy" arrived and the name of George Frederick Jauss was on the passenger list. The ship "Edinburgh" brought a Christian Youch, aged 23, into port the following year. In 1754 the ship "Barclay" brought

Christian Youse aged twenty-five years and this name is also given Johannes Christian Jauss.

We cannot know if any of these men at their early ages were parents of a six year old son. Consequently we know nothing of the early life of one Johannes Jaus whose obituary states that he entered America at the age of six years. We know nothing about him until he was about twenty-eight years old in the year 1775 or at the beginning of the Revolutionary War.

In a German newspaper, The Reading Adler, dated March 4, 1823, in the Historical Society of Berks County at Reading, Pennsylvania, the obituary of Johannes Jaus is translated as follows:

“Died on February 22 (1823) in Rockland Township, Johannes Jaus (John Youse) in the 76th year of his life. He was born in Germany, came to America as a boy of six years of age and served under Washington in the Revolutionary War.”

One surmises that Johannes entered America with his parents about the year 1753 as his birth year was 1747. He was twenty-eight years old when he enlisted for service in 1775 at Sunbury in Northumberland County, Pennsylvania.

Fort Augusta was on the frontier in Colonial Pennsylvania in 1756 and later became the city of Sunbury. Captain John Lowdon came from territory west of Sunbury and First Lieutenant James Parr from territory north and, with seventy privates from the county, made up a company of men

who were to become a part of a battalion of expert riflemen. John Youse was one of the seventy privates of this company.

Heading his petition to the Legislature of Pennsylvania is the following:

“Some of the privates of this company (John Lowdon’s) also served their country upon the soil of everyone of the original thirteen states and through the entire period as appears from the petition of John Youse presented to the Legislature of Pennsylvania March 13, 1817.”

Our study of past history has familiarized us with the battles of the Revolution and it is interesting to follow the route of John Youse through the years from 1775 to 1783.

Captain Lowdon’s company marched from Sunbury to Reading for supplies of knapsacks, blankets etc. The privates were to furnish their own arms and clothes and were to receive six and two-thirds dollars monthly. They were described as “remarkably stout and hardy—many exceeding six feet in height, dressed in white frocks of rifle shirts and round hats.”

Captain Lowdon’s company marched northward from Reading through Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, into New York State to New Windsor which is near West Point on the Hudson River. They turned east into Connecticut, passed through Litenfield and crossed the Connecticut River near the city of Hartford. They began a northeasterly course, crossing the state line of Massachusetts at Dudley.

They passed through Framingham, W e s t o n , Watertown and Cambridge and set up camp on Prospect Hill near Boston. It is written "Officer Parr, with thirty men marched at dawn for Portsmouth." Portsmouth is north of Boston and in New Hampshire.

This company was in numerous battles at Long Island and in 1776, at the Battle of Trenton, they helped in the capture of the Hessians who were Germans hired by the British. In 1777 John Youse was wounded in the hip during the Battle of Brunswick. We do not know how long it took for his recovery. The next year the rifle corps commanded by Colonel Morgan and Major Parr were sent into western New York where trouble with the Seneca Indians in the Genesee country caused great concern. Twenty-four men were sent out for scouting and only six of that brave band returned. John Youse was one of the six.

The attack on the blockhouse under General Anthony Wayne occurred in 1780 at Bergen's Point near Jersey City. John Youse mentions "that hard engagement at Green Spring, Virginia," which took place the year following. Green Spring is a few miles from Williamsburg, Virginia, and it was here that Lafayette, the French General, met the British. It was at the seige at Yorktown, where so many American lives were lost in the struggle to gain the freedom for which they had fought, that the British surrendered. The company went southward through the Carolinas and in 1783 the Pennsylvania troops embarked on a transport at Charlestown, South Carolina, for Philadelphia where they received t h e i r discharge

papers. It is not known what became of the papers of John Youse.

He had turned his wages into the government for the past eight years to be converted into "silk money" which proved worthless. He was now about thirty-six years of age and must have become despondent at his entry into civic life. It is reasonable to suppose he was unmarried, otherwise he would have had to use his wages for the support of a dependent.

We do not know that he returned to Northumberland county. In fact we do not know of his whereabouts until he was past fifty years of age. He had settled in Berks county, Pennsylvania, before the year 1800 and had become a stonemason.

