

July 26 - 1931 - 75 people present
First Underwood Reunion.

75 AT UNDERWOOD REUNION, ORGANIZATION IS FORMED

July 26, 1931

The first reunion of the Underwood families was held yesterday at Jackson park. There were about 75 persons present at noon when a basket dinner was served. Following the dinner an organization was formed and it was decided to hold the reunion annually on the last Sunday in July.

The members of the family are descendants of James Underwood, who was a soldier in the Revolutionary war, serving in the army in North Carolina. The Underwood family first came to Kansas in 1839. They came from Park county, Ind., and settled near Denton. After a number of years they moved to the Good Intent neighborhood, where some of the descendants still reside.

The only surviving of the eleven children in the original Underwood family is Alfred Underwood of Rochester, N. Y. Mr. Underwood is 85 years of age and was unable to be here yesterday for the reunion. However, he wrote an interesting letter to the families, telling of the early days in Kansas and the family's early history.

Miss Elsie M. Underwood has completed a lineage of the family that gives her the honor of being the first D. A. R. member of the Underwoods. She was also elected secretary of the Underwood organization, which was formed. Perry Underwood was made president.

The members of the Underwood family living in and near Atchison are: Warren T. Underwood, Miss Elsie M. Underwood, Courtney N. Underwood, J. E. Underwood, Leslie Underwood, Cecil Underwood, Arthur Underwood, Perry Underwood, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Wilson, Mrs. Esther Engelhardt, Edna Wilson, and the DeFrees family. They were all present yesterday with their families.

Out of town members here were: Mr. and Mrs. Bert Underwood, who is postmaster at Downs; Mr. and Mrs. George Allen Jr., of Kansas City, Kas.; Mrs. Alice Fishwick, Harry Fishwick and Edna Fishwick, all of St. Joseph, Mo.; Mrs. W. W. Gill and granddaughter, Louise Gill, of Mobile, Ala.; Mr. and Mrs. George R. Allen of Topeka; Will Myers and family and Roy Myers and family, all of Bendena; Frank and Cora May Myers of Bendena; Mrs. Ruth Liebsch and sons, Junior and Bobbie, of Falls City, Nebr.; Frank Fishwick and daughter, Francis Maude, of Oklahoma City, Okla., and Mr. and Mrs. E. Underwood and son, Charles of Topeka.

Guests of the families there were: Rev. M. Owen Kellison and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Chalfant, Elvira Chalfant Linley, W. A. Armstrong, Albert Armstrong and Henry Kloepper.



Family reunion.

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CITY NEWS

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Mrs. Ed Glennon is ill.

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Atchison's nice rain came gently.

Mrs. Henry Diegel remains very ill.

Jesse Lipps is under a doctor's care.

George Hendee had his tonsils taken out today.

Jim Crank, river worker, has a badly cut mouth.

Lee Arensberg's boys have come in from the ranch.

A terrible dust storm prevailed in the Central Branch country yesterday.

Fred Huth deserves credit for this morning's rain—he washed his car Saturday.

Mrs. William H. Maxwell, of Independence, Mo., is a guest of her sister, Mrs. Peter Brown.

Jack Flynn, night desk sergeant at the police station, will return to work tonight after a vacation.

Jimmie Hunt, who is in the U. S. navy, will arrive home August 9 on his 30 day furlough. He is radio operator on the U. S. S. Utah.

Engineer D. P. Coleman: "There is something wrong with the man who doesn't like children, and with the woman who does not like flowers."

Miss Vera Mae and Miss Virginia Gross returned yesterday to Sedalla, Mo., after a visit with their cousin, Miss Louise Stawpert, South Sixth street.

In a marriage ceremony performed by Judge Frank Wertz at the court house early this afternoon, John Foley and Henrietta Abbot, both of Hiawatha, were married.

Make your fall garden. Plant now: Beans, lettuce, endive, turnips, spinach, mustard, radishes, sweet corn. The place to go for seeds that grow. Mangelsdorf's Seed & Flower store, 424 Commercial.

A KIDNAPING HOAX

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ROBBERS GASSED FROM HOUSE

Tear Bombs Drive Them From House Into Hands of Police

(By The Associated Press)
Oklahoma City, July 31.—Tear gas bombs routed two bank robbery suspects from a house here today into the hands of waiting police.

Society

A dinner Moore home yesterday. P. A. Bergner, Mrs. Estelle. There were of town v. Ache of H. Mrs. Will and Miss Horton, M. Kansas C. field of E. A. Miller.

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Cousins Meet for First Time In 70 Years At Underwood Reunion at Jackson Park

Cousins who met for the first time in more than 70 years were included in the crowd that gathered at Jackson park yesterday for the second annual reunion of the Underwood family. Mrs. E. M. Crouch, 70, Hutchinson, had never before seen her cousin, E. C. Underwood, 72, Kansas City, until yesterday, and there were others in the family group who had never before met these two older members of the line.

It was on Decoration day, 1931, that the reunion idea for the Underwoods was fostered. Mrs. George R. Allen, Topeka, and Miss Elsie Underwood, who lives in the Good Intent community, met in the Alderson cemetery, where they were both putting flowers on the family graves.

