

Biography - Notable Norwegian-Americans

Entertainment

Adele Lacey (September 8, 1910 – July 3, 1953), also spelled Adele Lacy, was an American film actress whose films all appeared during the Great Depression. A product of the USA's Midwest, and a teenager during the Roaring Twenties era of the flapper when girls were 'encouraged' to rebel against convention, she struck out for Hollywood, California while still a teenager armed with some skills in acting, dancing and also some still photography credits, although not yet having completed her high school. Born as Adeline Charlotte Fergestad in Minnesota on September 8, 1910, she was the daughter of Morris and Mina Fergestad. With her parents, she grew up in Minneapolis, Minnesota with a slightly older brother, C. Marvin. She was of Norwegian heritage. She attended the Junior School of Expression, Jefferson Junior High School, and West High School in Minneapolis and began acting in local productions at an early age. At the age of 15 in 1926, she joined Gus Edwards' Juvenile Frolic dance troupe while they were performing in Hennipin. She had received her education in dance from Helen Noble. Later that year she was made the face of Minneapolis Candy Company, Sweetest Maid, and named "Miss Sweetest Maid". She left for Hollywood shortly after joining Edwards' group and finished her public education at Hollywood High School in 1928.



Business

EDWIN SEVERIN ANDERSON LAHLUM, The well-known lawyer and real estate man, was born in Bergen, Norway, June 11, 1845. His parents were Peter Anderson and Bertha Christine (Reinertsen) Lahlum. After attending the common schools in Norway he served in the merchant marine for some time before coming to America. Upon arrival here in 1862 he enlisted as a marine in the United States Navy and served for four years. He then came to **Chicago**. In 1872 he was appointed a police officer and remained with the department until 1885. He was then appointed a justice of the peace at Jefferson, Cook county, which office he held for years. Since that time he has been engaged in the law and real estate business, his office being at 1116 N. California avenue. Mr. Lahlum is a member of the Masonic Order and has been a commander in the Grand Army of the Republic. He is also a member of Trinity branch of the Norwegian Old People's Home Society. He was married to Eveline M. Olsen, on Sept. hugely. The family resides at 255 Humboldt boulevard.



E. S. A. Lahlum.

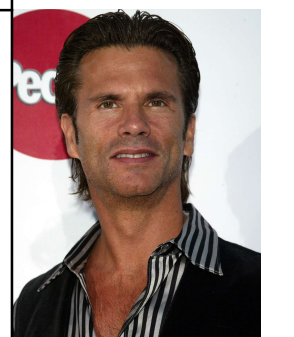
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Tomi Lahren (born August 11, 1992) is an American conservative political commentator and former television host. She hosted Tomi on TheBlaze, where she gained notice for her short video segments called "final thoughts", in which she frequently criticized liberal politics. Many of her videos went viral, with The New York Times describing her as a "rising media star." Lahren grew up in Rapid City, South Dakota, in a **USMC family**, and attended Central High School. She is of German and Norwegian descent. Lahren graduated from University of Nevada, Las Vegas in 2014 with a B.A. in broadcast journalism and political science. She also hosted and associate produced the university's political roundtable show The Scramble. Lahren interned for Republican congresswoman Kristi Noem, serving as the first intern at Noem's Rapid City office



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Lorenzo Fernando Lamas (born January 20, 1958) is an American actor and martial artist. He is known for playing Lance Cumson , the irresponsible grandson of Angela Channing (played by Jane Wyman) on the 1980s soap opera Falcon Crest (Golden Globe Award nomination for -Best Supporting Actor Series, Miniseries or Television Film). During and after Falcon Crest, he and Ana Alicia , who played his wife in the series have remained close friends. He later went on to play Reno Raines on the 1990s crime drama Renegade , and Hector Ramirez on the daytime soap opera The Bold and the Beautiful . He served as a judge on ABC television's Are You Hot? and starred in his own reality show, Leave It to Lamas , a series about his real-life family.



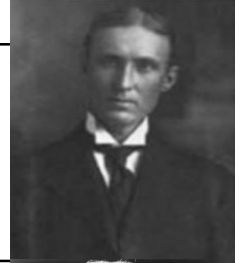
Singers

Adam Mitchel Lambert (born January 29, 1982) is an American singer, songwriter and actor. Since 2009, he has sold over 3 million albums and 5 million singles worldwide. Lambert rose to fame in 2009 after finishing as runner-up on the eighth season of American Idol. Later that year, he released his debut album, *For Your Entertainment*, which debuted at number three on the U.S. Billboard 200. The album spawned several singles, including "Whataya Want from Me", for which he received a Grammy nomination for "Best Male Pop Vocal Performance". Lambert was born in Indianapolis, Indiana, on January 29, 1982, to mother Leila, a dental hygienist; and father Eber Lambert, a program manager for Novatel Wireless. His father is of partial Norwegian descent and his mother is Jewish, with roots in Romania. Lambert was raised in his mother's religion. He has a younger brother, Neil. Shortly after his birth, his family moved to San Diego, California.



Scientists

Carl Otto Lampland (December 29, 1873 - December 14, 1951) was an American astronomer. He was involved with both of the Lowell Observatory solar system projects, observations of the planet Mars and the search for Planet X. Carl Otto Lampland was born near Hayfield in Dodge County, Minnesota. He was born into a family of ten children. Both his father Ole Helliksen Lampland (1834-1914) and his mother Berit Gulliksdatter Skartum (1850-1943) were born in Norway.



Entertainment

Carole Landis (born Frances Lillian Mary Ridste; January 1, 1919 - July 5, 1948) was an American actress and singer. She worked as a contract-player for Twentieth Century-Fox in the 1940s. Her breakthrough role was as the female lead in the 1940 film *One Million B.C.*, with United Artists. Landis was known as "The Ping Girl" and "The Chest" because of her curvy figure. Landis committed suicide on July 5, 1948, at the age of 29 by taking a barbiturate overdose.



Business

OLE c. LAND, The jeweler at 344 Milwaukee avenue, **Chicago**, was born in Bamle, near Brevik, Norway, Jan. 4, 1840. He learned the trade of a watchmaker at Brevik and was for a few years in Christiania, and worked at his trade in Kongsvinger for about four years. He came to America and Chicago in 1866, where he has resided since. He worked at his trade for the first five years, but in 1871 he started a business of his own in Kinzie street. In 1873 he moved to 229 Milwaukee avenue, where he remained until 1894, when he moved to his present commodious quarters at 344 Milwaukee avenue. Mr. Land was married to Olene Syvorson, from Nordreland, Norway, in 1872. They were blessed with four children, of whom only one, a son, Arnt N. Land, is living. The son is an optician and is engaged in the business with his father. Mrs. Land died in 1882. Mr. Land is a member and supporter of the Tabitha Hospital, the Deaconess Hospital, Old People's and Children's homes.



Ole C. Land.

Writers

ANTON B. LANGE, Editor and publisher of "Scandia," was born at Bergen, Norway, in 1857. After having received his primary education in the public schools it was decided that he should prepare himself for a mercantile career, for which purpose he entered Bergen's Handelsskole (The Bergen Business College), where he completed a course. After graduating he spent several years with business houses abroad. In 1882 Mr. Lange arrived in **Chicago**. Here he worked for several years in the circulating department of different American daily newspapers, until he, in 1887, joined the editorial staff of "Nordvesten" in St. Paul, Minn. In 1889 his services were secured by Messrs. Lagro & Walseth for a new weekly, "Superior Posten," which they commenced to publish that year at Superior, Wis. In partnership with some Norwegian business men of Duluth, Minn., he started "Scandia" in the same year. The following year he became its sole proprietor and in 1899 changed its place of publication by moving it to Chicago, where it is still being issued.



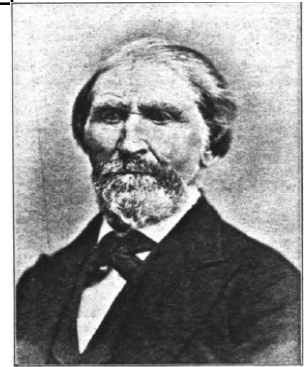
A. B. Lange.

JAMES LANGLAND. James Langland was born at North Cape, Racine county, Wis., Jan. 26, 1855, son of Knud and Anna Langland; moved with parents to **Chicago** in the fall of 1868; attended public school in the old town of Lake View, and subsequently the University of Chicago, graduating in 1877. He studied law at the Union College of Law, but entered the newspaper profession in the fall of 1877 as a reporter on the Chicago Daily News; was night editor of the Morning News shortly after that paper was started in 1881, and afterward represented it in Washington and New York as correspondent. Worked on the Milwaukee Sentinel as telegraph editor and book reviewer from 1885 to 1889; then returned to the Chicago Daily News as editorial secretary and librarian. Was sent to Cuba as correspondent in the Spanish—American War in 1898 and to Panama in the winter of 1903-4, when war was expected with Colombia. He has been compiler of the Daily News Almanac and Year-Book since 1901; and is a member of the press clubs of Chicago and Milwaukee.



James Langland.

KNUD LANGLAND. Though a resident of Wisconsin during the greater part of the time after his arrival in America, Knud Langland spent some of the most active years of his life in Illinois as editor of Skandinaven, and it was during the period from 1866 to 1872 that he did the work which firmly established his reputation as a thinker and writer. It is quite proper, therefore, that a brief sketch of his life appear in this volume. Knud Langland was born Oct. 27, 1813, in Samnanger, Bergen stift, Norway. Though obliged to work hard for a living even in his early youth, he managed to secure a good education through his own efforts. He went to Bergen, where he pursued his studies for a time, and then became a school teacher. An elder brother, Mons A. Adland, emigrated to America in 1837, first settling at Beaver Creek, Ill., and then going to what at that time was known as Yorkville Prairie, in Racine county, Wisconsin. Knud Langland followed him in 1843, making his home in the same place in Wisconsin. Two years later he went to the southern part of Columbia county, but returned to Racine county in 1846 and continued farming until 1849 when he bought Nordlyset, the first Norwegian paper published in America. He changed the name to Demokraten, and with his brother-in-law, O. J. Hatlestad, ran it for a year. The venture was not a financial success and publication was suspended in 1852. In 1856 he was editor for a short time of Den Norske Amerikaner, published in Madison, Wis., but the pro-slavery views of its proprietor caused him to resign the position. In 1860 he was a member of the Wisconsin state assembly. The postoffice, where the old Yorkville Prairie settlers received their mail, was named North Cape at his suggestion. In 1866, when the Skandinaven was established by John Anderson and Iver Lawson, father of Victor F. Lawson, Mr. Langland was asked by them to become its editor. He consented and came to **Chicago**, to which place he moved his family in 1868, and was connected with that paper, which proved a remarkable success, until a year or two after the great fire of 1871. Perhaps the most notable of the editorials contributed by him to Skandinaven were those in defense of the American public schools and in opposition to certain views entertained by a part of the Norwegian Lutheran Church in regard to slavery. It was in recognition of his attitude on the school question that one of the public schools of Chicago was named after him some years later. With the exception of a brief connection with a new Norwegian paper, the Amerika, which was subsequently consolidated with Skandinaven, all the editorial work performed by him until he was compelled by ill health to retire from journalism was for Skandinaven.

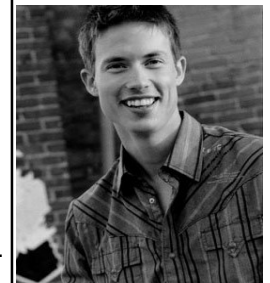


Mr. Knud Langland.



Mrs. Knud Langland.

Jon Gordon Langseth Jr. (born January 29, 1981), known as Jonny Lang, is an American blues, gospel, and rock singer, songwriter, guitarist and recording artist. He has five albums that charted on the top 50 of the Billboard 200 chart and has won a Grammy Award for Turn Around. Jonny Lang is of Norwegian descent and was born in Fargo, North Dakota. He started playing the guitar at the age of 12. He got his start playing guitar for his friends on the Villagers' porch at their lake place. He would play everything from modern hits to the classics, even performing an astounding rendition of Jimi Hendrix's take on the National Anthem. Lang has two older sisters, Stephanie and Heidi Jo. He also has one younger sister, Jessica ("Jesse"), who was a contestant on season 8 of American Idol. Actress Ashley Johnson (Growing Pains, What Women Want, Blindspot) is Lang's sister-in-law.

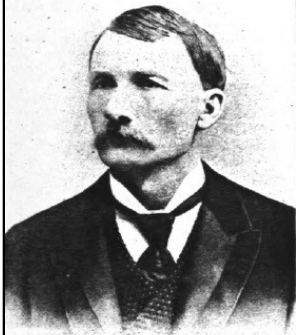


DR. RALPH LUDWIG LARSEN Is a native of **Chicago**, having been born in this city of Norwegian parents, Martin and Betsey Larsen, March 4, 1877. His parents came to this country in 1861—at the outbreak of the Civil War—his father serving throughout the entire period of the Rebellion, being wounded at the Battle of Stone River, Ga., and laid up at the camp hospital for three months with concussion of the brain. His father was one of the first to enlist from the state of Illinois, being mustered in with the First Illinois Light Artillery, and seeing service in some of the fiercest engagements during the Civil War. Dr. Larsen is a graduate of Rush Medical College, having earned the degree of doctor of medicine, and at the time of his graduation carried off the highest honors in anatomic surgery—the Arthur Dean Bevan prize (a valuable library set of books). During his course of four years at Rush, he entered upon a series of competitive contests along scientific and literary lines, and received the degree of Doctor of Philosophy, together with an appointment of honorary alumnus of the University of Alabama. He was for one year hospital surgeon with the Illinois Steel Company at South Chicago, where he received extensive training in mill-injury work. The Illinois Steel Company is one of the largest corporations in the country, being a part of the United States Steel Corporation. The Chicago, Lake Shore and Eastern Railroad and the Elgin, Joliet and Eastern Railroad have about fifty miles of track entirely within the walls of the South Chicago plant, which covers an area of three square miles. Here the average daily number of accidents is fifteen, some being of the worst kinds imaginable. The company has its own private hospital—within the grounds—of thirty-five beds, which are nearly always occupied, and two resident surgeons, who act for the chief surgeon. After serving his time there he remained for nearly a year at the Norwegian Lutheran Tabitha Hospital in Chicago, where his training consisted largely of general medicine and surgery.



Dr. R. L. Larsen.

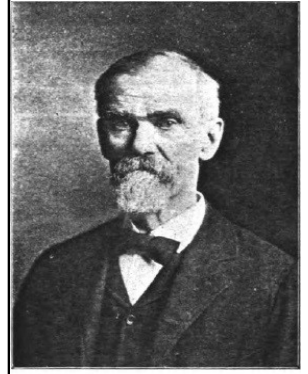
HANS LARSEN Was born in Gjelvig, Norway, Jan. 28, 1846. His parents were Lars and Oline Magnussen. He attended the common schools and was confirmed in Gjøpviigs Church. Here he learned the trade of a tailor. Mr. Larsen came to Chicago in 1866, where he has remained since, following the same trade. He was married in 1868 to Gundhild Knudsen, from Valdres, Norway. She died Jan. 10, 1890, leaving him eleven children, namely: Olga Gurine, born in 1869; Karl Ludvig, 1871; Anna Marie, 1873; Laura Camilla, 1875; Halfdan Oscar, 1877; Fredrik, 1879; Henrik Gerhardt, 1882; Arthur Bjorn, 1884; Dagmar, 1886; James, 1888; Leonard Foster, 1889. Of the children Olga Gurine married Iver Halvorsen; Anna Marie married Thomas Stangeland; Arthur Bjørn is married to Mabel Max; Henrik to Stofa Davidson. In 1892 Mr. Larsen married Martha Johnson, daughter of Sven and Kerstin Johnson, of Halland's Isen. His mother died in Norway in 1855 and his father in his son's home in **Chicago** in 1887. Mr. Larsen has been a consistent worker in the cause of temperance for the last thirty years, having held all the offices in the lodges of which he has been a member, and was on his twenty fifth anniversary as such accorded a reception and banquet and given a gold medal as a memento of the occasion. In October 1882, Mr. Larsen joined the literary society Minerva, where the temperance people held the "balance of power," and which had always been of a religious character. Under the influence of Mr. Larsen's unprejudiced and liberal views, as well as his liberal sacrifice of time and money for the cause, the society soon found it self upon a higher plane of activity, where the spirit of free thought and investigation made it renowned as a power for mental and ethical progress. Mr. Larsen is a member of the Norwegian Old People's Home Society.



Hans Larsen.

Business

IVER LARSEN, The well-known mechanic and pattern maker, was born at Bollstad, Norway, Nov. 2, 1829. He learned the trade of a millwright and miller in Skien and came to America when twenty years of age, arriving in New York after a stormy voyage of ten weeks on a sail ship. He came to **Chicago** via the Erie Canal and the Lakes and has made this city his home since. Being an expert wood turner, he found employment immediately upon his arrival with the Phillips Chair Company. Subsequently he was employed by the H. A. Pitte Company, the inventors of the tracing machine, with whom he remained for nearly a quarter of a century or until the Chicago fire, in 1871, when the whole plant was wiped out. When the Pitte Company removed to Marseilles, IL., Mr. Larsen preferred to remain here and in the following year, 1872, engaged in business for himself, as a pattern and model maker, at 9 S. Jefferson street. In 1880 the firm of Iver Larsen & Son was formed, his son Lauritz becoming a partner. Mr. Iver Larsen was married in Chicago to Miss Maren Nelson from Skien, Nov. 12, 1853. They had five children: Lauritz, born in 1854; Edward, in 1858; Albert, in 1862; Alba, in 1865; and Charles, in 1867. Of these Albert and Alba have passed away. Edward was married to Miss Minnie Miller of Chicago in 1881. Our subject departed this life Nov. 16, 1905, at the age of 76. Since that time the business has been conducted by his two sons, Lauritz and Charles Larsen, at 62364 W. Lake street, under the firm name of 'Iver Larsen's Sons. Their brother Edward is superintendent with the Robert Tarrant Machine Works. 'Iver Larsenhyvas' one of the charter members of the old Nloralk Society and was at the time of his death the oldest survivor.



Iver Larsen.

Business

Jack Lenor Larsen (born 1927) is a textile designer, author and collector and promoter of traditional and contemporary craftsmanship in all its forms. Larsen was born in 1927 in Seattle, WA to Norsk-Canadian parents. In 1945 he enrolled at the School of Architecture at the University of Washington. The following year he studied furniture design and began weaving, moving to Los Angeles to focus upon fabrics. In 1949 he studied ancient Peruvian textiles in Seattle and opened a studio. In 1951 he earned his Master of Fine Arts degree from the Cranbrook Academy of Art, Michigan, and opened a studio in New York. He currently lives in New York City.



Entertainment

Keith Larsen (born Keith Larsen Burt, June 17, 1924 – December 13, 2006) was an American actor, screenwriter, director, and producer who starred in three short-lived television series between 1955 and 1961. Larsen was born in Salt Lake City in 1924. He was of Norwegian descent. During World War II, he served in the United States Navy. After he was demobilized he became involved in stage acting in Santa Monica, California



Scientists

Norman Bernard Larsen (1923-1970) was an American industrial chemist. He was born in Chicago. Larsen is sometimes credited with inventing the WD-40 formula in 1953 but this is not certain. The WD-40 company website and other books and newspapers credit him but according to Iris Engstrand, a historian of San Diego and California at the University of San Diego, it was actually Iver Norman Lawson (also an engineer born in **Chicago** at around the same time as Norm Larsen), and the names became confused over time. The formula was kept as a trade secret, so no patent was ever filed listing inventors



Business

Ralph S. Larsen (November 18, 1938 – March 9, 2016) was an American businessman. He was the chief executive officer (CEO) of Johnson & Johnson from 1989 to 2002. Ralph Larsen was born in Brooklyn, New York City in a family of five siblings in 1938. His father was a first-generation immigrant from Norway. He joined the United States Navy for a few years. He worked his way through college, taking electrical jobs, and he received a Bachelor of Business Administration from Hofstra University in 1962.



Museum

Richard K. Larsen Sr. (1920 Seneca, IL -1978 **Ottawa, IL**) s/o Joseph & Lillie (Hall) Larsen
Charter of Board member of Cleng Peerson Lodge Sons of Norway and Norsk Museum
WWII bomber pilot veteran of Pacific Theater of Operations



Artists

Robert "Bud" Larsen (born 1942) is an American craftsman and maker of Hardanger fiddles. His making of Hardanger fiddles is a side activity.

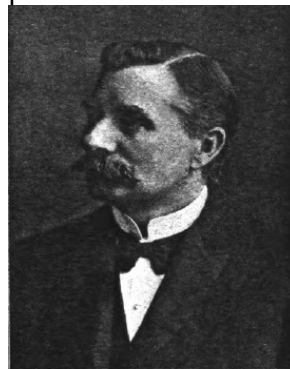
Larsen's father played violin and Hardanger fiddle. He had emigrated from Førde, Sunnfjord, Norway and lived for many years in Fargo, North Dakota.

Robert Larsen, at the age of 14, apprenticed to the Norwegian-American violin maker Gunnar Gunnarsson Helland as a repairman and a fiddle maker in Fargo from 1957 to 1965



Business

ADOLPH LARSON. Adolph Larson, alderman from the Twenty Eighth Ward, is a son of Martin and Elizabeth (Johnson) Larson, born at Fredrikshald, Norway. Sept. 15, 1856. His early life was spent in Fredrikshald, where he attended the common school and learned the machinist's trade, after which he attended Horten's Technical School and graduated in 1875. Then he went to Christiania, where he was employed as machinist and also attended the royal school of drawing. 'In the spring of 1880 he emigrated and came to **Chicago**, where he worked as machinist and engineer until 1884, when he in partnership with an American builder formed the firm of Larson Adolph Larson. 8: Hyde, contractors and builders. After two years the partnership was dissolved and Larson continued alone in the business until 1902, when he was elected alderman. Mr. Larson is now serving his second term, and while in the city council he has served on several of the most important committees. He is president of the Norwegian-American Copper Mining and Smelting Company, but while Mr. Larson always has been considered a good business man and ready to take a hand in public affairs, it is in church and charity work that he has been most prominent. As one of the founders of the Norwegian Lutheran Deaconess Society and its president from its organization to date, he has done as much or more than any other man to bring that work and the Deaconess Hospital to what it is today, in Chicago. Mr. Larson has been a Sunday school superintendent for twenty years and deacon and president of the board of trustees for many years. The United Norwegian Church of America, of which Larson is a member, has also acknowledged his ability by electing him a member of the board of home and foreign missions and upon other important committees. Mr. Larson married Marie Albeck, Oct. 12, 1877. They have had four children, three of whom are living—A. Larson, Jr., who is engaged in the real estate and insurance business at 1684 Milwaukee avenue, and two daughters—Dagmar and Mabel—who reside with their parents at 1170 N. Maplewood avenue.



Adolph Larson.

Norsk Høstfest

Allen O. Larson

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Ever since his parents gave him a toy printing press and a Kodak box camera, Al Larson has employed artful visual images and the power of the written word to express his thoughts and ideas. And through a lifelong career in the printing industry, Larson has helped countless others express their words and images and share them with the world.

At age 18, Larson opened his own business as a photoengraver, making plates for the Minot Daily News and other publications in northwest North Dakota. His is credited with making the first offset printing plate in Minot. In 1959, he began a 23-year-long partnership in Lowe and Larson Printing. Together with some of his weekly newspaper publisher friends, Larson established Minot's first web-offset printing plant, Greater Northwest Publishing in 1973, and later he and Shirley and their son, Sheldon, founded Creative Media Advertising Agency, Creative Printing, and North American Heritage Press, a publishing house that has found a niche with books of Scandinavian interest.

The full-blooded Norwegian-American is a founding father of Norsk Høstfest, and has served as a coordinator and designer of print materials and print advertising for the festival since its start. He has been the association's vice president for many years. He also initiated the founding of Scandinavian Heritage Association in 1988, and has been described as the "spark plug" for the development of Minot's Scandinavian Heritage Park.



Elias Tasted Larson [1831-1907] The Norwegians were among the first to set out for the gold fields. Elias Tasted Larson, oldest son of Lars Larson, Sloopers, went there in 1849 and came back alive to tell the story. Fourth in Lars Larson's family was Elias Tastad, named after the leader of the Quaker church in Norway. When a lad of 14 Elias had been on the boat on which his father was murdered. As a young man he drove a team to help build the grade for the second railroad in Rochester. This was the one to Batavia and Tonawanda and the rails were wood with iron strips on top. In Rochester these rails started on westward about a half mile south of the western terminus of the New York Central Railroad. The first locomotives had to be taken off the New York Central rails and hauled this half mile to begin operation on the new road. GOLD!, AH GOLD! The call raced across the land from California all the way to New York state. Elias was swept along with the many who took the long trek; but unlike most he was not so carried away as to overlook the business opportunities enroute and he made money operating ferries, selling goods, and the like. In later years he told of seeing men strung up to light poles for stealing horses. In Sacramento he worked in a jewelry store for \$60 per week which was a huge salary for those days. He liked to play cards and was an expert checker player, and would entertain both the customers and himself when business was light. He also ran for a legislative office. A fellow business man was Leland Stanford, who made a snail fortune by selling miner's supplies; and it was probably at this time that he and Elias Larson became friends. Ellas was also acquainted with a second member of "The Big Four", Collis P. Huntington. Elias came back from California by way of the Isthmus of Panama. He brought back \$2500 in gold which was said to be worth \$6500 in the greenback money used at that time. Much of this Elias invested in real estate in Rochester '97 he had three houses on the north side of Atkinson Street near Eagle, and two on the south side. Income from this real estate and the remaining money enabled him to live without any steady job. Leland Stanford and one of his brothers came to visit Elias at one time. At the age of 45 he ventured into matrimony. His wife's name was Effie and she was the daughter of a Rochester jeweler, but the family was living in Indiana at the time. Effie, how-ever, was quite young and the marriage did not last. Elias was buried in Mt. Hope Cemetery.



LARS LARSON (NESS), The first settler on government land at Helmar, "L. was born June 10, 1825, on the farm Ness in Skaanevik, near the city of Bergen. His parents were John and Julia Larson. His father died when Lars was 8 years old, but his mother came to America with our subject in 1847. She died at Lisbon, Ill., the same year. Lars got as much of an education as was available at that time in the old country. It did not amount to much. At first Larson and his sister Annie, born in 1830, hired out to work for others around Lisbon, but in the fall of 1851 he bought 160 acres of government land at \$1.25 per acre, being a quarter of sec. 36 in River Fox township, on which he is still living. This land is now fully worth a hundred times the original price. In 1851 Mr. Larson was married to Miss Mary Hendricksen, born in 1826, and from the same place in Norway, she having come to America with the same party as her future husband. Her parents remained in the old country, but she was accompanied by three brothers and two sisters. The young couple were united in holy wedlock by the well-known Rev. Ole Andrewson. This marital union has been blessed with seven children, three sons—Lars, Henry and Louis—and four daughters—Sarah, Lina, Mary and Rachel. All are living except Sarah, who died when 24 years old. She had been married a few years at her demise. The others are all married, except the oldest son, Lars, and the youngest daughter, Mary, who are living at the old home, Lars running the farm. The children, as a matter of course, were all brought up in the Lutheran faith. Mr. Larson has contributed to the building of both the old and new church at Helmar and is an active member. He has held the office of road commissioner, but has never sought political preferment, always having been a loyal republican. He has visited his mother country twice, first in 1873 and again in 1887, when he visited the Storthing and also the silver mines at Kongs vinger and Kongsberg.

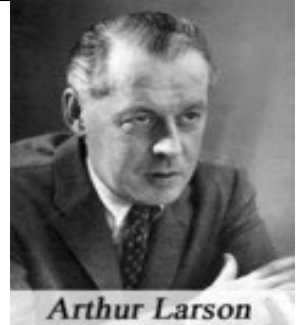
Sloopers

Lars Larson Jeilane [9-24-1787 – 11-13-1845] On the chart the ancestors of Lars Larson Jeilane, Sloop leader, and his sister Siri, go back to Maurits on Findland in Bjerkreim, mentioned in 1519, and probably born in the late 1800s. He was also an ancestor of the Madland family of Sloopers. Jeilane was just outside of Stavanger, the only Sloop or ancestral farm to lie so close to the town of embarkation. The ancestral chart of Lars wife, Martha Jorgensdatter Eide, is the same as that for her half-brother, Ole Jonsen Eide, One ancestor, Billert Bru, was bailiff in Arke skibrede in 1627 and a grandson of his was parish clerk.



Lawyers

Lewis Arthur Larson (July 4, 1910 - March 27, 1993) was an American lawyer, law professor, United States Under Secretary of Labor from 1954 to 1956, director of the United States Information Agency from 1956 to 1957, and Executive Assistant for Speeches for U.S. President Dwight D. Eisenhower from 1957 to 1958. Arthur Larson (he avoided using his first name) was born in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. He was the third of five children of Lewis Larson and Anna Huseboe Larson, both of whom were second-generation Americans of Norwegian descent. Larson's father was a family court judge in Sioux Falls. Arthur Larson attended the public schools there and the local Lutheran college, Augustana, and then studied law at Pembroke College, Oxford (1932-1935) as a Rhodes Scholar. He was married to Florence Newcomb on July 31, 1935.



Academics

LEWIS ELMER LARSON, Secretary of the board of education, was born at **Leland, Ill.**, Nov. 2, 1874. His parents, Jacob C. and Elizabeth (Peterson) Larson, moved to DeKalb county, when he was 3 years old. Here he remained on his father's farm until 16, attending the public schools. He graduated from Jennings' Seminary, in Aurora, in 1891, after which he secured a position with a wholesale lumber firm in Chicago. He has been connected with the board of education since September 1894 — first as secretary to the superintendent of schools, then as assistant superintendent of evening schools, and in December 1900, by competitive civil service examination he won the position of secretary of the board, which he still holds. At the time of his appointment he was the youngest man in the country holding so responsible an office. He married May Woodruff Wildman, Aug. 4, 1897. They have two children — a boy and a girl. The family attends the Methodist Episcopal Church and resides at 1825 E. Roscoe street. Mr. Larson is a Mason, a member of Garden City Lodge.



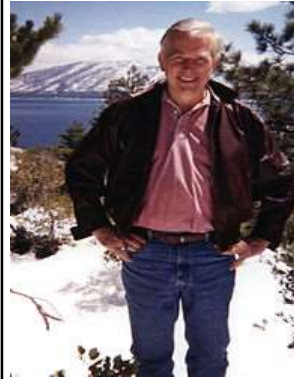
Sloopers

Margaret Larson [Slooper baby] [9-2-1825 – 12-12-1916] Oldest of the Larson family was "the Sloop baby", Margaret Allen, born on the Atlantic enroute to America. She married John Atwater. John was raised on a farm near Lake Erie and was of English ancestry. He and Margaret started life together on a farm near Brockport, New York. Shortly after this they moved to Brockport and then to Rochester, where John became Superintendent of Schools. In 1857 the Atwaters moved to **Chicago** where John practiced as a physician. He also became a prominent publisher. In 1882 they moved to a nearby town, Western Springs. John and Margaret had nine children of which only the first was a boy. Of the eight girls, five died before reaching the age of two and a sixth before she was four. The parents must have known many a heartbreak as these little ones passed from their anxious grasp. Still three children remained to brighten their home. John and Margaret Larson Atwater were the organizers of the first Quaker meeting in Chicago; Margaret was an ardent women's suffrage worker and a friend of Susan B. Anthony



OMMUND LARSON, The well-known manufacturer of structural iron of various kinds, at 300 W. Erie Street, was born at Gjerdevig, Fjeldberg's prestegjeld, Norway, - Jan. 10, 1848, to Lars and Kari (Sigvaer) Larson. Mr. Larson was educated in the common school of his parish and confirmed in fire church. When 13 years of age, he went 'to sea on a sailing vessel as a cabin boy, and in various capacities he followed the occupation of a sailor for 25 years visiting almost every country on the globe. In July, 1887, he came to America to settle, landing at Philadelphia, from where he went direct to **Chicago** and has been a resident of this city ever since. Here he sailed the first year on the Great Lakes, and then engaged in business, contracting for structural iron and steel works. Mr. Larson was joined in a wedlock to Miss Jorgine Torgerson of Stavanger, Norway, April 31, 1868. She died in 1885. Later on he married Miss Ellida Christiansen. With his second wife Mr. Larson has had two children: one son, Lawrence, born Aug. 13, 1888, and one daughter, Gunda, born June 18, 1890. Mr. Larson's parents have both departed from this life, but Mrs. Larson's parents are still both living in Norway. He is a member of Lodge 1079, Knights and Ladies of Honor, and has been its treasurer for about 14 years.

Roland "Ron" Edwin Larson (born October 31, 1941) is a professor of mathematics at Penn State Erie, The Behrend College, Pennsylvania. He is best known for being the author of a series of widely used mathematics textbooks ranging from middle school through the second year of college. Ron Larson was born in Fort Lewis near Tacoma, Washington, the second of four children of Meredith John Larson and Harriet Eleanor Larson. Meredith Larson was an officer in the 321st Engineer Battalion of the United States Army. Meredith Larson served in active duty during World War II, where he was awarded a Bronze Star Medal and a Purple Heart, and the Korean War, where he was awarded an Oak Leaf Cluster and a Silver Star. During the years that Ron was growing up, his father was stationed in several military bases, including Chitose, Hokkaido, Japan and Schofield Barracks, Hawaii. While in Chitose, Ron attended a small DoDDS school, where he was one of only three students in the sixth grade. When Meredith Larson retired from the Army in 1957, he moved with his family to Vancouver, Washington, where he lived until he died (at the age of 89) in 2005. Harriet Larson died (at the age of 95) in the fall of 2009.



JOHN OSCAR LAUGMAN, Professor at the **Pleasant View Luther College at Ottawa, Ill.**, was born in the town of **Mission, LaSalle county, Ill.**, on July 24, 1873. In his 15th J. O. Laugman. year he left home to attend school at VVitten berg, Wis., where he worked for his board and room at the Indian Mission the first year. Later he was able to pay his way. He has always adhered to the belief that_w0rk is ennobling and uplifting in whatever station, as long as it is honorable. In the fall of 1890, being too young to obtain a teacher's certificate in Illinois, he went to Goodhue county, Minnesota, nearKenyon, to teach. Owing to the illness of his brother he decided in 1892 not to go back to Minnesota, but instead to accept a position to teach in Grundy county. Until'1895 he spent his time teaching in Grundy and Kendall counties, and in attending school at Valparaiso, Ind. Feeling the need of higher education he now decided to enter Illinois University, which he attended for two years but at the end of that time his money gave out and he was compelled to spend a year earning more money. In the fall of 1898 he again went back to the University and managed to remain until he graduated in June of 1900, receiving the degree of B. S. He now accepted a position in the Urbana High School and at the close of the school year, 1900 01, accepted a position in the Champaign High 'School, remained there one year and then went back to Urbana, where he remained until 1905. The principalship of the High School was of fered him in the fall of 1903 and this position he held until June 1905. In May he resigned to come to Pleasant View Luther College at Ottawa as teacher of science. He was married to Nellie Anderson of Nettle Creek, Ill., June 28, 1900. They have had three children, two of whom, Marguerite and Eveline, are still living. The family attends the Lutheran Church. The Urbana Courier, in speaking of Mr. Laugman's resignation, published the following pleasant lo cal:—"To say that Mr. Laugman is idolized by his pupils would be putting it a little strong, but he is much admired by all, both in and out of the school-room, as an instructor and as a man."



J. O. Laugman.

ADOLPH PETER LAWRENCE, Son of Captain S. P. and Anna D. Lawrence, among the oldest Norwegian settlers of **Chicago**, A. P. Lawrence. was born in Chicago, May 24, 1859. He attended the public schools, the Lake View High School, and took a course in the Metropolitan Business College. He was confirmed in the Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, on La Salle avenue. His father, who was a large vessel owner, and a captain on the lakes, wished his son to follow in his footsteps, but others of the family objected after one season's absence. Instead he engaged in the photograph business in 1887 and followed that until 1906, when he left it for the real estate business. He was married to Miss Adella I. Landgraf, daughter of Anthony and Millie Landgraf, on Apr. 27, 1898. They have one daughter, Adella Dorothy Millie, born March 13, 1899. Mr. Lawrence is a member of Lake View Lodge, A. F. 8: A. M.; the Knights of Pythias, and the Order of Foresters. He served for two years in the First Regiment of the Illinois National Guard. The family resides at 1136 Milwaukee avenue.



A. P. Lawrence.

Arthur Lawrence. studio on Clybourn avenue, near Division street, until 1906, when he sold out and went into the real estate business. Clara Josephine was born in 1861 and died in 1887. Arthur Alexander was born February 18, 1864; he lives in New York city and is engaged in the dry goods business. Edward Louis died in 1868, when only three days old. Ivy Garfield Lawrence was born on May 13, 1877; he is a doctor of dental surgery with an office at Evanston avenue and Clark street and resides with his mother. At his death Captain Lawrence left among other valuable real estate holdings, a large tract she still takes care of all her real estate holdings, making out the leases, looking after the repairs, buying the coal for the apartment buildings, paying the taxes, and collecting the rents. She could easily pass for a woman of 55 years. Her splendid memory and bright mental faculties make it a pleasure to have an interview with her. If a contemplated real estate deal goes through, the Norwegian Old People's Home will certainly have good reason for rejoicing in the very near future. If not, the home is not for gotten in her will and testament. It is remarkable how many ministers of the gospel Mrs. Lawrence's family has produced. One branch alone has furnished four preachers. It may be mentioned that all Lockrems are more or less related. On the captain's side there are also several ministers by the name Of Dyvik, that being the name of the place from which that family hailed.



Arthur Lawrence.

CAPTAIN SQREN PETER LAWRENCE Was born at Kragero, Norway, Sept. 28, 1821. Like most men from his native town, he tried his fortune as a sailor before the mast, and as such visited the United States as early as 1842. He finally concluded to make this promising country his permanent home, and certainly never regretted it, as his success as a lake captain was most decided. He settled in **Chicago** in October 1849. It did not take him long to sail his own vessel, and by and by he added more vessels to his flotilla. As a commander he was well-known among shippers and lake navigators. His vessels generally carried grain from Chicago to Buffalo, or lumber on the upper lakes. His first vessel was Industry, and he finally owned seven more of which we know the names: John S. Wallers, Sacramento, Mary B. Hale, Dreadnaught (lost on Lake Superior), W. S. Willard, (lost on Lake Michigan) and Black Mary. He had one more, but we have not been able to find its name. Captain Lawrence did not confine his activities to the Great Lakes. but invested his profits also in Chicago real estate, and besides had a property in Michigan City. His first property, bought in 1855, was the lot at the northeast corner of Chicago avenue and Orleans street, which he improved with buildings, and which his widow still holds. He next built a comfortable residence at 1492 Wellington avenue, where his family was reared and where he finally departed this life on April 25th, 1891. On Dec. 23, 1853 he was united in marriage to Miss Annie Dorothea Lockrem, who was born 'in Vang, Valdres, Norway, Dec. 31, 1833. Her parents were Iver C. and Gertrud (Rude) Lockrem. She came to this country with her parents in 1849, reaching Milwaukee, Wis., July 25. They later went to Rice county, Minn. Together with her uncle, Andrew Rude, she came to Chicago, Oct. 29, 1850, and here she met her future husband, Captain Lawrence. To them were born eight children, of whom the two first died in infancy: Anna Marie, died Oct. 21, 1854, and Anna Marie (given the same name) died June 9, 1855. Gertrud Levina, born July 29, 1856, is married to R. S. Williams, an Englishman, with whom she has had three children. They reside in Minneapolis, Minn. Adolph Peter, whose sketch appears in this volume, was born May 24, 1859. He is an artist and had a photographic of land in Maywood. Mrs. Lawrence, who is a business woman of far more than ordinary ability, sold this land and invested the money in improved property in Sheridan Park, near the Wilson Avenue Station. She also in 1903 sold the old homestead on Wellington avenue, where she had resided for thirty-six years, to the Chicago Union Hospital, and bought a fine new residence at 915 Chase avenue, Rogers Park.



