

KASTLER, EDWARD

Edward worked as a carpenter and builder, first in Iowa, then Sauk Centre, Minnesota, and eventually St. Paul, Minnesota.

KASTLER, EMMA

Emma and Ernest Mourlam had no children. They farmed for a while near Woolstock, Iowa then later moved to town and operated a general store in Woolstock. Emma had a large goiter.

Emma died July 29, 1960 at age 89. Her services were held 2:00 PM August 1, 1960 at the Methodist Church, Woolstock, Iowa. Clergyman Leon Wallace.

Her little estate on the east edge of Woolstock, Iowa consisted of a small house and a few acres of land. It was sold and the money was divided between 41 heirs. Most of them being nieces and nephews.

KASTLER, GEORGE HENRI

George Henri Kastler farmed in rural Woolstock, Iowa across the road from the original Kastler homestead.

KASTLER, HENRY H.

Henry was born in France and came to the USA with his parents when he was about 6 years old. They settled near Somonauk, Illinois where he married Louise Marshall. She was born in France, coming to this country when she was 22 years old. About 1860 they moved to Iowa settling 4 miles East of Woolstock. This farm remains in the family (1991). The family gave the land for what is called "The French Church" and "The French Cemetery".

KASTLER, JULIE HELEN (ELLA)

Julie and Gene Hilpiper first lived in Iowa, then moved to Southern Minnesota where they farmed.

KASTLER, LYDIA

Lydia and John farmed near Woolstock, then moved and farmed in the Sauk Centre, Minnesota area. Later they moved back to Iowa.

KASTLER, LOUISE MARSHALL

Louise Marshall, daughter of John and Madeline Marshall was born in Le Howald, Alsace Lorraine, France on May 5, 1844 and passed away at the home of her son, John Kastler, Friday morning at 6:35 AM April 6, 1928, having reached the age of 83 years, 11 months and 1 day. She is the last of a family of ten children. She spent her girlhood days in France and was baptized and confirmed in the French Lutheran Church in her early years, coming to America in the year 1867 to Somonauk, Illinois. She was united in marriage to Henry Kastler in Illinois on February 6, 1868, and moved to Iowa in 1870, locating East of Woolstock which place has always been their home. Twelve children were born of this marriage. Two children having preceded in death, one a son of eight years in 1880, and a daughter, Mrs. Nell Brown in April, 1922, Mr. Kastler having passed away in May, 1902.

Mrs. Kastler leaves to mourn her passing ten children, George and John Kastler, Mrs. Emma Mourlam, Mrs. Anna Craig, all of Woolstock, Charles Kastler and Mrs. Mary Crovisier of Eagle Grove, Mrs. Carrie Gaster of Fort Dodge, Edward Kastler of St. Paul, Minnesota, Mrs. Ella Hilpipre of Elmore, Minnesota and Mrs. Lydia Claude of Sauk Center, Minnesota, also 47 grandchildren, besides 11 great-grandchildren and many other relatives and friends.

Thus another long, useful life has come to a close, another pioneer gone. The Kastler home will long be remembered as one of hospitality in past years. Mr. and Mrs. Kastler both giving of their best to the community and their friends.

All other children were present at the funeral.

There is no death, the stars go down, to rise upon some fairer shore, and bright n Heaven's jeweled crown, to shine forever more.

KASTLER, LOUISE MARSHALL

Louise Kastler died April 6, 1928 at the home other son John Kastler, Woolstock, Iowa. She is buried in the French Cemetery, Woolstock, Iowa.

Mrs. H. Kastler passed on last Friday morning. Woolstock lady attained age of 83 years, 11 months and 1 day before fatal illness.

Mrs. Henry Kastler died at the home of her son, John Kastler, in Woolstock Township, early last Friday morning. She has been a resident of Woolstock

Township for 53 years, and until the time of her fatal illness, made her home on her own farm. She came to Woolstock Township with her husband and settled on the old Kastler homestead, and for 58 years lived on the same farm. At that time there were but two houses between their own and Webster City. Mrs. Kastler was in every sense a pioneer. She was born in France and came to America when she was 17 years of age. Crossing the ocean and learning a new language and adopting new customs being her first bit of pioneering. The following very fitting obituary was read at the funeral services which were held at the French Church, which is located on the Kastler homestead.