They talked about the family—the early date of its origin in northeast Kansas, its large number and the fact that it would be nice if they could all meet some time. The result of the conversation was that the last Sunday in July, 1931, was set for a reunion and the two ladies got busy to make it a success.

It was. There were 63 members of the family present, but yesterday the number jumped to 74 direct descendants and there were in addition 21 friends and old neighbors of the various Underwoods.

All of the Underwoods are descendants of the late James and Sarah Underwood, who located in Doniphan county in 1858 after a trip from Park county, Ind. They stayed there a short time, moved on to Denton, and finally came to a permanent home in the Good Intent community on the farm that is now occupied by James Dooley.

James and Sarah Underwood had 11 children. Nine of them at one time or another lived at Good Intent. A daughter left the family caravan while it was passing through Iowa and de-

cided to make her home there. A son, returning from the Civil war, was drowned when an overloaded steamboat sank.

Of this first generation of Underwoods, one is still living, Alfred Underwood, 85, of Rochester, N. Y. His advanced age kept him from coming to the reunion. Hiram Wilson of Atchison, whose 84 years make him the oldest member of the second generation, was confined to his bed and was also unable to attend, but Mrs. Wilson was there.

Mrs. W. A. Gill and her granddaughter, little Miss Louise Gill, drove from Mobile, Ala., to be present, as they did in 1931 for the first meeting.

Representatives of the second generation of Underwoods at the reunion yesterday were: Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Barnes and daughter, May; Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Underwood and Mr. and Mrs. John Underwood, all of Kansas City; Mrs. E. M. Crouch, Hutchinson; Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Bentley, Abbeville, Kas.; Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Bunnell, Atchison, Kas.; Mrs. W. W. Gill, Mobile, Ala.; the Ernest and Courtney Underwood families of Muscotah; Mr. and Mrs. Ed Underwood and Mrs. Perry Underwood, Good Intent; Mrs. Hiram Wilson, Atchison; Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Myers, Bendena; Miss Elsie Underwood, Good Intent; and Warren Underwood, north of Atchison.

Third and fourth generation representatives: Mrs. Alice Fishwick and children, Harry and Edna, St. Joe; Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Liebsch and family, Falls City; and Miss Lola Underwood, Leslie Underwood, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Underwood and family, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Underwood and family, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Faulkner and family; Mr. and Mrs. Glen Englehardt and Mr. and Mrs. E. H. DeFrees and family, all of Atchison; and Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Myers and family, Bendena.

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The eldest person present was Elihu C. Underwood, Kansas City, Mo.
Youngest present was Charles Armstrong Underwood (7) son of Mr. + Mrs. Warren T. Underwood R.R. No. 2. Atchison, Kansas
Guests—Rev. + Mrs. Sande-Furt Son, W. R. Armstrong, W. D. Chalfant, Elvira C. Chalfant, Mrs. W. R. Franklin, Mrs. J. Cummings, Miss Caroline Fenton, Burma Baumener, Ruth Shelley, Mr. + Mrs. W. D. Fleming and Henry Kloepper.
(110 persons present)

July 29th 1934

June 9th 1935

Sixty direct descendants of James and Sarah Underwood plus a number of friends of the family gathered at Jackson park yesterday for the fourth annual Underwood reunion. The best part about these reunions is the fact that the Underwoods are fond enough of each other to get together once a year and then do not need any formal entertainment to stave off boredom during the day. One day each year is devoted to visiting and getting acquainted with the other members of the family. The original Underwoods came to northeast Kansas in 1858. They settled in the Doniphan community and later moved to near Good Intent. They are both buried in the Alderson cemetery. Since the last meeting of the family George Allen has been in Los Angeles and has traced the genealogy in an unbroken line back to between 1600 and 1700 to a Pennsylvania Quaker minister. The family tree goes back to the year 1100. Oldest member of the second generation at yesterday's reunion was Hiram Wilson of Atchison. Mr. Wilson, a son of Elvira Underwood, oldest of the children of James and Sarah Underwood, is 86 years old. The youngest person in attendance was little Helen Underwood, two-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Underwood of Atchison. Mrs. W. W. Gill of Mobile, Ala., made her annual motor trip to Atchison to attend the reunion. Other members of the second generation present were Mrs. W. H. Myers, Bendena; Mrs. George Allen, Topeka; Ernest Underwood, Muscotah, and J. E. Underwood, Miss Elsie Underwood, Warren Underwood, Courtney Underwood and Perry Underwood, all of whom live near Atchison. The families and grandchildren of these men and women made up the rest of the Underwoods represented at the reunion.

UNDERWOOD DESCENDANTS HOLD ANNUAL REUNION

Sixty-one of the descendants of James and Sarah Underwood met in Jackson park for their fifth annual reunion yesterday.

Descendants of the pioneer Atchison county couple came for hundred of miles to take part in the family get-together. Mrs. W. W. Gill made her fifth pilgrimage from Mobile, Ala., for the gathering. Mr. and Mrs. Bentley came from Abbeyville; The W. C. Barnes family from Kansas City; Mr. and Mrs. George Allen and their grandson from Topeka; Mrs. Leslie Underwood and two sons from Brookfield; Mrs. Alice Bisheck and her son and daughter from St. Joe; and Ernest Underwood and family came from Holton. Most of the other members of the family who were present are from Atchison including the oldest living member present, Hiram Wilson, 87.