Capt. S. P. Lawrence.

Ernest Orlando Lawrence (August 8, 1901 - August 27, 1958) was a pioneering American nuclear scientist and winner of the **Nobel Prize in Physics in 1939** for his invention of the cyclotron . He is known for his work on uranium-isotope separation for the Manhattan Project , as well as for founding the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory and the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory . Ernest Orlando Lawrence was born in Canton, South Dakota on August 8, 1901. His parents, Carl Gustavus and Gunda (née Jacobson) Lawrence, were both the offspring of Norwegian immigrants who had met while teaching at the high school in Canton, where his father was also the superintendent of schools. He had a younger brother, John H. Lawrence , who would become a physician , and was a pioneer in the field of nuclear medicine . Growing up, his best friend was Merle Tuve , who would also go on to become a highly accomplished physicist



John Hundale Lawrence (January 7, 1904 - September 7, 1991) was an American physicist and physician best known for pioneering the field of nuclear medicine John Hundale Lawrence was born in Canton, South Dakota . His parents, Carl Gustavus and Gunda Regina (née Jacobson) Lawrence, were both the offspring of Norwegian immigrants who had met while teaching at the high school in Canton, South Dakota, where his father was also the superintendent of schools. His brother was physicist Ernest O. Lawrence . He attended college at the University of South Dakota before getting his M.D. degree from Harvard Medical School . He was awarded a Guggenheim Fellowship in physics in 1957



Publisher

Iver Lawson (December 21, 1821 – October 5, 1871) was a Norwegian-American real estate investor and newspaper publisher. Together with John Anderson and Knud Langeland, he was the founder of the Skandinaven newspaper in Chicago Iver Lawson was born as Iver Larson Bø at Bø in Voss, Hordaland, Norway. He migrated to the United States in 1844 with his brother, Steffen Lawson. Two other siblings, Boarky Lawson and Knud Lawson, had migrated earlier. Iver Lawson came to prosperity buying and selling real estate in Chicago during the mid-19th century. He entered city politics in 1864. He was a Chicago city marshal, a member of the **Chicago City Council and an Illinois senator**. He was also one of the organizers of the First Lutheran church of Chicago in 1848.

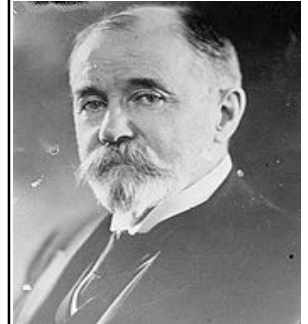
Journalist

Jennifer Lawson (born December 29, 1973) is an American journalist , author and blogger. She is from Wall, Texas and is a graduate of Angelo State University . She is the author of The Bloggess website and formerly wrote the Ill Advised blog, co-authored Good Mom/Bad Mom on the Houston Chronicle and was a columnist for Sexis magazine . She is well known for her irreverent writing style. She also used to write an advice column named "Ask The Bloggess" for The Personal News Network (PNN.com) until she quit because they stopped paying her. She suffers from rheumatoid arthritis , depression , anxiety , avoidant personality disorder and mild obsessive-compulsive disorder



Writers

Victor Fremont Lawson (September 9, 1850 – August 19, 1925) was an American newspaper publisher who headed the **Chicago Daily News** from 1876 to 1925. Lawson was president of the Associated Press from 1894 to 1900, and was on the board of directors from 1900 to 1925. Outside of the newspaper business, he was involved in various philanthropic causes in Chicago. He was born in Chicago on September 9, 1850 to Iver Lawson (1822–72) and Melinda (Nordvig) Lawson (1827-1896). He had a brother, Iver Norman Lawson (1865-1937). He died of a heart attack in 1925 in Chicago. He was interred at Chicago's Graceland Cemetery where his grave is marked with a sculpture of a medieval knight designed by Lorado Taft. Lawson's family grew rich from real estate dealings in Chicago, and held stakes in a Norwegian-language newspaper called the Skandinaven. The Chicago Daily News, founded by Melville E. Stone, Percy Meggy and William Dougherty in 1875, was a tenant in the same building as the Skandinaven. The Daily News was struggling, but Victor Lawson decided to invest in it in July 1876, becoming its manager. Within twenty years, its circulation grew to 200,000 people. Lawson mainly focused on the business aspects of the paper, while Stone and others worked as editors. Helping to fuel the paper's success was Lawson's ability to attract advertisers. Lawson provided clear circulation figures to businesses and promised consistent rates for advertisements



Entertainment

Gypsy Rose Lee (born Rose Louise Hovick, January 8, 1911 - April 26, 1970) was an American burlesque entertainer and vedette famous for her striptease act. Also an actress, author, and playwright, her 1957 memoir was adapted into the 1959 stage musical Gypsy .



LOUIS J. LEE. The organizer and senior member of the Lee Advertising Company, **Chicago**, was born in Voss, Norway, Dec. 8, 1845. The names of his parents were Joseph and Brita, old residents of Voss. Mr. Lee spent his youth in the country, attending school, graduating later from the high school at Vossevangen. His first active work in life was as a member of the assessing board in Voss in 1876, and later as a member of the school board and the council. He was for a number of years, or until he left for America, cashier for the uiferent branches of the Voss commune. On June 24, 1870, he was married to Inger J. Lee, a distant relative. They have had five children, all living; Birdie (Mrs. F. J. Asche), Joseph, Iver, Nels and Anna. Joseph married Miss Hulda Halvorsen in 1896. His three sons —Joseph, Iver and Nels Lee— are now actively associated with him in the advertising business. Mr. Lee came to America in 1887, coming direct to Chicago. He secured a position on Skandinaven and was for seven years connected with that paper in various capacities, the last three years as cashier. He then, with his three sons, organized the Lee Advertising Company, now located in the Unity Building, 79-81 Dearborn street, Chicago, and referred to more fully in another part of this history. Mr. Lee has never sought or held any public office in this country. He is a member of the Lutheran Church and contributes occasionally to worthy charities. The family resides at 1302 Winona avenue. Since the above was written Mr. Lee died, Dec. 11, 1906.



Louis J. Lee.

Mark Charles Lee USAF Colonel, (born August 14, 1952) is a former **NASA astronaut who flew on four Space Shuttle missions**. He retired from the Air Force and NASA on July 1, 2001. Lee was born August 14, 1952, in Viroqua, Wisconsin, and graduated from Viroqua High School in 1970. Lee is an Eagle Scout. He later attended the United States Air Force Academy, where he received a bachelor of science degree in civil engineering in 1974. Following pilot training at Laughlin Air Force Base, Texas, and F-4 Phantom II upgrade at Luke Air Force Base, Arizona, Lee spent 2-1/2 years at Kadena Air Base in Okinawa, Japan, flying F-4's in the 25th Tactical Fighter Squadron. In 1979, after this assignment, he studied for a master of science degree in mechanical engineering at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, where he specialized in graphite /epoxy advanced composite materials.



MRS. HILLEBORG LEE, Of **Capron, IL.**, was born at Seljord, Telemarken, Norway, Nov 10, 1822. Her father was Kittel Bronaas; her mother Gunhild Lawrence. They lived on a farm in Norway. In 1841 Miss Kittelsdatter, at the age of 19, was married to Mr. Jorgen Hoiescn Lastigaar den, changed for convenience in this country to plain George Lee. The couple had nine children, five sons and four daughters, all born in Norway. One son died in infancy. The family, consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Lee and five children, came to America in 1868, arriving at Quebec June 12. Mr. Lee kept a very interesting diary of the passage across the Atlantic, relating graphically how the passengers were terrified by a storm that tried their good sailing vessel Amelia. One son, Charles, had emigrated before his parents, and another, Christopher, a sailor, came later. The family came to Chicago and were received by Jens Olson Kaasa, a well-known resident of W. Erie street. They remained there until the fall of the same year during which time one daughter died, when they went West and located at Capron, where they have lived since. Mr. Lee died April 10, 1884, at the age of 70 years, having been a successful farmer. Mrs. Lee now lives with her daughter, Mrs. Charles Anderson, who is also a widow, her husband having died in 1900. The old lady is still hale and hearty at the great age of 84 years. Of her nine children only four are living —two sons and two daughters, namely: Mrs. Charles Anderson, at Capron; Mrs. Charles Bentzen, wife of an officer of the Chicago fire department; Ben (Bjørn) lives in Chicago; Henry Lee lives in Nebraska,



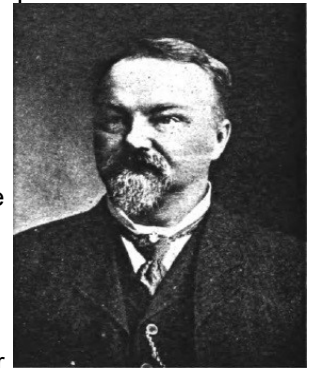
Mrs. Hilleborg Lee.

OSCAR JOHAN LEE, The electric and terreometric engineer, connected with the Electric Metal-Locating Company of **Chicago**, was born at Ostlie, near Fredariksstad, Norway, Feb. 20, 1869, his parents being Julius Olsen and Karen (Andersen) @stlie. His early life was passed in the country. He passed through the amt school in Borge sogn, near Fredriksstad, Norway, and afterward worked as bookkeeper at Moum Sawmill, near Fredriksstad, until 19 years old, when he left for America. After locating in Chicago, he studied electrical work while acting as shipping clerk for "foodbury 8: Co., in 1895-96. In 1897 he went to work for the Cosmo Electric Company, Chicago; was made foreman in 1898 and manager in 1899. In 1900 he accepted a position as chief electric and terreometric engineer for the Electric Metal Locating Company of Chicago. He is the patentee of two improvements on the electric metal-locating instrument, which operates on scientific principles and has proven its value by successful demonstrations and actual work in the mining field. He has also invented a danger and telephone signal for railroads, its object being absolutely to prevent all collisions. The signals can be operated electrically by station agents or by men in charge of the system; and the telephone attachment in connection with it is intended for use in telephoning from intermediate points between stations and to serve as a valuable instrument and especially appreciated where there is a great distance between the railroad stations. An electric worker, his inventions and patents are all in that line, he having many telephone improvements to his credit. He was married to Miss Augusta Olsen, of Chicago, May 17, 1900. They have one daughter, Florence Catherine, born in Chicago, July 20, 1902. The family resides at 1555 Monticello ave nue, Chicago.



O. J. Lee.

KARL LUDVIG LEHMANN, The well-known engineer, was born in Skjolden, Sogn, Norway, May 6, 1860. His father, . and mathematics, and Hans Lehmann, was a merchant in Bergen and Sogn, Norway. Karl graduated from Middelskolen in Bergen and afterward spent five years at the polytechnic institute in Zurich, Switzerland, applying himself especially to engineering traveled extensively in France, Italy and Germany during vacations. Was also assistant on the Indo-European measurements of degrees. At the age of 21 he returned to Bergen and gave private instruction in mathematics. In 1882 he came to America. As the times were very hard for engineers, and for newcomers especially, he secured a position with the Cunard Line as clerk and interpreter, at the same time teaching a few private classes. From 1887 to 1890 he was assistant to the bridge engineer of the city of St. Paul, superintending the construction of the high bridge and the Wabasha street cantilever bridge, both across the Mississippi River, the former being half a mile long. He is a member of the Civil Engineers' Society of St Paul. Returning to **Chicago**, he opened an office for himself as civil engineer and architect. During the construction of the World's Fair he was employed by the engineering departments on most of the buildings, designing among others the iron work of the Electrical Building; the structural part, with long trusses, of the Forestry Building, built without the use of iron. In his private capacity Mr. Lehmann designed the proposed GOO-foot World's Fair tower, of which only the foundation was built, time being too short to complete it. He has several patents on tower constructions. The Tattersalls, on Fourteenth street, was built by him. He also designed and calculated elevated railways and drawbridges, and was the consulting engineer for two fireproofing companies during 1896; also contractor for iron erection in buildings. In the summer of 1897 he went to 'Dastn City, Klondike, where he remained for two years, for a time chief engineer for a tramroad; later for waterworks; he was also interested in mining and river transportation and got a patent on his self propelling river boat. In 1900 he was employed as chief designer of bascule bridges by the city of Chicago, the Clybourn place bridge being the first of its kind in this country. In 1902 he went into partnership with the city engineer, the firm's name being Ericson & Lehmann. In 1903 he took a four months' trip to Norway; and after returning continued his business alone, designing the Oshkosh drawbridge, the ironwork for a number of buildings, and lately the Michigan avenue bridge, the longest bascule bridge in the world.



K. L. Lehmann.

During the years 1906-1910 **Dr. J. N. Lenker** and others began a campaign for the study of Scandinavian in the high schools and common schools of the Northwest. Lenker pleaded in writing and lectures for a three-language education — the language of the land, the language of the immigrant homes, and a language for professional purposes. A few common school districts introduced Norwegian, but only a few. In 1910 the high schools of Minneapolis were ready to try the experiment of offering Norwegian and Swedish alongside of German and French. And why should they not? Norwegian and Swedish are just as good languages as are German and French. Norwegians and Swedes outnumber the German and French in Minnesota and surely have the right to get the kind of school subjects they want their children to study, seeing that they are paying their share of the taxes. Thus they reasoned. Dr. J. N. Lenker is as enthusiastic as ever, and Miss Michelet is still at her post, at South High, Minneapolis. **Dr. Lenker is German-Scotch-Irish but his better half is Norwegian.** He claims that the Scotch-Irish in him is of the Old Norse strain from Edinburgh. Mrs. Lenker, before her marriage, was Nora Cecilia Walstead, for many years president of the Walsh County Normal and Agricultural School in North Dakota and state rural supervisor of schools in California. This happy pair has a daughter, appropriately named Lutherin Lenker, in view of the fact that Lenker has been a translator of Luther into English and the author of "Lutherans in All Lands." Miss Michelet is the first teacher of Norwegian in any public high school in the United States. She is the author of a text book for high schools — "First Year Norse," which has run six editions already. She has edited Dr. Agnes M. Wergeland's works and written much on modern language instruction. Minneapolis is still the center of the agitation for the study of Norwegian in the high schools. The teachers in this subject in 1925 are: Maren Michelet, South High; A. C. Erdahl, Central High ; E. Pauline Farseth, North High ; and B. O. Eggen, Roosevelt High.



Neil Levang (January 3, 1932 – January 26, 2015) was an American musician who was best known from television's The Lawrence Welk Show, playing guitar, violin and banjo Levang performed as a studio musician on many television shows including Little House on the Prairie, The Ed Sullivan Show, The Brady Bunch, The Monkees, Highway to Heaven, Green Acres, Petticoat Junction, and a host of Hanna-Barbera cartoons. He was the featured guitarist with Naomi and Wynonna Judd on the 1985 and 1986 Academy of Country Music Association Awards television broadcast. He was the subject of an extensive career profile by historian Rich Kienzle in the December 2009 issue of Vintage Guitar Magazine

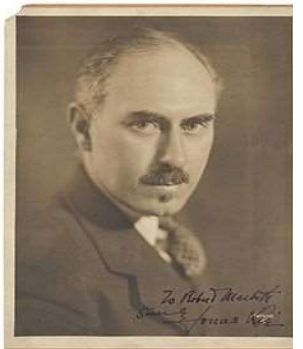


Arne Brun Lie (February 2, 1925 - April 11, 2010) was a Norwegian-American author and Holocaust survivor , best known for the book Night and Fog: A Survivor's Story (1990). Born in Oslo , Norway , Lie was a member of the Norwegian Resistance during the Occupation of Norway by Nazi Germany . He was captured by the Gestapo in 1943 for resistance activity at sixteen years of age. He spent a year in Nazi concentration camps , including Natzweiler-Struthof and Dachau . He was released in 1944. Following his release, Lie moved back to Norway. He immigrated to the United States in the early 1980s, and since then became public about his Holocaust experience, publishing a book and releasing a documentary film. Lie moved to Ipswich, MA in 1989. He was the brother of Sylvei Brun Lie, who is the wife of the famous Norwegian lawyer, judge and politician Jens Evensen



Artists

Jonas Lie (April 29, 1880 - January 18, 1940) was a Norwegian-born American painter. He is best known for colorful paintings of coastlines of New England and city scenes of New York City. Jonas Lie was born in Moss, in Østfold county, Norway. His father Sverre Lie, was a Norwegian civil engineer and his mother Helen Augusta Steele, was an American from Hartford, Connecticut. His father was a brother of Thomasine Lie who had married their cousin Jonas Lie, the famous Norwegian author, whom the painter was named after. Their home was a meeting place for famous people such as Henrik Ibsen, Bjørnstjerne Bjørnson, Edvard Grieg, and Georg Brandes. In 1892 his father died and 12-year-old Jonas was sent to stay with his aunt and uncle, Thomasine and Jonas Lie, in Paris. Having already received drawing instruction from Christian Skredsvig in Norway, he now attended a small private art school. The following year, he joined his mother and sisters in New York City. Between 1901 and the memorial exhibition in 1940 his work was shown all over America. In 1905 Lie exhibited 34 pictures in the Pratt Institute, Brooklyn Museum of Art. Between 1905 and 1938 Lie had 57 one-man shows, each including from 12 to 45 paintings. He participated in important annual and biennial exhibitions at the National Academy of Design, the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, the **Art Institute of Chicago**, and the Corcoran Gallery of Art in Washington as well as most of the world fairs. While living in Panama in 1913, he painted scenes of the construction of Panama Canal which were later donated to U.S. Military Academy at West Point in memory of the West Pointer who, as chief engineer, was most potent in channeling the isthmus, General George W. Goethals. In 1932, Jonas Lie was awarded the Knight of Order of St. Olav by the King of Norway. Jonas Lie often depicted the sea, channels, and ships with dramatic perspective and powerful use of color. He became known for colorful impressionistic scenes of harbors & coves, painted during the many summers he spent on the coasts of New England & Canada. Throughout his prolific career he painted brilliantly colored images of the rocky coves and harbors that identify the region's dramatic shoreline.



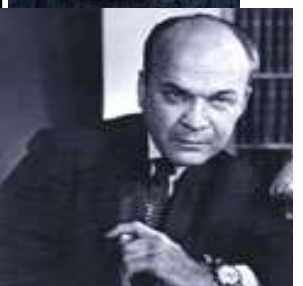
Entertainment

Peter Lieberson (October 25, 1946 – April 23, 2011) was an American classical composer. Peter Goddard Lieberson was born in New York City. He was the son of ballerina and choreographer Vera Zorina (née Eva Brigitta Hartwig) and Goddard Lieberson, president of Columbia Records.



Scientists

Clarence Walton "Walt" Lillehei (October 23, 1918 - July 5, 1999), was an American surgeon who **pioneered open-heart surgery**, as well as numerous techniques, equipment and prostheses for cardiothoracic surgery. Clarence (often referred to as "Walt") Lillehei was born in Minneapolis, Minnesota, the son of Dr. Clarence Ingvald Lillehei (1892-1973) and Elizabeth Lillian (Walton) Lillehei (1891-1973). He attended the University of Minnesota at the age of 17. He earned 4 degrees at the University of Minnesota, including his B.S. (with distinction) in 1939, his M.D. (Alpha Omega Alpha) in 1942, his M.S. in physiology in 1951, and his Ph.D. in surgery in 1951.



Entertainment

Kristina Lilley (born August 31, 1963, New York, USA) is a Colombian-American actress best known for numerous roles in Spanish-language soap operas. Recently, she has appeared in several telenovelas produced by Telemundo. Her latest TV series is Dame Chocolate. Lilley was born in New York City to American diplomat John Lilley and Norwegian mother Ellen Christensen, who was born in Bergen. Her family moved to Colombia when she was three years old; Lilley identifies herself with Colombian culture. She studied biology at the Pontifical Xavierian University before becoming an actress. She speaks both Spanish, and English with a New York accent fluently. She has two daughters: Maegan (b. 5 January 1989) and Raket Suárez (b. 4 December 1993)



Entertainment

Britt Lind was born on September 26, 1945 in Sauda, Norway. She is an actress and director, known for *How the West Was Won* (1976), *Columbo* (1971) and *Nowheresville* (2000). Born: September 26 , 1945 in Sauda, Norway



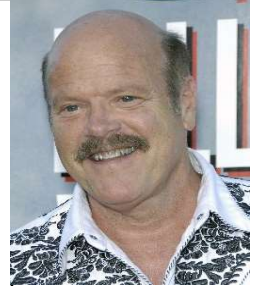
Founders

Jafet Lindeberg (September 12, 1874 - November 5, 1962) was a gold prospector and co-founder of the city of Nome, Alaska. Jafet Isaksen Lindeberg was born in Kvænangen, Troms county, in Norway. In his youth, he tried prospecting for gold in northern Norway. Lindeberg's father, Isak, was a farmer and fisherman. He had come to the region from the valley of Norrbotten, an ancient iron mining region in Norrbotten County, Sweden.



Entertainment

Rex Maynard Linn (born November 13, 1956) is an American film and television actor. He is best known for his role as Frank Tripp in the television series **CSI: Miami**. Linn was born in Spearman, Hansford County, Texas, the third child, and second son, of Darlene (née Deere) and James Paul Linn. In August 1969, his parents relocated the family to Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, where his father practiced law. There he attended Heritage Hall and later Casady School, an independent school affiliated with the Episcopal Church, and was employed part-time at the Oklahoma City Zoo. It was in November 1975, after seeing Jack Nicholson in *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest*, that Linn announced that he really wanted to be an actor.



Politicians

Philip Livingston (January 15, 1716 - June 12, 1778) was an American merchant and statesman from New York City. He was a delegate for New York to the Continental Congress from 1775 to 1778, and signed the Declaration of Independence. Philip Livingston was born in Albany, New York, on January 15, 1716, the fourth surviving son of Philip Livingston (1686–1749), 2nd Lord of the Manor and Catherine Van Brugh Livingston, the daughter of Albany, New York, Mayor Pieter Van Brugh. Along with his brother, William Livingston (1723–1790), he grew up in the Albany area, dividing his time between his father's Albany Townhouse and the Manor House in Linlithgo, at the junction of the Roeliff Jansen Kill and the Hudson River.



Business

THOR HAGBARTH LOBERG, Assistant to the manager for the foreign sales department of the International Harvester Company of America, with headquarters in **Chicago**, was born in Skien, Norway, March 6, 1869. His father, Lars Thorsen Loberg, visited America in 1871-'74 and assisted in erecting the old exposition building on the Lake Front, after which he returned to Norway. In 1892 he came to America again, bringing his family, and located in Milwaukee, where he died in 1894. Thor's mother, Anne Laurine Loberg (née Sand), is now living in Milwaukee with another son and three daughters. Mr. Loberg graduated from the public schools in Skien, Norway, in 1883, and afterward clerked in the harbor master's office in the same place, until 1888, when he came to America and located in Milwaukee. Here he secured work as clerk with the Milwaukee Harvester Company, holding different positions—timekeeper, stock clerk, shipping clerk, auditor, traveler and foreign correspondent. When the International Harvester Company absorbed the Milwaukee concern Mr. Loberg was included in the transfer and later sent to the main office in Chicago, at 7 Monroe street. His knowledge of the English language was acquired by home study and observation, and his present responsible position, that of assistant to the sales manager for foreign countries, is due entirely to hard work and energy. He was married to Miss Della Haagensen, in Milwaukee, Jan. 9, 1901. They have two children—Mildred Julia Laurine, 5 years, and Lawrence Haakon, 2; years old. Mr. Loberg and family belong to the Norwegian-Danish Methodist Episcopal Church at Evanston, where he frequently fills the pulpit. They reside in their own beautiful home, just completed, at 2123 Maple avenue, Evanston.



T. H. Loberg.

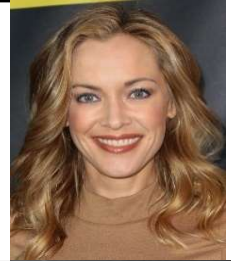
Entertainment

Jeanette Loff (born Janette Clarinda Lov; October 9, 1906 – August 4, 1942) was an American actress and singer. Born to Danish and Norwegian immigrants, Loff was raised throughout the Pacific Northwest, and began singing professionally as a lyric soprano and performing as an organist while a teenager in Portland, Oregon. In 1927, she was signed to a film contract by Cecil B. DeMille, and worked as a contract player for Pathé Exchange and later, Universal Pictures. Loff was born Janette Clarinda Lov in Orofino, Idaho to Marius (Maurice) and Inga Loff (née Loseth). Her family name was originally Lov and for a while she used the stage name "Jan Lov". She was the eldest of a family of five children. Her father was Danish and her mother was Norwegian. Her father was a professional violinist from Copenhagen. The family relocated to Wadena, Saskatchewan, Canada during her infancy, and later to Ottertail, Minnesota, where she lived with her younger sister, Irene.



Entertainment

Kristanna Loken (born October 8, 1979) is an American actress and model. She is best known for her roles in the films Terminator 3: Rise of the Machines (2003), BloodRayne (2005) and Bounty Killer (2013) and on the TV series Painkiller Jane (2007), The L Word (2007-2008) and Burn Notice (2011-2012).



Sport

Newton C. Loken (February 27, 1919 - June 28, 2011) was an artistic gymnast and coach of gymnastics, trampolining and cheerleading. While a member of the Minnesota Golden Gophers men's gymnastics team, Loken was NCAA all-around gymnastics champion in 1942 and the Big Ten Conference all-around champion in 1941 and 1942. He was the coach of the University of Michigan gymnastics team for 36 years from 1948-1983. Loken's gymnasts won the NCAA championships in 1963 and 1970, as well as 12 Big Ten championships. His record as Michigan's gymnastics coach was 250-72-1. Loken also coached the Michigan trampolining team to NCAA championships in 1969 and 1970. Born in Breckenridge, Minnesota, of Norwegian descent, Loken attended West High School in Minneapolis where he became Minnesota's all-around gymnastics champion in the late 1930s.



Medal of Honor

Berger Holton Loman (24 August 1886 - 9 May 1968) was a U.S. Army soldier, assigned to Company H, 132d Infantry, 33d Division. Born in Norway, he received the Medal of Honor for his actions near Consenvoye, France, on October 9, 1918 during World War I. Medal of Honor Presentation Ceremony - February 9, 1919, at Chaumont, France. General John J. Pershing presided.

- Rank and organization: Private, U.S. Army, Company H, 132d Infantry, 33d Division.
- Place and date: Near Consenvoye, France, 9 October 1918.
- Entered service at: **Chicago**, Illinois.
- Born. 24 August 1886, Bergen, Norway.
- General Order No. 16. Department of War 1919.

Citation: When his company had reached a point within 100 yards of its objective, to which it was advancing under terrific machine gun fire, Pvt. Loman voluntarily and unaided made his way forward after all others had taken shelter from the direct fire of an enemy machine gun. He crawled to a flank position of the gun and, after killing or capturing the entire crew, turned the machine gun on the retreating enemy.



Artists

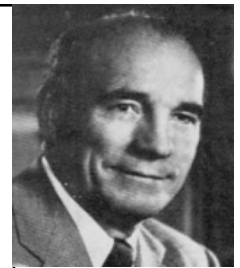
Ida Margrethe Lorentzen (born December 11, 1951 in New York City) is an American born, Norwegian artist known for her paintings of interiors of a melancholic nature. Ida Lorentzen was raised and educated in New England and Oslo. She studied at Boston University's School of Fine Arts (1970–1974) and the Norwegian National Academy of Fine Arts in Oslo (1974–1979). She was awarded the Hassam, Speicher, Betts, and Symons Purchase Fund from the American Academy of Arts and Letters in 1995 for her Room With a View, (1993). She married Erik Nilsen-Moe in 1974. Ida Lorentzen has painted several portrait commissions, Queen Sonja of Norway (1994) and the Coronation Ceremony in the Nidaros Cathedral in 1991. Master dissertations are on file at Oslo University, Bergen University and Tromsø University.



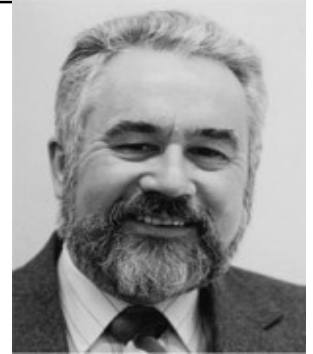
Norman Lorentzsen

Scandinavian-American Hall of Fame 1987

The son of Norwegian immigrants, he worked his way to the position of CEO of Burlington Northern Railroad, while volunteering to promote various Norwegian organizations.



Odd Sverre Lovoll (born October 6, 1934) is an American author, historian and educator. Odd Sverre Lovoll was born in Sande, in Møre og Romsdal, Norway. He immigrated to the United States in 1946 and is a naturalized United States citizen. Lovoll received his education both in Norway and in the United States, passing university exams at the University of Bergen in 1961 and at the University of Oslo in 1966 and 1967. Lovoll graduated from the University of North Dakota (M.A. 1969) and from the University of Minnesota (Ph.D. 1973). He served on the faculty of the University of Minnesota from 1967 to 1970. For thirty years, Lovoll served on the faculty of St. Olaf College. He retired from the King Olav V Chair in Scandinavian-American Studies at St. Olaf College in 2000. Lovoll continues a part-time appointment in History at the University of Oslo. From 1980 until 2001 he served as publication editor for The Norwegian-American Historical Association. In that capacity he edited and supervised publication articles mainly on Norwegian-American and Scandinavian-American immigration. He has been published in both Norway and the United States.

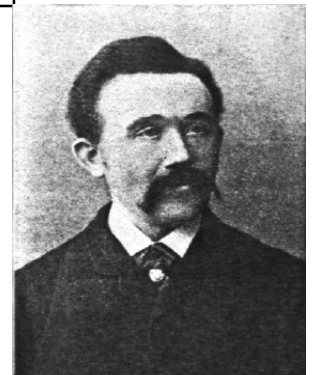


HANS CHRISTIAN LOWS Is a son of Johan Vogelsang (supreme court attorney) and Sophie Charlotte Lows, of Christiania. He was born there on April 5, 1860. After completing his education in Norway, (Fredriks hald), he studied abroad, principally in Antwerp, Belgium. Returning to Norway, he clerked for a time for Steen & Strom, dry goods dealers in Christiania, and then entered the employ of Thy gesen & Ellingsen, wholesale provision dealers. Later he started the firm of Lows & Co., in the same line, in Christiania. On arrival in New York Mr. Lows became a member of the Produce Exchange and engaged for some time in the export business. Later he engaged in the merchandise brokerage business in **Chicago**. Since 1899 Mr. Lows has been in the insurance business in connection with loans. He is a member of the Onwentsia Club of Lake Forest and lives at the Virginia Hotel.



Hans Christian Lows.


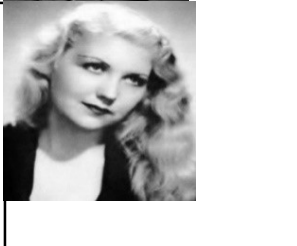



HANS LUND, The wagon and carriage maker, was born in Spydeberg parish, Smaalenenes amt, Norway, March 5, 1860. His parents were Anth and Alette (Hansen) Olsen. He attended the common schools in Norway and was confirmed in the Spydeberg Lutheran Church. While very young he was apprenticed to learn the trade of a wagon maker, and spent five years with the same firm in mastering the business. He came to **Chicago** in 1884 and immediately secured employment with C. P. Kimball & Co., where he worked for over thirteen years, or until 1897. In that year he engaged in the business of carriage and wagon making on his own account, which he is still conducting at 38-44 W. Huron street, corner of Curtis, where he occupies a large four-story building. He was married to Karen Hansen in Chicago, Jan. 13, 1888. They have four children, namely: Henry Arnold, born in 1889; Karen Hilma, 1891; Anna Mathilda, 1893; Oscar Magnus, 1897. Mr. Lund served three years in the Norwegian army. He is a member of the Masonic Fraternity. His father died in Norway three years ago, but his mother is living and in good health. The family are members of St. John's Norwegian Lutheran Church and reside at 853 Cortez street.



Hans Lund.

John Lund (February 6, 1911 - May 10, 1992) was an American film actor who is probably best remembered for his role in the film *A Foreign Affair* (1948), directed by Billy Wilder, and a dual role in Mitchell Leisen's *To Each His Own* (1946). According to one obituary, his "film career was cut to a familiar pattern: the young actor imported to Hollywood after a big success on Broadway begins by playing the handsome guy who gets the girl, then descends by gradual degrees to being the male lead in minor westerns and occasionally, in major films, being the handsome guy who does not get the girl because he lacks the spark of the hero who does."



Norsk Hostfest	<p>John M. Lund Scandinavian-American Hall of Fame 2006 John M Lund is the Chief Executive Officer of Sons of Norway, the largest Norwegian-American organization in the world, dedicated to preserving and promoting the Norwegian culture and heritage.</p>	
Entertainment	<p>Lucille Lund (June 3, 1913 - February 15, 2002) was an American film actress of the 1930s. Lucille Lund was born in Buckley, Washington to Olaf Sylfestson Lund (1888-1940) and Laura (Skjelkvåle) Lund (1885-1972), who were immigrants from Oppland, Norway. She began her theatrical career as a child doing play extracts and readings. After leaving school she joined Henry Duffy Players, a stock company and toured up and down the Pacific Coast. She then studied drama at Northwestern University in Chicago.</p>	
Writers	<p>Ferdinand Lundberg (April 30, 1902 – March 1, 1995) was an American journalist known for his frequent and potent criticism of American financial and political institutions. His work has been credited as influences on Robert Caro, Ralph Nader, Betty Friedan, and others. Born in Chicago, Illinois, Ferdinand Lundberg received B.A. and M.A. degrees from Columbia University.</p>	
Seamen	<p>Harrald Olaf Lundeberg (March 25, 1901 - January 28, 1957) was a merchant seaman and an American labor leader. Lundeberg left his home in Oslo, Norway at age 14, joined the Seamen's Union of Australia in 1917 and transferred into the Sailors' Union of the Pacific in Seattle in 1923. He sailed for 21 years on sailing ships and steamers of a variety of flags, eventually earning American citizenship</p>	
Artists	<p>Signe Lund-Skabo (15 April 1868 – 6 April 1950) was a Norwegian composer. Signe Lund was born in Christiania, Norway, the daughter of Lieutenant Colonel Henrik Louis Bull Lund (1838–1891), and pianist Birgitte Theodora Carlsen (1843–1913), and was the sister of artist Henrik Lund. She studied with Erika Nilsson, Per Winge and Iver Holter at the Conservatory in Christiania. Later she studied in Berlin with Wilhelm Berger and also in Copenhagen and Paris. After completing her studies she worked as a teacher in Norway. She married Jørgen Skabo and later French architect George Robards. Lund emigrated to the United States about 1900 and took a position teaching at Maryville State Normal School. She became active in the North Dakota Socialist party and Non-Partisan League and circulated petitions for the release of anti-war activist Kate Richards O'Hare from state prison in Missouri, which led to her dismissal from the Maryville teaching position.[1] She worked in New York City and Chicago as a performer and lecturer until 1920. Lund received the King's Medal of Merit for contributions to strengthening of the relationship between the United States and Norway, but lost her U.S. citizenship after World War II and returned to Norway. She died in Oslo. Norwegian-American composer is Signe Lund. In 1917 she competed with 600 other composers and won the prize of \$500.00 awarded by the National Arts Club of New York for the best American war song, entitled, "The Road to France." She composed the music for "Du Lann," which was written for the Norwegian Singers' Siene~Lund Association and sung by them at the Sangerfest in Fargo, 1912. She wrote the text and music to "Mor Norge," dedicated to the Minnesota Singers who visited Norway in 1923. Lives now at Oslo.</p>	

Business

DR. MARTIN J. LUNN. Doctor Martin J. Lunn, 1515 N. Clark street, **Chicago**, was born Nov. 23, 1870, on the old Lunnhomestead at Beloit, Rock county, Wis., to which place his grandparents immigrated from Stavanger, Norway, in the early '40's. Dr. Lunn's grandfather, a sturdy Norseman, although above the eligible age for military service, enlisted in the Fortieth Wisconsin Volunteers, and was killed on the battlefield in the Civil War. His son (Dr. Lunn's father), then a mere youth, upon the death of his father, enlisted in the Sixty-seventh Wisconsin Volunteers and did battle until the close of the war. Upon his return to the old homestead he married Miss Isabelle Stensland, and both still continue on the Beloit farm, where they have raised a large family. Dr. Lunn's boyhood days were spent on the farm, where he attended district school, Beloit High School and Beloit College. He later came to Chicago, and, after being employed for some years with various concerns, entered the Chicago College of Physicians and Surgeons, from which he graduated in 1902. Dr. Lunn is a typical Norwegian, tall and rugged, and of good physique. He has been and is a vigorous promoter and participant of all athletic sports, and has an extensive acquaintance among the athletes of the West. As a physician and surgeon he has been very successful, and has acquired a lucrative practice. In 1900 he was married to Miss Belle Boyle of Chicago with whom he resides at above address.

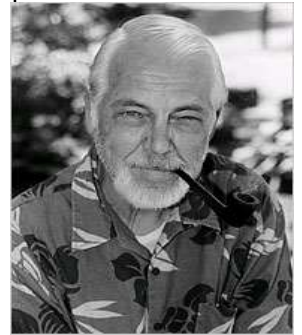


Dr. Martin J. Lunn.

Academics

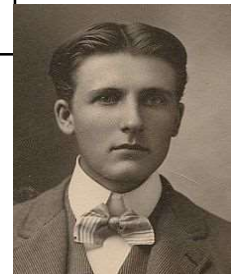
David Thoreson Lykken (June 18, 1928 - September 15, 2006) was a behavioral geneticist and Professor Emeritus of Psychology and Psychiatry at the University of Minnesota . He is best known for his work on twin studies and lie detection .

Born in Minneapolis, Minnesota , David Lykken was the youngest of seven children born to Henry G. Lykken and his wife Frances. He joined the United States Navy at 17 and then attended University of Minnesota on the G.I. Bill , earning his bachelor of arts (psychology, philosophy and mathematics) 1949, his master's degree in psychology and statistics in 1952, and his doctorate in clinical psychology and neuropsychiatry in 1955. He remained on Minnesota's permanent faculty for his entire career and taught as a visiting professor at Deep Springs College . He was an emeritus professor from 1998 until his death. Lykken's wife, wildlife advocate Harriet (Betts) Lykken, died in 2005. Lykken was survived by three sons: attorney Matthew Lykken, physicist Joseph Lykken , and criminologist Jesse Lykken, as well as ten grandchildren.



Scientists

Henry G. Lykken (December 9, 1880 – April 5, 1958) was an American civil engineer and inventor who is credited with invention of: emergency tires, pneumatic grain elevators, coal pulverizers, and the original flour milling equipment adopted by Pillsbury Mills. Henry G. Lykken was born in Dakota County, Minnesota and raised in Walsh County, North Dakota. He was the eldest of nine children born to Gilman Lykken (1854 - 1939), who emigrated from Telemark, Norway and Ella (Thoreson) Lykken (1860 - 1953). He was the father of David T. Lykken and grandfather of Joseph Lykken.



