

CITIZENS HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

INDIANAPOLIS

Wallace T. Jessup, Proprietor, Jessup & Son Dairy501 South Center Street, Plainfield, Indiana

Wallace T(theodore) Jessup, s. of Theodore W. and Belle (Snodgrass) Jessup; b. at Newman, Douglas Co., Ill., Aug. 12, 1878.

Theodore W. Jessup, s. of Joel and Louisa (Moon) Jessup, was b. at Friendswood, Hendricks Co., Ind., Jan. 19, 1855. He operated a grain elevator at Newman, Ill. He d. Nov. 26, 1878. His wife, Belle (Snodgrass) Jessup, who was b. in Bloomington (or Seymour), Ind., d. in 1907. Her father was employed by the Monon Railroad Co. Her mother, Mary (Painter) Snodgrass, was a native of Salem, Ind. Theodore W. and Belle (Snodgrass) Jessup were the parents of 2 children: (1) Nellie. (2) Wallace T.

Joel Jessup*, father of Theodore W., and son of Joseph and Rachel (Jackson) Jessup, was b. in Guilford Twp., Hendricks Co., Ind., Apr. 6, 1832. He was a farmer, dairyman, and miller at Friendswood, Ind., 46 years. He was a Prohibitionist, and a mem. of the Friends Ch. He d. Oct. 4, 1908. He was married twice. On Aug. 12, 1852, he married Louisa Moon, who d. Aug. 20, 1885. They were the parents of 4 children: (1) Harrison. (2) Theodore W. (3) Jessie. (4) William S. On June 22, 1887, Joel Jessup married Dr. Maria Allen, a physician, dau. of Preston and Susannah (Jessup) Allen.

Joseph Jessup, father of Joel, was b. in North Carolina. In 1820 he moved to Hendricks Co., Ind., where he entered 160 acres of Govt. land. He was a farmer. He d. when 70 years of age. In 1820, in North Carolina, he married Rachel Jackson, a native of North Carolina. She died when 78 years of age. They were the parents of 5 children.

Wallace T. Jessup, the subject of this sketch, attended Central Acad. at Plainfield, Ind., since which time he has engaged in farming. He owns a 132-acre farm. In 1923 he and his son, Albert, estab. the Jessup & Son Dairy, which they have operated to the present time. Wallace T. Jessup, who is a Republican, is a mem. of the following: Blue Lodge, F. and A. M.; Hendricks County Chapter, Citizens Hist. Assn.; and Friends Church.

In 1899, Wallace T. Jessup married Nettie M. Hollingsworth, dau. of Albert A. and Fidelia B. C. (Towles) Hollingsworth.

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Mrs. Jessup was b. in Washington Twp., Hendricks Co., Ind. Children: (1) Albert, b. in 1901. He is assoc. with his father in the dairy business. He is a charter mem. of the Lions Club. He resides at Plainfield with his wife, Hilda (Black) Jessup. They are the parents of 1 child, Jean Anne, who was b. in 1930. (2) Joel, b. in 1905. He married Guinevere Groebe.

Albert A. Hollingsworth**, father of Nettie M. (Hollingsworth) Jessup, and son of Mersey N. and Mary A. Hollingsworth, was b. in Hendricks Co., Ind., Dec. 7, 1844. He was a farmer. He was a soldier in the Union Army during the Civil War. On Apr. 13, 1869, he married Fidelia B. C. Towles, dau. of Robert and Harriet A. Towles. Albert A. and Fidelia B. C. (Towles) Hollingsworth were the parents of 6 children.

* For further data regarding Joel Jessup, see the Hon. John V. Hadley "History of Hendricks County, Indiana" (B. F. Bowen & Co., Inc., Indianapolis, Ind., 1914), p. 584.

** For further data regarding Albert A. Hollingsworth, see "History of Hendricks County, Indiana" (Inter-State Pub. Co., Chicago, 1885), p. 743.

Louise Jessup born 3/4/1889

Friendswood--one of first officials in H. C.

Friendswood--because they were Friends.

Lots east of the railroad, on south side of old Mooreville-Indpls road (old 67) are 175 deep... Louise Jessup has a blue print of this land.