James and Sarah Underwood came to Kansas in 1858, settling first at Doniphan, then at Denton and finally in the Good Intent neighborhood. The old couple was buried at Alderson cemetery near Good Intent and it was there, while a few members of the family were decorating the graves, that the idea for the first reunion originated.

The Underwoods look forward to the gathering more each year and it has been a great step toward uniting the family.

"When we held the first meeting, many of us had never met each other but now we know everyone by his front name," they say.

1935

SIXTH ANNUAL UNDERWOOD REUNION WELL ATTENDED

The sixth annual Underwood reunion was held Sunday at Jackson park with 70 in attendance.

James Underwood, son of Daniel Underwood, and ancestor of most of the Underwoods gathered there, was born December 29, 1799, in Guilford county, North Carolina. He married in North Carolina in the year 1826 Sarah Newlin, who was born February 12, 1806 in Chatham county, North Carolina. He removed to Highland county, Ohio, soon after his marriage, date not given. Then a short time later they removed to near Rockville, Indiana, settling in the woods. Then in 1859 he removed to Doniphan county, Kansas, and later to Atchison county, Kansas, and died August 12, 1881. His wife, Sarah, died February 2, 1880. They are both buried in the Alderson cemetery, Atchison county.

James and Sarah, his wife, were the parents of twelve-children. Only one of the children is living, Alfred Underwood, of Rochester, N. Y. He is in his eighty-eighth year and Sunday interesting letters of greeting, written by him, were read to the Underwoods assembled at Jackson Park.

Among those from out of town in attendance were: Mrs. Ella Crouch, Hutchinson; Mrs. W. W. Gill, Mobile, Ala.; Mr. and Mrs. Florence Oswald and daughter, Florence Belle, Princeton, Kas.; Mrs. Alice Fishwick and son, Harry, of St. Joe, and daughter, Edna, Omaha; Mrs. Ruth Lieblich and sons, Junior and Bobby, Falls City; Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Underwood and son, Charles, Topeka; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Meyers, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Meyers, Frank and Cora May Meyers, Robert Meyers, Warren Underwood and family, Courtney Underwood and family, Valley Falls; Mrs. Hiram H. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. DeFrees and family, Mr. and Mrs. Glen D. Engelhardt, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wilson and son, Atchison. Other guests were Mrs. F. M. Potter, Leavenworth, and Miss Elsie Sangren, Falun, Kansas.

Reports read during the afternoon were to the effect that during the past year members of the family who have died were: Will Fishwick, Indianapolis, who died last February; and W. A. Barnes, of Kansas City.

Births reported were a son to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wilson, who has been named Noel Davis; a daughter, Clarice Belle, to Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Oswald; a daughter, Jacqueline Lee, to Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Underwood and a daughter, Evalyn Jean to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Meyers.

The reunion next year will be held the third Sunday in August at Jackson park. Aug. 30, 1936

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Notes of the Underwood family reunion at Jackson park Sunday: Mrs. Alice Fishwick Sunday morning received word of the death of her brother, Andrew Anderson, at his home in Courtland, Kas., whose death was unexpected. His family was planning a 90th birthday reunion in his honor for next Sunday. Mrs. Fishwick, whose home is in St. Joe will attend the funeral at Courtland Wednesday. Miss Edna Fishwick returned Sunday night to Omaha, where she is employed in the Missouri Pacific railway offices. Miss Ponchita Fishwick of Oklahoma City is spending two weeks with Atchison relatives. Last evening she was entertained at the home of Miss Elsie M. Underwood by Misses Shirley Jane, Angeletta Gail and Martha Ann U. Jerwood. George Allen, who is regaining his health after an extended illness, was able to drive his own car from Topeka. During the past year the members of the family have been saddened by the deaths of Mrs. Fanny Underwood and her brother, W. H. Myers, whose wife was Miss Ida Underwood and now lives near Bendena. Hiram Wilson, the eldest of the first cousins of the Underwoods, is ill at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Eitson DeFrees, 1011 South Fourth street.

Sixty-one persons attended the eighth annual Underwood reunion at Jackson park yesterday and enjoyed what some of them described as the best dinner since the picnics began in 1931. Those who attended were descendants of James and Sarah Underwood, who settled in northeastern Kansas at Doniphan in 1859, later located at Denton, and then moved to the Good Intent neighborhood, where they both lived the rest of their lives and are buried in the Alderson cemetery. Since the 1937 reunion, one who had attended every picnic has passed away, Mrs. H. H. Wilson, whose death occurred last fall. Mr. Wilson, the oldest living descendant of the Underwoods, was unable to attend the picnic yesterday. The oldest person there was E. C. Underwood, who is 78 years of age. The youngest was Bobby Lee Myers, three months old, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Myers, north of Atchison. Those from a distance who attended the reunion yesterday included Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Bird and children, Virginia and Byron, of Glendale, Calif.; Mrs. A. Dougherty, Hopkins, Mo.; Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Underwood and John Underwood, Kansas City; Mrs. E. M. Crouch and John Sealey, Hutchinson; Miss Edna Fishwick, Omaha; Mrs. Alice and Harry Fishwick, St. Joe; Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Oswald and daughter, Princeton, Kas.; Miss Panchita Fishwick, Oklahoma City.