April 10, 1941, in the Registry of Wills office in the Berks county courthouse at Reading, an old volume (Book C) was brought from an inner room. Reverently, we opened the book to page 276 which shows the last will and testament of Johannes Jaus. The will was written in German script, dated February 3, 1823, and signed by the mark of Johannes. A few weeks after the will was made, on the birthday of George Washington whom he had served so well, Johannes Jaus died in his 76th year.

The will left his estate to his wife, Dorothea, who was fourteen years younger than her husband, and named Adam Jaus executor of the will by right of being the oldest son. The estate was to be divided, after Dorothea's death, among his children, who were named Adam, Jacob, John, Catherine and Maria.

The pension department in Washington, D. C.,

received the application of John Youse in 1819, granted the pension in 1821 and John had the consolation he hoped for as expressed in his words, "so it cannot be said I was a charge to the county." His last resting place is unknown.

Adam Youse was twenty-four years old when his father died. We learn this from the census record of 1850 which can be examined in the Census Building in Washington, D. C. Adam Jaus was born in 1799 in Rockland Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania. It was probable that caring for his mother during her last years delayed his marriage which took place when Adam was about thirty-eight years old. He married Catherine Kiebach, daughter of Frederick Kiebach of Bern Township and she was about fifteen years younger than Adam.

They became parents of ten children—Jacob, the eldest, may have died in infancy but each of the nine other children lived to raise a family. Adam Jaus may have carried on his father's work as his occupation is given as "laborer."

The early school records of Keller's School, No. 1, in Berks County for 1855 name three sons of Adam and Catherine Jaus attending school under Mr. Joseph Dry. Markus Jaus was about seventeen years, John Jaus about fourteen years and Wellington Jaus about ten years of age in 1855. The names of the other children of Adam and Catherine Jaus were James, David, Manneville, Sarah Amanda, Caroline Emma and Catherine Anna.

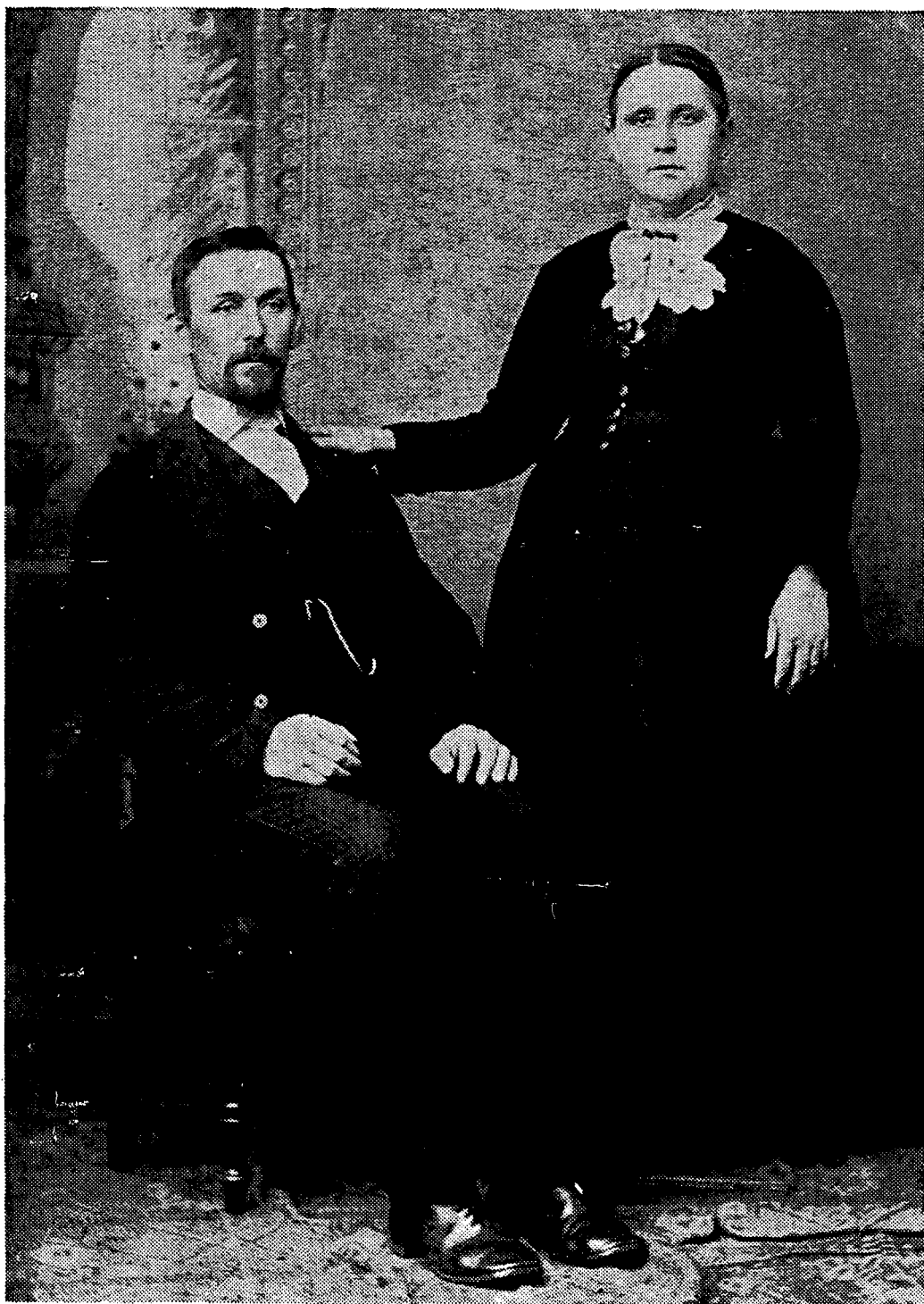
Adam Jaus died in 1878, twenty years before his wife, Catherine, died. Catherine Kiebach Jaus