~~My gr/fa lived~~ Louise Jessup born the day Dr. s. Ben Harrison ~~was~~ ^{in, repaired} for pres. of U. S. She gave a copy of Indpls Press to Benj. Harrison home in Indpls.

Jessup house at Friendswood was built in 1864-66--bricks burned on the place. "Prettiest ever was yellow, with white trim." Original glass st 11 in windows. Original shutter Self-supporting spiral stairway. Entry-way wall rounded. Rooms all 16 x 16, 12 ft cel in up and down.

Louise Jessup's mo went there as a bride. Fa of Louise Jessup built a home e. of Baptist church... then moved back to Grandpa's place (pin house).

Is kept painted because bricks not burned enough. Has rough plastering in entryway that like stone. Hallway does not go all the way back. Jim Koreen (?) of Mooreville built the house. (supposed to be like the old Fletcher home at Southport). 24 ft, 10 ft. wide covered hallway. (Grandpa Jessup built a house that set back from this house). Five fire places in Jessup house. Joel Jessup re-married, one of the first woman doctors in Ind. Dr. Maria Allen Jessup, a ~~son~~ ^{son}. Terra cotta on house all made in Indpls. 4 bedrooms up stairs.

Louise Jessup sold to the Yokes... painted it pink (the final blow). House has about 14 rooms.) Was about 92 acres with the house.

A "lovely" cellar all under front of house. On evening Grandpa Joel moved in, took the children in the cellar, with candles, and he smoked 1866 on the deiling.

My gr/fa had 500 acres in Friendswood, plus store, plus mill, plus dairy barn... and had the postoffice (when the Republicans were in). When the Democrats got in, the post office went across the r r--beeler's ran it, Fred Osborne's gr/fa.

Louise Jessup (cont.)

Then came back to Indpls. Then because of life license requirements,. Then taught in Ben Davis, the fall of 1923. Then began to teach social studies (history and geography).

Worked in a sanitarium at Battle Creek, Michigan--7th Day Adventist instit. --weighed food for diabetics, back in 1920's)

Worked at Nordyke-Marmon during World War I (Liberty Motor) in office..

For 83 years, milk was shipped into Indpls from the Jessup farms.

(All creameries started in indpls. ^{owned by me} were born and reared within five miles of Friendswood--~~Jessup & Antrim~~, Robert Furnace, Hadley-Ballard, (Roscoe) Jessup & Antrim)...the milk was shipped in five, 8 and 10 gallon cans...the morning pass train took it in the baggage car.

When train met in Indpls by wagons from various firms...

Stairway built by Tom Foltz...he said there is an awl under the 3rd step..which he carried House originally coast at least \$10,000. ^{thru the Civil War.}

Fireplace in middle room (back of stairway)...gr/mo Jessup and Louise's mo died in that room.

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agricultural interests, remaining upon his farm until 1881, when he removed to Lowell. In the meantime he had also established and conducted a blacksmith shop, which he carried on in connection with general agricultural pursuits, but for the past quarter of a century he has given undivided attention to his industrial interests, and is now associated with his son in the conduct of a general blacksmith and wagon repair shop in Lowell.

The junior member of the firm, Edward Trump, was born on the old homestead in Center township, Henry county, on the 4th of March, 1864, and was educated in the district schools, since which time he has been identified with his father in business. He was married on the 15th of January, 1888, to Miss Jennie E. Archibald, a daughter of Alva and Rosetta (Burk) Archibald. Six children have been born of this union: Ernest Norman, who was born in September, 1888; Rosetta, whose birth occurred August 13, 1893, and who is now a student in the home schools; Alva, who was born October 15, 1896, and is also in school; Albert, born in 1898; and Elmer and Ellsworth, twins, born February 21, 1901.

Mr. Trump became an Odd Fellow in New London in 1890, and has since been an exemplary member of that order. He exercises his right of franchise in support of the men and measures of the republican party, believing that its platform contains the best elements of good government. In 1901 he was chosen constable and filled the office for two years. His attention, however, is largely concentrated upon his business affairs, and the work of the shop leaves him little leisure time;

for he has now a good patronage, so that the business returns him a comfortable competence.

OLIVER JESSUP.