Scientists

Joseph David Lykken (born June 17, 1957) is a theoretical physicist at the Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory. As of July 1, 2014 he is the Deputy Director and Chief Research Officer of Fermilab. Lykken received his Ph.D. in 1982 from M.I.T. He works in the Fermilab Theory Department, and is a collaborator of the Compact Muon Solenoid (CMS) experiment at the CERN Large Hadron Collider. He is the son of David T. Lykken, noted psychologist, behavioral geneticist, and twinresearcher



Artists

Per Lysne (December 8, 1880 - September 21, 1947) was a Norwegian-American artist most associated with bringing the traditional Norwegian folk art of Rosemaling to the United States. Per A. Lysne was born on the Ljøsne farm in Lærdal , Sogn og Fjordane , Norway . He had been trained in rosemaling by Anders Olsen, an artist whose work was recognized at the Exposition Universelle at Paris in 1893. Lysne immigrated to Stoughton, Wisconsin with his wife in 1907. He specialized in redecorating antique chests and painting large platters. He developed a thriving rosemaling enterprise and taught the art to a select few. His signature piece, the smorgasbord plate, was not an object that typically had been decorated, but Lysne's new form had a pervasive influence.



Sport

Lars Lyssand is a retired American soccer player who played professionally in the USL First Division. Lars Robert Lyssand December 29, 1979 Redwood City, California. Born to a Norwegian immigrant father and a Swedish immigrant mother, Lyssand grew up in Northern California. He graduated from Woodside High School where he was a three-sport athlete – soccer, football and baseball. Lyssand attended San Jose State University, playing on the men's soccer team from 1998 to 2001, and was the 2001 Mountain Pacific Sports Federation Player of the Year. In February 2002, the San Jose Earthquakes selected Lyssand with the last pick (70th overall) of the 2002 MLS SuperDraft. Although he appeared as a guest player in an August 2002 game against America, Lyssand never played for the Earthquakes during the MLS season. In 2003, he signed with the Syracuse Salty Dogs of the USL A-League. The Salty Dogs ceased operations following the 2004 season. In March 2005, Lyssand signed a two-year contract with the Montreal Impact where he was a two-year starter. In 2007, Lyssand did not report to the Impact, refusing to play for them. On June 14, 2007, the Impact traded Lyssand to the Puerto Rico Islanders in exchange for Alen Marcina. Lyssand finished the season with the Islanders then retired from professional soccer.



Business

S. M. MAAKESTAD. Steve M. Maakestad was born in Hardanger, Norway, July 12, 1866. After attending the public schools he worked on his father's farm. S. M. Maakestad. He migrated to America in 1882, coming direct to Lee, Ill., where he has since remained. His first work in America was on a farm. He was then a clerk in M. P. Harris' store, at Lee, for some time. In 1895 he started a grocery for himself. The business prospered, and he has gradually added to and enlarged until he is now doing a general merchandise business. In 1903 he built his double two story brick building, of which one store and the living rooms are occupied by himself and the other half by a druggist. Mr. Maakestad was married to Miss Guri J. Bly, who is a native of Lee county, on Oct. 16, 1895. They have three children—Jacob Mervin, Thurbor Johanna and Melvin Johan. The family attends the Norwegian Lutheran Church, of which Mr. Maakestad has been trustee for three years. He has also been village trustee for two years and is a staunch republican in politics.



S. M. Maakestad.

Entertainment

Ai Hua is the stage name of **Charlotte MacInnis** (Michigan, 1981), an American TV personality in China, also known by the Chinese name Mu Aihua (literally: "Mu Love China"). Since the age of 10, she has studied and participated in various events of the Chinese culture that have led her into various roles throughout Chinese media. Her most recent work has been with China Central Television as the host of Growing up with Chinese. Charlotte was born in Michigan, in the United States, but moved to Nanjing, Jiangsu, China in 1988 when she was only 7 years old. Her ancestry is composed of Scottish and Norwegian descent. She lived there for 7 years before moving to Beijing in 1995. Growing up, she has stated that she has always felt more connected with China than the United States due to spending most of her childhood there. After spending 3 years in Beijing, she was admitted to Columbia University's Theatre Department where she performed in plays and roles in both American and Chinese versions. She has gone on to star and perform in various other works of media as she has advanced in her career.



Entertainment

Peter MacNicol (born April 10, 1954) is an American actor. He received a Theatre World Award for his 1981 Broadway debut in the play Crimes of the Heart. His film roles include Galen in Dragonslayer (1981), Stingo in Sophie's Choice (1982), Janosz Poha in Ghostbusters II (1989), camp organizer Gary Granger in Addams Family Values (1993), and David Langley in Bean (1997).



BEN T. MALAND, A member of the clothing firm of Maland & Anderson Bros., .Morris, Ill., is a native of Norway, having been born at Etne, Jan. 4, 1875. Ben T. Maland. He came to America when young and located in Grundy county, where he attended school and worked on a farm. In 1899 he secured a position with A. Lynch & Co., of Ottawa, as a clothing salesman, and a year later moved to Morris. Mr. Maland is a member of the Knights of Pythias and the Glengarry Golf Club. He was married to Enna Osmon on Aug. 15, 1895.



Ben T. Maland.

Anna Margrethe "Molla" Bjurstedt Mallory (née Bjurstedt; March 6, 1884 – November 22, 1959) was a Norwegian tennis player, naturalized American. She won a record eight singles titles at the U.S. Championships. Although she had won a bronze medal in singles for Norway at the 1912 Summer Olympics in Stockholm, and was the many-time champion of her homeland, Mallory was relatively unknown when she arrived in New York City to begin work as a masseuse in 1915. She entered the U.S. Indoor Championships that year unheralded and beat three-time defending champion Marie Wagner 6–4, 6–4, which was the first of her five singles titles at that tournament. She also won the singles title in Cincinnati in 1915. Mallory had less in the way of stroke equipment than most tennis champions. But the sturdy, Norwegian-born woman, the daughter of an army officer, was a fierce competitor, running with limitless endurance. Robert (Bob) Kelleher, a former president of the United States Tennis Association (USTA) and a ball boy during Mallory's era, once said, "She looked and acted tough when she was on the court hitting tennis balls. She walked around in a manner that said you'd better look out or she'd deck you. She was an indomitable scrambler and runner. She was a fighter. She was a player of the old school. She held that a woman could not sustain a volleying attack in a long match. "I do not know a single girl who can play the net game." Therefore, she relied on her baseline game, consisting of strong forehand attacks and a ceaseless defense that wore down her opponents. She took the ball on the rise and drove it from corner to corner to keep her opponent on the constant run. Her quick returns made her passing shots extremely effective.



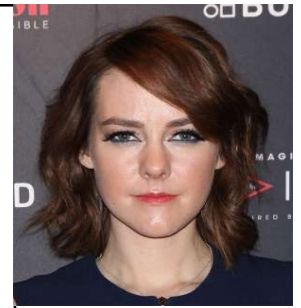
LUCIUS J. M. MALMIN, Attorney-at-law, was born in Stavanger, Norway, Aug. 1, 1863. His parents were Jonas and Ivana (Lossius) Malmin. His father, who was L. J. M. Malmin. a merchant in Stavanger, was born there, while his mother belonged to the well-known Lossius family from near Trondhjem. He came to America with his parents in 1871. when 8 years old. Since that time he has lived in Chicago, with the exception of a short time which he spent in Minnesota. His schooling began at the school conducted by the congregation of the Norwegian Our Saviour's Church, and continued until he went to Luther College, Decorah, Iowa, where he was a schoolmate of Rev. Seehus and the Torrison boys of Wisconsin. Later he studied at the Lake Forest Academy and Northwestern University, graduating from its law school, Union College, in 1883. One of his best friends and intimates at this school was W. J. Bryan. He graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Laws but being too young he had to wait one year before he got his certificate authorizing him to practice law. During this period he went to Minneapolis and was employed on the Tribune, intending to locate there permanently, but as soon as he was of age, he returned to **Chicago**, received his certificate as a lawyer, and has since practiced his profession in Chicago, having an extensive practice and some of the largest firms in the city as clients. He was married to Laura Udem, daughter of Iven and Dorothea Udem, well-known Norwegian pioneers, in Chicago, in 1886. Mrs. Malmin's father was one of the prominent Norwegian business men of Chicago and one of the founders of Our Saviour's Church, of which he was a trustee for many years. In 1906 our subject was a prominent candidate before the democratic convention for judge of the municipal court. The family, consisting of one daughter and two sons, reside in Ravenswood.



L. J. M. Malmin.

Entertainment

Jena Laine Malone (born November 21, 1984) is an American actress, musician and photographer. Malone made her acting debut in the television film *Bastard Out of Carolina* (1996); subsequently, she starred in a number of mainstream and independent films including *Ellen Foster* (1997), *Contact* (1997), *Stepmom* (1998), *Donnie Darko* (2001), *Life as a House* (2001), *Hitler: The Rise of Evil* (2003), *Saved!* (2004), *Pride & Prejudice* (2005), *Into the Wild* (2007), *The Ruins* (2008), *Sucker Punch* (2011) and *The Neon Demon* (2016). She played Johanna Mason in *The Hunger Games* film series. Malone is also an indie pop musician in two bands, *Jena Malone and Her Bloodstains* and *The Shoe*



Business

AMUND KNUDSEN MALUM Was born on the family estate, Gaarden Mahlum, Qier, Gudbrandsdalen, Norway, Dec. 16, 1858, his parents being Knud Amundsen and Ragnhild Mahlum. The subject of our sketch worked on his father's farm until 25 years old. He then came to America, arriving in **Chicago** on Feb. 2, 1873. His first six months in this country were devoted to work on a farm; then for nine months he worked as a carpenter. His first business venture was in a grocery with John O. Gilbo, as Gilbo & Malum, on W. Erie street, this partnership continued for nineteen years, having been dissolved in 1893. The same year he engaged in business for himself at 301 Haddon avenue, his present place. Mr. Malum married Helene Thompson, on Jan. 17, 1878. They have had six children, four now living. Mr. Malum is a director of the Norwegian Old People's Home Society, a member of the Norwegian Deaconess Hospital Society and of the Norwegian Children's Home Society. The family attends the Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church at Noble and Huron streets.



A. K. Malum.

Writers

Karl Arthur Marlantes (born December 24, 1944) is an American author and Vietnam War veteran. He has written two books: *Matterhorn* (2010) and *What It Is Like to Go to War* (2011). Marlantes grew up in Seaside, Oregon, a small logging town. He played football and was student body president at Seaside High School, from which he graduated in 1963. His father was the school principal.



Entertainment

Brit Heyworth Marling (born August 7, 1982) is an American actress and screenwriter. She rose to prominence after starring in several films that premiered at the Sundance Film Festival, including *Sound of My Voice* (2011), *Another Earth* (2011), and *The East* (2013), which she co-wrote in addition to playing the lead role. In 2016, she co-created, wrote, and starred in the Netflix series *The OA*. Marling was born in **Chicago, Illinois**, the daughter of property developer parents John and Heidi Marling. She was named "Brit" after her Norwegian maternal great-grandmother. She has a sister, Morgan Marling, who has been dating writer and director Francesca Gregorini since 2014. She grew up in Winnetka, Illinois, and attended the arts program at Dr. Phillips High School.



Sport

Dr. Karyn Marshall, DC, (born 1956) is an American Olympic weightlifter who won the first women's world championship in weightlifting, held in 1987. She also set 60 American and world records in women's weightlifting and in 1985 became the first woman in history to clean and jerk over 300 lb (136 kg), which she did with a lift of 303 pounds (137 kg). She became a doctor of chiropractic and runs a private practice in Shrewsbury, New Jersey while battling breast cancer since 2011. In 2011, Marshall was inducted into the USA Weightlifting Hall of Fame, and she was inducted into the International Weightlifting Hall of Fame in 2015. She gave a TED talk in 2015. Marshall was born in a Miami hospital in 1956 and grew up in Coral Gables, Florida. Her family moved to Bronxville, New York in the 1960s



Entertainment

E.G. Marshall Norwegian American Actor 1914-1998. It was common for actors to gain fame on radio, then move on to television, and succeed in that medium. E.G. Marshall did it the other way around. And he's probably the only major actor who did. Marshall was hardly an unknown when he landed the role of Lawrence Preston (the father in a father-and-son team of lawyers) in television's "The Defenders," a series launched in 1961 which had a four-season run. He had appeared prior to that on the stage, on radio, and in motion pictures - his most notable movie role being that of a Juror No. 4 in Twelve Angry Men (1957). Marshall had roles in other TV series after that: in "The Bold Ones" (from 1969 to 1973 as Dr. David Craig in the "The New Doctors" segments) and "**Chicago Hope**" (in 1994, as Dr. Arthur Thurmond).



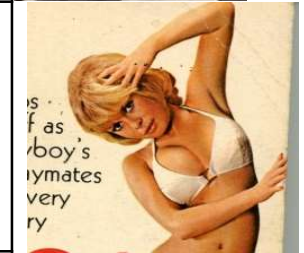
Museum

Past Presidents Cleng Peerson - Sons of Norway Chapter #525: 4.,6,9 1980-1984 [5] **Marion J. Marshall** (1916-2007)



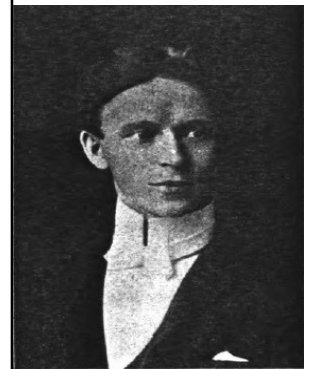
Models

Surrey Marshe (born Solveig Mellomborgen; November 11, 1947) was Playboy magazine's Playmate of the Month for its January 1967 issue. Her centerfold was photographed by Alexas Urba. Marshe wrote about her experiences as a playmate in a 1969 book, called The Girl In The Centerfold



Business

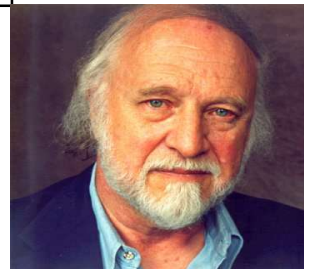
GUSTAV GERHARD MARTIN, The well-known job printer on W. North avenue, **Chicago**, was born in Mandal, Norway, Jan. 22, 1874. He attended school, was confirmed, and started to work at the printing industry with the Lister and Mandals Amtstidende in Norway. After his arrival in Chicago, in 1889, he worked for the John Anderson Publishing Company, mastering his trade and working as a journeyman. In 1894, when 21 years old, he started in the job printing business for him self on W. North avenue, and in Feb. 1902, Gustav G. Martin. moved into his own building at 761 W. North avenue. His business has been steadily increasing. until now he has the best equipped printing establishment on the Northwest Side. He is also the publisher of the Northwest News, a very successful Northwest Side weekly. Up to the time of engaging in business for him self Mr. Martin continually worked at his trade but devoted a great deal of his leisure time to reading and home study. At an early age he also became interested in the work of the Norwegian societies in Chicago. He is a member of the Norwegian Old People's Home Society, the Normzendcnes Singing Society, the Knights of the White Cross, the Norwegian Turner Society, the Sleipner Athletic Club, the Maccabees, and the Norwegian Tabitha' Hospital Society. For the past fifteen years he has been very active in the Norwegian Turner Society and has at different times held every office in the gift of the Association. He has also been Secretary of the Norwegian National League of Chicago; has been an active worker in the Tabitha Hospital Societ, and is at present a member of the board of the Norwegian Old People's Home. Also one of the directors of the Ben Franklin Club of Chicago. He was married to Rose Peterson. of Chicago, on July 19, 1899. They have one child, LionellIrving Martin.



Gustav G. Martin.

Directors

Richard Burton Matheson (February 20, 1926 - June 23, 2013) was an American author and screenwriter, primarily in the fantasy, horror, and science fiction genres. He is best known as the author of I Am Legend , a 1954 science fiction horror vampire novel that has been adapted for the screen four times, as well as the film Somewhere In Time for which he wrote the screenplay based on his novel Bid Time Return . Matheson also wrote 16 television episodes of The Twilight Zone , including "Nightmare at 20,000 Feet " and "Steel ". Matheson was born in Allendale, New Jersey to Norwegian immigrants Bertolf and Fanny Matheson. They divorced when he was 8, and he was raised in Brooklyn, New York by his mother



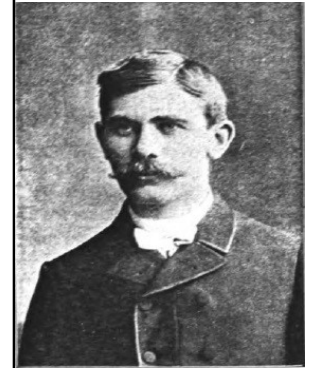
Directors

Richard Christian Matheson (born October 14, 1953) is an American writer of horror fiction and screenplays. He is the author of over 100 short stories of psychological horror and magic realism which are gathered in over 150 major anthologies and in his critically hailed hardcover short story collections *Scars and Other Distinguishing Marks*, Amazon #1 bestseller *Dystopia* and *Zoopraxis*. He is the author of the suspense novel *Created By* and Hollywood novella of magic realism *The Ritual of Illusion*, and was the editor of the commemorative book *Stephen King's Emmy Winning BATTLEGROUND*. Matheson also adapted the short story which was made into an iconic episode of the TNT series "Nightmares & Dreamscapes" and won two Emmys. His father was fiction writer and screenwriter Richard Matheson and his paternal grandparents are from Norway



Religious

REV. GUSTAV MATHISEN Was born at Sarpsborg, Norway, Oct. 30, 1858. His parents were Mathis and Olia (Olsdatter) Andersen. The former died a few years ago, but the mother is still living at the advanced age of 86 years. Rev. Mathisen was educated in the common school and confirmed in the Lutheran Church. During his early youth he worked in the flour mills at Sarpsborg, Moss and Christiania. In 1870 a great revival occurred in the Methodist Church at Sarpsborg and with his whole family Mr. Mathisen joined that church. From Christiania he emigrated to America and came to **Evanston, Ill.**, in January 1857, where he entered the Norwegian-Danish M. E. Theological School, from which he graduated as a preacher three years later. His first preaching place was in Moreland, Chicago, as assistant to Rev. G. Christoffersen, and at present he is occupying the same pulpit for the second time. On Sept. 20, 1894, Rev. Mathisen was married to Miss Olive Pedersen at Milwaukee, Wis. Her parents are Peter and Lina Pedersen. With his wife Rev. Mathisen has had three children: Ruth Golden, born Nov. 7. 1895; Naomi Judith, April 21, 1897, and Gustav Morris, April 30, 1900. During his pastorate the church in Moreland has been rebuilt, the old church having become too small for the steadily growing congregation. Rev. Mathisen has been preaching in either Evanston or Chicago during the last ten years.



Rev. G. Mathisen.

Business

LOUIS MATSEN, The merchant tailor at 593 W. Madison street. was born in Christiania, Norway. May 5. 1868. His parents were Andreas and Johanne (Jacob sen) Matsen. He attended school Norway. Mr. Matsen came to America and **Chicago** in 1881, with his parents. Here he continued his schooling, attending evenings, and was confirmed by Rev. Torgersen. His parents returned to Norway in less than a year after their arrival. Our subject, then less than 14 years old, worked at anything he could find to do, and finally got a place as apprentice in a tailor shop, where he mastered the trade, and has followed it for the past twelve years, Mr. Matsen's store on W. Madison street is neat and commodious, and contains an endless variety of the finest suit ings. It is the home of good dressers. He was married to Amanda S. Soemo, of Porsgrund, Norway, daughter of Halvor Bruun and Maren Kristine Soemo, on May 20, 1391. They have three children—Edith Mabel, Grace Magarethe and Florence Myrtle, Mr. Matsen is a member of the Knights of Pythias, the family attend the Presbyterian Church and reside at 105 Ashland boulevard.



ISABELLA MATSON, Widow of the former popular **Sheriff of Cook County**, Canute R. Matson, is the daughter of Rev. Ole and Ragnild Anderson. born at Jefferson Prairie, Boone County, IL., Dec. 23, 1844. Mrs. Matson has been married twice, her first husband, Daniel Richolson. died in 1871, the year of the great fire. Three children were born of this union, all now dead. Mrs. Richolson married Mr. Matson on Dec. 13, 1876. They were blessed with four children, all living, namely, Marie Isabella, Frederick Roguaid, Canute Royal and Gertrude Ragnilda. Mrs. Matson's father, Rev. O. Anderson organized the first Isabella Matson. Norwegian Lutheran Church in Chicago. He has 'passed away but her mother is still living at the good old age of 81. Mrs. Matson has always taken an active interest in church and charity work as well as women's clubs and societies. She has been presi-dent of the Lutheran Woman's League for 5 years, a member of the Chicago Woman's Club for twelve years, for ten years president of the Norwegian Club "Vala," and President of the Chicago School Children's Aid Society, organized by Mrs. Judge Tuley in order to help destitute children of school age on account of the compulsory education laws. The society looks after clothing poor children. The fund for this purpose is raised by contributions from school children in the public schools themselves. Mrs. Matson has taken especial interest in this work. Mr. Matson's notable career as a citizen and public of ficial covers such an important period in Chicago's history that it will be referred to more properly in another part of this volume. Mrs. Matson attends the English Lutheran Trinity Church on La Salle Ave., and lives at 609 Cleveland Ave.

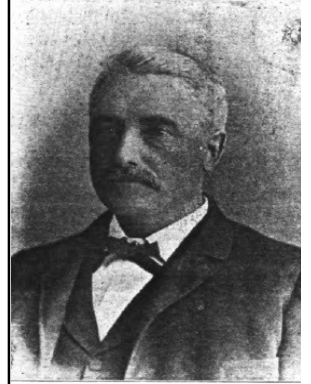


Isabella Matson.

Kimberly Marie Matula (born August 23, 1988) is an American actress, best known for her role as Hope Logan in the CBS daytime soap opera *The Bold and the Beautiful*. Matula was born in Fort Worth, Texas to David and Karin Matula. She is of Finnish ancestry. Matula has always dreamed of acting and created videos of her acting. She studied film at the University of Texas at Arlington, but dropped out because her acting career was taking off. In 2008, Matula appeared in the Lifetime movie *Queen Sized*, and in next year moved to Los Angeles, then in 2010, she landed the role of Hope Logan in the CBS daytime soap opera *The Bold and the Beautiful*.



OLE O. MAULAND, The well-known real estate man on the Northwest Side, **Chicago**, was born in Gaarden Mauland, Thime Sogn, near Stavanger, Norway, Sept. 5, 1833. He remained on his father's farmlattending the common school until he was confirmed, in Varhaugs Church, Nzerbø sogn, in 1849. He then went to Stavanger, where he was apprenticed to R. Sjørestad to learn the trade of a joiner and' carpenter. He completed his trade but was then offered a clerkship in a store in Stavanger and accented it. He remained with this firm for three years. On May 2, 1854, he left Stavanger on the sailship Arendal, Captain Pau'ison in command, for America, coming via Quebec to Chicago and arriving on June 22 of the same year. The voyage was a particularly pleasant one, having had fine weather all the time. He arrived in Chicago during the awful cholera epidemic but escaped its ravages. The first winter in America he spent at Beloit College. He then secured work in a sash and door factory in Chicago, and after two years at this work engaged in general carpenter work, so that his trade, thoroughly mastered in the old country, came handy. Mr. Mauland has been married twice. His first wife, whom he married on Dec. 18, 1859, was Amalia Thorsen, a sister of Johan Thorsen, of Haugesund. She died five years later, leaving him with two children—Josephine Mathilda, who died when six years old, and Adolph Olaus, who died recently and was past 40 years. Four years later, on May 17, 1868, he was married to Miss Hannah Marie Gruda, who had come to America when 14 years old. She is a daughter of Andreas and Maren Gruda, of Stavanger. This union was blessed with four children, namely: Alfred Johan, a veterinary surgeon, who practices his profession and lives on his father's farm, near Chicago, married to Stella Bielby, only daughter of Rev. and Mrs. R. Bielby of Mt. For est; Marie Amanda, who is married to Captain Hansen of the Chicago Fire department; Milla Josephine and Oluf H. Mauland, who are at home with their parents. Mr. Mauland early appreciated and believed in Ole O. Mauland. Chicago property, and after a few years' work for others he engaged in the building and renting of houses erected on his own property. His faith in Chicago has been amply rewarded, for he is now one of the largest property owners on the West Side. He also owns and rents several valuable farms. At 72 he is active, hale and hearty, and looks after his property personally. He is a member of Our Saviour's Norwegian Lutheran Church, having served both as trustee and cashier. The family resides at 164 N. Carpenter street. Mr. Mauland visited friends and relatives in Norway in 1874, and again in 1901.

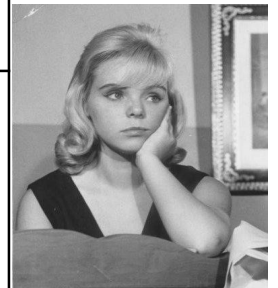


Ole O. Mauland.

Tom & Lynn Maxson of Leikarring Folk Dancers, Friends of the Viking Ship (FOVS)
Lynn Sove Maxson, president of the Norwegian National League of ...
Instructor Lynn Sove Maxson is a world-renowned Rosemaler from **Chicago's** Humboldt park area. Her parents came from Norway and met in Chicago. She has supported Cleng Peerson Lodge and the Norsk Museum for many years. Lynn received a scholarship from the Sons of Norway to attend the International Summer School at Oslo University in 2005. With her were about 500 other students from over 90 different countries joined Lynn at the Summer School. Lynn's focus was on perfecting her Norwegian language skills and learning more about Norwegian culture. **UNIQUE NORWEGIAN FUNDRAISER: 'Rosemalers Raise The Roof'** with special project. It started on June 1, 2013 in the Norway Museum, Norway, IL, home to the first permanent Norwegian settlement and Lutheran church in America.



Jennifer Helene Maxwell (September 3, 1941 – June 10, 1981) was an American film and television actress, probably best remembered for her role in the 1961 Elvis Presley film Blue Hawaii. Maxwell was the daughter of a construction worker of Norwegian descent (the original name of Moks vold was changed when the family emigrated in 1949), and a distant relative of Marilyn Monroe



Virginia Mayo (born Virginia Clara Jones; November 30, 1920 - January 17, 2005) was an American actress and dancer. She was in a series of comedy films with Danny Kaye and was Warner Brothers ' biggest box-office money-maker in the late 1940s. She also co-starred in the 1946 Oscar -winning movie The Best Years of Our Lives



Sport

Melinda" Midajah" McCullum (born March 23, 1970) is an American personal trainer, fitness model and former professional wrestling manager, better known by her ring name, Midajah. She is best known for her appearances with World Championship Wrestling from 1999 to 2001. McCullum was formerly married to the American bodybuilder Michael O'Hearn. McCullum is the eldest of four children and is of Norwegian, Irish, Spanish, and French descent. She attended school in both America and Mexico. While growing up, she participated in beauty pageants and worked as a child actress.



Entertainment

Joel Edward McHale (born November 20, 1971) is an American comedian, actor, writer, television producer, and television host. He is known for hosting *The Soup* and portraying Jeff Winger on the NBC/Yahoo! sitcom *Community*. He has appeared in the films *Spy Kids: All the Time in the World* (2011) and *Ted* (2012). He also starred in the short-lived CBS sitcom *The Great Indoors*. McHale was born in Rome, Italy, where his father, Jack McHale, worked as Dean of Students at Loyola University Rome Center. His mother, Laurie, is from Vancouver, Canada; and his father is from **Chicago, Illinois**. Of Irish and Norwegian descent, he was raised Catholic. He grew up on Mercer Island, Washington, and briefly in Haddonfield, New Jersey, near Philadelphia, before returning to his native Washington state. He attended Mercer Island High School.



Scientists

Pearl McIver (June 23, 1893 – 1976) was an American nurse and public official. She was noted for her work with the United States Public Health Service (USPHS) and was the first nurse to be employed by the body in providing consultation services on nursing administration. McIver later served with various health organizations, and retired in 1957 after being the USPHS' Chief of the Division of Public Health Nursing. She was inducted into the American Nurses Association Hall of Fame in 2014. McIver was born on June 23, 1893, in Lowry, Minnesota. She was the daughter of a Scottish immigrant father and her mother, from Minnesota, was of Norwegian descent.



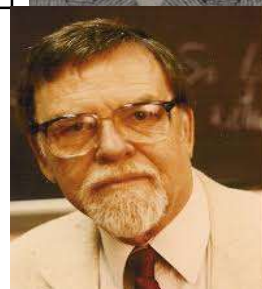
Writers

Kathryn McLean (née Anderson) (March 20, 1908 - May 15, 1966), best known by her pen name **Kathryn Forbes**, was an American writer and memoirist. Kathryn Anderson was born in San Francisco in 1908. Her grandmother emigrated to California from Norway in the late 19th century; both of Anderson's parents were native-born Americans. Kathryn married Robert McLean, a carpenter, with whom she had two sons



Academics

Paul Everett Meehl (3 January 1920 – 14 February 2003) was a clinical psychologist and Professor of Psychology at the University of Minnesota. A Review of General Psychology survey, published in 2002, ranked Meehl as the 74th most cited psychologist of the 20th century, in a tie with Eleanor J. Gibson. Throughout his nearly 60-year career, Meehl made seminal contributions to psychology, including contributions on construct validity, schizophrenia etiology, behavioral assessment and prediction, and philosophy of science. Paul Meehl was born January 3, 1920 in Minneapolis, Minnesota, to Otto and Blanche Swedal. His family name "Meehl" was his stepfather's.



Business

HANS CHRISTIAN MELAND. Mr. Meland was born in Bjørnør, Norway, on the 19th of February 1879. He received his first education in the common school in his home district. He was sent to high school (in Norway called middle school) at the city of Trondhjem when 16 years old. He graduated two years afterward, and after being in commercial business for a year he entered St. Hans Haugens Gymnasium, a well-known educational institution in Christiania, and pursued his study for two years at this college. In the spring of 1902 Mr. Meland came to America to complete his education. In 1903 he entered the John Marshall Law School, Chicago, from which he graduated three years afterward with the degree of L.L. B. He is in the real estate business and has his office at 1015-1106 Chicago Title and Trust Building, 100 Washington street. Mr. Meland was married in **Chicago**, Nov. 22, 1905, to Miss Ragnhild Anderson, a well-known pianist from Christiania, Norway, and lives at 213 N. Humboldt street.



H. C. Meland.

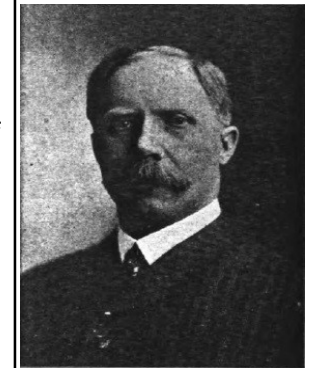
Ernest Oscar Melby (August 16, 1891 – January 11, 1987) was a professor, dean, and university president. Ernest Oscar Melby was born in Lake Park, Minnesota, the son of Ole Hanson and Ellen Stakke Melby. Melby received his B.A. from St. Olaf College in Northfield, Minnesota in 1913. He attended graduate school at the University of Minnesota to receive his masters and Ph.D. He married Aurora Herbert on December 29, 1914. Aurora and Ernest Melby met in Alexandria, Minnesota, when he was a physics teacher. They had one child, Stanley Herbert Melby

DR. NELS C. MELING, Of 952 Armitage avenue, **Chicago**, was born at Herø, Søndmøre, Norway, April 10, 1872, his parents being Christen C. and Bertha M. Meling. When Nels was nine years old his parents moved to Haugesund, where our subject graduated from middelskolen and then sailed on the ocean for two years. He emigrated at the age of 16, in 1888, to America, coming directly to Chicago. For three years he worked at a variety of trades, but in the fall of 1891 he entered Rush Medical College and graduated in 1895. During vacations Mr. Meling sailed on the Great Lakes. Since graduating he has been practicing medicine in Chicago. He was married to Miss Nellie Winger in 1897. They have two children—Arthur, seven years and Florence, four years old. Dr. Meling is a member of the Chicago Pathological Society, the Medico-Legal Society and the American Medical Association. He is also a member of the Masonic Fraternity—the Oriental Consistory and Medinah Temple of the Mystic Shrine.



Dr. Nels C. Meling.

ANTON A. MELUM, Head of the firm of Anton A. Melum & Sons, tailors, was born in Trøtten, Gudbrandsdalen, Norway, February 12, 1852. At the age of 11 he began active work serving as apprentice to a tailor doing work around the country near his home. Mr. Melum came to **Chicago**, May 6, 1869, and secured work in a wholesale tailoring establishment. In 1872 he was employed by the Edward Ely Co., the leading tailors of that time, and was soon made foreman. A strike in 1876, however, forced him out with the rest. He then Anton A. Melum. worked for several of the prominent tailors in Chicago, but soon mastered the art of cutting, and held responsible positions as cutter until he started in business for himself in 1891, in Scandia Hall. In 1892 he moved into the downtown district, where he has had a steadily growing business. In January 1905, his two sons, who had been with him, were admitted to the firm. Mr. Melum married Lena Johnson Bredshall, Aug. 21, 1879. They have three children. The family belonged to the Bethania Lutheran Church until Rev. Torgersen's death, in the fall of 1905, Mr. Melum serving for many years as trustee and treasurer. He also served as a director of Mt. Olive Cemeter, and was one of the organizers of the Norwegian Old People's Home Society. serving as its first vice-president; he has held the office of a director ever since. Their home is at 6621 Washington boulevard, Oak Park.

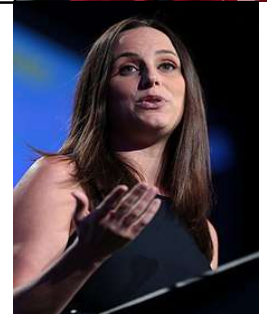


Anton A. Melum.

John Robert Menard Jr. (born January 22, 1940) is an American entrepreneur, philanthropist, and billionaire who is the founder and owner of Menards, a Midwestern chain of home improvement stores. He is also a former INDYCAR racing team owner. He is also the father of Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series driver Paul Menard. He is the 136th-richest person in the world, and the 68th-richest person in the United States. The oldest of eight siblings in a Catholic family with German, French-Canadian, and Norwegian roots, Menard attended Eau Claire Regis High School. He graduated from the University of Wisconsin–Eau Claire with a degree in business and a minor in psychology. Menard began his career constructing pole buildings with friends from college. He made his home in Eau Claire, Wisconsin.



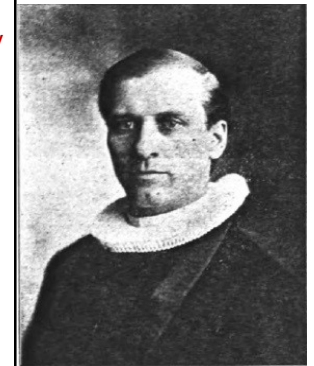
Alicia Jacobsen Menendez (born July 2, 1983) is an American television commentator, host, and writer. Alicia is currently contributing editor at Bustlehost of the Latina to Latina podcast. Currently, she is a correspondent on the PBS show Amanpour & Company. She was formerly the host of "Come Here and Say That" on Fusion, the cable network launched by ABC News and Univision in October 2013. Prior to that she was a Host and Producer at HuffPost Live, the streaming video network of The Huffington Post. Menendez grew up in Union City, New Jersey, the daughter of United States Senator Robert Menendez and Jane Jacobsen. Her father is of Cuban ancestry and her mother is of German, Norwegian, and Irish ancestry. She graduated from Harvard College in 2005.



David Menkin (born May 10, 1977) is a Norwegian-born American actor and voice actor. Menkin was born to a Norwegian mother and an American father in Moss, where he partially spent his childhood before the family moved to Beninto partake in Saga Petroleum's oil drilling in West Africa. In a 2018 radio interview he stated that the bi-cultural upbringing made "a great impression" on him. As an adolescent their family moved to London. He attended New York University and graduated in 1999 from Mountview Theatre School in London, where he still lives and works as an actor.



REV. JOHAN HANSEN MEYER "as born June 4, 1862, in Vik, Helgeland, Norway. After his confirmation he left home and Rev. J. H. Meyer. spent seven years at sea, in which time he worked himself up from a deck boy to quartermaster on the English mail steamers plying between England and Australia. During his frequent stays in London, England, he came in touch with the well-known Strangers' Rest Mission, conducted by the famous Agnes Hedenstrom. Here he was converted He had then a strong desire for mission work. But, only a poor sailor boy, there seemed no chance of securing an education. However, the longing was there. He then made an evangelistic tour through the ports of Sweden and Norway, where he held services in many cities, towns and country places. With the best of testimonials by a host of ministers and friends he came over to America, and in September 1886 entered the Theological Seminary at Morgan Park, Chicago—now of the **University of Chicago**—where he took a two-year special theological course. On the 'let of June 1888, he was ordained to the ministry in Bridgeport, Conn., by the Fairfield East Association of Congregational Churches. In this branch of God's church he worked for five years. But, having a longing for his Lutheran mother-church, its doctrine and usage, in which he had been raised, he left the Congregational Church and joined the United Norwegian Lutheran Church of America. Here he has since worked, with marked success, as the following shows: He organized the Beth lehem Norwegian Lutheran Church, in Brooklyn, N. Y., also the Immanuel Norwegian Lutheran Church, New York, N. Y., and was their pastor for three years. He also organized the Trinity Norwegian Lutheran Church, South Chicago, Ill., and the Trinity Norwegian Lutheran Church, Oakland, Cal. But the work that has made him most known is the building of Zion Norwegian Lutheran Church, Artesian and Potomac avenues, Chicago. When—in July 1887—he took charge of this work, the congregation consisted of but eleven families, with a little chapel heavily in debted. After seven years and three months of service in this parish he left a congregation of over 500 souls and one of the finest Norwegian churches in the city—a prOperty of about \$26,000 with but \$7,000 of debt. In June 1905, he organized Christ Norwegian Lutheran Church, Chicago, and is now its minister. Pastor Meyer was married in South Chicago on May 13, 1888, to Mathilda Pearson. a native of Sweden.



Rev. J. H. Meyer.

Kari Michaelsen (born Kari Markussen on November 3, 1961) is an American actress and motivational speaker. As an actress, she is best known for her role as Katie Kanisky on sitcom Gimme a Break! (1981-1987). Born in Manhattan , Michaelsen followed her parents into show business. Her father, Arne Markussen, is a singer. Her mother, Roberta Stevenson, was a dancer. She sang on the soundtrack for Sesame Street and was performing in Off-Broadway plays by age 11. In 1975 her family moved to Beverly Hills and Michaelsen (who changed her name from Markussen) soon won guest spots on such shows as Diff'rent Strokes and Eight Is Enough . Her father is of Norwegian heritage.



MRS. SOPHIE MICHAELSEN, Who is actively connected with the Tabitha Hospital Society and the Children's Home Society, was born in Aardal, Stavanger, Norway, on June 18, 1848. Her parents were John S. Skaarand Gurine Jensen. She was educated in the common schools in Norway and confirmed in the church at Aardal. She afterward attended a private school, and at the age of 22 was appointed at Josefina Stiftelsen, an orphan asylum in Stavanger, where she taught for four and a half years. She was married to Christian Michaelsen, a sea captain, of Stavanger, on Jan. 24, 1879. The following year they came to America, lo-leafing in **Chicago**, where they have resided since. They have two children, Christian Skaar, born Jan. 28, 1880, and Bertha Gurine, born Sept. 10, 1884. Both are at home with their parents. Mrs. Michaelsen was a member of the original and the present Tabitha Society and one of the active managers of the Children's Home Society. She is a member of the Immanuel Church of the Hauge Synod. The family resides at 1138 Maplewood avenue.