was born in 1815 and was blind the last five years of her life. She died in 1898 and both she and her husband are buried in New Jerusalem Cemetery in Berks County, Pennsylvania.

Markus Youse, a soldier in the Civil War, married Susanna Schmeck and their oldest son, Daniel S. Youse, is living on Main Street in Oley, Pennsylvania. John Youse, brother of Markus, was also in the Civil War and both are buried in New Jerusalem Cemetery. John became the father of eight children. Wellington Youse married Amanda Hilbert and they were parents of fourteen children. The death of Wellington occurred in 1928. David Youse died at the age of twenty-eight and was father of three sons. He married Susanna Boyer. Little can be learned of James Youse, and Manneville Youse was married twice.

Sarah Amanda Youse became the wife of Ringold Drumheller and the mother of eight children. She was thirty-eight years of age when she died in 1889. Carolina Emma Youse married William Edwin Eck and they became parents of four children. She was called Aunt Kalina by nieces and nephews. Catherina Anna Youse married Jonas Kline and they were both confirmed in the Evangelical Lutheran Church by the Reverend D. K. Humbert of Bowers in 1875. They had ten children and Catherina lived to be seventy-five years of age. She was known as Kitty Ann Kline.

These were the three generations of this family in the century of years from 1747 to 1847 and this shows the struggle they had to find a footing in a new land — in America where their problems against odds were almost insurmountable.



WELLINGTON YOUSE AND WIFE AMANDA

The Present

The last years of the century, since the birth in 1846 of Wellington Youse, fifth son of Adam and Catherine Youse, are coming to a close. This study of four generations, descendants of Johannes Jaus, in the century of years since 1846 marks this chapter as "the present."

The census record for 1850 of Rockland Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania, lists the ages of the children of Adam and Catherine Youse, as follows: Markus, twelve; John, nine; James, seven; Wellington, five; David, two. Nothing was said of Jacob. The next record to be found of the child, Wellington, was in the school record of Mr. Joseph Dry who taught the Keller School No. 1 in Berks County in 1855. The brothers' names, Markus and John, were also in the list of pupils of Mr. Dry. Wellington Youse was nine years old in 1855. Three subjects were taught at that time in the German language—Reading, Writing and some Arithmetic.

When the census was taken a decade later the name of Wellington Youse appeared twice on the pages of Rockland Township, Berks County. It was given once with his family and again with the family of William Youse and wife Sarah, ages thirty-two and twenty-four years and four young children under seven years. The relationship of Wellington to William Youse was not shown.

Markus and John Youse became members of Company K of the 52nd Regiment of Pennsylvania when the war between the States began in 1860. Wellington, their younger brother, was not of age but in order to serve the North, he assumed a fictitious name and it is not known how long he was with the army.

After the war was over in 1865 Wellington Youse was married at the age of nineteen years. He married Amanda Hilbert, fifteen years old, whose parents were Abraham Hilbert and Christine Yoder Hilbert. A Golden Wedding Anniversary was planned in the Spring of 1915 to be held at the home of Wellington and Amanda Youse in Humboldt, Kansas, but a diphtheria epidemic prevented this occasion.