June 21st, 1942

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Although transportation difficulties prevented many from attending, 63 people attended the thirteenth annual Underwood reunion at Jackson park Sunday. Following a bountiful basket dinner Miss Edna Fishwick of Omaha, formerly of Atchison, took kodak pictures of the group, also pictures of families, separately. During wartimes when a husband is away at camp it takes an especially brave wife to, alone, meet her husband's relatives. But such was the case of Mrs. William Myers, whose husband is stationed at Sheppard field, Texas. Carol Carter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Carter, was the youngest Underwood present. Mrs. Ida Meyers, of Bendena, was the oldest present. There has been one death during the past year in the Underwood clan and one birth, Ann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Underwood. Out of town guests were: Dr. Martin, president of the Ottawa university, Mrs. Martin and their two children, Mrs. A. A. VanSickle, all of Ottawa; May Barnes, Kansas City, and Miss Edna Fishwick, Omaha.

June 20 1943

THE UNDERWOOD FAMILY REUNION 1943

The Underwood family met yesterday at Jackson park for their thirteenth annual reunion with an attendance of 40. A bountiful basket dinner was served. An election of officers for the ensuing year was held. Perry Underwood was elected president; Miss Elsie Underwood, secretary, and Angeletta Underwood, historian. One marriage is recorded for the past year. It is that of Ernest Myers of Bendena, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Myers, and Miss Vera Louise Euler, last April. Three births occurred during the year: Dorothy Marie Carter, born October 25, 1942; Wayne Myers, January 19, 1942, and Oliver Cecil Auchard, born at Athens, Ga., April 19, 1943. Wayne William Myers, whose mother, Harriet

Gish Myers, died a few days after his birth, was the youngest guest present. He is now living at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Myers. He has for his nurse his aunt, Mildred, who resigned her defense employment to help her mother at the home. Eight young men of the Underwood families are in the service. They are Richard Allen, a son of Mr. and Mrs. George R. Allen, and Ernest Underwood, jr., of Topeka; Otto Leibsch, jr., of Falls City, Eugene and Clyde, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Underwood, Atchison, and William Myers and Byron Myers, both of Bendena. Among those attending the reunion were: Mrs. Alice Fishwick and son, Harry, St. Joe; Miss Edna Fishwick, Omaha; Clarence Myers, Mrs. Roy Myers and Mildred Myers, Bendena, and Glen Engelhardt, Bendena; Mr. and Mrs. Perry Underwood, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Carter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Underwood and Ed Underwood, Atchison, and Miss Elsie Underwood and Courtney Warren Underwood and their families, and Mrs. Nancy Reid, route 4.



Fifty-one descendants of James and Sarah Underwood and a number of friends gathered Sunday at the shelter house at Jackson park for the 18th annual reunion of the Underwood family. The original Underwoods came to Good Intent in 1858. No formal entertainment is ever planned for the occasion. The dinner is always followed by the taking of pictures by Miss Edna Fishwick of Omaha. Miss Fishwick's album showing each child each year for 18 years is always enjoyed. Four births were reported, a daughter, Mary Jane, to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Underwood, jr., of Topeka; a son, Charles, jr., to Major and Mrs. Charles Underwood, Fort Benning, Ga.; a son, Timothy Reid to Mr. and Mrs. Gene Underwood and a daughter, Linda, to Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Underwood. Two weddings occurred this year: Miss Gail Underwood, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Courtney Underwood to Mr. Harry S. Grill II of Denver; and that of Miss Barbara Grubbs to Mr. Lon Underwood, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Underwood of California. The eldest member there was Mrs. Addie Bentley of Wilmer, Calif. The youngest person there was Linda Diane, the 21½ month old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Underwood. One death, J. E. Underwood, who was killed in an auto accident, was reported for the year. Out-of-town relatives here for the reunion were Mr. and Mrs. Bert Allen, Leavenworth; Mrs. Otto Liebsch, Mrs. Robert Liebsch and son, all of Falls City; Mrs. Eva Allen and son, Richard Allen, Topeka; Mrs. Addie Bentley, Wilmer, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Oswald and daughter, Clarice, Princeton; Miss Edna Fishwick, Omaha; Mrs. Alice Fishwick and Harry Fishwick, St. Joe; Mr. and Mrs. Perry Underwood, Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Underwood and family, all of Kansas City Kas., and Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Carter and family of Liberty, Mo. The reunion will be held the third Sunday in June next year. The following officers were re-elected: Leslie Underwood, president, Perry Underwood, secretary and Mrs. Courtney Underwood, historian.