Mrs. Sophie Michaelsen.

Maren Bastine Hals Michelet (May 26, 1869 – February 5, 1932) was the first Norwegian teacher in any public high school in the United States and promoter of Scandinavian culture. She was also a referent teacher for Scandinavian languages when the three-language education system (of the land, of the immigrant homes, for professional purposes) was introduced in public school in the United States. Maren Bastine Hals Michelet was born on May 26, 1869 to Nils Christian Michelet (1838–1920), a former deputy collector of customs and attorney in Minneapolis, and Johanne Hals (1836–1920). The Michelet family moved to Minneapolis from Menomonie, Wisconsin. Maren had three brothers, Simon Themstrup (b. 1871), secretary to Senator Knute Nelson, Wilhelm Ludvig Christian (1873–1946), and Ove Hals Jean (b. 1865). She lived with her parents at 1807 S 4th St, Minneapolis, and attended the University of Minnesota



Robert C. Michelson (born 1951) is an American engineer and academic widely known for inventing the entomopter, a biologically inspired flapping-winged aerial robot, and for having established the International Aerial Robotics Competition. He has received degrees in electrical engineering from the Virginia Polytechnic Institute and the Georgia Institute of Technology. Michelson's professional career began at the U.S. Naval Research Laboratory where he worked on radar-based ocean surveillance systems. He later became a member of the research faculty at the Georgia Institute of Technology. At the Georgia Tech Research Institute (GTRI) he was involved in full-time research, directing over 30 major research programs. Michelson was born in 1951 in Washington D.C., the only son of Carroll and Evelyn Michelson, and is related to Christian Michelsen, the first Prime Minister of Norway.

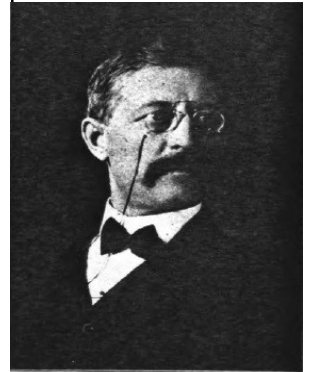


LARS SAMSONSON MIDNES Was born at Midnes, Kinsevigs Sogn, Hardanger, Norway, Feb. 2, 1845. His father was Samson Larson, a farmer and sailor, and his mother Søn va Larsdatter Ullensvang. He received his education in the country school during the winters and helped his father, who was an overseer of an estate near Bergen, where Lars was confirmed at the age of 16 years. He then worked for his father, farming and coast sailing. In the year 1865 he emigrated to America, landing at Quebec. From there he came to Chicago, and farther to Creston, Ill., where his journey ended. Mr. Midnes worked about four years on farms in the vicinity of Creston. Then was a clerk in a store at Creston three years. He now moved to Lee, Ill., where he was clerk a few months in a store kept by Burllesheimer & Paul O. Stensland. When he came from Creston he built a house in Lee, which he rented out until, in 1872, he started a millinery and fancy goods store. He has continued in the same place and business since, being the only one in the line in that vicinity. Nov. 26, 1871, Mr. Midnes was married to Miss Malinde Johnson, born near Haugesund, Norway. They have no children but adopted a girl, a relative of Mrs. Midnes, who is now grown up and studying to become a trained nurse. The family belongs to the Norwegian Lutheran Church, near Lee, whose present pastor is Rev. J. Nordby.



L. S. Midnes.

HAGBERT MILLER, Son of Johan Georg and Bergithe Christine, (ne'e Isdahl) Miller was born in Bergen, Norway, July 24, 1860. He attended den Tankske Realskole from which he graduated in 1877. After leaving school he found employment as accountant at Bergens Mekaniske Vaerksted, which position he held until he embarked for America. Landed in Chicago in March 1881, where he has since continuously lived. Unable to obtain an office position he worked as helper in a factory for some time, but not being used to manual labor he soon took up book canvassing, which calling he successfully followed for several years until he secured a position as manager with N. Juul & Co. For the last fourteen years Mr. Miller has been connected with the western branch of the Philadelphia publishing house, John C. Winston Co., first as manager of their Scandinavian department and later as manager of the entire Hagbert Miller. Western subscription business. Besides being regarded among publishers as an able business man he is also known as the author of the book "Unionsperioden Og Norges Gjenreisning." Mr. Miller was married to Miss Doris Olsen of Christiania in 1891. Five children were born to them of whom four are living. He is a member of The Publishers' Club of America, The John Fremont Council of the National Union, the Norwegian Glee Club and the ijrvin Singing Society. His home is in Ravenswood.

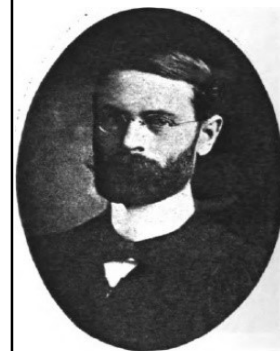


Hagbert Miller.

James Miller (September 21, 1836 – March 4, 1914) was a United States Navy sailor and a recipient of America's highest military decoration—the **Medal of Honor**—for his actions in the American Civil War. Of Norwegian descent, Miller was born in Denmark on September 21, 1836, and enlisted in the U.S. Navy from Massachusetts. He served aboard the steam gunboat USS Marblehead. During the Battle of Legareville on John's Island (near Legareville, South Carolina) by the Stono River on December 25, 1863, he continued to take soundings while under fire. For his conduct on this occasion, Quartermaster James Miller received the Medal of Honor and promoted to Acting Master's Mate. Miller died on March 4, 1914, at age 77 and was buried in Philadelphia. The destroyer USS Miller (DD-535), which served in World War II and the Korean War, was named in his honor.

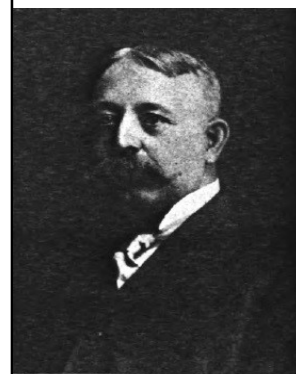


DR. JAMES MURRAY MITCHELL, Son of John and Bertha C. (Oakland) Mitchell, was born on a farm in Livingston county, Ill., Oct. 13, 1869. His parents, who were born in Norway, migrated to this country in 1848 and 1849, locating in **La Salle county, IL.**, where they were married in 1850. In 1854 they moved to Livingston county, which was then mostly a wilderness and had but few inhabitants. Here, after much hard struggling and many setbacks, they succeeded in making themselves a home in which they prospered. Recognizing the resources of this virgin county and the possibilities here for their countrymen, they encouraged immigration, and by their ever ready hospitality and assistance to those who came they were instrumental in founding a Norwegian colony which grew to be strong and flourishing. Mr. Mitchell was actively engaged in farming and stockraising until 1894, when owing to failing health, he moved to Pontiac. Ill. He was a man of marked ability and enterprise, commanded a wide influence, and did much for the advancement of this section of Illinois. He died at his home in Pontiac, Feb. 9, 1896, survived by his wife and six children.



Dr. J. M. Mitchell.

HARLEY B. MITCHELL, Editor and publisher of the American Miller, was born in **Ottawa, Ill.**, Feb. 20, 1855. His father was John S. Mitchell, born in New York, and his mother Inger Nelson (Hersdal) from Norway. The subject of our sketch attended the grammar and high schools in Ottawa, spent his freshman year at Denison University, Granville, Ohio, and graduated in 1876 from the old **University of Chicago**, receiving the degree of B.A. and M.A. The degree of B.A. was afterward confirmed by the present University of Chicago. Immediately after graduating he commenced work as assistant editor of the American Miller, in July 1876. The paper is published by Mitchell Bros. Co., of which Mr. Harley B. Mitchell is president. He is also a director in the La Grange State Bank. He was married to Edith Ramskill on May 4, 1880. They have had three children, two now living. Mr. Mitchell, who now lives in LaGrange, IL, has been a member of the high school and grammar school boards at various times and was president of the village in 1905-6. He was also one of the board of trustees of the fund for the endowment of the Episcopal diocese of Illinois. He is a member of the Psi Upsilon College Fraternity. The family are members of the Protestant Episcopal Church. Mr. Mitchell has at his home a large library, numbering about 5,000 volumes, and this has been the principal solace and occupation of his leisure hours. It is exceptional in the large number of rare works it contains on theological and allied subjects. His life has been one of unusual quiet for a community like Chicago, where he lived from 1873 to 1893, when he moved to the pleasant suburb of La Grange, fourteen miles distant. He has steadily declined to enter seriously into politics, although he was at one-time congressional committeeman of one of the Chicago districts, when he lived on the West Side. Writing of himself in a reminiscent mood, Mr. Mitchell says: "The link that binds me to Norway, and the one thing of which perhaps I am unduly proud, is the fact that my sainted mother was one of the party on the Restoration, the Norwegian Mayflower, that came to the United States in 1825. She was a child of 6 years at the time, having been born in Tysver parish, Dec. 11, 1819, daughter of Cornelius Nelson Hersdal, one of the Sloop party and niece of Kleng Peerson, who was sent to the United States by the Quakers of Stavanger in 1821 to find a location for the first Norwegian emigrants to this country." The story is told in Prof. Anderson's book, First Chapter of Norwegian Immigration. It is also referred to in the historical part of this volume.



H. B. Mitchell.

Singers

Roberta Joan Mitchell, CC (née Anderson; born November 7, 1943), professionally known as **Joni Mitchell**, is a Canadian singer-songwriter. Drawing from folk , pop, rock, and jazz , Mitchell's songs often reflect social and environmental ideals as well as her feelings about romance, confusion, disillusionment, and joy. She has received many accolades, including nine Grammy Awards . Rolling Stone called her "one of the greatest songwriters ever", and AllMusic has stated "When the dust settles, Joni Mitchell may stand as the most important and influential female recording artist of the late 20th century".

Mitchell was born Roberta Joan Anderson on November 7, 1943, in Fort Macleod , Alberta, Canada the daughter of Myrtle Marguerite (McKee) and William Andrew Anderson. Her mother's ancestors were Scottish and Irish; her father was from a Norwegian family that possibly had some Sami ancestry. Her mother was a teacher while her father was a Royal Canadian Air Force flight lieutenant who instructed new pilots at RCAF Station Fort Macleod . She later moved with her parents to various bases in western Canada. After the war she settled with her family in Saskatchewan



Entertainment

Bentley Mitchum (born February 22, 1967) is an American actor who has appeared in about 40 films and TV series, including Sundance grand jury prize winner Ruby in Paradise, The Man in the Moon, The Wonder Years, Conviction, Susie Q, Meatballs 4 and Demonic Toys and Shark Attack. Bentley also became the first American actor to play lead in an Indian Tamil film, Little John opposite Jyothika Bentley is the grandson of actor Robert Mitchum, the son of actor Christopher Mitchum and the nephew of actor James Mitchum.



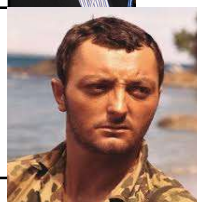
Entertainment

Christopher "Chris" Mitchum (born October 16, 1943) is an American film actor , screenwriter , and businessman . He was born in Los Angeles, California , the second son of film star Robert Mitchum and Dorothy Mitchum . He is also the younger brother of actor James Mitchum .



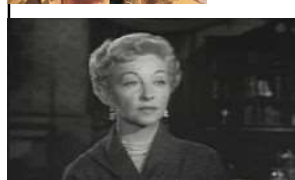
Entertainment

James Mitchum (born May 8, 1941 in Los Angeles, California) is an American actor and the eldest son of actor Robert Mitchum . His brother is actor Christopher Mitchum and he is the uncle of actor Bentley Mitchum . His only child was born during his marriage to Wende Wagner , an actress who died of cancer in 1997.



Entertainment

Julie Mitchum (July 23, 1914 – February 21, 2003) was born Annette Mitchum in Charleston, South Carolina to James Thomas Mitchum and Ann Harriet Gunderson. Along with her brothers Robert and John, Mitchum worked in the entertainment industry as an actress. Perhaps Mitchum's most notable role was that of Ruth Bridgers in the 1959 William Castle film House on Haunted Hill, in which she co-starred with Vincent Price. She also had a bit part in The Ten Commandments as well as The High and the Mighty with John Wayne. She died in Sun City, Arizona of Alzheimer's disease, aged 88, in 2003.



Entertainment







Robert Charles Durman Mitchum (August 6, 1917 - July 1, 1997) was an American film actor, director, author, poet, composer, and singer. Mitchum rose to prominence for his starring roles in several classic films noir , and is generally considered a forerunner of the antiheroes prevalent in film during the 1950s and 1960s. His best-known films include Out of the Past (1947), The Night of the Hunter (1955), and Cape Fear (1962). Mitchum was nominated for the Academy Award for Best Supporting Actor for The Story of G.I. Joe (1945). Mitchum is rated number 23 on the American Film Institute 's list of the greatest male stars of Classic American Cinema. Robert Mitchum was born in Bridgeport, Connecticut , in 1917 into a Norwegian-Irish Methodist family. His mother Ann Harriet Gunderson was a Norwegian immigrant and sea captain 's daughter; his father James Thomas Mitchum was a shipyard and railroad worker of Irish descent.



Sport

Douglas Edwin Moe (born September 21, 1938) is an American former professional basketball player and coach. As a head coach with the Denver Nuggets in the National Basketball Association (NBA), he was named the NBA Coach of the Year in 1988. Born in Brooklyn, New York , Moe was a star player at the University of North Carolina where he was a two-time All-American. However, his collegiate career ended in controversy when he admitted to being associated with a point shaving scandal.



Sport	<p>Harold W. Moe (March 28, 1910 - May 26, 2001) was an American football player and coach. He played and coached at Oregon State University, then known as Oregon Agricultural College. He played one season in the National Football League (NFL) with the Chicago Cardinals. Born in Spokane, Washington, Moe went on to attend Oregon Agricultural College, where he played halfback on the school's football team from 1929 to 1932. Upon the conclusion of his career at Oregon State, he played one season in the National Football League (NFL) for the Chicago Cardinals.</p>	 <p>Hal Moe Head Coach</p>
Sport	<p>Thomas Sven "Tommy" Moe (born February 17, 1970) is a former World Cup alpine ski racer from the United States. An Olympic gold and silver medalist in 1994, he specialized in the speed events of downhill and super G. Born in Missoula, Montana, Moe learned to ski and race at The Big Mountain near Whitefish, where his father was a member of the ski patrol. Moe refined his skills as a teenager in Alaska at Alyeska, near Anchorage, where he attended the Glacier Creek Ski Academy. He joined the U.S. Ski Team in 1986 at age 16.</p>	
Scientists	<p>Alfred M. Moen (27 December 1916 - 17 April 2001) was an American inventor and founder of Moen, Inc. He invented the single-handed mixing faucet. In 1959 Fortune Magazine listed the Moen "one-handle mixing faucet," along with inventions such as Henry Ford's Model T and Benjamin Franklin's Franklin stove, as one of the top 100 best-designed mass-produced products, the result of a survey among the world's leading designers, architects and design teachers conducted by industrial designer Jay Doblin. Al Moen was born in Seattle, Washington. He graduated in 1934 from Franklin High School and was a mechanical engineering student at the University of Washington.</p>	
Entertainment	<p>Donald James "Don" Moen (born June 29, 1950) is an American singer, songwriter, pastor, and producer of Christian worship music. Before Moen was hired to work for Integrity Music, he attended Oral Roberts University and became a Living Sound musician for Terry Law Ministries and traveled with Terry Law for ten years. He produced 11 volumes for the Hosanna! Music series of worship albums. His first album under his own name, Worship with Don Moen, was released in 1992. His music has total global sales of over five million units.</p>	
Academics	<p>Ole O. Moen (born 3 August 1940) is professor emeritus in American Civilization at the University of Oslo, Norway, with a Ph.D. in American Studies from the University of Minnesota (1978). He was born in Hell in Nord-Trøndelag. Dr. Moen has a Cand. Philol. degree in English from the University of Oslo (1971) and has also an M.A. degree in American Studies from the University of Minnesota (1974). Dr. Moen was a tenured professor in North American Area Studies at the Department of Literature, Area Studies, and European Languages, the University of Oslo, from 1979 to 2010.</p>	
Architects	<p>Nils I. Edward Mohn, St. Paul, oldest son of Thorbjørn N. Mohn, first president of St. Olaf College, is an architect, with offices at 596 Endicott Building, St. Paul, Minnesota. Nils Ivar Edward "Edward" Mohn BIRTH: 5 Feb 1877 DEATH: 6 Dec 1943 (aged 66) Northfield, Rice County, Minnesota, USA</p>	

Business

HENRY O. MOLAND, The real estate man at 477 N. California avenue, was born in Tvedestrand, Norway, Dec. 31, 1858. H. O. Moland. His parents were Ole Halvorsen and Helga Thorvaldsdatter, farmers on gaarden Moland. He attended the public and high school in Norway and was confirmed by Rev. A. C. Preus in Holt sogn, Norway, when 16 years old. He came to New York as a sailor in 1876 and - sailed for three years on a sail ship. In 1879 he settled in New York, engaging in the meat market business for a time. He then entered the United States Navy as an able seaman on the Pensacola, in which he cruised the world. He witnessed the great naval battle between Chile and Peru in 1881. He came to **Chicago** in Oct., 1884, and secured work as a butcher, at which he worked for seven years. He then operated a meat market for himself and continued for many years. He was married to Emelie Schwandt, of Chicago, June 27, 1891. They have had four children; two are living. namely: Frank. born June 17, 1893, and Florence, Aug. 13, 1895. Later Mr. Moland sold his market business and opened a" collection agency, to which he afterward added renting and real estate, in which he is now engaged. He has always taken an active interest in politics, being an enthusiastic republican, but has never held public office. He is a member of the Royal League. The .family resides at 102 Humboldt street. Recently Mr. Moland passed the federal civil service examination as an inspector of meat products, but is undecided whether to accept the position or not.



H. O. Moland.

Religious

REV. JOHN A. MOLDSTAD, The pastor of St. Mark's Evangelical Lutheran Church at Tripp and Wabansia avenues, Chicago, was born at De Forest, Dane county, Wis., April 14, 1874. His parents were Anders and Johanne Karine (Berg) Moldstad. The father was a merchant and died Jan. 24, 1899, at De Forest, Wis. Having graduated from the public schools in March 1888, our subject in Sept. of the same year entered Luther College from which he graduated as a Bachelor of Arts in June 1894. He then studied at the University of Wisconsin from Sept. 1894 to Aug. 1895, and from Sept. 1899 to June 1900, when he graduated as A. B. The vacations and intervals were spent as follows: Aug., 1895 to Apr., 1896, clerked in his father's store at De Forest, Wis.; April to Nov. 1896, business manager of Amerika, Madison, Wis.; Nov., 1896 to June 1897, professor at Luther Academy, Albert Lea, Minn., and Sept., 1897 to June, 1899, principal of the Lutheran College of Clifton, Texas, June 1899 to Sept., 1903, in mercantile business at De Forest, Wis. By this time, he had decided to become a minister of the Gospel and for that purpose entered the Concordia Seminary at St. Louis, Mo, as a student of theology in Sept. 1903. From this institution of learning he graduated in June 1906, receiving the degree of candidate of theology. On April 16, 1906, he was called as pastor of St. Mark's Evangelical Lutheran Church and on July 15th of the same year he was ordained and inaugurated into that office. Rev. Moldstad has officiated as Sunday school superintendent, etc., at Norway Grove Church, De Forest, Wis. He is a member of corporation of the H. A. Preus Lutheran Academy, at Albion, Wis., and has been elected delegate to several synod meetings. He is not married and resides at 902 N. Forty-second avenue, **Chicago**.



Rev. John A. Moldstad.

Journalist

Elias Molee (January 3, 1845 - September 27, 1928) was an American journalist, philologist and linguist . Elias Molee was born in Muskego, Wisconsin , the son of John Evenson Molie and Anne Jacobson Einong. The original spelling of the family name was Molie. His father emigrated from Tinn in the province of Telemark , Norway in 1839 and was an early farmer in Muskego. in 1906, while publishing his second book on teutonish, he lived in Tacoma, Washington .



Entertainment

Erik Moll (born 7 September 1948) is an American-born Norwegian-singer-songwriter, inspired by the tradition-based styles such as traditional folk, country, blues, swing, gypsy, tex-mex, calypso and rock music. Moll moved to Bergen, Norway in 1961, picked up the guitar, and started writing his own songs. He performed his music on local bars and venues in Bergen in the 1960s. In the 1970s he started the Bergen-based band Hole In The Wall together with his friend Rune Walle.



politicians

Walter Frederick "Fritz" Mondale (born January 5, 1928) is an American politician, diplomat and lawyer who served as the 42nd Vice President of the United States from 1977 to 1981. A former United States Senator from Minnesota (1964-1976), he was the Democratic Party's nominee in the United States presidential election of 1984, but lost to Ronald Reagan in an Electoral College landslide. Reagan won 49 states while Mondale carried his home state of Minnesota and Washington, D.C. He became the oldest-living former U.S. Vice President after the death of George H. W. Bush in 2018. Mondale was born in Ceylon, Minnesota, and graduated from the University of Minnesota in 1951 after attending Macalester College. He then served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War before earning a law degree in 1956



Entertainment

Marilyn Monroe (born Norma Jeane Mortenson; June 1, 1926 - August 5, 1962) was an American actress, model, and singer. Famous for playing comic "blonde bombshell" characters, she became one of the most popular sex symbols of the 1950s and was emblematic of the era's attitudes towards sexuality. Her second and third marriages, to retired baseball star Joe DiMaggio and playwright Arthur Miller, respectively, were highly publicised and both ended in divorce. On August 5, 1962, she died at age 36 from an overdose of barbiturates at her home in Los Angeles. Although Monroe's death was ruled a probable suicide, several conspiracy theories have been proposed in the decades following her death. Monroe was born **Norma Jeane Mortenson** at the Los Angeles County Hospital on June 1, 1926 as the third child of Gladys Pearl Baker (née Monroe, 1902-1984). Gladys was the daughter of two poor Midwesterners who migrated to California.



Sport

Lloyd Monsen (born May 7, 1931) is a retired American soccer forward and baseball pitcher. Monsen spent eleven seasons in the American Soccer League as well as several years in the lower division German American Soccer League and National Soccer League of New York. He earned three caps with the U.S. national team between 1952 and 1957 and was a member of the U.S. Olympic soccer teams at both the 1952 and 1956 Summer Olympics. He is a member of the National Soccer Hall of Fame. Monsen's parents immigrated to the U.S. from Norway before he was born. He was born in Brooklyn, New York and grew up in New York City, attending Fort Hamilton High School.

Medal of Honor

Mons Monssen (January 20, 1867-February 10, 1930) was a sailor in the United States Navy who received the Medal of Honor for heroism while serving about the USS Missouri (BB-11). Mons Monssen was born January 20, 1867 on a farm in Tolleshaug, Norway and enlisted in the United States Navy on June 3, 1889. Monssen was a chief gunners mate serving on USS Missouri (BB-11) on April 13, 1904 when a charge ignited while a 12-inch gun was being loaded for target practice. Eighteen officers and men lost their lives. Monssen entered the burning magazine through the scuttle and threw water on the fire with his hands until a hose was passed to him. For his actions he received the Medal of Honor a month later. Monssen was warranted as a gunner on May 27, 1904 and promoted to chief gunner on May 27, 1910. He was commissioned lieutenant in July 1918 and he retired December 15, 1925. Citation: Serving on board the U.S.S. Missouri, for extraordinary heroism in entering a burning magazine through the scuttle and endeavoring to extinguish the fire by throwing water with his hands until a hose was passed to him, 13 April 1904.



Entertainment

Harry Morgan (born Harry Bratsberg; April 10, 1915 - December 7, 2011) was an American actor and director whose television and film career spanned six decades. Morgan's major roles included Pete Porter in both *December Bride* (1954-1959) and *Pete and Gladys* (1960-1962); Officer Bill Gannon on *Dragnet* (1967-1970); Amos Coogan on *Hec Ramsey* (1972-1974); and his starring role as Colonel Sherman T. Potter in *M*A*S*H* (1975-1983) and *AfterMASH* (1983-1984). Morgan appeared in more than 100 films. Morgan was born Harry Bratsberg in Detroit, the son of Hannah and Henry Bratsberg. His parents were of Swedish and Norwegian ancestry. In his interview with the Archive of American Television, Morgan spelled his Norwegian family surname as "Bratsberg". Many sources, however, including some family records, list the spelling as "Bratsburg".



Writers

Greg Mortenson (born December 27, 1957) is an American professional speaker, writer, veteran, and former mountaineer. He is a co-founder and former executive director of the non-profit Central Asia Institute and the founder of the educational charity Pennies for Peace . Mortenson is the co-author of The New York Times Bestseller , Three Cups of Tea , which stayed on the New York Times bestseller list for 220 weeks. Three Cups of Teahas been published in 47 languages. Mortenson is also the author of Stones into Schools: Promoting Peace with Books, Not Bombs, in Afghanistan and Pakistan . Mortenson was accused of financial irregularities in handling donations to the CAI and falsehoods in his books. In 2012, Mortenson repaid \$1 million to the CAI after an inquiry by the Montana Attorney General, though no criminality was found. Mortenson was born in 1957 in St. Cloud, Minnesota . His parents, Irvin and Jerene, went with the Lutheran Church to Tanganyika (now Tanzania) in 1958 to be teachers in at a girls' school in the Usambara mountains. In 1961, Dempsey became a fundraiser and development director for the Kilimanjaro Christian Medical Center, the first teaching hospital in Tanzania. Jerene was the founding principal of International School Moshi .



Writers

Daniyal Mueenuddin (born 1963) is a Pakistani-American author who writes in English. His short story collection In Other Rooms, Other Wonders, has been translated into sixteen languages, and won The Story Prize, the Commonwealth Writers' Prize and other honors and critical acclaim. Mueenuddin was born in Los Angeles, USA, to a Pakistani father Ghulam Mueenuddin and a second-generation Norwegian-American mother, Barbara. His father was a member of the Indian Civil Service (ICS), and after the independence of Pakistan in 1947 he became Secretary of Pakistan's Establishment Division, which administered the civil service (later he was the country's Chief Election Commissioner).



Singers

Lawrence Muggerd (born January 28, 1968), better known by his stage name **DJ Muggs**, is an American DJ and producer. He produced tracks for Funkdoobiest , House of Pain , Dizzee Rascal , U2 , Depeche Mode , Die Antwoord and more. He is a current member of hip hop group Cypress Hill , trip hop band Cross My Heart Hope To Die, and the leader of Los Angeles art collective Soul Assassins. Muggs was born in Queens , New York City of Italian and Cuban descent, but was adopted into a Norwegian family. He moved to Los Angeles at age fourteen, and got his start DJing for hip hop group The 7A3 , who put out one album in 1988 before disbanding.



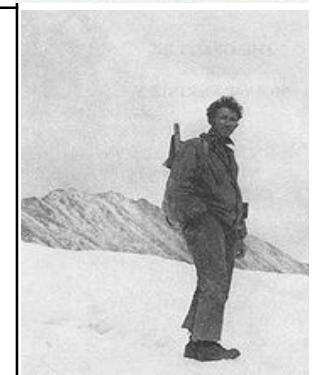
Historians

Peter Andreas Munch (December 19, 1908 - January 10, 1984) was a Norwegian-born sociologist, educator, and author. In 1948, he immigrated to the United States as a post-doctoral research fellow studying Norwegian-American rural sociology in the Midwest. He ended his professional career at Southern Illinois University , with a focus on graduate studies and sociological research based on trips to the remote South Atlantic island Tristan da Cunha . Peter Andreas Munch was born December 19, 1908, at Nes in Hedmark , Norway . He studied theology at the University of Oslo receiving a Candidatus theologiæ degree in 1932. He then completed linguistic studies at the University of Oxford in order to read ancient religious texts, continuing in 1935 with a period at the University of Wittenberg in Halle, Germany, studying social history in the Ancient Near East . This resulted in numerous publications written in Norwegian, English, and German regarding original Hebrew Old Testament texts and their meaning in the modern world.



Academics

Adolph Murie (September 6, 1899 – August 16, 1974), the first scientist to study wolves in their natural habitat, was a naturalist, author, and wildlife biologist who pioneered field research on wolves, bears, and other mammals and birds in Arctic and sub-Arctic Alaska. He was also instrumental in protecting wolves from eradication and in preserving the biological integrity of the Denali National Park and the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge. In 1989 Professor John A. Murray of the English Department at the University of Alaska, Fairbanks received an NEH grant to inventory the extensive Adolph Murie written and slide archives at Rasmusson Library in the Arctic and Polar Collection. He wrote a forty-page report and biographical narrative of Adolph Murie, which remains unpublished but which is in his papers. Adolf Winstrom was born on September 6, 1899, in Moorhead, Minnesota, the child of Ed and Marie Winstrom. In 1922, prior to completing college, Adolph Murie joined his brother, Olaus Murie, on an expedition to Mt. McKinley National Park, the first of many trips he would make to Alaska to do biological research



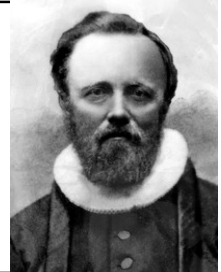
Scientists

Olaus Johan Murie (March 1, 1889 - October 21, 1963), called the "father of modern elk management", was a naturalist, author, and wildlife biologist who did groundbreaking field research on a variety of large northern mammals. Rather than conducting empirical experiments, Murie practiced a more observational-based science. Murie was born on March 1, 1889, in Moorhead, Minnesota, the child of Norwegian immigrants. Growing up in this less urbanized region helped foster a love for the wilderness from an early age. Murie studied biology at Fargo College, private liberal arts college of the Congregational Church.



Religious

Bernt Julius Muus (March 15, 1832 - May 25, 1900) was a Norwegian-American Lutheran minister and church leader. He helped found St. Olaf College, a private liberal arts college in Northfield, Minnesota. Muus was born in the parish Snaasen in Thronhjems Stift in Snåsa, Nord-Trøndelag, Norway. Having graduated from the Latin school of Trondheim in 1849, he entered the University of Christiania where he studied theology and completed his theological training in 1854. He immigrated to the United States in 1859.



Academicians

BJ Muus Lifetime Achievement Award of Excellence: BJ Muus, educator, musician, former Ottawa High School choral director, formerly of Ottawa



Singers

Brent Mydland (October 21, 1952 - July 26, 1990) was an American keyboardist, vocalist and songwriter. He was a member of The Grateful Dead from 1979 to 1990, a longer tenure than any other keyboardist in the band. Growing up in Concord, California, Mydland took up music while in elementary school. After graduation, he played with a number of bands and recorded one album with Silver before joining the Dead's Bob Weir's solo band. This led to an invitation to join the Dead in 1979, replacing Keith Godchaux who had decided to leave. Mydland quickly became an important member in the Dead, using a variety of keyboards including Hammond organ and various synthesizers and singing regularly. He wrote several songs on the band's studio albums released while he was a member. After a successful tour in the early summer 1990, Mydland died of an accidental drug overdose.



Born in Munich, Germany, the child of a U.S. Army chaplain, Mydland moved to San Francisco with his parents at the age of one. Mydland spent most of his childhood living in Concord, California

Academics

Paul Zachary Myers (born March 9, 1957) is an American biologist who founded and writes the Pharyngula science-blog. He is associate-professor of biology at the University of Minnesota Morris (UMM) where he works in the field of developmental biology. He is a critic of intelligent design (ID), the creationist movement, and other pseudoscientific concepts. Myers was born March 9, 1957, the eldest of six children in Kent, Washington; his mother is of Swedish and Norwegian descent. Regarding his ancestry, Myers wrote: "I'm only half Scandinavian. The blood has been thinned with that of those domesticated English and Irish and Scots."



Scientists

Nathan Paul Myhrvold (born August 3, 1959), formerly Chief Technology Officer at Microsoft, is co-founder of Intellectual Ventures and the principal author of *Modernist Cuisine* and its successor books. Myhrvold was listed as co-inventor on 17 U.S. patents at Microsoft and is co-inventor on over 800 other U.S. patents issued to his corporation and its affiliates. Myhrvold was born in Seattle, Washington. He attended Mirman School and Santa Monica High School, graduating in 1974, and began college at age 14. He studied mathematics, geophysics, and space physics at UCLA (B.Sc., Masters). He was awarded a Hertz Foundation Fellowship for graduate study and studied at Princeton University, where he earned a master's degree in mathematical economics and completed a Ph.D. in theoretical and mathematical physics. He also attended Santa Monica College. For one year, he held a postdoctoral fellowship at the University of Cambridge working under Stephen Hawking



Museum

Leif Myre (1911, LaSalle Co, IL - 1997, **Ottawa, IL**) s/o Martin & Sina (Boe) Myre, h/o Arlene nee Logan. Charter of Board member of Cleng Peerson Lodge Sons of Norway



Entertainment

Arden VanAmringe Myrin (born December 10, 1973) is an American actress and comedian. Arden plays Regina Sinclair on the Netflix show *Insatiable*. Arden became a new cast member on Showtime's *Shameless* Season 7, and recently appeared in the world premiere of Steve Martin's new play *Meteor Shower* at the Long Wharf Theatre. Her television credits include *Orange Is the New Black*, *Hung*, *Key & Peele*, *Inside Amy Schumer*, *W/ Bob and David*, *Psych*, *Bones*, *Fresh Off The Boat*, *Suburgatory*, *2 Broke Girls*, *Reno 911!*, and *Gilmore Girls* among others. From 1997-99 Arden played the regular role of Abby Cosgrove on *Working*, an NBC sitcom starring Fred Savage. Arden will be seen next in the feature film *Extracurricular Activities*. Myrin was born in Little Compton, Rhode Island, a quiet seaside village. Her father was an accountant, and her mother was a real estate agent. She has an older brother, Alarik. As a child, she staged her neighborhood plays, and enjoyed seeing *Annie* on Broadway. Myrin attended the Friends Academy in Dartmouth, Massachusetts, where she graduated. She then attended Middlesex School in Concord, Massachusetts for high school. She is of Swedish and Norwegian heritage



Writers

Gerhard Brandt Naeseth (April 14, 1913 - June 10, 1994) was an American librarian and genealogist who specialized in the field of Norwegian-American immigration. Naeseth was born in Valley City, North Dakota in 1913, the son of a Lutheran clergyman. As a young boy, he sought to follow in his father's footsteps, but an uncle recognized early on that Naeseth had more of the traits of a librarian. The uncle turned out to be right and Naeseth eventually received degrees in history and library science. Naeseth received a bachelor's degree from Luther College in Decorah, Iowa and graduate degrees from the University of Michigan. He worked as a professional librarian for three universities before retiring from the University of Wisconsin-Madison in 1978, where he had been associate director



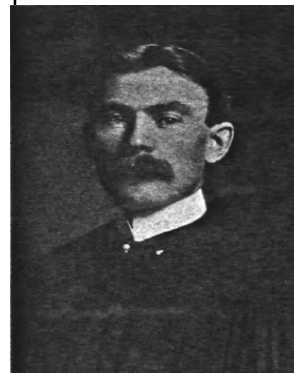
Business

DR. S. H. NANNESTAD. Sverre Holm Nannestad, D. D. S., was born in Christiania, Norway, May 9, 1878. Sept. 14, 1972. \ gina (Sigmundstad) Narbø. His father is a school He came to America with his brother when 10 years old and attended the common schools in South Dakota, returning to Norway in 1895. He came to **Chicago** from Norway again in 1900, and immediately entered the Chicago College of Dental Surgery, graduating in 1904. He was married to Miss Borghild Engebretsen, of Christiania, Norway, in 1901. They have one child, a daughter. Dr. Nannestad is a member of the Royal Arcanum, Maplewood council. He is also a 32d degree Mason, a member of the K. of P., Lincoln lodge, of the Norwegian Quartet Club and "Den Norske Klub." Mrs. Xannestad died in the spring of 1907.



Dr. S. H. Nannestad.

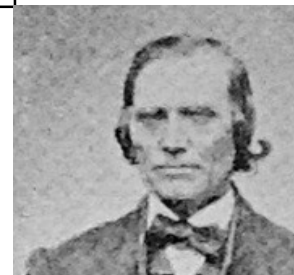
DR. SVEN NARBO, The dentist at 1216 Milwaukee avenue, **Chicago**, was born at Strand, Stavanger, Norway, Dr. Sven Naroo. His parents were O. and Bør teacher and kirkesanger, having held the same position for the past forty-eight years, both he and his wife enjoying good health. Dr. Narbo attended his father's school and was confirmed in the Lutheran Church in Strand. He came to America in 1890 and located at Madison, Wis., where he secured a place as gardener with Prof. T. H. Brand, remaining for two years. He then worked in the dental office of Dr. C. C. Chittenden, Madison, for one year. He came to Chicago in 1893 and worked for Marshall Field & Co. as salesman for five years. On account of his health he then went west, locating at Humboldt, Iowa, where he accepted a clerkship with A. B. White. In 1900 he went into partnership with I. F. Wittman, of Pioneer, Iowa, doing a general merchandise business and at the same time was a stockholder, director and secretary of the Pioneer Creamery Company. He took a personal and active interest in the creamery and brought it up to a very profitable investment. He was bent on becoming a dentist, however, and soon sold out his interest in the store and returned to Chicago. He immediately entered the Chicago College of Dental Surgery, from which he graduated in 1903, and has since been practicing his profession at 1216 Milwaukee avenue. He served three years in the Wisconsin National Guard and the same time in the Illinois Guard. Dr. Narbo belongs to the Royal League and is a member of the M. W. A. He is not married.



Dr. Sven Narbo.

Ingrebret Larson Narvig

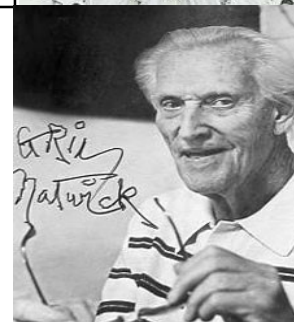
R. B. Anderson lists among the immigrants of this period the following: Christian Olson and Gudman Sandsberg, 1829; Knut Evenson, Ingrebret Larson Narvig, and Gjert Gregorius Hovland, 1831; and Johan Nordboe, 1832. Ingrebret Narvig joined Cleng Peerson on his journey to Illinois in 1833. He tired of the march and went to work for a farmer at Erie, Monroe Co., Mich., where he remained until 1856. Then he moved to Green Lake Co., Wis., where he resided until 1885, and finally he moved to Tyler, Minn., where he died in 1892. He was married twice, to American women, and had twelve children. He was the first Norwegian to settle in Michigan. He practised medicine as a side calling, but did not ask for fees.



Mildred Natwick (June 19, 1905 - October 25, 1994) was an American stage, film and television actress. In 1967, she earned an Academy Award nomination for her supporting role in Barefoot in the Park. She was nominated for two Tony Awards in 1957 and 1972 and won a Primetime Emmy Award for her work in the miniseries The Snoop Sisters, opposite Helen Hayes. Natwick was born in Baltimore, Maryland, the daughter of Joseph and Mildred Marion Natwick (née Dawes). Her grandfather, Ole Natwick, was one of the earliest Norwegian immigrants to the United States, arriving in Wisconsin in 1847. Her first cousin was animator and cartoonist Myron "Grim" Natwick



Myron "Grim" Natwick (August 16, 1890 - October 7, 1990) was an American artist, animator, and film director. Natwick is best known for drawing the Fleischer Studio's most popular character, **Betty Boop**. Born in Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin, Natwick studied at the School of the Art Institute of **Chicago** and had five brothers and two sisters. Natwick's parents, James and Henrietta (Lyon), owned a furniture store. His grandfather, Ole, was one of the earliest Norwegian immigrants to the United States arriving in Wisconsin in 1847 (Ole was born on April 8, 1826, to Ole Torkjellson Natvig and Anna at Sagi Natvig, Ardal, Sogn, Norway). He had eleven children in Grand Rapids, Wisconsin (now part of Wisconsin Rapids), including James W., Grim's father, and Joseph, who was the father of Mildred Natwick, Grim's first cousin



Artists

Sigurd Neandross (American 1871-1958)

Birth place: Stavanger, Norway

Addresses: immigrated to NYC in 1881; Ridgefield, NJ

Profession: Sculptor

Studied: Cooper Union evening classes; P.S. Kroyer, S. Sinding, in Copenhagen.