It is difficult for the younger generation to appreciate with what untiring labor and perseverance, attended by manifold dangers, our pioneer ancestors pushed civilization step by step to the west. It accepts the ease and comforts of life today without understanding the privation endured to attain them. On the other hand, the pioneer was filled with a spirit of adventure, which helped him to endure and urged him on to that country still untrod- den by the white man.

Levi Jessup, father of Oliver Jessup, the subject of our sketch, was born in Sur- rey county, North Carolina, in 1792, and was married to Jemima Unthank. Levi Jessup and his wife, who were Quakers, left North Carolina for the new country, settled in Hendricks county, Indiana, in 1823. From 1824 to 1831 he was clerk of the county, and having changed his residence to Danville, he became state senator, of Indiana, in 1831, being elected for the district composed of Morgan, Hen- dricks, and Boone counties. He laid out the town of Plainfield in 1832, and three years later removed to Stilesville, where he resided for fifteen years. At the end of that time, in 1850, he located in Henry county, Iowa, and soon became identified with the leading citizens, representing his county in the state legislature in 1852 and

1853. His death took place on March 13, 1866, at the age of seventy-four years.

Oliver, the son of Levi Jessup, was born at Stilesville, Indiana, on October 13, 1835. In the town of his birth he received a common school education. In 1865 his marriage to Miss Kate Adams, of Henry county, took place, the young couple going to live on the old Jessup homestead in Jefferson township, Henry county, Iowa. Miss Adams was born August 8, 1844, in Henry county, and enjoyed the advantages of an education in the public schools. The Empire state was the ancestral home of her parents and paternal grandparents. On the 13th of September, 1772, Amasa Adams, father of Amos, was born and on the 14th of January, 1779, occurred the birth of Phoebe Wentworth. They were married and their son, Amos Adams, born in Wayne county, New York, on July 1, 1812, was the father of Miss Kate Adams. His wife, Miss Betsey L. Harris, the mother of Miss Adams, was born in New York, August 10, 1822. Miss Harris was the daughter of Martin and Lucy Harris. It is interesting here to note that Mr. Harris was an Englishman and one of the first believers in Mormonism. He was married on July 1, 1837, near Palmyra, New York, and went to Salt Lake City in 1843. It was a long and tiresome trip, made by water, through the lakes, Ohio canal, Ohio river and Mississippi river, and thence overland to their destination. Amos Adams settled in Jefferson township, Henry county, Iowa, in 1837, on land owned by Daniel Hamlin, a settler of some years before: though Mr. Adams was soon able to buy a farm near there. He lost his wife on December 29,

1854, and August 18, 1855, married Elizabeth Martin, the daughter of Bonum Martin, an early settler in this country. For some years he lived there, when he sold out and bought another farm where he lived up to the time of his death, June 15, 1895.

Mr. Oliver Jessup and his wife lived on the old Jessup homestead until 1891, when they removed to Washington, Iowa, remaining there for a year. In May, of 1893, they settled at Wayland, and bought a home. This was a small five-room house which they remodeled into a handsome residence of nine rooms. At present it is being made still more comfortable, as Mr. Jessup is adding a furnace. Mr. Jessup died May 13, 1900, at his home, and his mortal remains rest with his parents at Wayland. To Mr. and Mrs. Jessup were born five children: Fannie, born in 1866, and married John Nichols, and died on April 5, 1887; Ruth, married Oscar Wilson, of Scott township; Allen B., of Jefferson township, who married Mary Ball, of Winfield, Iowa; Louis D., born December 1, 1872, died August 27, 1896; Edith, born October 15, 1877, married to Mr. Frank Haight, a carpenter, of Winfield, Iowa, but having recently bought a farm east of Winfield, will soon move there.

Mr. and Mrs. Jessup were devoted members of the Methodist Episcopal church, and he was also a staunch republican, offering to those who were associated with him an example of one not only having opinions, but also the courage to express them. Mr. Jessup was a great reader and kept up with all topics of the day, being a man of exceedingly bright intellect.

Mr. and Mrs. Jessup have been broad minded people, and knowing that without seeing little is learned, have traveled a great deal, attending the Philadelphia Centennial, the World's Fair, in Chicago; and Mrs. Jessup and her daughter, Edith, attended the St. Louis Exposition, the Portland Exposition, and have traveled through California, Yellowstone Park and on the Pacific ocean.