Twenty-one years ago, 75 people gathered at Jackson park to organize an annual reunion of the Underwood family. Although several of the Underwood families have moved to the west coast, there were exactly 75 attending the 21st reunion Sunday at the shelterhouse at Jackson park. Those attending are descendants of James and Sarah Underwood. James Underwood served with the army in the Revolutionary war. He served in North Carolina. The Underwoods first came to Kansas in 1859 from Park county, Ind. They settled in the Good Intent neighborhood where Underwoods still reside. A large anniversary cake, baked and decorated by Edward Carter, who owns a bakery in Liberty, Mo., centered the table. Mr. Carter's wife is the former Hazel Underwood. The invocation was given by Mrs. Addie Underwood Bentley, wife of the late Rev. Harold Bentley of Wilma, Calif. She was the oldest present and Stevie Charles, four week old son of Mr. and Mrs. William W. Underwood of Manhattan, was the youngest present. Among those from out of town present were: Mrs. Eva Allen and Richard Allen, Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Underwood, Topeka, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Oswald and daughter Clarice Belle, of Princeton, Edna L. Fishwick of Omaha, Harry Fishwick and Mrs. Alice Fishwick of St. Joseph, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Carter and Dorothy and Donald of Liberty, Mo., Mrs. J. P. Sealey of Hutchinson, Mr. and Mrs. J. Perry Underwood, Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Underwood and Jane and Perry Hawk of Kansas City, Kas., Mr. and Mrs. Will Myers, Gerald, Wayne and Lewis Myers, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Myers, of Denton, Mr. and Mrs. Merrel Myers of Lancaster, Mr. and Mrs. Byron M. Floyd and Dennis, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Myers, Mr and Mrs. Robert Myers and Evelyn, Ronald and Robert, of Bendena, and Miss Hope Underwood of Bonner Springs. Those serving on the hospitality committee were Mrs. Gene Underwood, Mrs. O. C. Auchard, jr., and Mrs. Clyde Underwood. Officers of the reunion are: F. L. Underwood, president, J. Perry Underwood, secretary, and Mrs. Courtney Underwood, historian. The next reunion will be held on the second Sunday in June in 1952.

Regrets Missing Train Held Up By Jesse James' Gang

A quirk of fate some 70 odd years ago caused Mrs. Alice Fishwick of St. Joe to miss being "robbed" by Jesse James — and she's regretted it ever since.

Mrs. Fishwick, who will be 90 years old on Nov. 23, related the incident at the Underwood family reunion Sunday at Jackson park.

She was one of four orphan children who came from Sweden in 1880 to the home of a half-brother who was living on a claim west of Scandia. She, the eldest, obtained a position at a railroad eating house at Concordia for \$1 per week.

A young man of her own nationality came to the depot and suggested that she go to Savannah, Mo., where she could earn \$2 per week.

Mrs. Fishwick decided to go, but had no money so the ticket was advanced. She was told to get off at St. Joe, but by mistake got off at Atchison at night.

She stood forlornly in the Atchison depot — dressed in her Swedish clothes, with little knowledge of the English language and lacking 50 cents of having enough money to buy a ticket to Savannah.

Spreading out her money on the counter, she desperately took off a ring and offered it for the 50 cents.

"No money, no ticket," was the answer she got from the ticket agent.

At that moment, a man standing back of her in line took pity and passed over the 50 cents.

Mrs. Fishwick got to Savannah, and later learned that the train on which she should have been traveling was held up and robbed between Atchison and St. Joe by the notorious Jesse James gang.

She's regretted missing all the excitement — and she's sure Jesse James wouldn't have wanted her empty pocketbook.

Mrs. Fishwick lived at 1108 Atchison here for 13 years, and moved to St. Joe in 1917. Her son, Harry, and daughter, Edna, attended high school and business college here. She never has missed attending an Underwood family reunion, and there have been 21 to date.

UNDERWOOD REUNION

Sixty-one descendants of James and Sarah Underwood met Sunday at Jackson park shelter house for the 21st annual family reunion. The late Mr. and Mrs. Underwood came to Kansas in 1858, and settled on a farm in the Good Intent neighborhood. The oldest descendant of the couple present at the reunion was J. P. Underwood of Kansas City, and the youngest was Julie Ann Underwood, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Underwood, Goodhue park. The picnic table was centered with a large anniversary cake baked and decorated by Mrs. Will Myers of Denton. Out-of-town relatives present were Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Underwood, Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Underwood and family, Miss Martha McLendon and Miss Hope Underwood of Kansas City; Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Oswald and daughter, Clarice Bell of Princeton, Kas.; Mr. and Mrs. Will Myers and children, Mrs. R. C. Myers of Denton; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Myers of Bendena; Mrs. Alice Fishwick and Harry Fishwick of St. Joseph; Miss Edna Fishwick of Omaha; Mr. and Mrs. Will Claflin of Waterville; and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest N. Underwood of Topeka. Members of the hospitality committee were Mrs. O. C. Auchard, jr., Mrs. Clyde Underwood and Mrs. Eugene Underwood of Atchison. Officers of the reunion are F. L. Underwood, president; J. P. Underwood, secretary; and Mrs. Courtney Underwood, historian. The reunion will be held next year on the third Sunday in June at Jackson park.

UNDERWOOD REUNION

Sunday 78 descendants of James and Sarah Underwood, who settled in Doniphan county in 1858 and later at Good Intent, held their 23rd annual reunion in Jackson park at the shelter house. The oldest descendant, and also the one who came the greatest distance, was Mrs. Ad-