Exhibited: Arch. Lg., 1915 (prize); PAFA Ann., 1919-20; S. Indp. A., 1921-22, 1937

Sigurd Neandross, Ridgefield, New Jersey, has won great distinction by his works of sculpture, notably, "The Kiss," "The Egyptian Widow" and "The Song of the Sea." Trygve Hammer, New York, "has done good work in stone, wood, and copper, and has endeavored to awaken an interest in Norwegian wood carving and ornamentation. He is a director of the Society of Independent Artists and has exhibited in the Society's annual exhibits in New York."

Artists

Royal Gay Nebeker (February 22, 1945 – September 6, 2014) was an American painter and print maker born in San Francisco. whose prints and paintings have been shown widely in Europe and North America including in Art Paris at the Louvre, Gallery Steen in Oslo and the Lisa Harris Gallery in Seattle. His formal education in art included a Masters Diploma from the National School of Arts & Crafts in Oslo, an M.F.A. from Brigham Young University, and a sabbatical with Japanese printmaker Yashi Ishibashi and papermaker Naoaki Sakamoto. Nebeker was friends with Gary Snyder and Robert Redford. His art has been collected by IBM, the National Gallery of Art in Krakow, Poland, the U.C.L.A. print collection and the Seattle Art Museum, among others. Nebeker's mother emigrated from Norway where Nebeker eventually traveled as a missionary for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. While there he studied at National School of Arts & Crafts in Oslo where he felt the influence of Edvard Munch. In 1972, Nebeker received a grant to live and work in Munch's Ekley Studio. Aside from multiple residencies and extended travel to Europe and Asia, from 1974 until his death in 2014, he lived in Gearhart, Oregon, and painted in a studio on pilings over the Columbia River called The Uppertown Net Loft. He stated that Astoria reminded him of Norway.



Sport

Nels Nelsen (3 June 1894 – 3 June 1943), born Nils Johan Nilsen and sometimes referred to as Nels Nelson, was a Norwegian-born Canadian ski jumper and later ski jumping organizer. He was among the world's best ski jumpers during the 1920s, and held the world record of 73 meters from 1925 to 1930. Born in Salangen, he moved with his family to Revelstoke, British Columbia, in 1912. Credited with bringing the sport of ski jumping to Canada, he made his debut on the nearby Big Hill in 1915[1]. He competed throughout Canada and the United States, and became Canadian champion five times. Despite holding the world record at the time, he was not allowed to participate in the 1928 Winter Olympics because the officials did not find it suitable for him to have to work his way to Switzerland. Nelsen worked for the Canadian Pacific Railway, and moved to North Vancouver, British Columbia, where he raised a family. Nelsen lost his hand in a hunting accident in 1933, and was forced to retire as a ski jumper. He continued as an organizer, and was among other things president of the Western Canada Amateur Ski Association and later vice-president of the Canadian Amateur Ski Association. In 1948, after Big Hill had been expanded, it was renamed Nels Nelsen Hill. Nelsen was inscribed in the U.S. National Ski Hall of Fame in 1971 and the Canadian Ski Hall of Fame in 1983. He was born Nils Johan Nilsen to a Norwegian family in Seljeskog in Salangen on 3 June 1894, as the oldest of six children.[2][3] As a child, Nelsen was an active skier and ski jumper, with more than fifteen ski jumps located in the area.[3] In 1913, his family emigrated to Big Eddy near Revelstoke. Once in Canada, he anglicized his name.[2] His brother, Ivind Nilsen was also a champion ski jumper, and became among other things Boy's World Champion in 1922. Ivind, who chose not to anglicize his last name, was known for his supreme style, while Nels was better known for his length.[4] Nelsen married Emma Pickard, with whom he had ten children. Except for a brief period as a ski instructor, he worked as a brakeman and conductor for the Canadian Pacific Railway, whose flexibility made it easier to participate in tournaments.[5] He moved to North Vancouver where he raised his family.



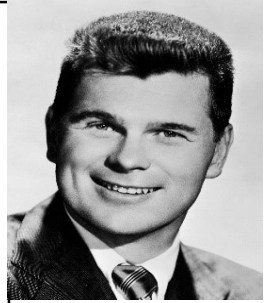
Scientists

Aven Nelson (March 24, 1859 – March 31, 1952) was an American botanist who specialized in plants of the Rocky Mountains. He was one of the founding professors of the University of Wyoming, where he taught for 55 years as professor and served as president (1918-1922). He served as president of the American Society of Plant Taxonomists and Botanical Society of America. Nelson was born at Sugar Creek, in Lee County, Iowa to parents Christen Nelson and Anne (Evenson) Nelson, who had immigrated from Norway. Aven was the youngest of four children in a Quaker family. He attended Kirksville State Normal School in Kirksville, Missouri from which he was graduated in 1883 with his Bachelor of Arts degree, while in 1887 he received the M. S. D. degree. He further continued his education in Drury College at Springfield, Missouri, which conferred upon him a Master of Science degree in 1890. He next entered Harvard University was awarded the Master of Arts degree in 1892. In 1893, he co-founded the Rocky Mountain Herbarium



Entertainment

Barry Nelson (born Haakon Robert Nielsen, April 16, 1917 - April 7, 2007) was an American actor, noted as the first actor to portray Ian Fleming 's secret agent James Bond . Nelson was born in San Francisco, California, the son of Norwegian immigrants, Betsy (née Christophersen) and Trygve Nielsen. His year of birth has been subject to some debate, but his 1943 Army enlistment record and his 1993 voter registration records list 1917 as the year of his birth. He began acting in school at the age of 15. He graduated from the University of California, Berkeley in 1941 and, because of his theatrical efforts in school, was almost immediately signed to a motion picture contract by Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer



Norsk Hofstest

Dr. Marion Nelson

Scandinavian-American Hall of Fame 1987
 As director of the Vesterheim Norwegian-American Museum at Decorah, Iowa, Dr. Marion Nelson has contributed greatly to the preservation and advancement of Norwegian heritage and culture. Dr. Nelson, who is department chairman and a professor in the Art History Department at the University of Minnesota, is the recipient of the “Leif Erikson Citation Award” given to him for his “enthusiastic interest and work in preserving Norwegian heritage and culture and for his outstanding leadership of the Norwegian-American Museum which has resulted in its recognition as one of the finest ethnic museums in the United States.” Born May 1, 1924, at Fergus Falls, Minn., Marion John Nelson was educated in Minnesota. He received his bachelor’s, master’s and doctorate degrees from the University of Minnesota. While studying for his doctorate, he spent one year at the University of Wisconsin and two years at the University in Oslo, Norway. He also worked in Norway for one year doing research on his thesis: “The Fresco Brothers of Norway, Norwegian Mural Painting from 1918 to 1950.”



Medal of Honor

Lauritz Nelson (March 26, 1860 - September 16, 1944) was a sailor serving in the United States Navy during the -Spanish American War who received the Medal of Honor for bravery. Nelson was born March 26, 1860 in Norway and entered the US navy in 1885. Later he was sent to fight in the Spanish-American War aboard the torpedo boat USS Nashville as a sailmaker's mate. Lauritz retired from the navy in 1905 with the rank of Chief Boatswain's Mate. He died September 16, 1944 and is buried at Long Island National Cemetery in Farmingdale, New York . His grave can be found in section dds, site 2.
 Citation: On board the U.S.S. Nashville during the operation of cutting the cable leading from Cienfuegos, Cuba, 11 May 1898. Facing the heavy fire of the enemy, Nelson displayed extraordinary bravery and coolness throughout this action

LOUIS R. NELSON, Of Springfield, Ill., was born in Fruland sogn, nea'r Arendal, Norway, June 23, 1847, his parents being Reier and Gunnild Nelson. His mother died in Norway in August 1868, and his father in April 1869. Louis attended school in Norway and was confirmed in the Lutheran Church of Fruland sogn. After his confirmation he worked for Lensman I. O. Berger two years and then went to O. Samuelson as clerk in a department store in Arendal for a year and a half. Afterward he worked for Pastor Gedde one year, and one year with Provst Somerfelt. On the 12th of May 1871, he migrated to America, accompanied by his brothers and Dick) and sister (Martha). They settled at Williamsville, Ill. Louis' first work in this country was on a farm, by the month, but later he farmed for himself. (Ole Louis R. Nelson. On Oct. 6, 1880, he was married to Mary Eielson, of Springfield, Ill., where the family has since resided. Mr. Nelson is employed as foreman in A. Eielson's lumber yard, having held the same position for over twenty-five years.



Louis R. Nelson.

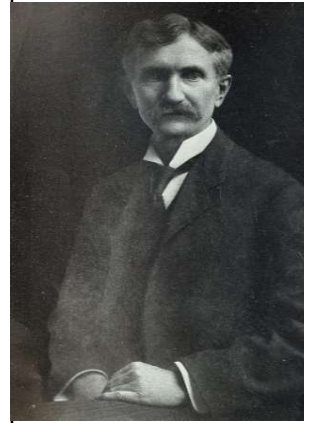
NELS S. NELSON, Now of Helmar, Ill., was born in Skaanevik's prestegjeld, Bergens stift, Norway, Sept. 6, 1840. His parents—Sjur and Jennie Haugen (Endres datter) Nelson—were farmers in Norway. With his parents he came to America in 1849. They settled in Grundy county, southeast of Lisbon, and remained there for six years and then moved to Kendall county, near where Helmar is now located. Mr. Johnson received his education in the common schools, but when very young he had to go to work. He remained with his father until he was of age. A year later he enlisted as a private in Company E of the Ninety-first Regiment of Illinois Volunteers and served to the close of the war. During the war he was promoted first to corporal and then to sergeant. In a skirmish near Elizabethtown, Ky., Mr. Nelson was wounded by a musket ball in Nels S. Nelson and Wife. the thigh and was laid up for three months. In the meantime the whole company was captured, and Nelson was also made a prisoner of war and kept in prison at Benton Barracks, near St. Louis, Mo., for six months, when the prisoners were paroled. Ou'r subject took part in several battles. While on parole Mr. Nelson returned home and in March 1863, was married to Anna Larson, who was born in Big Grove township, July 31, 1843, the daughter of Eric Larson, who came from Norway and settled there in 1838. After his return from the war Mr. Nelson worked for four years by the month and then moved onto his present place which he has owned since 1879. He has 160 acres in the N. E. qr. of sec. 1. Mr. and Mrs. Nelson have had fourteen children, of whom eleven are living, namely: Lewis, born May 18, 1866; Jennie, 7 Sept. 8, 1867; Randy, Oct. 30, 1869; Carrie, Nov. 17, 1871; Anna, April 9, 1874; Sarah, Jan. 17, 1875; Lewis, May 26, 1877; Severt, March 27, 1879; Alice, April 2, 1881; Nellie Angelina, Feb. 22, 1883; Isabelle, March 26, 1885; Joseph, Oct. 30, 1887; Joseph the second, March 22, 1890. Lewis (the oldest) and the two youngest have passed away, the last two in infancy. Mr. Nelson is well-known in Kendall county, and is respected and esteemed by all who know him. He has been a loyal republican leader, and his popularity is indicated by'the ofiiices he has held. He was for three years township collector; highway commissioner for three years; assessor for six years; a member of the board of school trustees for six years; and at this writing he is serving his seventh year as supervisor. He has been deacon for his church for thirty years and trustee for two years and has also served as secretary for the old church for many years. He has retired from farming although he still lives on the old homestead, his youngest living son, Severt, running the farm.



Nels S. Nelson and Wife.

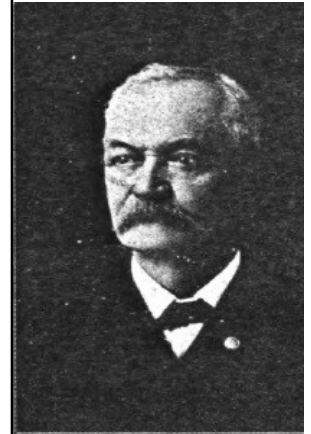
Business

Nils Olas Nelson (September 11, 1844 - October 5, 1922) was an American industrialist and businessman who was the founder of the N. O. Nelson Manufacturing Company. Nelson was born the son of Anders Nelson at Lillesand in Aust-Agder, Norway. His family immigrated to the United States in 1847. He grew up on the farm of his parents near St. Joseph, Missouri. After serving in the American Civil War, he was introduced into a career in accounting. He became a bookkeeper for a plumbing fixtures firm in St. Louis, Missouri. In 1877, he started the N. O. Nelson Manufacturing Company in St. Louis, Missouri. Once he had established his business, he moved from simply wholesaling items to manufacturing items dealing with the area of plumbing. The company manufactured and distributed plumbing supplies of all kinds, including faucets, water closets, water heaters, valves and fire hydrants. In 1888, Nelson decided to relocate the manufacturing facility from St. Louis to a rural area. In 1890 a suitable location was found across the Mississippi River in **Madison County, Illinois**. In 1895, Nelson had been a delegate to the meeting in London, England of the Co-operation and Profit Sharing Associations of the World. Nelson was also responsible for the organization within the Greater St. Louis area of many recreational and cultural activities for the underprivileged. In 1934, the city of **Edwardsville, Illinois** annexed the village. Today the LeClaire Historic District has most of the original structures and has been placed on the National Register of Historic Places since 1979. The renovated N. O. Nelson factory buildings are now the historic N. O. Nelson Campus of Lewis and Clark Community College. The complex is host to college classes, the Confluence Fab lab and the LeClaire Room reception venue.



Business

OLE J. NELSON. There is no name more honored in American history than that of the pioneer, and no country has produced so many examples of pioneer spirit as the United States. Among those who have taken triple honors as a pioneer is O. J. Nelson, his pioneer character partaking of the career of the emigrant, the soldier and the man of business. A product of Norway, having been born in the land of the north in 1847, he came to the United States in 1858. Six years later saw him shouldering a musket at the early age of 17 on behalf of the Union as a member of Company H of the 138th Illinois infantry. His career in Morris covers a period of 40 years, giving him the title of dean of the insurance men of that section. Mr. Nelson represents the Franklin Life of Springfield, Ill., and the leading old line fire companies, viz.: The Continental of New York, the Germania of New York, the Westchester of New York, the German of Freeport, the Northwestern National of Milwaukee, the Milwaukee Mechanics'. Mr. Nelson is full of energy and business activity and has great faith in the **city of Morris**, believing that the future holds promises of great development for his home town. No man is willing to work harder for this development than Mr. Nelson, and in the future as in the past he can always be counted on to do his share in the work of building up and expansion. He has for a number of years represented Morris on the Board of Supervisors and has been chairman of that body. In earlier days he was identified with the grain trade, and conducted a large elevator, which was destroyed by fire.



Ole J. Nelson.

Religious

REV. O. N. NELSON Was born at Willmar, Minn., March 11, 1877. He was educated in the public school of his home district. At the age of 17, he entered the preparatory department of Augsburg Seminary, at Minneapolis. In 1899 he finished at the college department. In the spring of 1903 he graduated from the theological seminary of the United Church at Rev. O. N. Nelson. St. Anthony Park, St. Paul, Minn. He then accepted a call from the three congregations at Mekinock, N. D. On June 21, 1903, he was ordained at the annual meeting of the United Church at Duluth, Minn. Rev. Nelson served the congregations at Mekinock, N. D., until January 1905, when he moved to **Chicago** to accept the pastorate of Emmaus Lutheran Church. He has now accepted a call from Gardener, Ill., where he moved July 22, 1907



Rev. O. N. Nelson.

Business

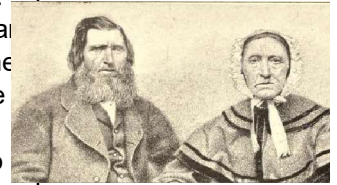
ROBERT S. NELSON, Of the Nelson & Kreuter Co., was born in Aale sund, Norway, Sept. 8, 1863. His parents were Rasmus S. and Martha Nelson. His early life was spent in Bergen as a newsboy. He served one year as a blacksmith's apprentice and then took up the machinist's trade and worked at it for several years. He was married on Oct. 27, 1886, to Miss 50 phia Swenson. Mrs. Nelson died in 1005, leaving three children—Robert 5., Francis and Ionia. In July 1890. Mr. Nelson joined in organizing the Nelson 8: Kreuter Co., manufacturers of laundry machinery, at 955 N. Spaulding avenue. Their plant is equipped with the most modern machinery and they do a large and profitable business also with foreign countries. Mr. Nelson has to his credit several patents on laundry Robert S. Nelson. machinery. He is a Mason, a Knight Templar and a member of the Medinah Temple Shrine. He is also a member of the Germania Maenner chor, the Swedish Glee Club, Bjørgvin Singing Society and the Laundry Men's Club. He is a director of the Tabitha Hospital. The family resides at 1190 Winthrop avenue, N. Edgewater.



Robert S. Nelson.

Sloopers

Slooper Nils Nilsen Hersdal (Nels Nelson Sr.) "Big Nels" Nelson [7-4-1800 – 9/21/1886] and Betsy are buried on the Nelson farm. They had 5 children. he worked his way to Detroit and then walked to Buffalo, a distance of 255 miles, beating the stage. In Buffalo, "Big Nels was much admired and entertained for having made better time than the stage." The men of Murray also went to Rochester. "Big Nels" Nelson was known to take two bushels of wheat (120 pounds) on his shoulders and walk the 32 miles. The Sloopers in Fox River, as we have seen, followed the practice of those in New York in advising and helping the new immigrants. Thus when the Lars L. Risetter party arrived in **Chicago** in 1847, it is written that "Big Nels", the most prominent Norwegian in the Fox River Colony" conveyed them to his home, from where they went to Lee County. In one case the father and mother were both dead and their baby was sitting on top of them, cooing. Ove Rosdail picked it up and brought it home. Gertrude said, "You can't bring that baby in here. Our own children will get the cholera and die." "Well", said Ove, "We can't leave it to die. We've got to take it in." So the two of them watched over the baby all night but it did not get the cholera. It was about six months old and lived with the Rosdails until its death at the age of two. Big Nels Nelson and Rasmus Olson were the two Sloopers who looked after the burials. Nels had acquired some lumber wherewith to build a barn and he used this to make coffins. They did the burying at night. Neither one contracted the disease - Rasmus because, in the opinion of some, he chewed such an inordinate amount of tobacco; and "Big Nels" - well, he was simply too big to imagine being sick.



Scientists

Theodor Holm "Ted" Nelson (born June 17, 1937) is an American pioneer of information technology, philosopher and sociologist. He coined the terms hypertext and hypermedia in 1963 and published them in 1965. Nelson coined the terms transclusion, virtuality, and intertwingularity (in Literary Machines), and teledildonics. According to a 1997 Forbes profile, Nelson "sees himself as a literary romantic, like a Cyrano de Bergerac, or 'the Orson Welles of software. Nelson is the son of Emmy Award -winning director Ralph Nelson and the Academy Award -winning actress Celeste Holm. His parents' marriage was brief and he was mostly raised by his grandparents, first in **Chicago** and later in Greenwich Village



Entertainment

Dawn Lyn Nervik (born January 11, 1963) is a retired American actress best known for her role as Dodie Douglas during the last three seasons of the long-running family comedy television series My Three Sons. Her brother, Leif Garrett, is a singer.

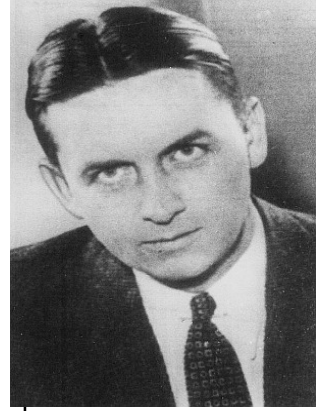


Sport

Daniel Te'o-Nesheim (né Nesheim; June 12, 1987 – October 29, 2017) was a Samoan American football defensive end. He was drafted by the Philadelphia Eagles in the third round of the 2010 NFL Draft. He played college football at Washington. Te'o-Nesheim was born in Pago Pago, American Samoa on June 12, 1987 to parents David and Ailota Nesheim



Eliot Ness (April 19, 1903 - May 16, 1957) was an American Prohibition agent, famous for his efforts to bring down Al Capone and enforce Prohibition in Chicago, Illinois, and the leader of a famous team of law enforcement agents from Chicago, nicknamed The Untouchables. His co-authorship of a popular autobiography, *The Untouchables*, which was released shortly after his death, launched several television and motion picture portrayals that established Ness's posthumous fame as an incorruptible crime fighter. Eliot Ness was born on April 19, 1903, in the Kensington neighborhood of Chicago, Illinois. He was the youngest of five children born to Peter Ness (1850-1931) and Emma (King) Ness (1863-1937). His parents, both Norwegian immigrants, operated a bakery. Ness attended Christian Fenger High School in **Chicago**. He was educated at the University of Chicago, graduating in 1925 with a degree in political science and business administration, and a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon. He began his career as an investigator for the Retail Credit Company of Atlanta assigned to the Chicago territory, where he conducted background investigations for the purpose of credit information. In 1929, he returned to the university to take a graduate course in criminology taught by August Vollmer, a noted police reformer and chief of the Berkeley Police Department. Vollmer's ideas about professionalizing law enforcement would influence Ness throughout his career.



HENRY NEWGARD, President of Henry Newgard & Co., electrical contractors and manufacturers and dealers in electrical machinery and supplies, was born on Nygaard, Ullensaker, Norway, May 10, 1858, his parents being Kristen Iohansen and Berthe Hansen Nygaard. He had the advantages of the common schools and when 16 years old went to Christiania, where he served as an apprentice for five years, learning the trade of a locksmith. When 21 years old, having finished his apprenticeship, he came to America, locating in **Chicago** in 1879. He was unable to find work at his trade, but secured work in a furniture factory, and after a few months he got a place Henry Newgard with the C. & N. W. Ry. Co. in their shops at Fortieth and Kinzie streets, working at his trade. Later he got a better place in a small locksmith shop at the corner of Randolph and Clark streets, where he remained until 1882, when he engaged in business for himself, starting a locksmith shop at 167 E. Madison street. Here he experimented in electric work, gradually drifting into that branch of the electric business. In 1890 he started a separate office at 88 La Salle street, for electrical construction work, which grew very rapidly into a larger and profitable business. In 1900 his brother Martin bought in as a partner and in 1901 the firm of Henry Newgard & Co. was incorporated, with the subject of this sketch as its president, he having continuously held the same office since. Mr. Newgard has invented several articles in the electrical line, but has not patented any. He is also the inventor of the Newgard water—proof receptacle and globe. He is a member of Park Lodge, No. 843, A. F. and A. M.; Park Chapter, No. 213, R. A. M.; Evanston Commandery, No. '58, Knights Templars; Oriental Consistory, S. P. R. S.; A. A. S. Rite Valley of Chicago; Medinah Temple, A. A. O., N. M. S., of Chicago; Royal Arcanum; John A. Cumming's Council; Royal League North Shore Council; National Union Press Council. He also belongs to the Illinois Commercial Men's Association; the Builders' Club; and is vice-president of the Electrical Contractors' Association. Mr. Newgard has erected a number of buildings of his own and now holds considerable property in Chicago. He was married to Miss Ovidia Swenkerud on Nov. 21, 1885. They had three children. He attends the Episcopal Church and resides at 4111 Newgard avenue. Mrs. Newgard died April 18, 1904. On June 30, 1906, Mr. Newgard married Miss Anna Hammerlind, of Milwaukee, Wis.



Henry Newgard.

MARTIN NEWGARD, Of Henry Newgard 8: Co., was born in Ullensaker, Norway, July 4, 1864, his parents being Kristen Johansen and Bertha Hansen Nygaard. He completed his schooling in Norway in 1880. He came to this country in 1882 and immediately entered the electrical business with his brother Henry in **Chicago**, shortly having charge of all the electrical installations. The company was afterward incorporated under the name of Henry Newgard 8: Co., and our subject became a member of the firm, now located at 225 Washington street. Mr. Martin Newgard is vice-president and general superintendent, and as they are now one of the largest electrical contractors and manufacturers in the city he is kept busy looking after the construction and manufacturing departments, when large power and lighting switchboards and other special devices are being built for themselves and other electrical contractors over the country. Henry Newgard & Co. have built up a large supply business; they found it advisable to organize and incorporate a new company, and accordingly the American Electric Supply Co. was incorporated over a year ago. The two companies are controlled by the same stockholders, the later concern doing business at 87 Fifth avenue, but larger and more commodious quarters, at the corner of Lake and Franklin streets have been secured, to which they will soon move. Mr. Newgard is well-known among electricians and engineers in Chicago as one of the practical men in the business. He attended the revising committee meeting in changing the rules of the department of electricity to guard against fires. He is a member of Park Lodge No. 843; Park Chapter, No. 213; Oriental Consistory, Medinali Temple, Aryan Grotto. Mr. Newgard was married to Miss Kathinka Swenkerud on March 21, 1896. Three children were born to them, two of whom are living. The family lives at 138 Powell avenue.



Martin Newgard.

CHARLES EDMOND NEWTON, The furrier and hatter, son of Elling and Martha (Nelson) Newton, was born in **Chicago**, Sept. 2, 1853. His father was a Vessel owner, having learned the ship-carpenter trade in Norway, but abandoned the active building of vessels after securing a few ships of his own. Their first home in Chicago was a log cabin on the north side of the river, where the Northwestern depot stands now. His parents are both dead. Having passed away many years ago in Chicago. Charles attended the public schools. He then began clerking, first in the hat store of Bishop & Barnes, later with Herrick the hatter, and then engaged in business with Hennegen under the firm name of Hennegen & Newton. For the past twenty-five years he has been in business for himself, being now located at 607 Masonic Temple. Our subject was one of the organizers of the First Regiment of the Illinois National Guards. He is a member of the Eighth Presbyterian Church, and was for a time trustee. He was married about twenty years ago to Miss Jennie Scully, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Scully, old residents of Chicago. They have one daughter, Irene, and reside at 314 Park avenue.



C. E. Newton.

GEORGE G. NEWTON, The popular druggist at the corner of Erie and Noble streets, was born in **Lisbon, Ill.**, April 12, 1865. His father, Gullick Knudson, is from Osterlandet, Nummedalen, and his mother, Anna Hamre, from Hamar, Norway. They came to America on a sailship in 1863, via Quebec, Milwaukee and Chicago, and went to Morris, Ill. Here his father worked at what he could find to do for a few years, when he bought a farm near "Lisbon". George was brought up on the farm, attending the public schools, and was confirmed by Pastor Rasmussen. He then went to Lisbon, and under the guidance of W. C. Belden as teacher continued his studies. He secured a position in a drug store at Lisbon, where he remained for nearly four years. In 1887-88 he attended the Chicago College of Pharmacy and passed his examination and received his degree as Ph. G. He later passed an examination before the state board. While in Kendall county Mr. Newton served two years as county collector for Big Grove township. After graduating he located in Chicago and clerked for several years. He then engaged in the drug business for himself at his present location, 329 W. Erie street, where he enjoys a splendid patronage. He was married to Lizzie Josephine, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Eschbacher, of Chicago, on April 12, 1898. His father died on April 28, 1905, but his mother, at the good old age of 87 years, is still living, hale and hearty. Mr. Newton purchased the old homestead from his father and takes great pleasure in visiting the old place, which is now rented by his brother. Our subject attends the Methodist Episcopal Church. He is a Mason, a Knight of Pythias, and an Odd Fellow.



G. G. Newton and Wife.

Entertainment

Ingrid Nilsen (born February 2, 1989) is an American YouTube personality from Rowland Heights, California. Ingrid is of Norwegian descent on her father's side and Thai on her mother's side. On June 9, 2015, Nilsen uploaded a video on her YouTube channel, in which she came out as a lesbian.



Entertainment

Spencer Nilsen (born April 9, 1961) is an American video game music composer. He is best known for his soundtracks to the Sega Mega-CD versions of Batman Returns, Ecco the Dolphin, Ecco: The Tides of Time, Jurassic Park, The Adventures of Batman and Robin, and The Amazing Spider-Man vs. The Kingpin, as well as the North American version of Sonic CD. He has also worked on a number of film and television scores and released a new-age album titled Architects of Change in 1989. He is the former president of Ex'pression College for Digital Arts in Emeryville, California, and co-chairman of the board of Music in Schools Today. He is also the owner and co-founder of Illumina Studios, a full-service media design and production company.



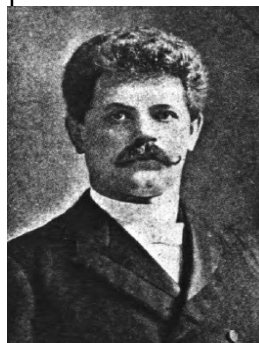
Sport

Werner "Scotty" Nilsen (February 4, 1904 in Skien, Norway - May 10, 1992 in St. Louis, Missouri) is a former Norwegian American soccer forward. He is one of the highest scoring players in U.S. soccer history, scoring 131 goals in 239 games with the Boston Soccer Club. He won five consecutive National Challenge Cups during his career, and four doubles. He also earned two caps with the United States in 1934, one at the 1934 FIFA World Cup. He is a member of the National Soccer Hall of Fame.



Artists

ALDRICH KRISTIAN NILSSON, Organist and musician, was born in Bergen, Norway, Sept. 30, 1858. His father Nils Fugle, was from Fugle gaarden, Upper Vasenden on Jølster, and was employed- by different merchants in Bergen. Young Nilson early developed a great love for music, and though his parents were unable financially to aid him in his ambition, Kristian succeeded in taking some lessons first from Tischendorff and later from Vogel and Edward Grieg. When 17 years old Mr. Nilson was far enough along to take care of himself, and since then the study, rendering and composing of music have been his life work. In the old country he was organist for St. Paul's Catholic Church in Bergen, 1884-86, substitute for the organist in the cathedral (Domkirken), from 1886-88, and organist at Mandal, Norway, in 1889. In the latter year he came to **Chicago**, where he was immediately employed by several singing societies as instructor. He has also published several compositions, one small volume—entitled "Standard Prelude Album"—reaching a sale of 30,000 copies. Of other selections we can mention: "The Book of Psalms," "Anthems and Hymns," "Hjemlige Toner" and "Børnenes Harpe." A dozen others are adapted for piano, organ, guitar and mandolin, besides songs for singing societies. ' Mr. Nilson was married to an accomplished musician and pianist, Miss Dagmar Schauboe, on June 8, 1895. They have two boys—Erling and Einar Fugle. The family lives at 322 Potomac avenue.



A. K. Nilsson.

Business

HERMAN BROWN NIRISON, The real estate man on W. Armitage avenue, is a native of **Chicago**, his parents (Kittel and Ingeborg Nirison) having come from Norway in the '40's. Their home in Norway was a few miles north of Skien. Herman was born in Chicago, May 27, 1862, and has had the advantage of the Chicago public schools and a short time at Wheaton College. In 1878 he clerked for a firm on Grand avenue, and the next year his father took him into business with himself under the firm name of K. Nirison & Son, doing a general china and -silver-plated ware business, on Grand avenue. In 1885 he went to Wolsey, S. D., and engaged in farming, but returned to Chicago two years later. He was married to Emma E. Nelson, of Chicago, on May 27, 1885. They have had five children, four now living, namely: Walter B., 1886; William O., 1888, who died while young; Edith N., 1890; Russell A., 1892; Kittel N., 1900. After his return from South Dakota Mr. Nirison clerked in a hardware jobber's office until 1890, when he engaged in the real estate and insurance business, which he has continued since. He was first located at Milwaukee avenue near Center avenue, then at 86 La Salle street, and is now at 1636 Armitage avenue. Mr. Nirison is a member of Arcana Lodge, No. 717, A. F. 8: A. M.; Wiley M. Eagan, No. 1255, R. A. M.; Michael Reese Council, No. 1587, Royal Arcanum; Dover Lodge, R. H. K.; the Happy Hooligan Bowling Club; captain of the Pioneer Gun Club; president of the Norwegian Republican Club of the twenty-seventh ward, and is a member of the Hermosa Improvement Club. The family resides at 1034 N. Forty second avenue.



H. B. Nirison.

Entertainment

Greta Nissen (30 January 1906 - 15 May 1988) was a Norwegian -born American film and stage actress. Born Grethe Rütz-Nissen in Oslo , Norway , Nissen was originally a dancer. She debuted as a solo ballerina on the National Theatre in 1922. She toured in Norway and participated in several Danish films.



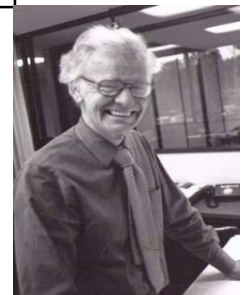
Scientists

Peter Norman Nissen, DSO (6 August 1871 - 2 March 1930) was a Canadian-American -British mining engineer, inventor and army officer. He held a number of patents for his inventions and developed the Nissen hut prefabricated shelter during the First World War . Peter Nissen was born in the United States. His father, Georg Herman Nissen, had emigrated from Bergen, Norway , during 1857. Georg Nissen was primarily a mining engineer who developed a stamp mill used in crushing ore. The family, which included his wife Annie Lavinia Fitch and son Peter, travelled around the United States and Canada as he changed job sites. Peter Nissen moved with his family to Canada in 1891. He resided in Halifax , Nova Scotia and later studied mining engineering at the Mining and Agriculture School of Queen's University in Kingston, Ontario . Nissen completed his studies without taking the final examination. At university, he met Louisa Mair Richmond, whom he married in 1900.



Architects

Kemper Nomland Jr. (May 8, 1919 - December 25, 2009) was a modernist architect in Los Angeles, California and part of a father-son architectural team with his father Kemper Nomland, Sr. He was also a painter and printer of poetry and arts publications. Kemper Nomland Jr. was the son of Kemper Nomland Sr. (1892- 1976) and Elgie (Barrington) Nomland (1892-1996). He had one younger brother, Dr. John Nomland. Kemper Nomland Sr. was born in Buxton, North Dakota to Norwegian immigrant parents who had lived in rural Traill County, North Dakota. After completing coursework at the University of North Dakota, Kemper Nomland Sr. studied architecture at Columbia University before practicing in New York City, Seattle, and then Los Angeles.



CARL WILLIAM BIRCH-NORD, Civil engineer, with the American Bridge Company, Monadnock Block, Chicago, is a son of the late Carl Birch-Nerd, chief engineer and manager of the former Hzeholmen's Mechanical Shipbuilding Company, and Eva Nord (ne'e Mar month), daughter of Stephen Marmonth, manager of the Hjula Weaving Manufacturing Company, of Christiania, Norway. Our subject was born in Christiania, Oct. 7, 1880. After completing his high school and technical education, with practical training in machine shops in Christiania, he went to Germany in 1901, where he extended his studies in electrical engineering at the institute of technology at Bingen am Rhein. He was later employed as superintendent of electrical installments at Boris, Sweden. C. W. Birch-Nord. Mr. Birch-Nord arrived in **Chicago** in July 1902, where, after having held various positions with the Western Electric Company, Burnham & Company, and others, he secured a place as draftsman with the Metropolitan Elevated Railroad Company. He found it difficult at first to get a position as civil engineer. He remained with the Metropolitan until 1903, when he accepted the position of first assistant engineer in the estimating department of the American Bridge Company's Chicago office. Here he had charge of the designing of several of the largest car, foundry and machine shops in the country. He is a member of the Western Society of Civil Engineers.



C. W. Birch-Nord.

Johan Nordboe came from Ringebu in Gudbrandsdal in eastern Norway and is one of the first to come from some other region of Norway than Stavanger. He settled in Kendall in 1832; in LaSalle Co, Ill., in 1836; in Shelby Co., Mo., in 1837; and in Dallas, Tex., in 1838, where he lived on a farm of 1920 acres and practised medicine. He was the first Norwegian to settle in Texas. After George Johnson's death, **John Nordboe** came from Texas to take the four oldest children down to their grandparents. The widow, Malinda Johnson (Malene Nelsdatter Eie), and Oline, her only child by George, remained on the farm following the sale. But on April 2, 1853 she married Michael Olson and moved to where he was breaking prairie near **Newark, Illinois**. The trip by the older Johnson children to Texas was made in no less company than that of pathfinder, K Leng Peerson. He had only recently returned from Texas, possibly with John Nordboe, and was chock full of stories of that wonderland. He said land could be bought in Dallas County, Texas, with as deep and as black a soil as that of Illinois for fifty cents per acre and he told the truth. He persuaded GLe Canuteson and his father Knud to make the trip south, and thus the party consisted of five adults (Ole had acquired a wife) and four children. The latter were Joseph Johnson, 15, Caroline, 13, Elias, 9, and John W., 6. The group took a boat on the Illinois-Michigan Canal from **Ottawa** to LaSalle and then west by river steamer to St. Louis and New Orleans. Here two other Norwegians joined the party and they took another steamer back up stream to the Red River and thence up that to Shreveport. Here they secured a wagon to haul the baggage and the Johnson children to Greenwood, about sixteen miles; and there rented a house in which to leave Ole Canuteson's wife and the children. The four men then walked the remaining one hundred seventy five miles to Dallas, which then consisted of only a few houses along the river. John Nordboe hitched a yoke of large oxen to a light wagon and went back after its. Ganuteson and the Johnson children, arriving in Dallas about Christmas



REV. JORGEN NORDBY. For the past twenty-five years pastor for the Norwegian Lutheran Church at Lee, IL., was born at Ulvig, Hardanger, Norway, Dec. 9, 1852. He came to America in 1867, having up to that time attended the public schools. Here he lived in the country and attended school graduating from Luther College, Decorah, Iowa, in 1873, and from the Concordia Theological Seminary, Rev. Jprgen Nordby. St. Louis, Mo., in 1876. His first call was to the Lutheran Church at Northwood, Iowa, where he remained for four years, going then to Lee, Ill. He was secretary for the eastern district of the Norwegian Lutheran Synod, and since 1896 has been secretary of the general synod. Rev. Nordby has traveled extensively, having visited Egypt and the Holy Land, as well as most of the European countries. He has been back to Norway three times. His whole life since leaving college has been devoted to church work, he having served on important synodical committees, one of them for the revision of the hymn book. He supports charities liberally, being especially interested in the orphans' home and the home for the aged at Stoughton, Wis. He married Miss Rosina Pauline Preus, Aug. '39, 1877. They have had nine children, four now living.



Rev. Jørgen Nordby.



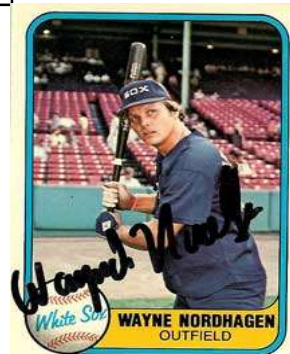
Sport

Leif Nordgren (born May 18, 1989) is an American biathlete. Living in Minnesota and introduced to biathlon by his elder sister Sonne at age 14, he started competing seriously in the sport at age 17. He placed top ten in all events in the 2008 Junior World Championships, obtaining a bronze medal in 10 km pursuit. He has competed in the World Championships 2011–2013, with best results in relays (6 in 2011). His best individual result in the World Championship is 17 in mass start in 2011.