A daughter was born in Richmond Township the year following their marriage. A transaction of property bought and sold was recorded in the Berks County Courthouse at Reading, Pennsylvania. In May, 1868, Wellington and Amanda Youse bought property in Longswamp Township from Zacharias Hilbert and wife, Susanna, but sold the property the next year as Wellington Youse decided to join the great numbers who were moving westward.

Huntingdon County, Pennsylvania, was their home for a few years and about 1880 they left their native State for the State of Kansas. They had six children at the time they located in Allen County, Kansas, where they were to live for the remainder of their lives. Wellington Youse took his family to Oklahoma where he farmed near Chandler for about three years but conditions

were not satisfactory so he returned to Allen County in Kansas.

The Humboldt Brick and Tile Company was organized in 1898 and Wellington Youse began employment that was to last until his death in 1928. The Secretary and General Manager of the Humboldt Brick and Tile Company wrote the following words: "The latter years of Mr. Youse's connection with this company was as head burner at the plant. He was intelligent, performed his duties well and was in every way a model employee."

The death of his wife, Amanda, occurred in 1926 and soon after this Wellington Youse made his will. Three of his grandchildren were mentioned besides his seven living children. The names of the grandchildren were Dora Youse Mueller, Carrol Rogers and Ruby Rogers Meath.

Wellington Youse was now in his eightieth year and had given up active work. He lived his last two years with his daughter, Flora Youse Lyons, in Humboldt, Kansas. A simple stone was erected to the memory of Wellington and Amanda Youse in Mount Hope Cemetery in Humboldt.

The birth date of the eldest child of Wellington and Amanda Youse as shown on the certificate was October 5, 1866. This child, a daughter, was christened Mitzury Jaus but was known throughout her life as Sarah Youse. When Sarah was a child of three, her parents moved from Berks County to Huntingdon County, Pennsylvania, and lived there a few years.

They settled in Allen County, Kansas, in a rural

Geburts- und Taufschein.

Diesen beyden Ehegatten, als:
 Wellington Sells und seiner ehelichen
 Hausfrau Minde geborne Hilbert

ist ein Kind zur Welt geboren, den 5. Tag
 October im Jahr unsers Herrn, 1866 Diese
 Tochter ist geboren in Richmond Sp.
 in Berks County, im Staat Pennsylvania
 in Nord Amerika; u. erhielt durch die Heil. Taufe den Namen
 Minnie den 31. Tag März
 im Jahr 1867 von dem Ehrw. Hrn. A. Croll

Die Taufzeugen waren:

J. C. Croll

Ich bin getauft, ich steh' im Bunde,
 Durch meine Tauf, mit meinem Gott!
 So sprech' ich stets mit frohem Munde,
 In Kreuz, in Trübsal, Angst u. Noth.
 Ich bin getauft, des freu' ich mich,
 Die Freude bleibt mir ewiglich.

Ich bin getauft, ob ich gleich sterbe,
 Was schadet mir das kühle Grab?
 Ich weiß mein Vaterland und Erbe,
 Das ich bey Gott im Himmel hab.
 Nach meinem Tod ist mir bereit
 Des Himmels Freud' und Herrlichkeit.

CHRISTENING CERTIFICATE

community where schooling was meager for this family but Wellington Youse could give some help to them. Sarah Youse was left handed in all her work except her penmanship and this, her father insisted, should be done with her right hand. She never forgot her suffering in mastering her right hand for writing.

When Sarah was seventeen years old she was working in Yates Center, Woodson County, Kansas. Here she was married on July 14, 1883, to Swan Johnson, who was in the Furniture and Undertaking business. Nine children were born in their home at 501 North State Street, Yates Center.

For nearly thirty-five years this was the home of Sarah Youse Johnson. She seldom had occasion to get farther away from home during all those years except for a yearly visit to her parents twenty-five miles distant. After her husband's death in 1917, the property across the street became her home for the remaining fourteen years of her life.

A son and a daughter, Harry Swan Johnson and Edna Ruth Johnson, died after reaching adulthood. One daughter, Mabel H. Johnson, remained unmarried. Frank Nelson Johnson became eighteen years of age in 1917 and was sent to Camp Grant, Illinois, during the First World War. The death of his father, a few months later, brought him back to Yates Center and he has worked continuously in the Post Office since that time.

A will was made by Sarah Johnson in February, 1931 in which she mentioned her seven living children. Her eleventh grandchild was born a few



FIVE OF THE DAUGHTERS OF WELLINGTON AND
AMANDA YOUSE

days after her 65th birthday and about three weeks before her death. Her remains were placed in the family lot in the Cemetery at Yates Center, Kansas.