KASTLER, LOUIS AUGUST

The late Louis A. Kastler, who was a well-known farmer of Woolstock Township, was born in Alsace France on September 16, 1826 and lived in his native country until 1865 when he came to America. In his native country, Louis A. Kastler was a farmer, he also having been a soldier of the French Army for fourteen years during which time he served in the Italian and Austrian wars of the fifties, as well as having served in the French Army in Africa for four years.

Following his arrival in America, Louis A. Kastler located in DeKalb County, Illinois, where he engaged in farming until 1872 when he came to Wright County, Iowa and bought eighty acres of land in Woolstock Township, a place which Mr. Kastler developed from raw prairie to a well improved and highly cultivated farm of five hundred and eighty acres.

KASTLER, MARTIN THEODORE

About 1860 in France, possibly a result of being dragged by a horse, Martin Theodore died.

At the time of their marriage, Martin was a farmer at Belmont, France and Louise was a ribbon maker.

KASTLER, JOHN DAVID

John David served as a soldier under Napoleon. In 1844 the family, including Paisable's daughter by a previous marriage (also named Paisable) came to America. They went from their home in France to a port by wagon. Then they took a sailboat on which they had to cook their own meals. After landing in America they went by wagon and boat to Illinois, settling near Sandwich. Three years later near Leland they homesteaded land at \$1.25 per acre. The land was sold out of the Kastler family in 1947.

KASTLER, HENRY H.

Henry Kastler, one of the oldest and most substantial citizens of this section, died at his home four miles East of Woolstock on Saturday, May 24, 1902 at five o'clock. Deceased was about sixty-four years of age. He was born in France, coming to this country with his parents when six years old. He had lived continuously for thirty-two years on the farm where he died, which is one of the most desirable homes in the county.

A wife and eleven children survive to mourn his death. The funeral was held at the French Church, Tuesday afternoon, May 27, 1902. A large concourse of sympathizing friends attended to pay their last respects to the memory of a friend and neighbor.

CHARLES JOSEPH CROVISIER

PNEUMONIA IS FATAL TO C. CROVISIER

Dread disease removed well know farmer just in the prime of life. Burial Monday.

The entire community was saddened Friday morning when it was learned that Charles J. Crovisier had succumbed to pneumonia. He had been ill but a few days and while it was know he was dangerously sick, yet no one was prepared for the shock of his death. He was sick for 10 days with meningitis and pneumonia.

OBITUARY:

The following obituary was read at the funeral service:

Charles Joseph Crovisier, son of Joseph and Josephine Crovisier, was born in Saales, Alsace-Lorraine France on April 20, 1880 and passed away at his home near Eagle Grove, Iowa Friday morning at 9:00 o'clock. May 18, 1928, having attained the age of 48 years, 28 days. He had been seriously ill with pneumonia for ten days.

His early childhood was spent in France. He came to America at the age of 15 years, landing in this country February 25, 1895. He was employed at farm labor for several years near Woolstock, Iowa. He was united in marriage to Mary Kastler of Woolstock, February 22, 2907.

To this union were born eight children, all living at home. He leaves to mourn his passing his wife and eight children, Mildred, Milford, Clarence, Margaret, John,

Harry, Fred and Ethel of Eagle Grove, also his aged mother, two sisters, one brother living in France, besides many other relatives and friends. He was the only one of his immediate family to come to America with the exception of two uncles.

Mr. Crovisier moved with his family to his present farm home in the spring of 1921, and was one of the prosperous farm owners of the community.

Funeral services were held in the Methodist Church, Monday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock. Services were conducted by the pastor, Rev. W. G. Muhleman. Interment was made in Rose Hill cemetery. Those from out of town in attendance were Mr. and Mrs. John Claude, and son John of Sauk Center, MN, Mrs. Ella Hilpipre and Henry Hilpipre of Elmore, MN Mrs. Carrie Gaster of Fort Dodge, Mr. And Mrs. Charles Gaster of Blairsburg, Mr. And Mrs. Ed Crovisier, Webster City, Mrs. Wesley Douglas and Misses Mary and Emma Crovisier of Webster City, also many neighbors and old friends from near Woolstock.