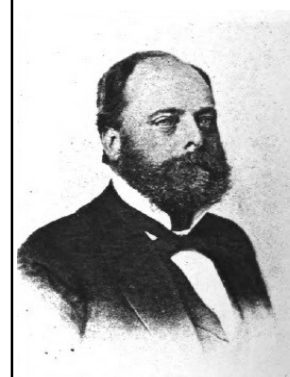
Sport

Wayne Oren Nordhagen (born July 4, 1948) is a former Major League Baseball outfielder and designated hitter. He played eight seasons in the majors for the **Chicago White Sox** (1976–81), Toronto Blue Jays (1982), Pittsburgh Pirates (1982) and **Chicago Cubs** (1983).



Business

JETLEE BRYNGELSON NORDHEM Was born at Voss, Norway, June 6, 1841, to Bryngel J. and Ingeborg E. (Saue) Nordhem. Having graduated from the common school, he was confirmed in Vossevangens church and then worked on his father's farm, until he came to America in June 1859. He stopped at **Long Prairie, Ill.**, about one year, then went to Decorah, Iowa, where he remained one and a half year. I On Feb. 25, 1862, Mr. Nordhem enlisted in Company H, First Battalion, of the Sixteenth U. S. Infantry and served three years. During that term he was engaged in the following battles: Stone River, where he was wounded, Mission Ridge, Buzzard Roost, Reseca, New Hope Church, Kenesaw Mountain, Marietta, Peach Tree Creek, Atlanta and Jonesboro, Ga. Mr. Nordhem was married in May 1871, to Miss Julia T. Amondson, a daughter of John and Herborg Amondson. This union has been blessed with two daughters, Harriet Isabella, born Feb. 9, 1873, married to Mr. Charles F. Hamann, and Edith Josephine, born June 1, 1877. They have also had one son, Joseph Bernard, born Nov. 5, 1866, who died in infancy. Mr. Nordhem has been engaged for about thirteen years in the custom service and held various positions in same as inspector, bondclerk, warehouse ledger clerk and drawback clerk. In 1879 he was elected supervisor of West Town, Chicago, which term lasted one year. Mr. Nordhem has been connected with Skandinaven as manager for their book department for about ten years. He is now secretary and vice-president of the John Anderson Publishing Company. The family are members of the English Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Holy Trinity for which Mr. Nordhem has served as trustee for about twenty years. Mr. Nordhem is a member of the Grand Army of the Republic. U. S. Grant Post 28. He hasserved three years as president of the Norwegian Republican Club of the 28th Ward and is a life member of the Norwegian Lutheran Tabitha Hospital Society. The family resides at 1848 Humboldt boulevard.



Jetlee B. Nordhem.

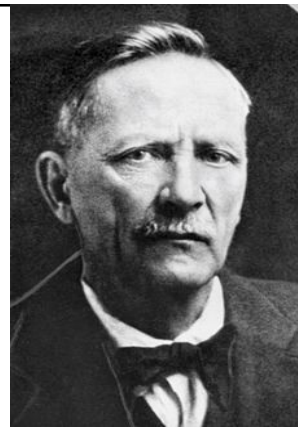
Cartoonists

Ernest Nordli (June 15, 1912 – April 22, 1968) was an American animation designer and layout artist, most notably for **Walt Disney Studios**. He was born in Salt Lake City, Utah to Norwegian immigrant Hans Magnus Nordli (1884-1975) and Hedvig Charlotte Esterblom (1888-1976) who was of Swedish heritage. He studied art at the Santa Barbara School of the Arts. Nordli, nicknamed "Ernie", was a talented artist whose work had an appealing modern sensibility. He started at Disney in 1936 and served as an art director/layout artist on Dumbo and Fantasia



Sport

Sondre Norheim, born Sondre Auverson, (10 June 1825 - 9 March 1897) was a Norwegian skier and pioneer of modern skiing . Sondre Norheim is known as the father of Telemark skiing. Sondre Auverson was born at Øverbø, a little cotter 's farm and raised in Morgedal in the municipality of Kviteseid in Telemark , Norway. Skiing was a popular activity in Morgedal. Sondre took to downhill skiing as a recreational activity, rising to local fame for his skills. He made important innovations in skiing technology by designing new equipment, such as different bindings and shorter skis with curved sides to facilitate turns. He also designed the Telemark ski , which is the prototype of all those now produced. Sondre Norheim was regarded by his contemporaries as a master of the art of skiing. He combined ordinary skiing with jumping and slalom. In 1868 he won the first national skiing competition in Christiania , beating his younger competitors by a large margin. His reputation grew, and eventually made Norwegian words like ski and slålåm (slalom) known worldwide.



Religious

Olaf Morgan Norlie (January 11, 1876 - June 22, 1962), also referred to as O. M. Norlie, was a Lutheran minister, educator and scholar. He was additionally a Lutheran church historian, librarian, editor and statistician. He was also a prolific author who is most remembered as the translator of the Simplified New Testament. Norlie was born to Norwegian immigrant parents in Sioux City , Iowa. His father had emigrated from Fåberg , in Oppland county, Norway in 1866. He went on to graduate from St. Olaf College in 1898



Artists

Eric Norstad was an American potter and architect who worked primarily on the west coast of the United States. Norstad was born in Valhalla, New York , the youngest of four children to Magnus Norstad, a Norwegian American commercial artist who painted magazine covers and oils of western scenes, and Lillian Rosland, a Swedish American miniature dried flower artist. Magnus and Lillian met in Portland, Oregon where they both worked at an advertising agency.



Military

Lauris Norstad (March 24, 1907 - September 12, 1988) was an American General in the United States Army Air Forces and United States Air Force . Lauris Norstad was born in Minneapolis , Minnesota to a Norwegian immigrant Lutheran minister and his wife. He earned his high school diploma from St. Thomas Military Academy in St Paul, Minn



Business

HANS PETER GRØDEM NORSTRAND Was born near Bergen, Norway, June 24, 1871, his parents being Lars C. and Hansine Rasmussen Norstrand. He was educated in the Bergen and technical schools. He came to America in 1889 and served as draftsman for several Chicago firms. Was chief engineer for the Aultman 8: Taylor Machinery Company. Mansfield, Ohio, for four years—from 1894-1898. Was superintendent for the Pennsylvania Boiler Works at Erie, Penn., 1898-1900; general superintendent for Abendroth & Root Manufacturing Company, New York, 1900-1902; general manager for the Hawley Down Drop Furnace Company, Chicago, 1902-1903, and is now engineer, secretary and treasurer for the H. P. G. Norstrand. George Whiting Company, manufacturers of special machinery, 156-158 W. North avenue. Mr. Norstrand was married in December 1892, to Mathilda Nagle, born in Prague, Bohemia. They have three children—Signe Ruth, 12 years; Leif Behrend, 4 years; Hans Donald, 1 year. The subject of our sketch is a member of Den Norske Kwartet Club, the Royal League, and the Independent Religious Society, served by the eloquent M. M. Mangasarian.



H. P. G. Norstrand.

Other

THE NORWAY RAT. It is remarkable that the large Norwegian rat accompanied the first Norwegian immigrants as far West as Illinois. That some were brought over to this country in the "Sloop" was not strange, but how they managed to hide them selves in trunks, chests and sacks all the way over land is harder to explain. In a few years they became numerous in La Salle and surrounding counties. All animals increase in proportion to immunity from molestation by enemies and easy access to their natural food. The profusion of the cereal grains, all exposed, made this the paradise of rats. Yards filled with corncribs, standing for three or four years, became infested with numbers innumerable. They go and come, sometimes swarming like the locusts, and then leaving for several years. The black rat, common before, disappeared immediately after the introduction of the Norwegian species, which is a larger and much more powerful and sagacious animal. Some succeeding race may exterminate the Norway, but that may result, as before, only in a change of evils. The good things of the world were not made for man alone. Imperious man says: " 'See man for mine', replies the pampered goose." " 'See all things for my use'.

Religious

REV. HENRY T. NOSS Was born at St. Peter, Minn, Jan 1, 1879, his parents (Tollef H. and Marie S. Noss) having come from Norway in 1877. They remained at St. Peter for two years and then moved to Hatton, N. D., where they have made their home since. Those were pioneer days and Henry's first home was a sod house, eighty miles from a railroad. He attended the public schools, spent one year at the Grand Forks College, two years at the Mayville Normal School and four years at the United Church College at Minneapolis, where he graduated in the spring of 1900. The following year was spent at St. Olaf's College, where he received his degree of bachelor of arts in 1901. He then studied three years at the United Church Seminary at St. Anthony Park, St. Paul, where he graduated as a candidate for the ministry, June 2, 1905, and was ordained as a minister in the Swedish Augustana Church at Minneapolis on Sunday, June 18, 1905. Sunday, July 16, 1905, he entered upon his duties as a minister'of the gospel in Bethany Congregation, Leland, IL., this being one of the oldest congregations in the United Church. While he serves a Norwegian congregation, he preaches but two sermons in that language each month, the rest of the work being carried on in English.



Rev. Henry T. Noss.

Scientists

Karen LuJean Nyberg (born October 7, 1969) is an American mechanical engineer and NASA astronaut. Nyberg became the 50th woman in space on her first mission in 2008. Nyberg started her space career in 1991 and spent a total of 180 days in space in 2008 and 2013 (as a Mission Specialist on STS-124 and a Flight Engineer on Soyuz TMA-09M). Nyberg's hometown is Vining, Minnesota. She is of Norwegian ancestry. She is married to astronaut Douglas Hurley and they have a son. Her recreational interests include running, sewing, drawing and painting, backpacking, piano, and spending time with her family. Her parents, Kenneth and Phyllis Nyberg, still reside in Vining.



Academics

Paul Henry Nystrom (January 25, 1878 - August 17, 1969) was an American economist, and professor of marketing at Columbia University . He is most known as pioneer in marketing , and for his The Economics of Retailing (1915) and his Economics of Fashion(1928). Nystrom obtained his Ph.B. from the University of Wisconsin in 1909, and his Ph.M. in 1910, and his Ph.D. in 1914 under William Amasa Scott (1862-1944). Nystrom started his academic career as Assistant Professor of Political Economy in the University of Wisconsin. He later became Associate Professor of Economics in the University of Minnesota and eventually professor of marketing at Columbia University , where he retired in 1950.



Entertainment

Dagmar Oakland (born Edna Andersen; November 25, 1893 - June 1989) was an American actress of stage and screen from San Francisco, California . Twice she was a member of the Ziegfeld Follies . Oakland's parents were Edward Andersen of Fredrikstad , Norway and Anna Marthine Olsen, also of Norway . Her siblings' names were Edward, Herbert (née Hagbart), and Vivien . Her sister performed on Broadway and in motion pictures as Vivian Oakland. After the 1906 San Francisco earthquake Anna Andersen, a widow since 1898, moved the family to Oakland, California , from whence the sisters took their stage names.



Norsk Museum

Entertainment

Vivien Oakland (born Vivian Ruth Andersen; May 20, 1895 – August 1, 1958), was an American actress best known for her work in comedies in Hollywood in the 1920s and 1930s, most notably with the Hal Roach Studios. Oakland appeared in 157 films between 1915 and 1951. Born Vivian Ruth Andersen in San Francisco, California, she was the daughter of Norwegian immigrants Edward Andersen and Anna Marthine Olsen. Her siblings' names were Edward, Herbert (né Hagbart), and Edna. She was one half of the vaudeville team "The Oakland Sisters" with her younger sister Edna, who later performed in motion pictures as Dagmar Oakland. After the 1906 San Francisco earthquake Anna Andersen, a widow since 1898, moved the family to Oakland, California. In 1917, she married actor John T. Murray (1886–1957). Oakland performed on Broadway and with the Zigfeld Follies.



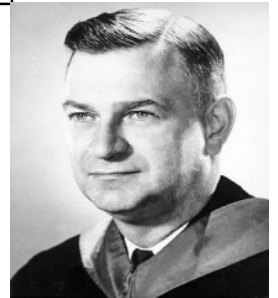
Politicians

Barack Hussein Obama II (born August 4, 1961) is an American attorney and politician who served as the 44th President of the United States from 2009 to 2017. A member of the Democratic Party , he was the first African American to be elected to the presidency. He previously served as a United States Senator from **Illinois** (2005-2008). Obama was born on August 4, 1961, at Kapiolani Medical Center for Women and Children in Honolulu , Hawaii. He is the only president who was born in Hawaii and the only president who was born outside of the contiguous 48 states . He was born to a white mother and a black father. His mother, Ann Dunham (1942-1995), was born in Wichita, Kansas ; she was mostly of English descent, with some German , Irish , Scottish , Swiss , and Welsh ancestry. His father, Barack Obama Sr. (1936-1982), was a married Luo Kenyan man from Nyang'oma Kogelo . Obama's parents met in 1960 in a Russian language class at the University of Hawaii at Manoa , where his father was a foreign student on a scholarship. The couple married in Wailuku, Hawaii on February 2, 1961, six months before Obama was born. He believed to be direct descendant of Rurik the Viking



Academics

Charles Edwin Odegaard (January 10, 1911 – November 14, 1999) was the president of the University of Washington from 1958–1973. Odegaard is credited in transforming the University of Washington from an average state university to one among the top public universities in the United States. Odegaard was born in 1911 in **Chicago Heights, Illinois** to Charles Alfred and Mary Cord Odegaard. His maternal grandparents emigrated from Norway in 1880. The son of the president of a machine tools company, Odegaard grew up on the north side of Chicago. While neither parent had finished high school, they encouraged Odegaard's scholastic study and had an extensive library. In his autobiography, he says this family environment "preconditioned me for history as a discipline".



Norsk Hostfest

John D. Odegard

Scandinavian-American Hall of Fame 2010

John D. Odegard, founder and former dean of UND Aerospace at the University of North Dakota, piloted that institution's aviation education and training program from its modest beginnings, operating with two donated aircraft and two faculty members, to its current status as one of the largest and most respected aerospace education programs in the nation. Today UND Aerospace – which encompasses the renamed John D. Odegard School of Aerospace Sciences and the UND Aerospace Foundation – serves more than 1900 students from around the world, logging 115,000 hours per year in over 138 aircraft. Inspired by summers working as a crop sprayer during his own UND education (B.B.A. Accounting '66 and M.S. Accounting '67) Odegard revitalized the school's flying club, and his master's thesis led to the establishment of an air service for UND officials. After joining the UND faculty in accounting, his proposal to merge a business degree with flight study gave birth to UND's aviation program, then a division of the College of Business.



Academics

Peter H. Odegard (April 5, 1901 – December 6, 1966) was an American political scientist and college administrator. A specialist in the study of propaganda, he was special assistant to the Secretary of the Treasury at the start of the World War II War Bonds campaign. From 1945 to 1948 he was president of Reed College. Odegard was born in Kalispell, Montana; his parents were Norwegian immigrants. He earned his Bachelor's degree at the University of Washington and his Ph.D. from Columbia University.



Religious

Sven Oftedal (March 22, 1844 - March 30, 1911) was a Norwegian American Lutheran minister. He served as the 3rd president of Augsburg University and helped found the Lutheran Free Church . Sven Svensen Oftedal was born in Stavanger , Norway . He was the son of Sven Larsen Oftedal (1812-1883) and Gunhild Omundsdatter Stokka (1809-1881). His father was a teacher at the Stavanger Cathedral School . His elder brother Lars Svendsen Oftedal (1838 -1900) was a Norwegian priest and social reformer. He was also the founding editor of Stavanger Aftenblad and served as a Member of the Storting



Sport

Terrence Rønnestad Oglesby (born March 12, 1988) is an American-Norwegian professional basketball player who last played for the Umeå BK of the Swedish Basketligan. Before moving to Europe to play professionally, he had played college basketball for Clemson University. Born in Kongsberg, Norway, Oglesby holds dual citizenship with the United States and Norway.



Sport

Casper Oimoen (May 8, 1906 - July 27, 1995) was an American ski jumping champion. Casper Oimoen was born at Etnedal in Oppland , Norway. He immigrated to the United States in 1923 and settled near Minot, North Dakota . Unable to compete in the 1928 Olympics because he was not an American citizen, he entered the Olympics in 1932 and again as captain of the U.S. team in 1936, placing 5th and 13th respectively. Casper Oimoen won over 400 medals and trophies during his skiing career. Oimoen was inducted into the U.S. Skiing Hall of Fame in 1963. Casper Oimoen was granted the Theodore Roosevelt Rough Rider Award by the Governor of the State of North Dakota in 1973. Today his portrait, by North Dakota artist Vern Skaug, is on display in the Hall of Fame at the North Dakota State Capital Building in Bismarck . He was inducted into the Scandinavian-American Hall of Fame in 1984. A bronze statue of Casper Oimoen stands in the Scandinavian Heritage Park in Minot, North Dakota



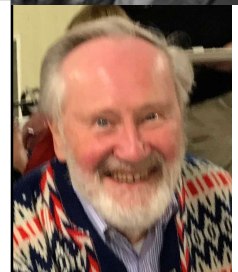
Entertainment

Don O'Kelly, (March 17, 1924 – October 2, 1966) was an American actor prominent in the 1950s and 1960s mostly on television. Though credited as "Don Kelly" in earlier performances, his billing was changed to "Don O'Kelly" in 1960.



Museum






Lowell Olberg is 77 years old and was born on July 9, 1941. Currently, he lives in Wheaton, IL; and previously lived in Santa Clara, CA.
Board Chairman Lowell Olberg for his years of service to NAGC.
Lowell Olberg, Chairman Emeritus - Wheaton, Illinois
Norwegian American Genealogical Center & Naeseth Library



Sport

John Garrett Olerud (born August 5, 1968), nicknamed Johnny O and Big Rude, is a left-handed American former Major League Baseball first baseman. Olerud played with the Toronto Blue Jays (1989-96), New York Mets (1997-99), Seattle Mariners (2000-04), New York Yankees (2004), and Boston Red Sox (2005). A patient, productive hitter throughout his career, Olerud won the American League batting title in 1993 and was runner-up for the National League batting title in 1998 . Also a three-time Gold Glove winner, he was an excellent defensive first baseman and part of Sports Illustrated 's "The Best Infield Ever?" cover in 1999 with Edgardo Alfonzo, Rey Ordóñez, and Robin Ventura , when he played for the Mets. Olerud was born to Lynda and John E. Olerud, a physician, dermatologist, and baseball player from Lisbon, North Dakota. The elder Olerud played college baseball for the Washington State Cougars as a catcher , and was the captain of the team which advanced to the semifinals of the College World Series in 1965 .



Entertainment	<p>Tollak Ollestad is an American harmonica player, singer, keyboardist and songwriter. He is best known for his harmonica work on several recordings since the 1990s, but he has also toured extensively as a keyboardist and singer with several well-known acts. Tollak Ollestad was born in Seward, Alaska and grew up in Seattle, Washington. After starting out in the club scene in Seattle in his early twenties he moved to Los Angeles in 1984.</p>	
Writers	<p>Alfred Johannes Olsen (April 12, 1884– May 20, 1956), better known under his pen name Bob Olsen, was an American science fiction writer. Olsen was the son of Norwegian immigrants and grew up in Providence, Rhode Island.</p>	
Sport	<p>Arthur "Ole" Olsen (September 12, 1894 - September 12, 1980) was an American baseball pitcher . He played professional baseball for nine years from 1921 to 1929, including two seasons in Major League Baseball with the Detroit Tigers in 1922 and 1923. He compiled an 8-7 -winloss record and a 4.95 earned run average (ERA) in 54 major league games. He also played seven years in the minor leagues and played college baseball at Cornell University . Olsen was born in South Norwalk, Connecticut , in 1894. He graduated from Norwalk High School in 1913 and then attended Cornell University where he played for the Cornell Big Red baseball team. His college career was interrupted by military service during World War I . After being discharged from the military, he returned to Cornell and served as the captain of Cornell's baseball team in 1919.</p>	
Entertainment	<p>Ashley Fuller Olsen (born June 13, 1986) is an American fashion designer, producer, author, businesswoman and former actress. She co-founded luxury fashion brands The Row, Elizabeth and James, and the more affordable lines Olsenboye and StyleMint with her twin sister Mary-Kate Olsen. She is also the older sister of actress Elizabeth Olsen. Ashley was born in Sherman Oaks, Los Angeles, California, the daughter of Jarnette "Jarnie", a personal manager, and David "Dave" Olsen, a real estate developer and mortgage banker. Along with her twin, Mary-Kate, they have an older brother, Trent Olsen, a younger sister, Elizabeth Olsen who is also an actress, and younger half siblings Taylor and Jake from their father's second marriage. Olsen's parents divorced in 1996. The twins and their siblings have Norwegian ancestry on their father's side. Olsen began her career at the age of nine months old, when she and Mary-Kate were hired to share the role of Michelle Tanner on the popular television series Full House in 1987. She starred in the video series The Adventures of Mary-Kate & Ashley, the ABC show Two of a Kind, and ABC Family's So Little Time. She and her sister were jointly ranked number three on the VH1 program 100 Greatest Child Stars.</p>	
Military	<p>Earl Kenneth Olsen, born 2 July 1903 in Brooklyn, New York, was a member of the U.S. Naval Academy Class of 1926. He was posthumously awarded the Navy Cross for bravery in action at Guadalcanal in 1942.</p>	

Elizabeth Chase "Lizzie" Olsen (born February 16, 1989) is an American actress. She is known for her roles in the films, *Silent House* (2011), *Liberal Arts* (2012), *Godzilla* (2014), *Avengers: Age of Ultron* (2015) and *Captain America: Civil War* (2016). For her role in the critically-acclaimed *Martha Marcy May Marlene* (2011), she was nominated for numerous awards, including the Independent Spirit Award for Best Female Lead. She is the younger sister of actresses and fashion designers Mary-Kate Olsen and Ashley Olsen .

Olsen was born in Sherman Oaks, California, the daughter of Jarnette "Jarnie", a personal manager, and David "Dave" Olsen, a real estate developer and mortgage banker. She is the younger sister of twins Mary-Kate Olsen and Ashley Olsen , who became famous as TV and movie stars at an early age. Her oldest brother is named Trent Olsen , and she has two younger half-siblings as well. In 1996, Olsen's parents were divorced. The Olsens have Norwegian and English ancestry.



Eric Christian Olsen (born May 31, 1977) is an American actor. He is known for his portrayals of Detective Marty Deeks on the CBS television series *NCIS: Los Angeles*, and of Austin in the film *Not Another Teen Movie*. Olsen was born in Eugene, Oregon, the son of Jeanne (née Donstad), a non-denominational chaplain, and Paul V. Olsen, a professor of English, and head track and cross country coach of Augustana College in **Rock Island, Illinois**. He has an older brother, David, who acts as his stunt double; David is married to actress Daniela Ruah. Olsen is of Norwegian descent. Olsen spent most of his childhood in Bettendorf, Iowa and attended Bettendorf Middle and High School, where he pursued interests such as sports, Japanese, and Chinese. In addition to many local theatre performances, Olsen trained in improv with ComedySportz Quad Cities and later joined the cast

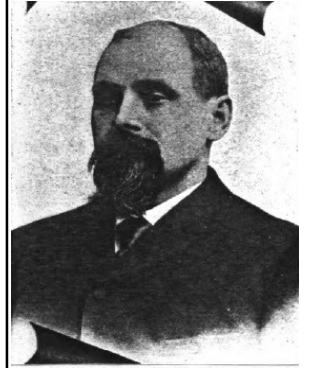


GEORGE T. OLSEN, General manager for the Co-operative Store on Milwaukee avenue is a native of Norway. He was born in Stavanger, April 22, 1865, and came to America with his parents when a child. His father, Terje Olsen, was interested in lake vessels and shipping. His mother was Maren Maesel. Both passed away in **Chicago**. The subject of our sketch attended the public schools and a business college in Chicago. In 1882 he entered the employ of S. D. Kimbark & Co., first as clerk and later as confidential and financial man to Seneca D. Kimbark. He remained with the firm until 1905, when he was made general manager of the Co-operative Department Store, corner of Milwaukee avenue and Carpenter street. Mr. Olsen was married in June 1900, to Miss Ida A. Stenbeck, daughter of Captain Andrew and Caroline Stenbeck. They had one child, Maren, born March 31, 1902. Mr. Olsen is a member of Hesperia Lodge, A. F. and A. M. Mrs. Olsen died in 1905.



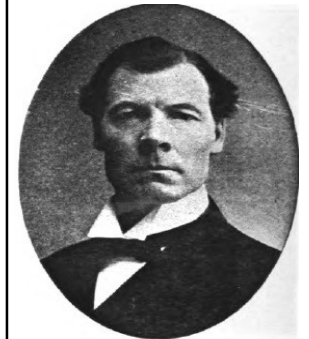
George T. Olsen.

HENRY OLSEN Was born at Aune, Trondenes, Nordland, Norway, Aug. 24, 1846, his parents being Ole and Dorothea Margrethe Mikkelsen, who lived on a small farm near the above-named place. Here Henry attended the common schools until 15 years old, when he went to Tromsø to learn the cabinetmaker's trade. After finishing his apprenticeship, he took passage on the sailship Norge for America, on June 6, 1864. Seven weeks later he arrived at Quebec, Canada, coming by boat to Toronto and by rail to **Chicago**, where he arrived Aug. 6. He arrived here without a cent to buy tools with and not knowing a single person, but secured work as a laborer, carrying brick and unload ing lumber vessels, etc. Oct. 6, 1864, he enlisted in the United States Army as a volunteer. He was immediately sent to Indiana, where he joined the Eighty-second Regiment, Indiana Volunteers, then at Atlanta, Ga. On Nov. 10, the same year, he took part in the burning of Atlanta and was with Sherman on his "march to the sea," and also on the march from Savannah through South and North Carolina. He took part in many small battles and skirmishes and was at Raleigh, N.C., in April 1865, when Johnston surrendered to Sherman. They then marched north through Richmond to Washington, where the regiment was mustered out of the service, but Mr. Olsen was transferred to the Twenty-second Indiana Volunteers, then stationed at Louisville, Ky. July 24, 1865, he was honorably discharged from the army as a private. Returning to Chicago, he secured employment at the Illinois Central passenger car works, then located at Twenty sixth street and Cottage Grove avenue. Mr. Olsen was married to Emelie Marie Harriette Blomqvist, on Jan. 7, 1866. His wife was also from Tromsø, having come over on the same ship. They have had nine children—four sons and five daughters—of which one son and three daughters are living. They are all married and living in Chicago. Soon after his marriage, Mr. Olsen engaged as a millwright, work ing a number of years for Livingston Bros., of this city, and in 1875 he engaged with Charles Kaestner & Co. In 1885 he started in business for himself, but two years later took in Henry Olsen. Gustav Tilgner as a partner, manufacturing all kinds of machinery, patterns, models and millwright work, under the firm name of Olsen & Tilgner, their factory being at Indiana street and La Salle avenue. In 1901 the company in corporated under the name of Olsen & Tilgner Manufacturing Co., of which Mr. Olsen is president, their shop having been moved to 37-39 Ontario street.



Henry Olsen.

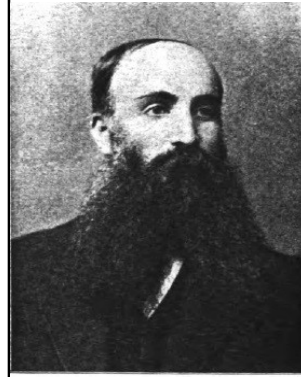
IVER OLSEN, President of the Scandinavian branch of the Young Men's Christian Assbciation, was born in Bynesset, Norway, Nov. 9, 1856. He came to the United States in 1881, stopping at Ishpeming, Mich., a short time. From here he moved to Republic, Mich., where he remained four years working hard all the time. During this period his soul was awakened, and he was converted to a true belief in God. He joined a Swedish-Lutheran church at that place and became an earnest worker in the Vineyard of the Lord. In 1884 Mr. Olsen went to Minnesota, but things did not suit him there, so he concluded to come to **Chicago**. He arrived in 1886 and has remained here since. One of his first cares was to find a church home in this great city, and he was induced to join the Norwegian-Lutheran Bethania Free Church, whose pastor was the lamented Rev, I. Z. Torgersen. During many years Mr. Olsen was an ardent worker in the Sunday school of said church. In the meantime he had become acquainted with the Scandinavian Y. M. C. A., 'which branch all that time held its meetings in "Skandinaven's" building. He did not, however, become a member before in 1893. He had now found a field suitable for his activities, and his energy came into full- display, when 'he was elected on a number of committees, where real, hard work was required, as for instance on the building committee. He was also twice elected to the office of vice-president and in that capacity acted as chief for the missionary work. His fellow-members have demonstrated their appreciation of his valuable services by electing Mr. Olsen to the presidency of the association for eleven consecutive terms.



Iver Olsen.

Business

JENS OLSEN, Of **Mendota, Ill.**, is a son of Ola Olsen and Rachel Maria (Fosse) Kalberg. He was born near Stavanger, Norway, July 29, 1847. He learned the tailor trade in Stavanger and at the age of 21 went to London, England, for further advancement in it. He returned to Stavanger after five years and engaged in business for himself. In 1875 he was married to Miss Inger, a daughter of Enoch Knudson Joaasen, of Molde, near Stavanger. 'In 1883 he came to America, stopping in Chicago for one year and then going on to Mendota, where he settled with his family and has resided since. Nine children were born to them, seven of whom are living. Enoch B., the oldest, is assistant cashier of the Germania Bank and city treasurer of Mendota, his term expiring in May 1907. Inga J., the oldest daughter, is a milliner, in Chicago. Oscar B. is working in a drug store in Mendota. Bertha graduated from the high school in June 1906. The younger children —Clara, Herman and Edward—are at home, at tending school. The family attend the Presbyterian Church, there being no Lutheran Church excepting a German one. Mr. Olsen is a member of the Modern Woodmen of America. The family live in their own home at No. 700 Washington street. The oldest son, Enoch, is the only child married.



Jens Olsen.

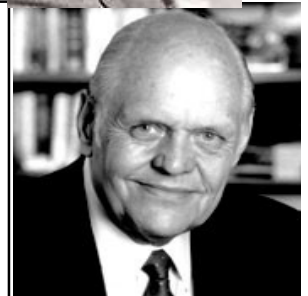
Entertainment

John Sigvard Olsen (November 6, 1892 – January 26, 1963) was an American vaudevillian and comedian. **Ole Olsen (comedian)** John Sigvard Olsen was born in Peru, Indiana on November 6, 1892, the son of a Norwegian immigrant, Gustav Olsen, a boiler-maker for the railroad, and his wife, Catherine, who was of Swiss-German descent. He graduated from Northwestern University in 1912 with a degree in music and hit the Vaudeville circuit. In 1914 he met Chic Johnson, who was advertising himself as the "Greatest Ragtime Pianist in the Midwest"



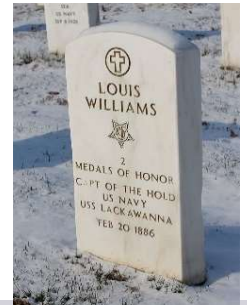
Scientists

Kenneth Harry "Ken" Olsen (February 20, 1926 - February 6, 2011) was an American engineer who co-founded Digital Equipment Corporation (DEC) in 1957 with colleague Harlan Anderson and his brother Stan Olsen. Kenneth Harry Olsen was born in Bridgeport, Connecticut and grew up in the neighboring town of Stratford, Connecticut . His father's parents came from Norway and his mother's parents from Sweden . Olsen began his career working summers in a machine shop. Fixing radios in his basement gave him the reputation of a neighborhood inventor. After serving in the United States Navy between 1944 and 1946, Olsen attended the Massachusetts Institute of Technology , where he earned both a BS (1950) and an MS (1952) degree in Electrical engineering



Military

Ludwig Andreas Olsen (1845 - February 20, 1886), also known as **Louis Williams**, was a United States Navy sailor and one of only 19 people to ever be awarded **two Medals of Honor** . **Both** awards were for peace-time actions rescuing fellow seamen. Olsen was born in Oslo , Norway , in 1845. He joined the Navy from California in 1870, under the name Louis Williams. He eventually achieved the rank of Captain of the Hold , an enlisted position that placed him in charge of keeping order in the ship's hold



Entertainment

Mary-Kate Olsen (born June 13, 1986) is an American actress, fashion designer, producer, author, and businesswoman. She co-founded luxury fashion brands The Row, Elizabeth and James, and the more affordable lines Olsenboye and StyleMint alongside her fraternal twin sister Ashley Olsen. Olsen pursued acting independently as an adult until 2012. She is the older sister of actress Elizabeth Olsen. Mary-Kate was born in Sherman Oaks, Los Angeles, California, the daughter of Jarnette "Jarnie", a personal manager, and David "Dave" Olsen, a real estate developer and mortgage banker. Along with her twin, Ashley, she has an older brother, Trent, a younger sister, Elizabeth Olsen, and two half siblings from her father's second marriage. Olsen's parents divorced in 1996. Along with Ashley, Olsen was cast at the age of nine months to share the role of Michelle Tanner on the ABC sitcom Full House. The Olsen twins portrayed Michelle throughout the series' 1987-95 run. These ventures, combined with an array of licensing deals for their names and likenesses, made Olsen wealthy at a young age. In 2004, Olsen's wealth was estimated at \$137 million



Lawyers

Matthew Glen Olsen (born February 21, 1962) is an American prosecutor and the former Director of the National Counterterrorism Center(NCTC). Born in Fargo, North Dakota, Olsen is a graduate of the University of Virginia and Harvard Law School. Olsen began his career as a law clerk for District Court Judge Norma Holloway Johnson, before entering private practice and working as a trial attorney for the Justice Department's Civil Rights Division in 1992.



Business

OLAF C. S. OLSEN, Manufacturer of office desks and furniture, was born in Stavanger, Norway, in 1863. He came direct to **Chicago** in 1883 and has resided here since. He was educated in the public schools and learned the trade of a cabinet maker in the old country, and has followed that line of work. In 1890 he established a business on his own account, under the name of O. C. S. Olsen & Co., and makes a specialty of office desks. His factory a substantial brick building of six stories, covers a whole block on the corner of Austin avenue and May street.

Medal of Honor

Ordinary Seaman **Anton Olsen** (April 26, 1867 - June 23, 1924) was a United States Navy quartermaster who received the Medal of Honor. Olsen died on June 23, 1924. He is buried in New York City in Cypress Hills National Cemetery, Section 2, Grave No. 9158. Rank and organization: Ordinary Seaman, U.S. Navy.
Citation: On board the USS Marblehead during the operation of cutting the cable leading from Cienfuegos, Cuba, 11 May 1898. Facing the heavy fire of the enemy, Olsen displayed extraordinary bravery and coolness throughout this period.

Writers

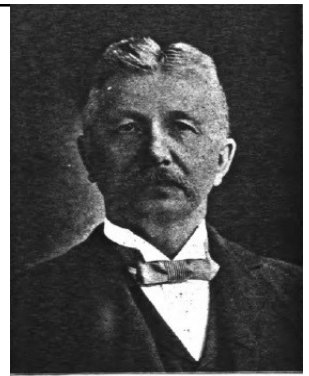
PETER A. OLSEN, The editor and publisher of Illinois Posten, of **Ottawa**, was born at Molde, Norway, April 1, 1868. His father was Ole Olsen, a jeweler, and his mother, Caroline Marie (Bakken) Olsen. Mrs. Olsen died in **Chicago** in 1892, father, who had worked at his trade in Chicago for thirteen years, returned to Norway after the World's Fair and died in Bergen, 'June 27, 1906. He had married again. Our subject received his education in the public schools in Bergen and Christiania. With his parents he came to Chicago in 1883. At first he attended evening school and was apprenticed as a printer on the Norwegian weekly Norden. He worked on Folkevennen from 1885 to 1889 and then went to Skandinaven, where he worked in the subscription and mailing department and also as compositor on the daily. He returned to Norden and remained until 1894, when he began the publication of Afholdsvennen. In 1896 he moved to Ottawa, continuing his paper, but he changed the name to Illinois Posten, which has proved a financial success. On Aug. 4, 1888, Mr. Olsen was married to Miss Marie A. Solem, daughter of Peter and Gertrude (Hansen Stube) Solem, of Chicago. Mr. and Mrs. Olsen have two daughters—Caroline Otelia, born Feb. 27, 1890, and Viola Einera, born Feb. 7, 1892. Mrs. Olsen is a lady of culture, and, having a good education, she is in innumerable ways of great assistance to her husband. Miss Caroline is in her third year in the high school and Viola attends the grammar school. The family reside in their' own home at 801 First avenue. Mr. Olsen's publishing office is in the Opera House Block. His paper is the first secular paper (Norwegian) in Illinois outside of Chicago. It is republican in politics and has been recognized by the national, state, county and city committees. Mr. Olsen is also agent for all the Atlantic steamship lines. During his stay in Chicago he was an active member of the Bjørgvin Singing Society.



Peter A. Olsen.

Business

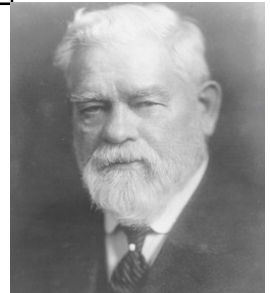
PETER B. OLSEN Was born in Christiania, Norway, April 11, 1848. He arrived in Chicago in 1872 and went to work on Skandinaven as a compositor. He was connected with the paper until 1887. During his connection with the paper he also served in the business and editorial departments. From 1888 to 1892 he was employed as a draftsman in the recorder's office in **Chicago**, after which he again took up newspaper work. From 1895 to 1902 he worked in the county map department. He was elected a representative to the general assembly of Illinois on the republican ticket, from the old Eleventh (now the Twenty-fifth) senatorial district in 1898, and re-elected in 1900. In 1902 he was elected county clerk of Cook county, by a very large plurality. Mr. Olsen has been married twice and has seven living children. He is an Odd Fellow and a member of the Knights of Pythias. Mr. Olsen has made a creditable record as county clerk, having been publicly commended by the county board for his comprehensive, complete and accurate reports. He refused a renomination on account of the worries and anxieties the responsibility of the office entails.



Peter B. Olsen.

Scientists

Tinius Olsen (December 7, 1845 - October 20, 1932) was a Norwegian -born American engineer and inventor . He was the founder of the Tinius Olsen Material Testing Machine Company, a maker of material testing machines . He was awarded the Elliott Cresson Medal of The Franklin Institute in 1891 for his autographic testing machine. Tinius Olsen was born in Kongsberg , in the county of Buskerud , Norway . He was one of eight children of Ole Thorstensen (1821-1865) and Helene Marie Hansdatter (1818-1909). His father and grandfather were makers of wooden gun stocks. Olsen graduated from the Horten Technical School (Horten tekniske skole) in 1866.



Business

ALBERT JOHN OLSON, The wholesale milk dealer, with office and depot at 265 N. Franklin street, Chicago, was born at **Elgin, IL.**, June 4, 1865. His parents were John and Carrie Olson. He attended the public schools, but when 10 years old his parents moved to Lee, IL., where our subject continued his schooling for five years. He was confirmed in the North Norwegian Lutheran Church. He came to Chicago in 1882. On Oct. 19, 1885, he was married to Miss Jane Severson of Lee, Illinois. Mr. Olson had already embarked in the milk and cream business, and has continued in that line since. He has taken an active interest in politics, having twice represented his district in the legislature—the Thirty-ninth and Fortieth general assemblies —and has also served two terms in the city council. He is a member of the Masonic Order. His mother died in Elgin in 1876; his father in 1892. The family resides at 261 N. Franklin street. Mr. Olson owns the Woodstock Farm, in McHenry county, said to be one of the best stock farms in the state.