Fannie Edith Johnson was the third child of Sarah and Swan Johnson and was born on April 14, 1888, in Yates Center, Kansas. She was educated in the schools there and became a member of the Presbyterian Church early in life. She taught three terms of rural school in Woodson County and was married at the family home, 501 North State Street, when she was twenty-one years old, on April 28, 1909, by Reverend Nelson A. Shedd. Fannie Johnson married Herbert Ross Landes who was twenty-two years of age. In 1911 Mr. Landes began work with the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad in Dodge City, Kansas, and Mrs. Landes, at that time began two years of primary work in the public schools under Superintendent John Clements.

The property at 904 Avenue A, Dodge City, became the first home owned by Mr. and Mrs. Landes. A daughter, Frances Fay, was born in 1914 and a son, Herbert Ross, was born five years later. Mrs. Landes has had membership in the Eastern Star of Dodge City since 1919. They sold their home in 1921 and the family moved to Chicago where Mr. Landes was transferred in the Santa Fe offices.

In 1923 the family moved to a suburb of Chicago in Du Page County. Mr. and Mrs. Landes owned the property at 24 South Hudson Street in West-

AFFIDAVIT OF BIRTH

For use in cases where Certificates of Birth cannot be supplied

PLACE OF BIRTH		STATE BOARD OF HEALTH DIVISION OF VITAL STATISTICS		DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE. 104-69	
County of <u>Woodson</u>		STATE OF KANSAS			
Township of <u>Custer</u>					
City of <u>Gates Center</u> No. <u>501 North State</u> Street. Reg. No.					
Full Name of Child <u>Fannie Edith Johnson</u>					
ALL DATA USED IN THIS AFFIDAVIT MUST BE AS OF DATE OF BIRTH OF THIS CHILD					
Sex of Child <u>Female</u>	Twin, triplet, or other? (To be answered only in event of plural births.)	Number in order of birth.	Legitimate. <u>yes</u>	Date of birth <u>April 14-1855</u> (Month) (Day) (Year)	
FATHER.			MOTHER.		
Full Name. <u>Swan Johnson</u>			Full Maiden Name. <u>Sarah Gouse</u>		
Residence. <u>Gates Center Kans</u>			Residence. <u>Gates Center, Kans</u>		
Color. <u>white</u> Age at last birthday <u>41</u> (Years)			Color. <u>white</u> Age at last birthday <u>22</u> (Years)		
Birthplace. <u>Sweden</u>			Birthplace. <u>Berks Co. Penn</u>		
Occupation. <u>Furniture & Undertaker</u>			Occupation. <u>Housewife</u>		
			<u>H. W. West M.D.</u> (Name of attending physician)		

AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, MIDWIFE, PARENT, NEAREST RELATIVE OR OTHER PERSON HAVING KNOWLEDGE OF THE FACTS OF THIS BIRTH

State of Kansas, Woodson County, ss.
H. W. West being first duly sworn, on oath states that he resides at Gates Center in Woodson county, Kansas, and that the statements contained in the foregoing Affidavit of Birth are true and correct, as affiant is informed and verily believes.
 (county seal) H. W. West M.D.
 Subscribed and sworn to before me, a notary public in and for said county and state, this 9 day of June 1938
 My commission expires _____
W. D. Shaw Co. Clerk
 Filed June 14 1938 G. L. Bauersfeld
 Notary Public
 acting State Registrar.

CERTIFIED COPY OF AFFIDAVIT OF BIRTH

TOPEKA, KAN. June 14 1938 No 14046

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the original affidavit on file in the office of the State Board of Health.

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Minnie F. Fleming
 acting State Registrar

mont, Illinois, for fourteen years. They moved to their present address in 1936 and Mrs. Landes became a member of the National Organization of Daughters of The American Revolution in 1940. The marriage of her daughter took place in 1940 and her son enlisted in the service of the United States Army in 1941.

The author of this family history does not believe herself to be capable of doing a great piece of art nor has it been with any intention to make of this book anything other than understandable and informational data. Leniency is asked if inaccuracies are found in these pages.



Names of families related to Wellington Youse and present addresses.

ALONZA W. YOUSE and wife, ORA A. MILLER YOUSE, Osage, Iowa: four daughters, married.

DANIEL S. YOUSE and wife, HATTIE R. YOUSE, Main Street, Oley, Pennsylvania: one daughter died in infancy.