MISS EMMA LUCRODE.

Miss Emma Lucrode, who was the first lady graduate of the German College of Mount Pleasant and has been actively associated with the prominent library interests in this city, is a daughter of Professor F. B. Lucrode, at one time professor of languages and art in the Iowa Wesleyan University. She was educated in the university and in the German College, completing her course in the latter institution in the class of 1878 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts and winning the same degree in the same year from the Iowa Wesleyan University. She was afterwards for six years a teacher in the high school of this city and subsequently was connected with college work in southwestern Kansas for a number of years, but in more recent years has not been actively connected with the profession. She is well known in Mount Pleasant because of her helpful work in connection with the library of this city, being one of the members of the first library board. For ten years the

Ladies' Library Association found in her a co-operant factor. This association, whose efforts is attributable the present public library, had collected six thousand volumes when the public library movement was successfully instituted. These volumes they donated to the public library and also gave one thousand dollars toward the purchase of the lot, on which the present library now stands. To this association is also practically due the credit for securing the Carnegie donation, and as secretary Miss Lucrode did much work toward procuring the fund. In 1902 the ladies made the donation of their books to the free public library of Mount Pleasant an organization which was then founded to accept the Carnegie donation. Miss Lucrode was appointed a member of its board of trustees and also its secretary, and she was active in circulating the petition to present to the council to have the question of a library brought before the people. To her efforts largely is due the fact that Mount Pleasant has a splendid library, which is a credit to the town and justly a matter of local pride. She has been a member of the purchasing committee of the library from 1902 until the present time. She was also interested in the City Improvement Association, but lack of co-operation resulted in a failure to accomplish the work for which this organization was formed. She has been a frequent contributor to the local press and to the *Hack-Eye* has prepared many articles to be read before the various clubs of the city and is a writer of much force, whose articles show wide reading and thorough familiarity with the subjects treated.

connection with agricultural interests and with the work of public development here for almost a half century. Jason Cornick, now extensively engaged in farming, was born November 1, 1853, in Butler county, Ohio, and is a son of Charles and Emeline (Yomans) Cornick, whose life history is given in connection with the sketch of Albert Cornick on another page of this work. Having been brought to Henry county in early boyhood days he was reared under the parental roof in the usual manner of farmer lads and in the district schools he acquired his education. He remained upon the home place until about eighteen years of age, when he started out upon an independent business career and he has since devoted his attention to the work of farming and stock-raising. He buys and sells Aberdeen Angus cattle and in his business interests is associated with his brother Albert. Together they have large land holdings in this county, having various farms in different townships and they also have about two thousand acres of land in Kansas besides town property in Omaha. They have been associated in business since starting out together in early manhood, working for a common interest and gradually advancing until they have reached a creditable position on the plane of affluence. Mr. Cornick not only possesses keen business discrimination and the ability to utilize his opportunities as a farmer and stock-raiser but also has natural artistic skill and talent. He does considerable drawing and painting and has placed many sketches of stock on the canvas. He has done considerable work in illustrating, especially the scriptural writings and he frequently dis-

plays his work before Sunday schools, his pictorial explanation of scriptural scenes being of much benefit in the instruction of the youth.

In politics Jason Cornick is independent. He has never married but makes his home with his brother, Albert, and the firm is known as A. & J. Cornick. Both are gentlemen of business ability and of high character in all life's relations. Although not a member of any denomination Jason Cornick is interested in church and Sunday-school work and has contributed generously to the support of various churches.

WILLIAM ALLEN JESSUP.

William Allen Jessup, deceased, was for many years a well known farmer of Jefferson township, Henry county, living on section 12. He represented one of the oldest families in this part of the state, the name of Jessup having been closely interwoven with the history of the county since the spring of 1850. William A. Jessup was born in Guilford county, North Carolina, January 26, 1821, and was a son of Levi and Jenima (Unthank) Jessup, both of whom were natives of North Carolina and were of English parentage. Their marriage was celebrated according to the wedding rites of the Society of Friends, of which denomination they were active and devoted members. They began their domestic life in New York, where their two oldest chil-

children, Emily and William, were born. The daughter became the wife of Dr. David Wade, by whom she had three children, and her second husband was George Snoddy. She is now deceased, and of her children William became a physician and was for a time located at Los Angeles, California, but is now deceased. Robert D., who also lived in Los Angeles, has passed away, and Anna is deceased.