MARY KASTLER

ILLNESS FATAL TO MRS. CHARLES J. CROVISIER

Mother of eight children is called to great beyond after a lingering sickness. The community was saddened Sunday when it learned of the death of Mrs. Charles Crovisier. Since the death of her husband two years ago, she has continued in charge of the home far two miles southeast of Eagle Grove. With admirable fortitude she has kept her family together and carried on despite the almost insuperable difficulties encountered. The entire community joins in extending to the orphaned children and sorrowing relatives its heart felt sympathy. The following deserved tribute was read at the funeral service by Mrs. Crovisier's pastor, the Rev. W. G. Muhleman:

OBITUARY:

Mary Kastler, daughter of Henry and Louise Kastler, was born February 4, 1878 on a farm east of Woolstock and passed away at her home near Eagle Grove, Iowa on June 29, 1930 at 5:20 AM at the age of 52 years, 4 months and 24 days. She grew to womanhood in the Woolstock vicinity and was baptized in the French-Lutheran faith. For seven years she was employed in Eagle Grove and while there attended the Baptist Church. On February 22, 1907 she was united in marriage to Charles J. Crovisier. Eight children were born to this union. They are: Mildred, Milford, Clarence, Margaret, John, Harry, Fred and Ethel, all of who are living and residing at home. Her husband passed away on May 18, 1928. Mrs. Crovisier's last illness was of several weeks duration. She was confined to her bed for eight weeks before her death. The family has been identified with the Methodist Church for some time in various ways. The pastor has called in the

home at various times. He has been glad to find that Mrs. Crovisier was calm in her religious faith and steadfast in her Christian convictions. She was resigned to her fate and faced the inevitable in an uncomplaining manner and with a faith expressed in almost her last conscious moments that Christ saved her. Her faith which she lived is best expressed in her favorite poem.

MOMENT BY MOMENT:

Dying with Jesus, His death reckoned mine;
Living with Jesus, a new life divine;
Looking to Jesus 'til glory doth shine,
Moment by moment, O Lord I am thine.
Never a trial that He is not there,
Never a burden that He doth not bear,
Never a sorrow that He doth not share;

JOSEPH LOUX OCTOGENARIAN DIED SUNDAY

1931

Weakened by the heat and advanced age, Wright County Pioneer Passes On Aged 81.

Eagle Grove Eagle July, 1931

Joseph Loux, son of Theophile Loux and Emily Claude was born in Le Howald, Alsace, France, February 22, 1850, and died at his home in Eagle Grove, Iowa, at the age of 81 years 4 months and 6 days. He was baptized in the Lutheran faith and at the age of 14 years he was confirmed in the German Lutheran Church.

When in was 18 years of age he came with his parents and brothers and sister to the United States and lived near Serena, Ill. for a number of years. In 1875 Mr. Loux and his brother, Louis, came to Woolstock and broke prairie sod on the farm their father had purchased there. He then went back to Illinois and returned to Iowa in 1882.

In 1884 he was united in marriage to Marie Louise Kastler and to this union were born nine children, the wife, two boys and four girls survive. They are, Charles Loux of Eagle Grove;

Celestin Loux, Eagle Grove; Mrs. C. A. Schutt, Woolstock; Mrs. W. A. Schaumberg, Clarion;

Elsie at home and Mrs. August Grandgeorge, Eagle Grove. Two daughters and one son have preceded him in death. Lizzie in 1894, George in 1919 and Nellie

on June 21, 1931. He also leaves two brothers and one sister, Lester Loux of Ladysmith, Wis., Theophile Loux of Woolstock, Mrs. Louise Kastler of Valeda, Kan. The address of one brother, Louis Loux, is unknown, and one brother, Charles Loux passed on in 1921.

Those from a distance who were here to attend the funeral were: Lester Loux, Ladysmith, Wis., Mrs. Louise Kastler of Valeda, Kan., and Mr. And Mrs. Lester Kastler of Tyro, Kan.

Mr. Loux's daughter, Nellie preceded him in death just a week.

Funeral services were held at the French Church in Woolstock Wednesday afternoon and burial was in the French Church cemetery.