die Bentley, 84, San Gabriel, Calif. Janet Auchard, four-months-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Auchard, jr., was the youngest attending. Friends of the family attending the reunion from a distance included Mrs. Hhope Connaway Clement, Los Angeles; Mrs. Effie Randolph, Burbank, Calif., and Miss Kathleen Rall, Chico, Calif. The oldest person attending, who is a distant relative of the family, was Mrs. Alice Fishwick, 90, of St. Joe. Among those attending who were married in the past year were Richard Allen and his wife, formerly Mildred Irene Petefish, of Topeka; and Walter Glen DeFrees and wife, formerly Virginia Lou Williamson, who were married June 6. Walter is the son of E. H. DeFrees. Babies born in the past year who were present were: Courtney Underwood III, son of Mr. and Mrs. Courtney Underwood, jr., Good Intent; David Claflin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Claflin. There was one death in the family during the year, that of Perry Underwood, Kansas City, who died last October. Those attending the reunion from out of town were: Warren T. Underwood, Hot Springs, Ark.; Miss Hope Underwood, Kansas City; E. N. Underwood, Topeka; Harry, Alice and Edna Fishwick, St. Joe; Mr. and Mrs. Merrel Myers, Lancaster; Mrs. Irene McNish, Oskaloosa; Mrs. Perry Underwood, Kansas City; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Myers, Bendena; Mr. and Mrs. Spender Underwood, Kansas City; Mr. and Mrs. William Underwood, St. Joe; Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Underwood, Stockton, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Allen, Baldwin; Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Oswald, Princeton, Kas.; Mr. and Mrs. Byron Myers and Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Myers, Bendena; and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Carter, Independence, Mo. New officers elected for the reunion were: Courtney Underwood, jr., president; and Clyde Underwood, historian. The former officers were: F. L. Underwood, president; the late Perry Underwood, secretary, and Mrs. Courtney Underwood, sr., historian. The 1954 reunion will be held the second Sunday in June at Jackson park.

June 21st 1953

1959

Cool and threatening weather did not prevent the annual Underwood reunion at Jackson park yesterday and 48 members of the family enjoyed a big basket dinner in the shelter house and a good fire which was kept going all day. Out-of-town relatives who attended included Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Allen, Topeka; Mrs. Alice Fishwick and Harry Fishwick, St. Joe; Miss Edna Fishwick, Omaha; Miss Panchita Fishwick, Oklahoma City; Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Underwood, Kansas City, Mo.; Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Oswald and daughter, Princeton, Kas. Those present from Atchison and vicinity were Mr. and Mrs. Warren Underwood, Mr. and Mrs. Courtney Underwood, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Underwood and families; Mr. and Mrs. Perry Underwood, Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Underwood; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Carter and son; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Myers and daughter; Mrs. W. H. Myers, Ed Underwood, Miss Elsie Underwood and Ernest Underwood. The oldest there was E. C. Underwood, who is 74 years of age, and the youngest was Donald Bruce Carter, seven-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Carter.

1959

Sixty-five attended the reunion of descendants of James and Sarah Underwood, who settled in Doniphan county in 1858, held Sunday at Jackson park. E. N. Underwood of Topeka was the eldest descendant present and the youngest was Christopher Warren Claflin, 11-weeks-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Claflin. Other births reported during the year were Richard Alan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Underwood and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Underwood. There was one marriage, that of Clarice Belle Oswald to Loy Dean Knight June 27, 1954. Janey Keirns, Edmund, Okla., came the longest distance. Present from out of town were Harry and Edna Fishwick, St. Joe; Miss Hope Underwood, Kansas City; Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Underwood, J. C. Hawk, Perry Hawk and Jane, Mrs. Perry Underwood, Kansas City, Kas.; Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Myers, Evelyn, Ronald and Robert, Mr. and Mrs. C. E.

R. C. Myers, Denton; Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Oswald, Princeton; Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Underwood and Mary Jane, Topeka; Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Ebbett, Junction City; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Carter, Don, Carole and Dorothy, Liberty, Mo. The 1956 reunion will be held the second Sunday in June at Jackson park.

1955

June 16th 1963

The annual Underwood reunion, descendants of James and Sarah Underwood, was held in the shelter house at Jackson park Sunday with 70 in attendance. Miss Edna Fishwick, St. Joe. was the only one present who attended every reunion since the first one was held 33 years ago. A basket dinner was served at noon with William Claflin, Kansas City, giving the invocation. The reunion cake was baked by Mrs. Hazel Carter, Liberty, Mo. Special recognition was given Mr. and Mrs. Donald B. Carter, bride and bridegroom of two days, William Underwood, 314 North Ninth street, eldest member present, and Annette Marie Myers, six-week-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Myers, 404 South Fifth street, youngest member present. Mr. and Mrs. Richard F. Allen, Baldwin, and guest Miss Leanna Auchard, Blanchard, La., came the greatest distance. Officers elected for the coming year are Clyde Underwood, president; Oliver Auchard, jr., vice president; Mrs. Gene Underwood, secretary-treasurer, and Mrs. O. C. Auchard, historian. The next reunion will be held May 17, 1964, Jackson park.



May 17 - 1964

May 17th 1964
The annual reunion of descendants of the late James and Sarah Underwood was held in the shelter house at Jackson park Sunday with 59 in attendance. Miss Edna Fishwick of St. Joe was the only one present who has attended every reunion since the first one 34 years ago. A basket dinner was held at noon with Gene Underwood giving the invocation. Mrs. Lettie Allen, 86, of Atchison was the eldest present, Rhonda Rae, 16-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Berry, Ferguson, Mo., the youngest. Mrs. Berry also came the greatest distance. Those from out of town were from St. Joe, Kansas City, Topeka, Princeton, and Ferguson. Letters were read from Mr. and Mrs. Richard F. Allen, Baldwin and Mrs. Addie Underwood Bentley, 95, of San Gabriel, Calif. She is the eldest living Underwood, and was born at Good Intent. Officers elected for the coming year are Clyde Underwood, president; Oliver C. Auchard, jr., vice president; Mrs. Spencer Underwood, secretary - treasurer; and Mrs. Auchard, historian. The next reunion will be held June 13, 1965, at Jackson park. J.C. Underwood, son of Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Underwood of Kansas City, left for Spain where he will be stationed for three years with the Navy. Before leaving he visited Mrs. Bentley, his great aunt, who lives in a home for retired ministers' wives.