Albert J. Olson.

Entertainment

Between 1905 and 1925 **Eleonora and Ethel Olson** were well-known figures in Scandinavian communities throughout the United States. They toured extensively in the Midwest, and their recordings on major record labels gained them a nationwide following. Eleonora and Ethel, whose parents were from Norway, portrayed the immigrant's difficulty in adapting to American life. Their story *At The Movies* touches on homesickness for the Old Country while *The Baseball Game* recounts a Norwegian woman's misadventures with the national pastime. The humor in the stories rings true because the Olson Sisters knew their subject firsthand — whether it be a meeting of the ladies' aid, a piano lesson, or a scene witnessed on a train. In *The Old Sogning Woman* Eleonora used the dialect of her mother's birthplace. Ethel, a native of the Logan Square neighborhood in **Chicago**, set her monologue *The New Bookcase* in a store on Milwaukee Avenue, one of the area's busiest commercial streets, while mentioning the locally published *Skandinaven*



Sport

Gregory Alan Olson (born March 1, 1963) is an American football coach who is the offensive coordinator for the Oakland Raiders of the National Football League (NFL). He has been an offensive coordinator for five different National Football League (NFL) teams, the Detroit Lions from 2004 to 2005, the St. Louis Rams from 2006 to 2007, the Tampa Bay Buccaneers from 2008 to 2011, the Oakland Raiders from 2013 to 2014, and the Jacksonville Jaguars from 2015 to 2016. During 2017, Olson served as the Los Angeles Rams quarterbacks coach replacing Chris Weinke. In 2018, Olson returned to Oakland to be their offensive coordinator, reuniting him with former mentee quarterback Derek Carr

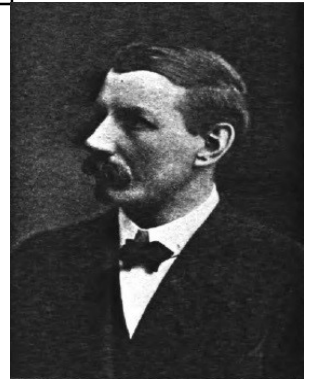


HENRY P. OLSON, Of Capron, Boone county, Ill., was born in **Earl township, La Salle county**, Feb. 5, 1853, his parents being Hele and Helen (Saala) Olson. His father was a farmer in LaSalle county and our subject attended the public schools and was confirmed in the Lutheran Church. He remained with his father on the farm until of age. He was married to Miss Lena Hanson, daughter of Hans and Eliza Hanson, of Boone county, on Feb. 15, 1878. His wife's father came to this country in 1845, her mother, Eliza Tryme, having arrived earlier. Mr. and Mrs. Olson have four children, namely: George Harvey, born in 1878; Arthur Henry, 1880; Sevina, 1883; Oscar Hulbert, 1888. Mr. Olson engaged in farming as a renter on his father's farm in 1874, in De Kalb county, but after his marriage in 1878 rented from his father-in-law in Boone county, which farm he has since bought, and where the family still reside. The farm comprises 100 acres and is one mile southeast of Capron, in Boone township. Mr. Olsen has been a director, vice-president and president of the Capron Creamery Company, a director in the Capron Home Telephone Company and road commissioner for two terms. He has also been secretary, trustee and cashier for Hauges Lutheran Church. His father died on his farm, Aug. 21, 1883, and his mother in Davison county, South Dakota, Aug. 5, 1891.



Henry P. Olson.

JACOB ANDREAS OLSON, Foreman for the printing department of "Skandinaven," was born at Mandal, Norway, Nov. 21. 1865, to Ole Olsen, a carpenter at that city and his wife Sille, born Jacobsen. Mr. Olson enjoyed a common school education and was confirmed in the Lutheran church at Mandal. At the age of 10 he was apprenticed to learn the printer's trade in the office of "Lister Og Mandals Amtstidende," A. Naess, proprietor. Here he worked half of the day and spent the other half at the school. He continued to work in the same office until he became of age. On June 16, 1887, Mr. Olson left Mandal for America and landed in New York on July 1. He went directly to **Chicago**, arriving here on the glorious Fourth of July and has remained here since. He did not succeed in obtaining work at his trade at first, so he accepted a position in a tannery for a while. From August 1887 to May 1892 he was employed in the new printing office of "Vort Land," located at 140 W. Indiana street. From May 1892 to May 1896 he was employed in the job office of the John Anderson Publishing Company and on May 8 of the last named year he was promoted as foreman for "Skandinaven," which position he is still holding. On March 8, 1889, Mr. Olson was joined in holy wedlock to Miss Lina Løkke, a daughter of Johan M. and Andrea Løkke of Trondhjem, Norway. This marital union has been blessed by two daughters, Sigrid Alvilde, and Lillie Andrea. With his family Mr. Olson attends the Logan Square Norwegian Baptist church, of which he has held the offices of trustee and cashier and at present he holds the office of deacon. He has been secretary of the Viking Lodge, Order of Chosen Friends and resides at 1555 North Washtenaw avenue.



Jacob A. Olson.

Business

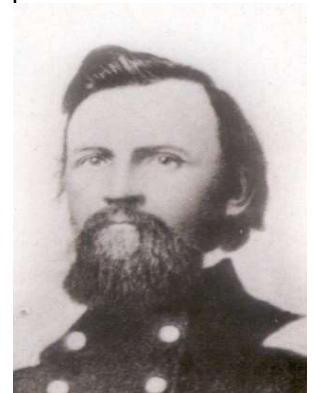
KNUD B. OLSON, President of The Olson Manufacturing Co. was born on Jan. 3, 1839, at Voss, Norway. His parents were Ole Olsen and Ingeborg Andersdatter Rothe. After going through the public school he was apprenticed to Mons Isaksen Sane, the local tailor. On April 12, 1860, he married Susanne Nilsdatter Stene, and in the following year they emigrated to America. They left Bergen on May 12, 1861, in the barkship "Norge", - Captain Jetmundsen, whose passenger list of 565 was increased during the voyage by the birth of their first child, Isabella Atlanta. the family came to **Chicago** via Quebec on July 18, 1861, but for months no work could be obtained until Mr. Olson finally succeeded in getting a position in a tailor shop, 'first' at \$3.50, later at \$6.00 per week. Within one year and a half he bought a Singer sewing machine for \$80 and with a girl to assist him started in business for himself January 1, 1863. He worked from early in the morning until late at night. His first location was at Dearborn avenue and Superior street; subsequently he moved to Market street and Chicago avenue, and finally to 88 Superior street, where he also had his home. The fire of Oct. 9, 1871, swept away his home with the rest; he lost all he had, receiving only 1% per cent of his \$8000 insurance. But he got hold of some lumber, put His pressers and shop help to work and erected a building 24x83 feet and 1% story in height. He went to Milwaukee and purchased his goods, an'd on November 1, he moved into his new house and started up the shop. In 1895, twenty-four years after the fire, Olson and his partner, Knud O. Bolstad, who had been associated with him since 1866, changed the firm name of K. B. Olson & Co. to the Olson Manufacturing Company, for the manufacturing of trousers. The business rapidly increased. – They now employ 150 people, and are occupying a large building on Elk Grove avenue near North avenue, erected for the purpose. Knud Olson is a quiet, unassuming man. short and sturdy in appearance, who attends strictly to business and says, that all through life he has followed the golden rule: "early to bed. early to rise ". He is a member of the Norwegian St. Paul's Lutheran Church on North avenue near Leavitt street, and is a member of the Norwegian Old People's Home Society and the Tabitha Hospital Society. His residence is at Norwood Park, where he has lived since 1895. His wife died July 19, 1906. They have had nine children, of whom six are living, namely Mrs. Isabella Atlanta Anderson, Bertha Petterson, John N., Henry A., William A. and Clarence S. Olson.



Knud B. Olson.

Military

Lt Col Porter Chamberlain Olson [4-11-1832 – 11-30-1864], son of Ole Olson Hettletvedt and Sarah (Chamberlain) Olson, was born April 11, 1832 in Niagara Falls, NY. Porter Olson was educated in Newark schools and later enrolled in Beloit College. When the Civil War broke out Porter was teaching school at the **Lisbon** Academy. He organized Company F, Thirty-sixth (36th) **Illinois** Volunteer Infantry. Porter was elected Captain and Company Commander. His brother Soren was a Corporal and his brother J. Webster a private in the same Company. Soren was eventually promoted to Second Lieutenant and was killed in action in the battle of Stone River, Tennessee. Webster was promoted to First Sergeant before his discharge September 22, 1864. The 36th Regiment fought in many of the major battles of the Civil War and more than 700 of the regiment's men were killed or wounded in action. Lt. Colonel Olson was frequently in the thickest of the fight where he demonstrated cool courage even in the excitement of battle. He was always equal to the task assigned and frequently surpassed the expectations of his superiors. He was described as a modest and unassuming man who was kind and generous in his praise of others. The battle of Franklin, Tennessee was fought November 30, 1864. Colonel Olson was struck by a musket ball, which passed through his body near his heart. Today, there is a large monument at Millington-Newark Cemetery.



Entertainment

Mark Olson (born September 18, 1961 in Minneapolis, Minnesota) is an American musician and singer-songwriter. He was a founding member of alternative country bands the Jayhawks and the Original Harmony Ridge Creekdippers.



Religious

Oscar L. Olson was the third President of Luther College. He was the first layperson to become President of a major Lutheran college in the United States. Olson was born on February 3, 1872 in **Chicago**, Illinois to Andrew B. Olson and Guroe Larsen Krogstad. They moved to Sycamore, Illinois in 1874, to Dixon, Illinois in 1875, and Marcus, Iowa in 1879. Olson entered Luther College in 1886. He graduated as Valedictorian in 1896. He completed a Master of Arts at the University of Minnesota and a Ph.D. in English at the University of Chicago in 1914.



Sport

Robert Luther "Lute" Olson (born September 22, 1934) is an American retired basketball coach . He was most recently head coach of the University of Arizona 's men's team for 25 years. He was also head coach at the University of Iowa for nine years and California State University, Long Beach for one season. Olson was known for player development, and many of his former players have gone on to impressive careers in the NBA . On October 23, 2008, Olson announced his retirement from coaching. Olson was born in Mayville, North Dakota of Norwegian-American parentage, and was coached by the legendary high school basketball coach Father Blaine Cook of St. Mary's Parish. Olson is a graduate of Augsburg University in Minneapolis , Minnesota . After graduating from Augsburg, Olson coached high school basketball for 13 seasons in Mahanomen and Two Harbors, Minnesota , and Anaheim and Huntington Beach, California . He then coached basketball for four years at Long Beach City College prior to entering the NCAA coaching ranks in 1973



Infamous

Sara Jane Olson (born Kathleen Ann Soliah on January 16, 1947) was a member of the Symbionese Liberation Army (SLA) in the 1970s. She grew up in Palmdale, California, the daughter of Norwegian-American parents, Elsie Soliah (née Engstrom) and Palmdale High School English teacher and coach Martin Soliah. She went into hiding in 1976 after having been indicted in a bombing case. She has lived much of her life in Minnesota under the alias Sara Jane Olson, which is now her legal name. Arrested in 1999, she pleaded guilty in 2001 to two counts of possessing explosives with intent to murder, and in 2003 to second-degree murder, both stemming from her SLA activities in the 1970s. She received a sentence of 14 years in prison. Kathleen Soliah was born in Fargo, North Dakota, while her family were living in Barnesville, Minnesota. When she was eight, her conservative Lutheran family relocated to Southern California. After graduating from the University of California, Santa Barbara, Soliah moved to Berkeley, California, with her boyfriend, James Kilgore.



Business

TOM OLSON, The popular painter and contractor, now retired from active business, was born in Sande prestegjeld, Lower Telemarken, Norway, March 7, 1845. He lived on a farm until confirmed, but shortly afterward went to sea and made several trips to England and France. In 1866 he shipped on the sailing vessel Maple Leaf, bound for Canada, and while in port Mr. Olsen availed himself of the opportunity and took french leave from the vessel at Quebec. He worked his way to **Chicago**, arriving here in May of that year. He shortly afterward secured work in the paint shop of the McCormick Harvester Works, then located at the North pier. A year or so later he began to do general painting, gradually developing into the contracting business, taking large contracts, especially for public work, such as school houses, etc. He continued at this work until about two years ago, when he retired. He married Miss Dorothy Elizabeth Fuglestad, of Stavanger, Oct. 5, 1872. They have had nine children, three daughters now living, two married. Mr. Olson is a member of the A. O. U. W., the Old People's Home Society and Bethlehem Lutheran Church. He contributes to the Tabitha Hospital, the Deaconess' Hospital and the Children's Home. The family resides at 358 W. Erie street.



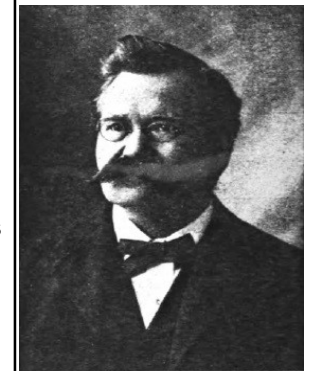
Tom Olson.

WALTER EUGENE OLSON, President of the Olson Rug Company, is a native of **Chicago**, a son of Oliver B. and Augusta E. Olson. He was born Feb. 22, 1880. He attended the public and high school in Chicago and was confirmed at our Saviour's Norwegian Lutheran Church. During this school period Walter spent all of his spare time at his father's store or rug factory, thus familiarizing himself with the business in every detail, so that when school for the last time was dismissed he was able to step right into active business. The company, which is incorporated, has three branch offices in Chicago, one in Ishpeming, Mich., and one in Racine, Wis. The factory is at 1373-91 Carroll Avenue. His father invented, in 1874, what is known as the Olson fluff rug, made from old carpet, and its manufacture is now a distinctive industry. The business, started on a small scale, has grown to immense proportions, employing now from 175 to 200 workers. Mr. Olson's father died in 1890, but his business, under the care of his vigilant son, has grown into a lasting monument to his memory. Mr. Olson has invented and patented (in October 1902) a combination-preparing machine, a labor-saving device of great value in the business. Mr. Olson lives with his mother at 682 W. Superior Street.



W. E. Olson.

CHRISTEN JOHNSON OLSTAD, The camera manufacturer, of the firm of Olstad and Hansen, at 87 W. Lake Street, was born on the garden (Øvre Olstad, (Øyers prestegjeld, Gudbrandsdalen, Norway, Oct. 23, 1850. His parents were I. C. and Johanne (Pedersdatter Lunke) Olstad. Mr. Olstad remained on his father's farm, getting the advantage of the country schools, and was confirmed in Norway in his employ for seventeen years. He came to America in 1873 and remained in **Chicago**. He worked at odd jobs, such as he could get to do, for several years and then secured a position with Jonas Anderson, manufacturer of cameras and photographic instruments at 63-65 E. Indiana Street. He continued there then came a lull in the business, and Olstad, with a number of other employees, were temporarily laid off. During this period Mr. Olstad was impatient to get to work. Having his own tools, he got permission to put in a bench in a machine shop on the second floor at 87 W. Lake Street, corner of Jefferson. He then started out to find work, and was rewarded by finding more than he could attend to alone. He then went to Rasmus Hansen, who had worked with him for Jonas Anderson, and the two went in together to rush out the orders already at hand. Orders kept coming in, and the arrangement between Olstad and Hansen resulted in a partnership, which has continued at the same location since, now over eleven years. They are now devoting all their time and energies to the making of professional cameras and doing other work in that line, and are having surprising and gratifying success. On Nov. 4, 1885, Mr. Olstad was married to Ingeborg Johnson, born at Voss, Norway, on Sept. 21, 1861. They have four children, namely: John Herbert, born Feb. 15, 1887; Gertrude Josephine, July 26, 1890; Clarence Reinhart, April 11, 1894; Edna Sophia, Oct. 27, 1903. Mr. Olstad is a member of the National Union, an insurance and fraternal association. The family reside in their own comfortable home at 1269 Tripp Avenue, Chicago.



C. J. Olstad.

Renee Olstead (born June 18, 1989) is an American actress and singer. Active since childhood as an actress, she is best known for her roles on the CBS sitcom *Still Standing* and on the drama *The Secret Life of the American Teenager* as Madison Cooperstein. In addition, she has recorded four studio albums, primarily of jazz music. Olstead was born in Kingwood, Texas, to Christopher Eric Olstead and Rebecca Lynn Jeffries. Olstead is of Norwegian ancestry. As a child actress, she made films and commercials from age eight onwards. She also attended Centre Stage theatrical school and is mentioned on their website's list of alumni.



Norsk Hostfest

Lloyd Omdahl

Scandinavian-American Hall of Fame 2010

Through the lenses of politics and public service, academia and journalism, Lloyd Omdahl has spent his life focused on his native state of North Dakota. Born and raised in Conway, Norwegian American Omdahl graduated from the University of North Dakota in 1953 with majors in political science and journalism. He joined state government the next year as Assistant Director of Public Safety. In 1957, Omdahl started an advertising and public relations agency and guided the campaigns of Sen. Quentin Burdick and Gov. William Guy. He joined the staff of the Governor as administrative assistant in 1961, a position he held until 1963 when he was appointed Tax Commissioner. He was elected to the office the next year. In 1966, he returned to the governor's staff as Director of Administration. In 1967 Omdahl joined UND's political science department, specializing in state and local government, federalism and political parties. He served as director of the UND Bureau for Governmental Affairs for most of the next 25 years. In 1980, Omdahl received the Liberty Bell Award from the ND Bar Association for his contributions to public understanding of the law. Omdahl was appointed Lieutenant Governor by Gov. George Sinner in 1987 to fill out a vacancy of that office. When that term ended he rejoined the UND faculty and served as Interim Director of the School of Communications. He retired in 1995, but returned to UND for special lectures for another decade.



Sport

Ragnar Omtvedt (18 March 1890–31 March 1975) was a Norwegian born, American Olympic skier.

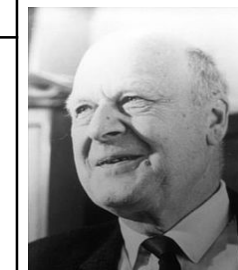
Ragnar Omtvedt was born in Oslo, Norway. In 1912, he moved to the United States. He was the US Ski Jumping Champion three times (1913, 1914 and 1917). In his first year competing in the United States in 1913, he set a world record of 51.5 m (169 ft.) on Curry Hill in Ironwood, Michigan, USA. In 1916, he set a ski jumping record at Steamboat Springs, Colorado where there is currently a restaurant named after him (Ragnar's). He competed in cross-country skiing and Nordic combined at the 1924 Winter Olympics in Chamonix. Ragnar was denied the opportunity to compete in ski jumping in the 1924 Olympics because a clerk forgot to submit his name to Olympic authorities. Ragnar was injured in 1924 while jumping which caused nerve damage and ended his jumping career. Ragnar was elected into the National Ski Hall of Fame in 1957. He died in Florida in 1975



Scientists

Lars Onsager (November 27, 1903 - October 5, 1976) was a Norwegian -born American physical chemist and theoretical physicist . He held the Gibbs Professorship of Theoretical Chemistry at Yale University . He was awarded the Nobel Prize in Chemistry in 1968.

Lars Onsager was born in Kristiania (now Oslo), Norway . His father was a lawyer . After completing secondary school in Oslo, he attended the Norwegian Institute of Technology (NTH) in Trondheim , graduating as a chemical engineer in 1925.



Academics

Carleton Opgaard (February 18, 1929 - July 6, 2014) was a noted American college and university administrator and founding president of Vancouver Island University. Carleton Myron Opgaard was born in Fort Ransom in Ransom County, North Dakota . The Opgaard family had immigrated for Norway . Opgaard obtained his bachelor's degree from Valley City State University in Valley City, North Dakota in 1952. Thereafter, he received his master's degree from the University of Wyoming in Laramie and his Ph.D. from the University of Washington in Seattle . He attended the University of Oslo in Norway as a Fulbright scholar . In his initial administrative assignment, Opgaard was principal of Edmonds Woodway High School in Edmonds, Washington .

Sport

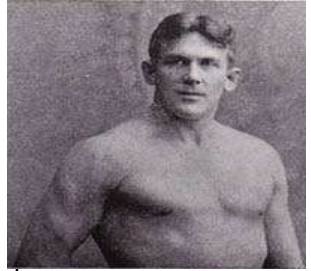
Peter Allen Opegard (born August 23, 1959 in Knoxville, Tennessee) is an American retired pair skater and coach. With his partner Jill Watson , he is the 1988 Olympic bronze medalist and a three-time U.S. national champion



Business

Henry G Ordemann BIRTH:1884, DEATH:8 Jun 1947 (aged 62–63) Minneapolis, Hennepin County, Minnesota, USA

Henry Ordemann stood 5'10 3/4" and weighed around 208 pounds. Ordemann was billed as a Minneapolis blacksmith. He was managed by George Barton in 1912. On February 22, 1912 in Duluth, Henry Ordemann was injured in a match against Jess Pedersen. He was thrown to the mat and hit his head, knocking him unconscious and giving Pedersen the victory by default. Because of the injury, Ordemann was forced to pull out of a bout with Oscar Wasem in Lincoln, Nebraska later in the month. Wasem was billed as being from Omaha. In the winter of 1912, Ordemann was said to have suffered a "sick spell" that affected his wrestling ability. After his January 7, 1913 loss to Jess Westergaard in Minneapolis, Ordemann remained on the sidelines with an injury, but planned his comeback on February 21 by taking on five wrestlers at the Gayety Theater in Minneapolis. By that point, he was training and willing to take on all comers. The use of handicap matches in professional wrestling was a major score for wrestlers and promoters because it allowed a major name to drop a match without losing a fall, and then build up toward a rematch. In Ordemann's case, he was making his return to take on five wrestlers in a handicap bout, but after beating four of the five, and having the fifth near topple him twice before the time-limit expired, wrestling fans had much to talk about. Was Ordemann permanently injured or was Julius Nelson of Montana, the man who'd taken him to the limit, really that good? Fans were then compelled by Nelson's confident boasting, telling the newspaper that he could've beaten Ordemann had he had a few more minutes to wrestle, and that he wanted a finish match. Ordemann then came out in the paper, saying that he needed more time to prepare for Nelson. A few days later, though, he agreed to a match, and it was staged that Friday at the Gayety Theater. Ordemann beat his opponent decisively, winning two-straight falls before a large crowd. The handicap situation allowed the theater manager to prop up a journeyman wrestler, give him some credibility, and build a nice house out of basically nothing. It had the power to turn a preliminary worker into a headliner with credibility overnight. And the superstar wrestler, Ordemann in this case, wasn't any worse off because Nelson never scored a fall over him.



Architects

Harold (Henry) William Orth (April 14, 1866 - March 5, 1946) was an American architect . Harold William Orth was born on a ship en route to the United States from Christiania (Oslo), Norway , on April 14, 1866. His exact date of arrival to the United States is unknown. He was educated at a business college (location unknown). He married Esther Susan Trigalet and settled in St. Paul, Minnesota .

He became a partner of Frank W. Kinney (1855-1929) in Austin, Minnesota , in 1895. The partnership of Kinney and Orth designed several large buildings in various parts of Minnesota until 1900. The work of architects Kinney & Orth included the Winnebago County Courthouse , a Romanesque -style building made of red brick and trimmed with stone, built during 1896 in Forest City, Iowa .

Business

BIRGER OSLAND, Assistant to the president of the **Chicago** Heights Land Association, a large organization dealing in real estate and operating various public utility corporations, was born in Stavanger, Norway, March 1, 1870. He took the degree of RA. (examen artium, with the mark laudabilis) at the Christiania University in July 1888. In August of the same year he came to Chicago and secured a job in a machine shop at \$5 per week. He was afterward cashier for Skandinaven from 1888 to 1891. He then went with the Wacker Brewing Company, where he remained for twelve years, the last three years as secretary and director. He has also been secretary to Mr. Charles H. Wacker since 1896. He married Miss Therese Korsvik, on March 15, 1890. They have had three children, two now living. Mr. Osland is a member of DenNorske Kvartet Club and the German society Schwabenverein, was formerly secretary and one of the founders of the Norwegian National League of Chicago and is a member of the Norwegian Old People's Home Society. The family resides at 2613 Lowell avenue.



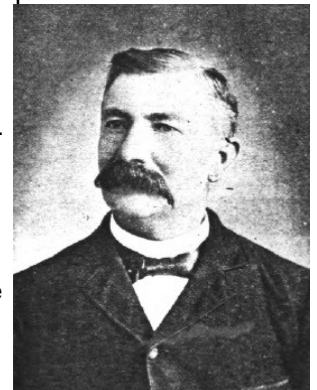
MRS. HELEN OSMON, Of **Morris, IL.**, was born at Lisbon, Big Grove, Kendall county, April 15, 1845. Her parents, Mrs. Helen Osmon. John and Susan (Anderson) Hill, being the first Norwegian settlers in Lisbon, her father having located there in 1839. He earned his first wages by working on the Michigan Canal. He afterward engaged in farming and died on his farm on Dec. 31, 1893. The subject of this sketch (Miss Hill) married Au'stin Osmon, March 13, 1866, and eight children blessed the union, namely: Andrew T., Joseph H., Abel D., Edwin J., Emma E., Ira Lincoln, Louis M. and Susanna May Osmon. In 1892 Mr. Osmon and family moved to Morris, Ill., having sold the larger part of the farm to their son Edwin. Mrs. Osmon attends the Norwegian Lutheran Church at Morris and takes great interest in the work of the congregation, her husband having taken a very active part in the building of the church. Mr. Osmon died in 1903. Mrs. Osmon's mother, Mrs. Hill, who was born in Norway in 1822, is living in Morris.



Mrs. Helen Osmon.

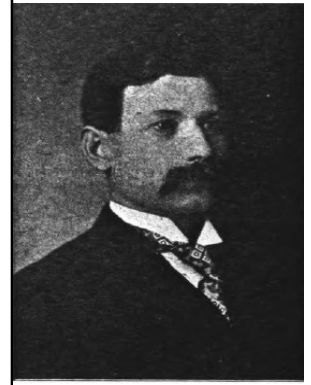
MRS. MARGRETE RYGH OSMON, Of **Newark, Ill.**, was born in Skoneviks prestegjeld, Bergens stift, Norway, in March 1831. Her father was Anders Torbjørnson Holmdal, a farmer, and her mother Johanne Knudsdatter. They never emigrated to this country, but once came over to visit their children, and shortly after their return to Norway both died. In 1850 Miss Rygh, with one of her brothers, came to America and located at Lisbon. In 1852 she was married to Mr. S'bren Halvorsen Rygh, with whom she had twelve children. Five died in infancy and seven are living. The children are all married except the oldest son, Andrew Osmon, who is living with his mother. In 1901 Mr. Osmon died, leaving the farm to his widow, who rented it first to her son, but when he later bought a farm of his own she rented it to another man. A son, Søren S., and a daughter, Mrs. Johanne Erickson, are living in Ford county. Halvor and Tom Osmon are farmers, living southwest of Newark. One daughter, Mary, is married to Mr. Louis Wicks, a farmer, and Maggie to Mr. George Nitter, a lumber dealer at Aurora. Mrs. Osmon is a member of the Hauge Church.

O. H. OSMOND, Of **Newark, Ill.**, is a son of Herman (Aarag) Osmond, a native of Aarag, near Stavanger, and Sera Holgerson Vammen. His parents came to America in 1836, stopped over for a year in Ohio, and in 1837 came to Norway, Ill. Here the subject of our sketch was born on April 2, 1854. Later his parents moved to Newark, where the elder Osmond lived as a retired farmer for ten years. He died in 1888. His wife is still living at the advanced age of 88 years. The couple had five children, of whom three are living—O. H. and Peter O., living in Newark, and Henry Osmond, in Chicago. Mr. O. H. Osmond received his education in the public schools, the seminary at Aurora, and in a business college in Chicago. When through with schooling he went into the mercantile business in Newark, where he has remained since, as a dealer in furniture; an undertaker and licensed embalmer. He is also engaged in the steamship-ticket and insurance business. In 1882 Mr. Osmond was married to Miss Mary J. Evans, an American. They have had three children—Herman George, William Nire and Hazel Marie. Herman, 18 years old, is in Oklahoma, growing up with the country on a cattle ranch, the other two being at home with their parents. Mr. Osmond is a member of the Modern Woodmen of America. The family are members of the American Methodist Church, Mrs. Osmond having been brought up in that denomination. Mr. Osmond's father was practically the main spring in building the Norwegian Church at Norway, Ill. His home was the meeting place for all the ministers and students who came there to preach. When the men who had served their adopted country during the war returned, worn and emaciated, he fed them and furnished many of them with clothing, giving them an opportunity to recuperate. He was a very liberal man and proved his faith by his deeds. He is kept in kind remembrance not only by relatives and friends, but by others who benefited by his willingness to help his kind. Of Mr. O. H. Osmond can be said that he is a worthy son and popular among all who know him.



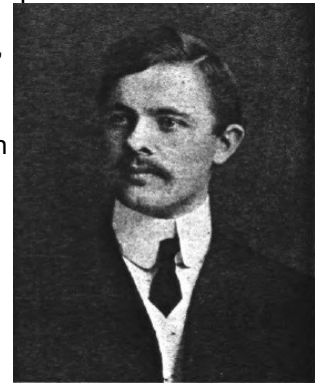
O. H. Osmond.

JOHN C. Osse Was born at Aase, near Sandnes, Stavanger, Norway, May 26, 1867. His father was Cornelius Aase and his mother Bertha Vasvig. Mr. Osse obtained his education in the country school until he was confirmed, and worked on the farm until 16 years of age, when he went to Stavanger and was employed in a dry goods store about a year and a half. Returned to the farm and worked in a carpenter's shop, where he learned turning and similar things. Finally, in 1887, he found the mother country too narrow for his activities, and started for America. He landed in New York and immediately came west to **Rochelle, Ill.** Here he worked at anything he could get to do for about two years. Then went to Rock Falls, IL., where he was employed in a factory, and from there to Chicago, where he worked in the McCormick Harvester Company's establishment a little over a year. He now returned to Rochelle, where he was employed by Mr. P. O. Bly, and worked in his store until 1893, when he returned to Norway, visiting his parents and friends. In the spring of the same year he returned to Rochelle and continued his work for Mr. Bly, who had started a branch clothing store at Shabbona, IL., where Mr. Osse was made manager. He stayed there one year. Then, Mr. Bly having discontinued the branch, Mr. Osse came back and worked in the store at Rochelle, where he remained about a year. He then was employed by H. W. Williams, drygoods department store, where he worked four years. In the meantime, Mr. Bly, because of sickness, sold out his business to Mr. Osse, who continued the same under his own name. He is doing a flourishing business in clothing and gents' furnishing goods. In June 1896, he was married to Miss Bertha Kittelson, of Rochelle. Mr. Osse is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Free Masons.



John C. Osse.

ALBERT HALVOR ØSTBERG Was born at Fredriksstad, Norway, Oct. 8, 1880. His parents were Alexander R, a wholesale and retail paper dealer, and Gunda (Sprlie) østberg. Our subject received his primary education first in the Middelskole, then one year at the Gymnasium and finally in the Fredriksstad technical evening school, whereupon he was apprenticed, in 1897, at the large machine shops of Fredriksstad. In order to complete his technical education he was sent abroad to Germany where he after some years' intense study graduated from the Polytechnicum of Mittweida, Saxony, in 1902. In 1903 Mr. østberg concluded to seek a larger field for his activities and came to this country, landing in New York March 16. He worked there for a while as mechanical draftsman, but soon went west to St. Paul, Minn., arriving there in June of the same year. We next find him with the Allis-Chalmers Company, of Milwaukee, Wis., in the capacity of erecting engineer. By the said company he was sent as one of their representatives to the World's Fair at St. Louis in 1904. After the Fair was closed, he was put in charge of dismantling the large Allis-Chalmers Co.'s engine, which among the authorities went under the name of "The Old Reliable". This engine which could develop 7,500 h. p. was the most powerful compound engine ever exhibited at any World's Fair. It required 47 railroad cars to ship it to the shops at Milwaukee, the total weight of the engine being 720 tons. Mr. østberg has also been engaged in erecting one of the 5,000 h. p. steam turbines, which Allis—Chalmers Co. installed for the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Co. During one year Mr. Østberg has been connected with the C. B. & Q. R. R. as inspector of patterns, and in this capacity he traveled over this whole system. At the present time he is employed as car designer with the Armour Car Lines of **Chicago**.



A. H. Østberg.

James Newell Osterberg Jr. (born April 21, 1947), known professionally by his stage name **Iggy Pop** and designated the "Godfather of Punk", is an American singer, songwriter, musician, producer and actor. He was the vocalist of influential proto-punk band the Stooges, who reunited in 2003, and is well known for his outrageous and unpredictable stage antics. Iggy Pop's music has encompassed a number of styles over the course of his career, including garage rock, punk rock, hard rock, art rock, new wave, jazz, blues, and electronic. James Newell Osterberg, Jr. was born in Muskegon, Michigan, the son of Louella (née Christensen; 1917-1996) and James Newell Osterberg, Sr. (1921-2007), a former high school English teacher and baseball coach at Fordson High School in Dearborn, Michigan. Osterberg was raised in a trailer park in Ypsilanti, Michigan. He is of German, English and Irish descent on his father's side, and Norwegian and Danish ancestry on his mother's side. His father was adopted by a Swedish American family and took on their surname (Österberg).



Architects

Alf Otto is the builder of the five-mile long bridge across the Savannah. He was born at Oslo in 1881.

Artists

Karl Ouren (February 5, 1882 - January 3, 1943) was an American artist best known for his paintings of Norwegian landscapes and scenes, particularly those featuring winter and snow. Karl Peter Andreas Ouren was born in Halden , in Østfold county, Norway , the son of Markus Einar Andreas Ouren and Helga Petronelle Olsen Ouren. He studied art in Trondhjem and later at the Technical School (Københavns Tekniske Skole) in Copenhagen, Denmark . He emigrated to the United States in 1902, settling in **Chicago, Illinois** . He attended the School of the Art Institute of Chicago from 1911-1914 under the instruction of Antonin Sterba (1875-1963) He exhibited frequently at the Palette and Chisel Academy of Fine Art where he was a member and where he also studied. He was awarded a gold medal from the Palette and Chisel Club in 1919. His work was featured at the Chicago Gallery Association and at the Art Institute of Chicago . Paintings by Ouren were included in the Norse-American Centennial Art Exhibition held at the Minnesota State Fair in 1925. He received prizes from the Chicago Galleries Association in 1929 and 1930. His paintings were also part of the permanent collection at the Chicago Norske Klub where he won special prizes in 1924 and 1929. In 1915 he married Karen Stubban of Orkdal in Sør-Trøndelag county, Norway He became a naturalized United States citizen in 1927. He died in 1943 in Chicago



Business

HENRY M. OYEN, M. D. Was born on Desplaines street, near Grand avenue, on July 24, 1863, his parents being Frederick Oyen and Inger Anna Hoffstad, both from Trondhjem, Norway. After passing through the Carpenter School he began active work at the age of 14, as a clerk in a grocery. Sometime afterward he was apprenticed to learn the printer's trade in the Independent office. He afterward worked on all the **Chicago** dailies, and before entering the medical profession he was for fifteen years foreman of the Chicago Daily Law Bulletin. After having passed through a complete course in medicine at the Harvey Medical College, he received the degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1903. He was married on Aug. 19, 1882, to Nathalie Mathea Anderson (Sarpsberg). They have had three children, two now living. He was a member of the Royal League and is a member of the Norske-Amerikanske Mandelige Begravelses Forening. He takes an active interest in the Norwegian Old People's Home. The family resides at 393 W. Chicago avenue.



Dr. H. M. Oyen.

Entertainment

Audu Paden (born 20 December 1963) is an American television producer, director, cartoonist and writer. Born in London to American parents and raised internationally, spending many years in subsaharan Africa he later studied theater at Northwestern University and then animation at the UCLA animation workshop in the 1980s. He is the showrunner for the Monster High and Ever After High series for Mattel as well as the producer of the Hot Wheels entertainment. Credits include "Animaniacs", "Pinky and the Brain", "Rugrats", "The Simpsons", "Extreme Ghostbusters", "Godzilla, the Animated series", "Starship Troopers", "MTV Spider-Man", "Stuart Little 3", "Monster High", "Ever After High", "Max Steel", "Hot Wheels Battle Force Five", "Polly Pocket", "Heavy Gear", "The Book of Virtues". He is also a voice director and actor.



Business

DR. ELIAS BJORLYKKE PALMER, The dentist, at 519 Milwaukee avenue, was born in Qstre Aker, Norway, Feb. 11, 1869. His parents were Karl Fredrick and Martha Ellingsen Bjørlykke, of Ostre Aker, where his father was a school teacher. Here Elias attended middelskolen and was confirmed. He was then placed with a leading dentist to learn the profession. In 1887 he came to America, coming direct to **Chicago**, where he immediately secured a place as assistant dentist with Dr. N. Nelson, where he remained for five years, mastering the profession in all its details. He then began to practice on his own account, and in 1899 opened the commodious office which he now occupies at the corner of Elston and Milwaukee avenues He married Miss Olga J. Peterson, of Chicago, June 21, 1894. They have been blessed with two children—Evelyn, 10 years, and Alva, 7 years old. Dr. Palmer is a member of the Royal League, the Royal Arcanum, the Modern Woodmen and Nora Lodge. He enjoys a large practice. The family resides at Irving Park.



Dr. E. B. Palmer.

Gregg Palmer (born Palmer Edvind Lee; January 25, 1927 - October 31, 2015) was an American actor , known primarily for his work in television westerns . He appeared from 1960-1975 in varying roles in twenty episodes of CBS 's Gunsmoke with James Arness , thirteen segments of the syndicated Death Valley Days , and nine episodes of NBC 's The Virginian starring James Drury in the title role. He guest starred five times on Bonanza , NBC's longest-running western. Palmer Edvind Lee was born to Norwegian immigrant parents in San Francisco , California . He entered the United States Army Air Corps , forerunner of the Air Force , and became a cryptographer during World War II . He was Honorably Discharged in 1946 as a sergeant . Palmer worked as a bouncer, truck driver, and in construction before he became a radio disc jockey



DR. GERHARD CHRISTIAN PAOLI, An ardent follower of Thomas Paine, was born at Trondhjern, Norway, June 23, 1815. The peculiarity of his name was owing to the fact that his father, who was the' ambassador to the island of Corsica from Norway, was named after Pascal Paoli, at that time governor of the island, who was godfather to the elder Paoli. In 1832 he entered the University of Christiania and studied for six years, paying particular attention to chemistry. After a year in London hospitals and three years at the Carolingian Institution in Stockholm, Paoli came to America in 1846, landing at New York after a three months" voyage. He first followed his countrymen to Wisconsin and settled at Milwaukee. Then he went to Madison, and later came to Chicago, which was then a town of 12,000. He stayed here but a few weeks, going to Springfield. Ohio, remaining there for a time, and coming back to Chicago in 1853. His reading led him to espouse the abolitionist cause, and his first "vote was cast for John P. Hale and free soil. He followed the profession of medicine, and his love for experimental chemistry resulted in his discovering a method of forcing out of spirits the poisonous oils that are found in them. This method was applied to the manufacture of beverages but was used a great deal in the manufacturing of perfumery. While in Ohio he was chosen an honorary member of the Ohio Medical Society. Twice he was elected president of the Chicago Medical Society, and twice was its vice~president. He assisted in the establishment of the first woman's medical college in **Chicago** and was chosen professor emeritus of the same. He also organized the Scandinavian Medical Society. He was also appointed the first physician to the mail carriers. In his social life he was especially active and took part in the eliberations of the free thinkers of the city. He was a warm personal friend of Ingersoll and entertained the lecturer several times on his visits to Chicago. Ole Bull was numbered among his friends, and among those whom he entertained was Bjdrnstjerne Bjørnson, who was also a correspondent of Paoli. Paoli was married twice. The first wife died in 1847. In 1881 he was married to Mrs. Sara Corning Magnusson. Mrs. Paoli is well known as a writer. In the first marriage Mr. Paoli had one son; his second wife had two daughters and one son in her first marriage. Dr. Paoli died Jan. 29, 1898.