Mr. Loux was a most successful farmer. He was saving and thrifty and while he came to this country without a dollar, he acquired a modest fortune which shows what can be accomplished in this country by hard work and the will and ability to save. The Eagle extends the bereaved relatives the sympathy of all in the hour of their great sorrow.

JOE LOUX LEFT LARGE FORTUNE

Monitor - So much is heard these days about the "busted" farmer that the following facts from the inventory of the estate of the late Joseph Loux, a retired Woolstock township farmer, will be refreshing news. Mr. Loux died a few weeks ago leaving surviving him a widow and six children. His estate is valued at \$126,272.

It comprises 631 acres of land valued at \$63,000; the personal property, consisting of livestock, grain and machinery, is valued at \$5,103; cash items are: checking account, \$522.20, certificates of deposit \$29,603.98; stock, bonds, note and mortgages, \$28,2028.50.

No will was found, hence under the old law the widow would receive one third, plus \$15,000, without inheritance tax penalty. The children or each direct heir may receive \$15,000 without being subject to tax. The new law, recently in effect, provides that the widow will be allowed the lump sum of \$40,000. Free from tax.

Mr. Loux was an industrious and frugal farmer and thrifty to a marked degree as the above figures clearly disclose.

ORPHA B. KASTLER

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon in the Methodist Church for Mrs. Charles A. Kastler, who died Sunday morning.

Rev. Marion Blake and Rev. Lieder had charge of the services and burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery.

Mrs. Kastler is survived by her husband, one brother Hobart Boughton of Tulsa, Okla., and a niece Mrs. Wm. Kniel of Quincey, Ill. The former Patricia Boughton who made her home with Mr. And Mrs. Kastler following the death of her parents when she was a small girl.

Mr. And Mrs. Boughton and Mr. And Mrs. Kniel and three children were present for the funeral.

Mrs. Kastler died Sunday morning about ten o'clock at her home. Mrs. Kastler was not feeling well and was resting in her room that morning when Rev. and Mrs. Loyal Wilkinson went to the Kastler home about 10 o'clock to visit. Mr. Kastler called to her they were there, she responded and said she would be "right down". About five minutes later when she did not appear Mr. Kastler went to her room and found here dead from a stroke.

Mrs. Kastler was a life long resident of Wright County. She was born in Woolstock, Iowa and her parents were the late Mr. And Mrs. Ed Boughton.

She graduated from Eagle Grove, Iowa high school in 1907 and later taught school. She was married to Charles Kastler June 28, 1911 and they celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary last summer at an open house in the Congregational Church.

She was a long time member of the Eagle Grove Congregational church and for more than 30 years was superintendent of the primary department. The real small children in the church were her special interest and she arranged special recognitions annually for their promotions to the church school. She retired from this position in later years, but was active in many phases of church work through the years. She was a long time member of the Cecilian Music Club, Order of Easter Star, White Shine Chapter EJ, PEO and the Daughters of the American Revolution. Keeping in close contact with Relatives in her family was a hobby of Orpha Kastler, and the annual Wallin-Boughton and Kastler family reunions were always supported by her and often held in Eagle Grove through her influence.

She was preceded in death by her parents and one brother Orville Boughton.

OBITUARY

Orpha B. Kastler was born August 2, 1880 at Woolstock, Iowa and died at her home in Eagle Grove September 2, 1962.

She graduated from Eagle Grove high school in 1907 and then taught public school music for several years.

She was married to Charles Kastler June 28, 1911 and they resided in Eagle Grove for forty-nine years.

She was a member of the Eagle Grove First Congregational Church and for many years was the primary superintendent of the church school. Mrs. Kastler was a member of the Order of Eastern Star, White Shrine, PEO Cecilian Music Club and Daughters of the American Revolution.

She was preceded in death by her mother, father and a brother Orville. She is survived by a brother Hobart and a niece Patricia who had made her home with the Kastlers.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, September 5 in the First Methodist Church. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery, Eagle Grove, Iowa.

CHARLES A. KASTLER

CHARLES KASTLER PIONEER BUSINESSMAN DIES

Funeral services for Charles A. Kastler, 86, long time resident and Eagle Grove, Iowa businessman, were held Tuesday afternoon in the United Methodist Church at 2 o'clock.