June 13 - 1965

The annual reunion of descendants of the late James and Sarah Underwood was held in the shelter house at Jackson park Sunday with a basket dinner at noon. William Claflin of Kansas City gave the invocation. Miss Edna Fishwick, St. Joe, and Mrs. Clarence Oswald have attended every reunion since the first one in 1931. Of the 62 persons in attendance, William Underwood, 314 North Ninth street, was the eldest, and Michael, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Underwood, was the youngest. Mr. and Mrs. Warren T. Underwood, Hot Springs, Ark., came the greatest distance. Communications were read and officers elected for the coming year were Courtney Underwood, jr., president; Clyde Underwood, vice president; Mrs. Spencer Underwood, secretary - treasurer; and Mrs.

June 13, 1965
Oliver Auchard, jr., historian. Members in attendance were from Colorado, Nebraska, Missouri, Kansas and Arkansas.

June 12 - 1966

The 36th annual reunion of the descendants of the late James and Sarah Underwood was held Sunday in the shelter house at Jackson park with 59 persons in attendance. Courtney Underwood, jr., president, conducted a brief business session. A basket dinner was enjoyed at noon with the invocation given by Richard F. Allen, Baldwin. Following the dinner Mr. Allen presented a talk on a trip to Europe where he and Mrs. Allen visited six countries. Miss Edna Fishwick, St. Joe, and Mrs. Clarence Oswald, Princeton, have attended every reunion since they began in 1931. Melia Kay, nine weeks old, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Carter, Moberly, Mo. was the youngest person present and Ernest N. Underwood, Topeka, was the eldest. Reports for the past year included the death of Mrs. Addie Underwood, 97, Bently, Calif., Mrs. Lettie Ingels, 88, and William T. Underwood, 86, both of Atchison. Mr. and Mrs. Oliver C. Auchard, who were present, were the most recently married. Officers elected for the coming year were Courtney Underwood, jr., president; Clyde M. Underwood, vice president; Mrs. Spencer Underwood, secretary-treasurer; and Mrs. Oliver C. Auchard, jr., historian. The 1968 reunion will be held June 23 at Jackson park. 6/24/1966

June 23rd 1968

ATCHISON SUNDAY GLOBE

SUNDAY, APRIL 7, 1968

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The descendants of the late James and Sarah Underwood held their 37th annual reunion at the Jackson park shelter house Sunday. Courtney Underwood, jr., president, conducted a brief business meeting. A basket luncheon was served with Spencer Underwood of Kansas City giving the invocation. Miss Edna Fishwick of St. Joe and Mrs. Clarence Oswald of Princeton have attended every reunion since it was organized in 1931. Trisha Allyn, 6-weeks-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Peak of Kansas City, was the youngest member present and Ernest N. Underwood, Topeka, was the eldest. Mr. and Mrs. William E. Underwood of Olympia, Wash., came the longest distance. Mr. and Mrs. Courtney Underwood, who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary April 7, were honored. Officers elected for 1969 are: Ernest Underwood, jr., presi-

dent; Clyde Underwood, vice president; Courtney Underwood, jr., secretary-treasurer; and Richard F. Allen, historian. The next reunion will be June 15, 1969, in the Jackson park shelter house.

...as you know...

...Anniversary greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Courtney Underwood on their Golden wedding date today and celebrating with open house from 2 until 4 p.m. this afternoon at their home.



MR. AND MRS. COURTNEY UNDERWOOD, route 4, will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary April 7 with open house at their home from 2 until 5 p.m.

No formal invitations have been sent, but relatives and friends are invited to attend.

The open house will be hosted by their children and families, Mr. and Mrs. O.C. Auchard, jr., and Mr. and Mrs. Courtney Underwood, jr., route 4, Mr. and Mrs. Harry S. Grill, Denver, Colo., and Miss Hope Underwood, Whitewater, Wis.

Mr. and Mrs. Underwood have eight grandchildren and one great grandchild.

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June 12, 1977

June 21, 1970

June 13, 1971

6/12/1977
Forty-six persons attended the 46th annual reunion of descendants of James and Sarah Underwood Sunday at Jackson park. Gene Underwood of Mission, president, conducted the business meeting. Mary Lou Underwood of Atchison, acting secretary-treasurer, read minutes and treasurer's report. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Underwood, Olympia, Wash., traveled the greatest distance to attend, and Mrs. Clarence Oswald of Princeton, was recognized for having attended every reunion since the first one, held in 1931. Courtney Underwood, sr., Atchison was the eldest, Johnathan, son of the Perry Underwoods, the youngest in attendance. Officers elected: Perry Underwood, president; Bob Myers of Bendena, vice president; Tim Underwood, Lawrence, secretary-treasurer; Courtney Underwood III, Atchison, historian.