In 1821 Levi Jessup removed with his family to Indiana, locating on government land which he purchased at the first land sale. They lived in that state before Hendricks county was organized and when it was formed Levi Jessup became the first county clerk and served in that capacity for seven years. He was a very popular and influential citizen of that locality in pioneer days, and left the impress of his individuality for good upon matters of public progress and improvement. He aided in molding public thought and action and in 1831 was elected a member of the state senate. While living in Indiana he cleared and improved a farm in Hendricks county and was also engaged in merchandising for a number of years in Stilesville, where the family were living when they made preparations to come to Henry county, Iowa, the year of their removal being 1850. Six children were born unto them in Indiana, namely: Calvin, who died in Henry county, Iowa; Ruth A., who became the wife of Dr. William Mathews, of Putnam county, Indiana, but both are now deceased; Jonathan, who married Elizabeth Walker, of Henry county, Iowa; S. M. Jessup, who married Minerva Dank, of Albany, Missouri, and was a member of the Thirty-

third Missouri Infantry, during which time he was wounded at Tupelo, Mississippi, and died soon afterward from the effects of his injuries; Oliver, deceased; and Solon, who became a physician and lived in Salem, Oregon.

William A. Jessup, the subject of this review, came to Iowa in the fall of 1849, accompanied by his brother Jonathan and located first in Jefferson township, Henry county. Here they were joined by the others of the family in 1850. William A. Jessup purchased eighty acres of land and upon that farm made his home for many years, extending its boundaries from time to time as his financial resources permitted until it became a large tract of land and also became quite valuable, owing to the improvements he placed thereon. He built thereon a log cabin, which is still standing and is one of the landmarks of pioneer days, a mute witness of many events which have occurred in the interim.

Levi Jessup became as popular in Henry county, Iowa, as he had been in Hendricks county, Indiana, and in 1852 was nominated by the Whig party to represent the district in the general assembly. By reason of his official positions he was no longer regarded as a member of the Society of Friends and joined the Christian church. During the Civil war two of his sons, Jonathan and Merrill, enlisted as defenders of the Union cause and the aged father, imbued with a spirit of patriotism, also responded to the country's call and upon the organization of the celebrated Greybeard Regiment of Iowa joined that command, with which he served for several months but at length

was discharged on account of ill health. He died in 1866, while his wife passed away in 1861, at the age of sixty-six years.

William A. Jessup after coming to Iowa and making arrangements for having a home of his own further completed these arrangements by his marriage on the 13th of October, 1851, to Miss Julia A. Roads, a daughter of George and Elizabeth (Boyd) Roads, who was also of a prominent family of Henry county. One of the sons of the family, Adam Roads, served as county treasurer. Unto Mr. and Mrs. Jessup were born two daughters, Ada, and Viola, the former being the widow of J. S. Mathews, who is mentioned elsewhere in this volume. These two sisters, being the only survivors of the family, have been living together since the death of the parents, but expect in the season of 1906 to make an extended trip through the west and along the Pacific coast, having disposed of their home in Wayland, Iowa, that they may be free from business alliances during their sojourn in California.

Mr. Jessup was not only an active and energetic agriculturist but also a factor in community interests and was frequently called upon to serve his fellow townsmen in positions of public trust. He filled nearly all of the township offices and was chosen township clerk in 1851 and in 1852 was elected township trustee. He was also justice of the peace and he later served for four years as county supervisor. He was afterward again elected justice of the peace but at the time refused to qualify. No public trust reposed in him was ever betrayed in the

slightest degree, for at all times he was true and loyal to the interests in his care. There is an old Japanese maxim that "Opportunity is hard to find and easy to lose," and Mr. Jessup seemed to recognize this, for in his business career he improved every chance that came to him and by the judicious use of his advantages accumulated a comfortable competence and steadily worked his way upward. Genuine worth made him well worthy the uniform regard which was extended to him by all with whom business or social relations brought him in contact.