WILLIAM YOUSE and wife, HATTIE YOUSE, 173 Kendall Street, Aurora, Illinois: one son, William; one daughter, Monica.

MRS. WILLIAM HARTMAN, Bowers, Pennsylvania.

MR. HARVEY KLINE, Shoemakersville, Pennsylvania.

MRS. FLORA YOUSE LYONS, Humboldt, Kansas.

MRS. LIZZIE M. YOUSE, Clay Center, Kansas.

MRS. LILLIE A. YODER YOUSE, 31 Philadelphia Avenue, Shillington, Pennsylvania.

MISS CATHERINE YOUSE, 31 Philadelphia Avenue, Shillington, Pennsylvania.

MRS. ANNIE GABRIEL, 79 Westwood Road, Columbus, Ohio: three sons, James, Allen, Harold.

CHRISTIAN OCHSENWADEL, Muhlenberg Park, Pennsylvania.

MRS. EMMA HAMILTON, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

MR. and MRS. JAMES F. WEBER, Reading, Pennsylvania, R. D. 2: two daughters; a son.

MR. and MRS. EDWARD F. SPAYD, Leesport, Pennsylvania: one son, James.

MRS. MAY WILLIAMS, Reading, Pennsylvania, niece of Daniel S. Youse.

MR. and MRS. LYNN DUCK, Longford, Kansas: Minerva, Marcella Fay, Ruth, Phyllis; son Murray.

MR. and MRS. MURRAY DUCK.

MR. and MRS. MELLIS YOUSE, Clay Center, Kansas.

MR. and MRS. JAMES A CLARK, Orchard, Iowa: one daughter, Marilyn.

MR. and MRS. DONALD JOHNSON, Osage, Iowa.

MR. and MRS. PHILLIP HOGAN, Long Lake, Illinois.

MR. and MRS. CLARENCE ALQUIST, Clay Center, Kansas.

MR. and MRS. RAYMOND YOUSE.

MR. and MRS. HENRY MUELLER, 1220 Central Avenue, Humboldt, Kansas: sons, Robert and Jack; daughter, Irma.

MR. and MRS. ROBERT MUELLER, Humboldt, Kansas.

MRS. EDITH WEIBEL MERKEL (Mrs. Francis W. Merkel), Reading, Pennsylvania: one son, Robert.

MR. and MRS. EDWARD H. JOHNSON, Denver, Colorado.

MR. and MRS. ALBERT WILLIAM DEISTER, Dodge City, Kansas: sons, William, Robert, Lawrence; one daughter, Josephine.

MR. and MRS. FRANK NELSON JOHNSON, Yates Center, Kansas: one son, Frank Jr.

MISS MABEL H. JOHNSON, Ventura, California.

MR. and MRS. O. E. ROBERTS, Yates Center, Kansas.

MR. and MRS. WAYNE CULLEY, Topeka, Kansas: two sons, Rex, Robert; one daughter, Margaret.

MISS BETTY HILBERT and mother, Reading, Pennsylvania.

Supplement in connection with Amanda Hilbert Youse

Jacob Yoder of Rockland Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania

Married Maria Barto- their ten children-

Maria b 1798, Sara b 1800, Reuben b 1802, Jacob b 1804, Christina b 1805

Levi b 1807, Elizabeth b 1809, Gideon b 1811, Catherina b 1813, Benjamin ?

Christina Yoder

Married Abraham Hilbert of Rockland Township, Berks County, Pa.

Twentyone children (seven daughters, fourteen sons)- Hannah, Damore, Amanda

Emmalina, Sarah, Mary Ann, Rachel, Hiram, Henry, Abraham, Jacob, Reuben,

Benjamin, Benneville, Zacharis, William, Amos, Isaac, Thomas, John, ?

Amanda Hilbert

Married Wellington Youse- fourteen children-

Abram, Sarah (Mitzury), Flora, Alonza, Lizzie, Eulis, Emma (one of triplets

Sadie, William, Bessie, ?

Sarah Youse

Married Swan Johnson of Center Township, Woodson County, Kansas

Nine children- Edward Henry, Mabel Hattie, Fannie Edith, Birdie Emma,

Esther Elizabeth, Edna Ruth, Frank Nelson, Harry Swan, Dorothy Fay

Fannie Edith Johnson

Married Herbert Ross Landes of Center Township, Woodson County, Kansas

Two children- Frances Fay Landes Lindsey, Herbert Ross Landes Jr.

Herbert Ross Landes Jr. of Lyons Township, Cook County, Illinois

Married Shirlie Mae Wilson