June 11th, 1978

The annual reunion of the descendants of James and Sarah Underwood was held June 11 at Jackson Park, with 47 persons in attendance. Perry Underwood, Mission, president, conducted the business meeting. Mary Lou Underwood, Atchison, acting secretary-treasurer, gave her reports. Leslie Underwood, Donna, Texas, traveled the farthest distance. Mrs. Clarence Oswald, Princeton, was not in attendance, this being the first reunion she has missed since they began in 1931. Jeremy Underwood, son of Mr. and Mrs. Courtney Underwood III, Atchison, was the youngest present. Officers for the coming year are Courtney Underwood III, Atchison, president; Bob Myer, Bendena, vice president; Jane Smith, Prairie Village, secretary-treasurer; and Linda Underwood, Atchison, historian. 6/11/1978

Descendants of James and Sarah Underwood met at the Jackson park shelterhouse for their 39th reunion Sunday. Fifty-five attended, including Miss Edna Fishwick, St. Joe, and Mrs. Clarence Oswald, Princeton, who have attended every reunion since the first one July 26, 1931. Mrs. Mae Underwood, 930 1/2 Kansas avenue, was the eldest, and Janelle Ann, three-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Myers, 1418 Crowell street, was the youngest present. Airman James E. Underwood, Lackland AFB, Tex. came the greatest distance. Ernest Underwood, Topeka, president, conducted the business meeting after a noon basket dinner. William Claflin, Hays, gave the invocation. It was recalled that James and Sarah Underwood came from Indiana to Doniphan county, then to Atchison county in 1858, and bought land in the Good Intent neighborhood, where members of the family still reside and Richard Allen, Baldwin City, gave the family genealogy. The death of Warren T. Underwood, Feb. 23, at Hot Springs, Ark., was reported. Family members in service besides James Underwood are Kirk Underwood, Tinker AFB, Okla.; Tim Underwood, Fort Polk, La.; Staff Sgt. Loy Dean Knight, Pope AFB, Springdale, N.C.; Gary Auchard Augusta, Ga.; and Col. Charles C. Underwood, Honolulu. Officers for 1970-71 are Ernest Underwood, president; Courtney Underwood, jr., Atchison, vice president; Gene Underwood, Atchison, secretary-treasurer; Richard Allen, historian. The 1971 reunion will be held June 13 at the Jackson park shelterhouse. 6/21/1970

Descendants of James and Sarah Underwood met at the shelter house in Jackson Park for their 40th annual reunion Sunday. Miss Edna Fishwick, St. Joe, who had attended every reunion since the first on July 26, 1931, was unable to attend this year. The only person to attend all 40 reunions is Mrs. Clarence (Lola Underwood) Oswald of Princeton. Mrs. Mae Underwood, 930 1/2 Kansas avenue, was the eldest and Joseph Eugene Underwood, 9-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Underwood, Lenexa, was the youngest present. Ernest J. Underwood, Topeka, president, conducted the business meeting. Gene Underwood gave the invocation followed by a noon basket dinner. Family members in the service, Airman First class James E. Underwood, Tim Underwood, Col. Charles C. Underwood, Staff Sgt. Loy D. Knight and Spec. 5 Gary Auchard, were remembered. Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Oswald, Princeton, came the greatest distance. Officers elected for the coming year are: Courtney N. Underwood, jr., route 4, president; Ernest J. Underwood, Topeka, vice president; Gene Underwood, Atchison, secretary-treasurer, and Richard Allen, Baldwin, historian. The 1972 reunion will be held in the shelter house at Jackson Park. 6/13/1971

The descendants of the late James and Sarah Underwood met recently at the pavilion in Jackson Park for their family reunion. Their first family reunion was held in July, 1931, James and Sarah came to Kansas in 1858 and settled on a farm in the Good Intent area in 1860. Both are buried in the Alderson cemetery northwest of Atchison. Spencer Underwood, Effingham, presided over the business meeting. A letter was read from Richard and Mildred Allen, Baldwin, by James Smith, Prairie Village, secretary. Two family members died since the last reunion: Arthur Underwood on January 11, 1978 and Lola Underwood Oswald, June 22, 1978. Courtney Underwood Sr., Mall Towers, was the oldest person present and his great granddaughter, Erica, six-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Floyd, Lee's Summit, Mo., was the youngest. Leslie Underwood, Donna, Texas, traveled the greatest distance. Officers re-elected were Courtney Underwood III, Route 4, president; Bob Myers, Bendena, vice president; James Smith, Prairie Village, secretary-treasurer and Linda Underwood, historian. The 1980 reunion will be held the second Sunday in June at Jackson Park.

6/10/1979

The descendants of James and Sarah Underwood met June 9 at Jackson Park for their 49th annual family reunion. Courtney Underwood conducted business and Spencer Underwood gave devotions. New officers elected were: Spencer Underwood, Effingham, president; Ernest Underwood, Topeka, vice president; Jane Smith, Prairie Village, secretary-treasurer; and Linda Underwood, Atchison, historian. Courtney Underwood Sr., Atchison, was the eldest member present. Plans were discussed for the special 50th reunion next year, at which it is hoped all family members will be present.

6/8/1980