REV. W. W. ROBERTS, DECEASED.

The world is better for the life of every good man and the influence of his labors cannot be overestimated, for as the poet has truly said,

"Our echoes roll from soul to soul
And grow forever and forever."

Rev. W. W. Roberts, largely devoting his life to the ministry, left behind him a memory which remains as a blessed benediction to all who knew him and no history of Henry county would be complete without mention of his work and what he accomplished in this world. He was born near West Point, Iowa, on the 22nd of May, 1843, his parents being Walter and Sarah E. (Wickersham) Roberts. The father was born in North Carolina and came of English lineage; the family, how-

Inventory of the effects of Samuel M. J. J. J. late
 a Corporal of Captain Sam D. Carr's Company F. of
 the 33^d Regiment of Mo. Infy Volunteers, who was enrolled as
 a Private at St. Joseph in the State of Missouri on
 the 22^d day of August 1862, and mustered into the service of the United
 States as a Private on the 3^d day of September 1862, at Benton Barracks Mo.
 in Company F., 33^d Regiment of Mo. Infy Volunteers, to serve 3
 years or during the war; he was born in Hennricks County in the State
 of Indiana; he was 29 years of age, 5 feet 10 1/2 inches
 high, Fair complexion, Black eyes, Black hair, and by occupation, when enrolled,
 a Farmer; he died in N. C. General Hospital, at
Memphis Tenn on the 21st day of July 1864, by
 reason of Gun shot wound in left thigh

INVENTORY.					
ARTICLES.	No.	ARTICLES.	No.	ARTICLES.	No.
Hats		Pairs trousers	1	Knapsacks	
Caps		Pairs flannel drawers			
Forage caps		Pairs cotton drawers			
Great coats		Flannel shirts	1		
Uniform coats		Cotton shirts			
Uniform jackets		Pairs boots			
Flannel sack coats		Pairs shoes	1		
Blouses	1	Pairs socks	1		
Stable frocks		Blankets			
Fatigue overalls		Haversacks			
				MONEY.	
				Specie	\$
				Notes	\$

I CERTIFY ON HONOR, that the above inventory comprises all the effects of Samuel M. J. J.
Mo. J. J. deceased, and that the effects are in the hands
 of his Mother to be sent at to County Mo.
to his Family to be disposed of by a Council of Administration.

(DUPLICATES.)

STATION: Shelburne N.Y.

DATE: June 14th 1865

E. S. Allen
 Capt. Co. F. 33^d Mo. Infy
 Commanding the Company.

W. J. ...

(3-080 a.)

MILITARY SERVICE.

NAME OF SOLDIER:

Jonathan Perry

Dir.

Bureau of Pensions,

No. 576, 227

Dec 6, 1892

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SIR:

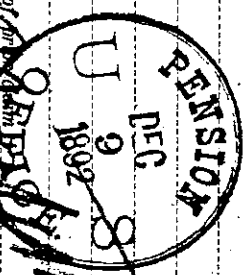
It is alleged that the above-named man enlisted

in 1861, and served as a private

in Co. ~~...~~ Regt. *10th Cal.*

also as a ~~...~~ in Co. *68* Regt. *...* and was discharged at

on *Sept. 6, 1866*



No. of ...
The War Department will ... an official statement
in this case, showing date of enlistment and date and mode of
termination of service.

Very respectfully,

John B. ...

Commissioner.

THE OFFICER IN CHARGE OF THE
RECORD AND PENSION DIVISION,
WAR DEPARTMENT.

War Department,

Record and Pension Division,

Respectfully returned to the

DEC 8 1892.

COMMISSIONER OF PENSIONS.

The rolls show that

Jonathan Perry,
Co. 10th Cal. Regt.,
mentioned in the preceding indorsement, was enrolled

Oct. 5, 1861, and discharged

as Pvt. Feb 4, 1865

to accept of bounty

amount as Gen. Sgt.

68th U. S. C. T.

Enrolled in 68th

U. S. C. T. Feb. 4, 1865,

and under No. 11, 11st

Co. 8, same Regt.,

to which transfer

by promotion to

2d Lt., Aug. 23, 1865

BY AUTHORITY OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR:

J. C. ...

Per

Major and Surgeon U. S. Army.