The services were conducted by the Rev. Marion Blake and the Rev. Donald Forbes, pastor of the church. Interment was in Rose Hill Cemetery, Eagle Grove, IA.

Mr. Kastler died Saturday, January 8 in Mercy Hospital, Fort Dodge, Iowa where he had been a patient for a few days. However, he had been in and out of the hospital several times and had surgery during the past year.

He is survived by his wife Grace, one brother, Edward Kastler of St. Paul, Minn. and two sisters, Mrs. Carrie Gaster of Fort Dodge and Mrs. Anna Craig of Woolstock.

Mr. Kastler was in business in Eagle Grove, Iowa for 54 years. He came to Eagle Grove from Webster City, Iowa on the first of January, 1914, and purchased the Porter Furniture Store and Funeral Home. His partner at that time was Arch Foster, his former employer at Webster City.

In 1917, Mr. Kastler became the partner of Adolph Kubitschek when he purchased the interest of Frank Kubitschek and they established the Kubitschek

and Kastler Funeral Home. They purchased the late L. B. Middleton's large residential property on West Broadway for their funeral home. Mr. Kubitschek died in 1944 and Mrs. Kastler continued in the business until he retired in 1965.

He was a member of the Congregational Church and belonged more than 50 years to the following fraternal organizations: IOOF, Masonic Lodges, Order of Eastern Star, White Shrine and Za-Ga Shrine. He was also a member of the Iowa Funeral Directors and Embalmers Assn. and Federated Funeral Directors of America 58 years.

He was preceded in death by his first wife Orpha, five sisters and three brothers.

The Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Masonic Lodge held their memorial services at the Kastler-Babcock Funeral Home Sunday and Monday evenings.

OBITUARY

Charles A. Kastler was born September 28, 1885 at Woolstock, Iowa, son of Henry and Louise Marshall Kastler.

He grew up in the Woolstock area and attended the Woolstock school. He also attended a Mortuary School in Des Moines.

Charles came to Eagle Grove, Iowa from Webster City, Iowa January 1, 1914 and with his former employer. Arch Foster of Webster City, purchased the J. W. Porter Funeral Home and Furniture Store.

In 1916 Kastler and Foster sold the business and opened Eagle Grove's first exclusive mortuary.

In 1917 he purchased the interest of Frank Kubitschek in the Kubitschek Brothers. He and Adolph Kubitschek were in business together until Kubitschek's death in 1944.

Mr. Kastler was in business in Eagle Grove for 54 years. Kastler retired in 1965 and LeRoy Babcock became his partner.

Charles Kastler was married to Orpha Boughton June 18, 1911 and they resided in Eagle Grove for 49 years.

Following Orpha's death September 2, 1962, Kastler was married to Grace Wilkinson Messick May 17, 1963.

He was a member of the Congregational Church of Christ and was a fifty year member of the following organizations: IOOF, Bower Lodge 464 AF & AM, Eagle

Grove Chapter 123 RAM, Median Council 26 R & SM, Masonic Low 12, O.E.S., White Shrine of Jerusalem, Mt. Lebanon Commundry at Clarion, Iowa. Charles was also a member of the Za-Ga-Zig Shrine in Des Moines, Iowa. A member of the Iowa Funeral Directors and Embalmers Association, Federated Funeral Directors of America for 58 years and a member of the Golden Rule for over 40 years.

Mr. Kastler entered Mercy Hospital January 5 and died there Saturday morning January 8. At the time of his death he was 86 years, 3 months and 10 days of age.

Preceding him in death were his five sisters and three brothers. He is survived by his wife Grace, by his brother Edward Kastler, St. Paul, Minn; two sisters, Mrs. Carrie Gaster of Fort Dodge, Iowa and Mrs. Anna Craig of Woolstock.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday, January 11 at 1 PM in the United Methodist Church, Eagle Grove. Rev. Marion Blake and Rev. Donald Forbes officiated and burial was in the Rose Hill Cemetery, Eagle Grove.

IOOF services were held at the funeral home at 7 PM Sunday. Masonic services were held at the funeral home at 8 PM Monday.