Danica Sue Patrick (; born March 25, 1982) is an American former professional racing driver. She is the most successful woman in the history of American open-wheel racing -her victory in the 2008 Indy Japan 300 is the only win by a woman in an IndyCar Series race. Born to a working-class family in Beloit, Wisconsin , Patrick began karting at the age of ten and achieved early success by winning her class in the World Karting Association Grand National Championship three times in the mid-1990s. Patrick was born on March 25, 1982, in Beloit, Wisconsin . She is the daughter of working-class parents Beverly Ann (née Flaten) and Terry Joseph "T. J." Patrick Jr.



Sloopers

Ellmore C. Patterson 1913-2004 Great-grandson of Sloop Leader, Lars Larsen, Quaker Leader, carpenter and part owner of the Restauration, which sailed in 1825 to America. During the 1970's, **helps bail out New York City through it's fiscal crisis.** Ellmore C. Patterson is a 1931 graduate and a seasoned financial executive as Chairman of the and Chief Executive Officer of J.P. Morgan & Co., Inc. and its subsidiary, Morgan Guaranty Trust Company of New York. In 1935, Patterson earned a bachelor's degree from the **University of Chicago**. Later that year, he joined J. P. Morgan & Co., then a private banking firm. He was elected an Assistant Vice President in 1948 and a Vice President in 1951. In 1970 he was appointed to the President's Commission of Financial Structure and Regulation which studied the nation's financial system and made recommendations for improving it. In 1975-76 he served as chairman of a committee of financial executives to help New York City out of its financial crisis. In 1979, he completed a three-year term as a Director of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York



Sloopers

Ellmore Clark Patterson [9-25-1868 – 6-5-1946] Western Springs has had its share of residents with unusual careers and accomplishments. One of the earliest was Elmore C. Patterson, a sportsman, businessman, roadster and party-giver. Ellmore C. Patterson moved to Western Springs in 1893. He began working at the Vive Camera Company, one of Western Springs' earliest businesses. His cousin, John Atwater, started the company. Patterson became the General Manager after a few years. Prior to moving to Western Springs, Patterson had an illustrious career as a baseball pitcher with several East Coast teams including the Rochester Cloppers where it was reported he struck out over 1,000 batters. A lefthander who had developed a deadly drop. He was sometimes described as "the praying pitcher" because it was his habit to kneel down in prayer before every game. Bringing his love of sports to the Midwest, he was in charge of the American Cycle exhibit at the 1893 World's Fair. In 1898, he founded the **Western Springs Cadets**. Patterson was also an early automobile racing enthusiast, making the first non-stop automobile trip from Chicago to New York. Soon after his famed NYC trip, he began buying race cars and hired a well-known driver, Ralph DePalma. When DePalma won the Indy 500, Patterson insisted DePalma keep all of the \$20,000 prize money.



Journalist

Margaret "Jane" Pauley (born October 31, 1950), better known as Jane Pauley, is an American television journalist and author; she has been involved in news reporting since 1972. She is the anchor of CBS Sunday Morning and previously best known for her 13-year tenure on NBC 's Today program, followed by 12 years as co-host of Dateline NBC , and her public acknowledgments of her struggle with bipolar disorder . Jane Pauley, born on October 31, 1950, a fifth-generation Hoosier , was the second child of Richard and Mary Pauley. Dick Pauley, a Jimmy Stewart lookalike, was a traveling salesman for the Wilson Milk Company. Mary Pauley was a homemaker adept at mathematics and a proficient musician who played the organ in church every Sunday. In her memoir, Skywriting: A Life Out of the Blue, Pauley described herself as such a shy little kid she allowed her second-grade teacher to call her Margaret Pauley all year, rather than tell that she preferred her middle name, Jane. Pauley grew up idolizing her older sister, Ann, who has been her closest confidante since childhood.



Artists

Alfred Paulsen Nov 9, 1849 Oslo, Norway – Apr 8, 1936 **Chicago**, IL
 Alfred Paulsen, of Chicago, has published many valuable compositions for piano, organ and voice. We venture to say that when his "Naar fjordene blaaner" (When the Fjords Are Like Violets The American Period 455 Blue) is forgotten by Norsemen it will be because the last Norseman will have become so thoroughly Americanized as to have forgotten his own origin. This song will never die.

ALFRED PAULSEN Was born in Christiania, Norway, in 1849 and came to Chicago in 1888, where he has since lived. He studied piano music in Christiania under Edward Grieg and Winter-Hjelm and composition and organ music with Ludvig' M. Lindeman. He then went to Leipzig, Germany, where he completed his studies at the conservatory under Prof. E. F. Richter, Dr. Oscar Paul and Prof. Jadassohn. After graduating he returned to Christiania and was appointed organist for St. Jacob's Church. During this period he had an extensive practice as teacher of harmony, piano and organ, instructing different singing societies and choirs. He also published several compositions for both organ and piano. When he came to Chicago in 1888 he was appointed organist and instructor for the choir at St. Paul's Norwegian Lutheran Church, on W. North avenue, which position he still holds. He also teaches music and composition, has been the instructor for the singing society Kjerulf, the Norwegian Glee Club, and others, and is at present the instructor for the Norwegian Quartet Club. He has published several piano and song compositions for male choirs, of which we can mention "Naar Fjordene Blaaner," which is very popular, and is sung generally ' by Norwegian societies. It was rendered at several places where the Norwegian students from Christiania were received in 1905, and they sang the song at their concerts. "Sangen har Lysning," "Ulabrand," "Giv Agt" and a more difficult composition, "Snorre," for baritone solo. male choir or orchestra, are also some of his productions. Mr. Paulsen has been married twice, first to Antonie Jilich, at Leipzig, Germany, and later to Anna Riiser, from Christiania, Norway. They have four children, two sons and two daughters. They reside at 86 Humboldt boulevard.



Prof. Alfred Paulsen.

Sport

Logan Sindre Paulsen (born February 26, 1987) is an American football tight end for the Atlanta Falcons of the National Football League (NFL). He was signed by the Washington Redskins as an undrafted free agent in 2010. He played college football at UCLA. Before that, he played at Chaminade College Preparatory High School in West Hills, California.



Architects

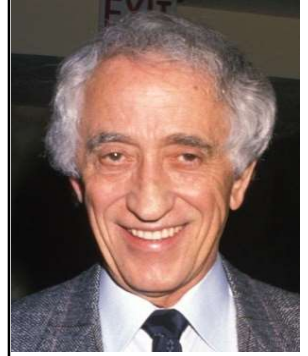
J. P. Paulson, San Francisco, is the chief engineer of the C. H. Moore Iron Works of that city. Thomas Pihlfeldt, **Chicago**, is a noted bridge engineer, chief engineer of bridges for Chicago, inventor of the Pihlfeldt-Ericsson, or Chicago type, of jack-knife bridges.

Bankers

John Alfred Paulson (born December 14, 1955) is an American investor, hedge fund manager and philanthropist. He leads Paulson & Co. , a New York-based investment management firm he founded in 1994. He has been called "one of the most prominent names in high finance" and "a man who made one of the biggest fortunes in Wall Street history". Paulson was born in 1955 in Queens, New York, the third of four children of Alfred G. Paulson (November 22, 1924 - July 24, 2002) and Jacqueline (née Boklan, born 1926). His father was born Alfredo Guillermo Paulsen in Ecuador to a father of half French and half Norwegian descent and an Ecuadorian mother. Alfredo was orphaned at fifteen and at age sixteen moved to Los Angeles with his younger brother Alberto. Alfredo enlisted in the US Army where he served and was wounded in Italy during World War II . He later changed his surname from Paulsen to Paulson. John's mother was the daughter of Jewish immigrants from Lithuania and Romania who had moved to New York City . Jacqueline met Alfred while they both attended UCLA . They wed and moved to New York City, where Alfred worked at Arthur Andersen and later as the CFO at public relations firm Ruder Finn .



Patrick Layton Paulsen (July 6, 1927 - April 24, 1997) was an American comedian and satirist notable for his roles on several of the Smothers Brothers television shows, and for his campaigns for President of the United States in 1968, 1972, 1980, 1988, 1992, and 1996, which had primarily comedic rather than political objectives, although his campaigns generated some protest votes for him. Paulsen was born in South Bend, Washington, a small fishing town in Pacific County. He was the son of Beulah Inez (née Fadden) and Norman Inge Paulsen, a Norwegian immigrant who worked for the Coast Guard. When he was 10, the family moved to California. After graduating from Tamalpais High School in Mill Valley in May 1945, Paulsen immediately joined the United States Marines. World War II was still being waged at that time, but it ended before he was shipped overseas. However, he did experience overseas duty, including guarding captured Japanese soldiers during their repatriation. He returned home after the war and worked as a posting clerk, a truck driver, a hod carrier, a Fuller Brush salesman, and a gypsum miner. Later, he was employed as a photostat operator for several years. After attending San Francisco City College, Paulsen joined an acting group called "The Ric-y-tic Players," and he formed a comedy trio that included his brother Lorin



Mary Elizabeth Anderson Pawlenty (born January 13, 1961) is a former American state court judge who served on Minnesota's First Judicial District from 1994 to 2007. The wife of Governor Tim Pawlenty, she was First Lady of Minnesota from 2003 to 2011. She previously worked as a private-practice attorney and in 2009 became director at a medical nonprofit. She has been a mediator with Gilbert Mediation since 2007. Mary Anderson was raised in Edina, Minnesota. In 1979, she graduated from Edina-East High School. In 1983, she graduated from Bethel University, earning a bachelor's degree in political science, summa cum laude. She received her Juris Doctor, cum laude, from the University of Minnesota Law School -where she met Tim Pawlenty -in 1986.



Barbara Lee Payton (November 16, 1927 – May 8, 1967) was an American film actress best known for her stormy social life and eventual battles with alcohol and drug addiction. Her life has been the subject of several books including *Kiss Tomorrow Goodbye: The Barbara Payton Story* (2007), by John O'Dowd, *L.A. Despair: A Landscape of Crimes and Bad Times* (2005), by John Gilmore, and *B Movie: A Play in Two Acts* (2014), by Michael B. Druxman. In her brief life, she married four times. Payton was born Barbara Lee Redfield in Cloquet, Minnesota. She was the daughter of Erwin Lee ("Flip") Redfield and Mabel Irene Todahl, the daughter of Norwegian immigrants.



Robin Noel Pecknold (born March 31, 1986) is an American singer, songwriter and guitarist. He is best known as the principal songwriter and vocalist for the indie folk band Fleet Foxes, with whom he has recorded three studio albums, with the latest, *Crack-Up*, released on June 16, 2017. His grandfather, Bob Valaas, is Norwegian. Pecknold comes from a musical background; his father, Greg Pecknold, played in the Seattle-based soul band The Fathoms in the 1960s. He has an older brother, Sean, and an older sister, Aja. His brother is a director and the founder of grandchildren.tv. Sean has directed six music videos for Fleet Foxes. Aja was a rock critic for magazine *Seattle Weekly* and is the band's manager. His aunt Michelle is a strong supporter and advocate for his work

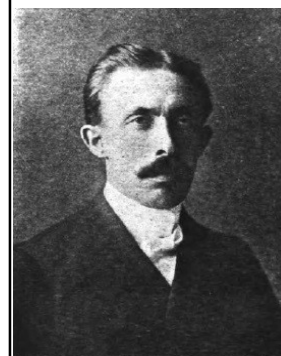


Charles John Pedersen (October 3, 1904 - October 26, 1989) was an American organic chemist best known for describing methods of synthesizing crown ethers. He shared the Nobel Prize in Chemistry in 1987 with Donald J. Cram and Jean-Marie Lehn. His Japanese first name was Yoshio. He is the only Nobel Prize laureate born in Korea other than Peace Prize laureate Kim Dae-jung. Pedersen was born in Busan, on the coast of south-eastern Korea, to a Norwegian father Brede Pedersen and a Japanese mother Takino Yasui, in 1904. Due to his father's work as an engineer, he spent part of his childhood near the Unsan mine in present-day North Korea. He moved to Japan with his family at the age of eight years to attend a convent school in Nagasaki. When he was ten years old, he moved to Yokohama and entered an international school, called Saint Joseph College. He came to the United States in 1922 to study chemical engineering at the University of Dayton in Ohio. After receiving a bachelor's degree, he went to the Massachusetts Institute of Technology where he received a master's degree in organic chemistry.



GEORGE M. PEDERSEN, Of **Yorkville, Ill.**, was born at Green Bay, Wis., July 17, 1864. His parents, Peter H. and Lavina (Hansen) Pedersen, both from Norway, have passed away. After receiving his education in the public school he attended business college at Valparaiso, Ind. He then clerked in **Leland and Ottawa** for several years. In 1888 he started a general merchandise store at **Sheridan, IL.**, with his brother Enoch H. as a partner, to whom he later sold his interest. In 1891 he went to Dayton, Ill., where he kept a store for three years. In 1893 Mr. Pedersen joined a Mr. Rasmussen and opened a general merchandise store in Yorkville, Ill. Mr. Rasmussen died shortly afterward, when Mr. Pedersen took in Fred Bretthauer as a partner; the partnership still exists. Dec. 9, 1891, our subject married Miss Lottie E. Makinson, of English descent, at Dayton. They have four children, namely: Geneva E., born 1892; Mona E., 1895; Frances C., 1897; Wayne M., 1902. The family attend the Congregational Church at Yorkville and reside in their own home. Mr. Pedersen is doing a thriving business, having two stores, he looking after the dry goods store and Mr. Bretthauer the grocery. Mr. Pedersen is a Mason and a member of the Modern Woodmen. In the beautifully located little town of Yorkville, on the banks of the Fox River, there are only two Norwegians of prominence, the subject of this sketch and the clerk of the county, Mr. George Williams. Mr. Pedersen has been alderman for four years and city treasurer for five years.

JOHN M. PEDERSEN, The undertaker at 878 Armitage avenue, **Chicago**, was born at Christianssund, Norway, Feb. 25, 1871, his parents being Peder Andreas Pedersen (a cooper) and Eliza Katharina (Jensen). He attended the public and a technical evening school, and took a course in a business college, and was confirmed in Christianssund Lutheran Church. He commenced to work for Christian Johnsen, a merchant and exporter, when but 10 years old, dividing his time half and half between the store and the school. He began an apprenticeship with a cooper when 18 years old and continued at that until he was 21. He came to this country in 1892, landing at Halifax in April and arriving in Chicago on April 15. In Chicago he first secured a job as janitor at 155 Washington street, and after ward worked five years for the Chicago Cofiin Company, 465 S. Canal street. He studied embalming under Prof. J. H. Clark, of Cincinnati, Ohio, and after having qualified as an embalmer before the State Board of Health of Illinois, commenced business for himself in 1898, opening an undertaking establishment on Armitage avenue. He was married to Laura T. Oftedahl, only daughter of Lars D. and Malena Oftedahl, on June 22, 1905. They have one child, Marshall Edgar, born March 17, 1906. Mr. Pedersen's father is still living in Christianssund, but his mother died in September 1893. The family are members of Zion Norwegian Lutheran Church, of which Mr. Pedersen has served as trustee and secretary of the board. He is a member of the Odd Fellows, the Knights of Pythias, the Royal Arcanum, the I. O. F., the T. B. H., the N. A. U., the K. & L. of S. and the K. of H. He is a member of the four Norwegian charitable institutions in Chicago. Has served on the board of the Old People's Home Society and the Tabitha Hospital, of which he served as secretary for one year. He is also a member of Normandenes Singing Society, and a passive member of the Norwegian Glee Club and the Norwegian Turners' Society. The family resides at 203 Nebraska avenue.



J. M. Pedersen.

Business

ADOLPH PEDERSON, Of the clothing firm of Pederson, Holstag & Co., Aurora, IL, was born at **Leland, Ill.**, Oct. 24, 1873. He is the son of Ole and Ella (née Amundson) Pederson. They are from Kongsvinger, Norway. His father, who was a black smith in Leland, died Feb. 15, 1905; his mother is still living at Aurora. Our subject received his education in the public schools and was confirmed in the Lutheran Church at Leland. He began his career as a clothing merchant early, clerking first in Leland and later in Aurora, where he has been for over fifteen years. Sept. 15, 1892, Mr. Pederson started a clothing store, in partnership with John F. Holstag and W. A. Smith, at the corner of Downer place and River street, Aurora, the firm name being Pederson, Holstag & Co. The firm is one of the largest in Aurora and is doing a very prosperous business. On July 15, 1901, Mr. Pederson married Miss Bathseba Abernathy, of Moline, Ill. Mr. Pederson holds nine patents for the display of clothing and is the president of the Aurora Clothing Hanging Company. At a voting contest conducted by one of the papers in Aurora a few years ago, to name the most popular u'nion man in the city, there were several contestants, the mayor of the city being one, but our subject led his nearest competitor by over 20,000 votes, receiving about 87,000 votes. The prize was a gold watch, of which Mr. Pederson is very proud. He has been very active as an organizer of unions. He is a member of the Aurora Lodge of Elks. The family reside in their own home at 283 South street, Aurora.



Adolph Pederson.

Business

OLE R. PEDERSON, Of **Leland, IL.**, was born in Vormedalen, Hjelmelands parish, near Stavanger, Norway, April 10, 1855. His father, who was a farmer in Norway, was Peder O. Ritland; his mother's maiden name was Gunilda H. Hellicksdatter. He attended the common schools in Norway, helped his father on the farm, and was confirmed. He also attended a private school one winter term. In 1871 he came to America with his parents, one sister and a brother, going via **Chicago** direct to Leland, where they have lived since. Our subject worked for three years as a farmhand and then learned the trade of a painter and also that of a jeweler and watch repairer, both of which trades he has followed since. He conducts a store in Leland, handling paints, oils, glass, wall paper, etc., and also has a department for his jewelry business. Mr. Pederson was married to Ellen Hall, of Lee county, in 1876. She is a daughter of Ole and Kirsten (Bjerge) Hall. They have had ten children. Lars, born May 19, 1878; Julia, Aug. 6, 1880; Emma, Dec. 29, 1881; Cornelius, Oct. 3, 1883; Anton, 1885; Otto, March 7, 1888; Cora, May 8, 1892; Nettie, Aug. 25, 1894; Thomas, May 24, 1897; Theresa, Sept. 1, 1900. Of these Cornelius, Anton and Thomas have passed away. Julia is married to Charles Montague; his mother died at our subject's home in 1891; his father is living. Mr. Pederson has held local offices, such as constable and village trustee. The family are members of the Lutheran Church at Leland.



Ole R. Pederson.

Founders

Cleng Peerson (17 May 1783 - 16 December 1865) was a Norwegian-American pioneer who led the first group of Norwegians to emigrate to the United States, traveling on the Norwegian sloop Restauration . Cleng Peerson was born Klein Pedersen near the community of Tysvær in the county of Rogaland , Norway . His parents were Peder Larsson (1755-1841) and Inger Sjursdotter (1744-1814). Cleng Peerson grew up on the farm Hesthammar in Tysvær, but was born on the farm Lervik in the same district. In 1821, he first traveled to the United States at the request of a religious community in Stavanger . This community was made up principally of Quakers , together with Haugeans , both groups having been influenced by the beliefs of German Rappites



Entertainment

Piper Lisa Perabo (born October 31, 1976) is an American film and television actress. She is best known for playing CIA Agent Annie Walker in the spy drama series Covert Affairs , which ran on the USA Network for five seasons between 2010 and 2014, receiving a Golden Globe nomination. Since her breakthrough starring role in Coyote Ugly (2000), Perabo has appeared in films such as Cheaper by the Dozen (2003), Cheaper by the Dozen 2 (2005), The Prestige (2006), and Looper (2012). Perabo was born in Dallas , Texas , the daughter of Mary Charlotte (née Ulland), a physical therapist , and George William Perabo, a lecturer in poetry at Ocean County College . She is of English , German , Irish , Portuguese (father) and Norwegian (mother) descent; Her surname is of Portuguese origin. She grew up in Toms River, New Jersey



Business

A. PETERSEN & CO. Commenced business in 1879, manufacturing a line of desks and office furniture in rented quarters at the corner of Jackson and Clinton streets, under the name of Skielvig, Petersen & Co., of which the assoeiated partners were L. L. Skielvig and John Thompson. The business was conducted in this style for one year, when a new partner was taken in, a man by the name of John H. Mengis, and The **Chicago** Desk Mnfg. Co. was organized, with. L. Skielvig as president; John H. Mengis, secretary and treasurer; and A. Petersen as superintendent. The business was conducted under this firm until 1884. A. Petersen then sold out his interest and moved to 15 to 21 Armour street, and 456-460 Austin avenue, a property containing nearly 17,000 feet of ground and 39,000 feet of floor space. From that time to the present date he has conducted a manufacturing business of the same line as originally started under the name of A. Petersen & CO. The company is only the style of title, Mr. Petersen being sole proprietor and manager.

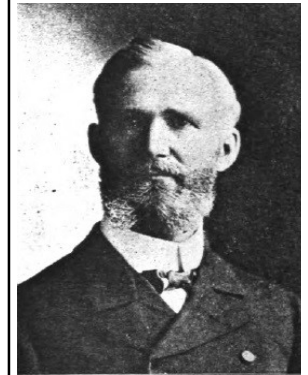
Singers

Malia Ann Kawailanamalie Petersen is a Hawaiian hula dancer of Norwegian and American descent. Malia attended Saint Patrick School in Kaimuki, and the University Laboratory School in Mānoa. Malia Ann Kawailanamalie Petersen is a Hula Halau 'O Kamuela dancer and won the 2002 Miss Aloha Hula contest of The 39th Annual Merrie Monarch Festival . Petersen of Hula Halau O Kamuela won the title of Miss Aloha Hula 2002 over 11 other dancers in the competition held at the Edith Kanaka'ole Tennis Stadium in Hilo . Petersen is a former Miss Keiki Hula.



Business

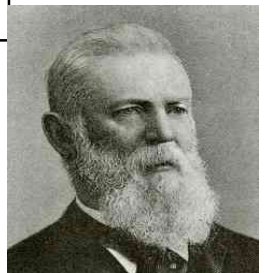
BERN HARD C. PETERSON, A son of Peter and Anna Christine (Bjornson) Christensen, from Redahlen, Norway, was born there, Oct. 2, 1854. His father was a miller by trade. Our subject crossed the Atlantic with his par ents in a schooner in 1866, reached Chicago on July 4, and Madison, Wis., on the 5th. They went direct to his uncle, Gabriel Bjørnson, who had a farm near Perry, Wis. He attended the public school at Moscow. Wis.. and the Richmond Select School at Postville and also at Monroe. Wis. He spent his youth at school and on his brother's farm at Moscow. He afterwards taught the public schools at Moscow and Middlebury for three years, working on the farm in the summer, coming to **Chicago** in 1877. Here he opened a night school, teaching languages and commercial sciences. The school was called the Scandia College. In 1882 he engaged in the manufacture of furniture under the firm name of Peterson & Krabol and after several changes in the personnel of the firm he is now the proprietor of the American Cabinet Makers at 2127 N. Elizabeth street, Chicago. Our subject was married to Mary Philissa Theobald of Middlebury, Wis., June 30, 1883. Six children were born to them, the two oldest having passed away. From early manhood our subject has evinced liberal tendencies in religious and philosophic matters and since his arrival in Chicago, in 1877, he has been a regular attendant at liberal religious services. He commenced to investigate the truth or falsity of the claims of the spiritualists, in 1879, and is now in position to furnish to the interested valuable results of his research. His metaphysical studies and work were commenced in 1885, shortly after the death of his first child, and he learned more and more of the subtle forces of nature, all the time penetrating deeper into its secrets. In 1891, Mr. Peterson joined the Order of the Magi, where he became convinced was to be found a reservoir Of universal knowledge. He was ordained a Grand Magus in 1896, and a minister of the Gospel in the order in 1900. In 1901 he founded the Church of the Veritans in Chicago which is described in another part of this volume.



B. C. Peterson.

Religious

Canute Peterson (also Knud Peterson) (May 13, 1824 - October 14, 1902) was a Mormon pioneer settler of Utah Territory and was a leader in LDS Church . Peterson was born in Bergen, Norway . In Norway, he became a member of the Religious Society of Friends and emigrated to the United States in 1837. In 1842, while living in **La Salle County , Illinois** , he became a member of the LDS Church. After joining the church, he became a missionary to Norwegians living in Wisconsin . Married Cleng Peerson's neice, Sarah, daughter to Kari Nelson. Kari was one of the original Sloopers.



Religious

Dutton Stiles Peterson (December 10, 1894 – October 20, 1964) was an American Methodist minister and politician from New York. He was born in Costello, Potter County, Pennsylvania. His father, Chris Peterson, was an immigrant from Holla, Telemark, Norway. The family removed in 1911 to Steuben County, New York. In 1917, he enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps and fought in World War I in France.



Business

ENOCH PETERSON, Vice-president and secretary of the Wm. D. Gibson Company, manufacturers of all kinds of steel springs, with their large factory at Huron and Kingsbury, was born in Norway, Nov. 4, 1849. His parents were farmers in Norway, where our subject attended the common schools until he was confirmed. He was then apprenticed to learn the trade of a blacksmith and machinist. After learning his trade he came to America in 1870, landing at Quebec and going from there to La Crosse, Wis., where he arrived on July 4, of the same year. He at once went around to the different machine shops to see how Americans did things, and also worked in two shops, but the next year, in 1871, he came to **Chicago**. Here he entered the service of William Storker, a spring manufacturer, going to work at noon. The next day he was made foreman, and has been connected with the firm ever since. The concern was later reorganized and incorporated under the firm name of William D. Gibson Co., and Mr. Peterson has since been its active head. Mr. Peterson was married in Chicago to Helene A. Kjerner, from Lier, Norway, April 11, 1874. Her parents were Mr. and Mrs. Hans Kjerner. They have had three children, but only one son is living—Alex. B. Peterson, born April 11, 1876, and now general manager with the Wm. D. Gibson Co. Mr. Peterson has invented several improvements applicable to machinery in his own business, but does not care to mention them. He visited Norway in 1888. He is a high-degree Mason. The family attends St. Paul's Lutheran Church and resides at 1589 W. Adams street.



Enoch Peterson.

Business

HENRY B. PETERSON Was born in the vicinity of **Big Grove, Kendall county, IL.**, Dec. 25, 1876. His father is Lars T. Peterson, who was born in Norway, and his mother Anne Lee, of Voss, Norway. Mr. Peterson received his education in the district school and was confirmed in the Lutheran Church by Rev. P. A. Rasmussen. He helped by working on the farm a few years, but he has mostly been working in mercantile lines. He has worked in stores in Chicago and Indiana, and was in partnership with M, S. Fries in Helmar. At the present time he is manager for Mr. Fries' store in Newark. In 1900 he was married in Helmar to Miss Eveline Ellertson, a daughter of Sam Ellertson. Mrs. Peterson was born in March 1877, in Hel mar. Their marital union has been blessed with one son, Lyle. The family attends the Lutheran Norwegian Church of Helmar.

Sport

Suzann Pettersen (born 7 April 1981) is a Norwegian professional golfer. She plays mainly on the U.S.-based LPGA Tour, and is also a member of the Ladies European Tour. Her career best world ranking is second and she has held that position several times, most recently from August 2011 until February 2012. Pettersen was born in Oslo, Norway. Both her parents, Axel and Mona, participated in sports. She has two brothers, Stefan and Gunerius. Suzann Pettersen is a distant relative of merchant Gunerius Pettersen (1826–1892)



Medal of Honor

William Phinney (born 1824, date of death unknown) was a Union Navy sailor in the American Civil War and a recipient of the U.S. military's highest decoration, the Medal of Honor, for his actions at the Battle of Mobile Bay. Born in 1824 in Norway, Phinney immigrated to the United States and was living in New York when he joined the Navy. He served during the Civil War as a boatswain's mate on the USS Lackawanna. At the Battle of Mobile Bay on August 5, 1864, Lackawanna engaged the CSS Tennessee at close range and Phinney distinguished himself as captain of an artillery gun. For this action, he was awarded the Medal of Honor four months later, on December 31, 1864



Business

THOMAS GEORGE PIHLFELDT. Son of Johan and Henrietta (nee Jordan) Pihlfeldt was born in Vadsoe, Norway, Oct. 11, 1858. He attended school at Vadsoe during his boyhood days and afterwards at Trondhjem, Hammerfest and Christiania, where he remained for four years. From 1875 to '79 he attended technical schools at Hanover and Dresden, Germany. He came to Chicago in August 1879 and has lived here continuously since. Unable to secure a place as civil engineer he accepted a position as a machinist and continued work in that capacity for several years. He afterwards worked as draftsman for different concerns until he entered the service of the City of **Chicago** as draftsman for the Map department in .1889. In 1894 he was transferred to the bridge department where he gradually rose to be chief draftsman and in 1901 was given complete charge of the bridge division and later also took charge of the Harbor division and the City Architect's office. Some of the more notable bridges constructed under his supervision were the Clybourn Place, East and West Division, Ninety-fifth St., N. Westem Ave. and Archer Ave. bridges. Mr. Pihlfeldt married Miss Erica Lehmann of Bergen, Norway, in 1885. Two children were born to T. G. Pihlfeldt. them, Eyvin Roll, born April 25, 1887, and Bergliot Edna, April 4th, 1891. Mr. Pihlfeldt is a member of the Westem Society of Civil Engineers, Independent order of Odd Fellows and the Norwegian Quartette Club. He lives 1054 Augusta Street.



T. G. Pihlfeldt.

Entertainment

Eleanor Jane Mondale Poling (January 19, 1960 – September 17, 2011) was an American radio personality, television host, and actress. Mondale was the only daughter of late Joan Mondale and former Vice President Walter Mondale. Her older brother is former Minnesota State Senator Theodore Adams "Ted" Mondale. Her younger brother is attorney William Hall Mondale, the former assistant Attorney General of Minnesota (1990–2000).



Writers

Anne Emilie Poulsson (September 8, 1853 – March 18, 1939) was an American children's author and campaigner for early childhood education and the kindergarten movement. Poulsson was born in Cedar Grove, New Jersey . She was the daughter of Halvor Poulsson and Ruth Anne Poulsson (née Mitchell). Her father, who was an immigrant from Norway, died when she was still young



Entertainment

Christopher Michael Pratt [6-21-1979] is an American film and television actor. He came to prominence for his small-screen roles, including Bright Abbott in Everwood (2002), Ché in The O.C. (2003), and Andy Dwyer and Parks and Recreation (2009), and notable film roles in Moneyball (2011), The Five-Year Engagement (2012), Zero Dark Thirty (2012), Delivery Man (2013), and Her (2013). In 2014, he broke out as a leading man after headlining two of the year's biggest films: he voiced Emmet Brickowoski, in The Lego Movie (2014), and starred as Peter Quill / Star-Lord in Guardians of the Galaxy (2014). In 2015, he headlined the sci-fi thriller Jurassic World (2015), the fourth installment in the Jurassic Park franchise and his most financially successful film. In 2016, he co-starred in the remake The Magnificent Seven (2016), with Denzel Washington and Ethan Hawke , and appeared with Jennifer Lawrence in the sci-fi drama Passengers (2016). In the near future, he returns as Star-Lord for Guardians of the Galaxy Vol. 2 (2017), with Jurassic World: Fallen Kingdom (2018) not far behind.



Singers

Lisa Marie Presley (born February 1, 1968) is an American singer-songwriter. She is the only child of singer and actor Elvis Presley and actress Priscilla Presley , as well as the sole heir to her father's estate. Presley has developed a career in the music business and has issued three albums. She has been married four times, including to singer Michael Jackson and actor Nicolas Cage , before marrying music producer Michael Lockwood , father of her twin girls. Lisa Marie was born on February 1, 1968, to Elvis and Priscilla Presley at Baptist Memorial Hospital in Memphis, Tennessee, nine months to the day after her parents' May 1, 1967, wedding. After her parents divorced, she lived with her mother. When her father died in 1977, 9-year-old Lisa Marie became joint heir to his estate with her grandfather Vernon Presley and her great-grandmother Minnie Mae Presley. Following the deaths of Vernon in 1979 and Minnie Mae in 1980, she became the sole heir and inherited Graceland. In 1993, on her 25th birthday, she inherited the estate, which had grown to an estimated \$100 million. It is reported that Lisa sold 75% of her father's estate.



Entertainment

Priscilla Ann Presley (née Wagner, changed by adoption to Beaulieu; born May 24, 1945) is an American actress and business magnate . She is the former wife of American singer Elvis Presley as well as former chairwoman of Elvis Presley Enterprises (EPE), the company that turned Graceland into one of the top tourist attractions in the United States. In her acting career, Presley had a starring role as Jane Spencer in the three successful *Naked Gun* films in which she co-starred with Leslie Nielsen , and played the role of Jenna Wade on the long-running television series *Dallas* . Presley was born Priscilla Ann Wagner in New York City . Her maternal grandfather, Albert Henry Iversen, was born in 1899 in Egersund , Norway . He migrated to the United States, where he married Lorraine, who was of Scots-Irish and English descent. Their only daughter, Anna Lillian Iversen, was born in March 1926. Later she was called - or her name was changed to - Ann.



Business

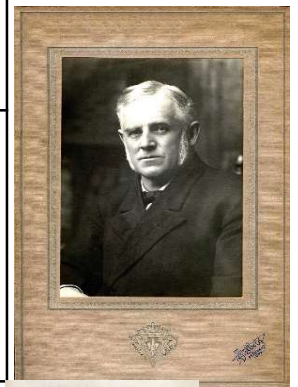
OLE J. PRESTEGAARD, An extensive farmer, residing in Alto township, is among the most able and progressive men of his class, in Lee county. He was born in Odda, Hardanger, Bergen Stift, Norway, April 23, 1841. His father was Jørgen Olson and his mother Gunhilda (Buer) Prestegaard, a daughter of Helje and Gunhilda Buer. After their marriage, Olson rented a piece of land from his brother, who had the Prestegaard farm, and built a house on same. His occupation was making chairs and wool cards. He lived there until in 1870, when he emigrated with his family to America, coming to Alto township, Lee county, where three of his children had previously settled. He died there at a ripe age in 1883. His wife died in 1906, nearly 92 years old. The couple reared six children to lives of usefulness: Ole J., Gunhild, Helge. Guro, Brita, and Jørgen. The last named died In 1881. The rest of them, except Ole J., moved and settled in Iowa. Mr. Ole J. Prestegaard commenced to work when very young, and at 13 years of age the selfreliant little lad had begun life as a sailor. He was employed on a coast vessel, whose captain carried on the trade of buying fish from the fishermen and bringing it in to the large cities, where he disposed of his cargoes to the whole sale houses. Being ambitious to see more of the world anu make his way to a competence under more favorable circumstances than in the hard life he was leading before the mast, he left his native land in 1864 and sailed from Bergen April 17, for America in the good vessel "Victor Emanuel." A voyage of five weeks brought him to Quebec, from where he hurried away direct to **Chicago**, where he landed June 1. He then made just one' trip on a lake vessel and the following six weeks was employed in a lumber yard in Chicago. After that he came to Lee county and began his new life there as a laborer in the harvest field at \$2.00 a day. When the crops were gathered in, he found employment at \$22.00 a month for three months, and later worked at anything at which he could earn an honest living. In the spring of 1865 Mr. Prestegaard in company with another man, purchased eighty acres of prairie land, of which twenty acres were broken, and that was about the only improvement on the land. During the same year his partner died, and the following year he purchased his interest in the tract of the heirs and erected a frame house on the place in 1868.



Ole J. Prestegaard and Wife.

Religious

Christian Keyser Preus (October 13, 1852 - May 28, 1921) was an American Lutheran Minister who served as the second President of Luther College . Born in the Spring Prairie parsonage of Wisconsin to Norwegian immigrants Herman Amberg Preus and Caroline (Linka) Keyser Preus, he had connections with the Norwegian Synod from childhood through his father's involvement with the church. Preus was an 1873 graduate of Luther College , and 1876 graduate of Concordia Seminary



Religious

Herman Amberg Preus (June 16, 1825 - July 2, 1894) was an American Lutheran clergyman and church leader. Ordained in 1848, he became a key figure in organizing the Norwegian Synod. Herman Amberg Preus was born in Kristiansand, Norway . He was the son of Paul Arctander Preus, headmaster at the Cathedral School in Kristiansand and Anne Keyser, whose father was Johan Keyser, the Bishop of Kristiansand in the Church of Norway . Herman attended the Cathedral School in Kristiansand

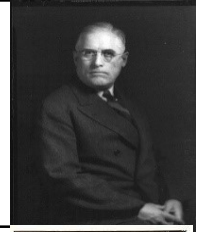


Religious

Jacob Aall Ottesen "Jack" Preus II (January 8, 1920, Saint Paul, Minnesota - August 13, 1994) was a Lutheran pastor, professor, author, seminary president and church denominational president. He served as the eighth president of the -Lutheran ChurchMissouri Synod (LCMS) from 1969 to 1981. He was a major figure in the "Seminox " theological/political controversy, which resulted in a schism in the LCMS during the early 1970s. Preus was born on January 8, 1920, in Saint Paul, Minnesota . He attended Luther Theological Seminary in Minneapolis, Minnesota , graduating in 1945. While in school he married Delpha Mae Holleque on June 12, 1943.

Religious

Ove J. H. Preus was the fourth President of Luther College in Decorah, Iowa. Ove Jacob Hjort Preus (1880-1951) Ove J. H. Preus was born January 21, 1880 in Spring Prairie, Wisconsin to Christian Keyser Preus and Louise Augusta Hjort. Preus attended Luther from 1895-1901, earning degrees in theology and law. Preus later graduated from Luther Seminary in 1904, and spent a year at Johns Hopkins University from 1904-1905



Religious

Robert David Preus (October 16, 1924 - November 4, 1995) was an American Lutheran pastor, professor, author, and seminary president. Robert Preus was born to Minnesota Governor J.A.O. Preus and Idella Haugen Preus. His older brother is J.A.O. Preus II , former president of the -Lutheran ChurchMissouri Synod (LCMS).



Entertainment

Kristin Proctor (born April 16, 1978 in Los Angeles, California) is a Norwegian-American actress. She is the daughter of actor Phil Proctorand Television producer Barbro Semmingsen. Although born in the United States, she grew up in Norway and made her debut, aged eight, on Norwegian television.



Entertainment

Fátima Ptacek (born August 20, 2000) is an American film and television actress and model, and a human rights activistworking with UN Women's #HeForShe campaign for gender equality. She is best known as the lead actor in the 2012 Academy Awardwinning film Curfew and its 2014 full-length feature film version Before I Disappear. She has lent her voice as the lead role of "Dora" in Nickelodeon's animated television series Dora the Explorer since 2010 and Dora and Friends: Into the City! since 2014. Ptacek was born and resides in New York City with her parents. Her mother is Ecuadorian. Her father has Colombian, Czech, Irish and Norwegian roots.

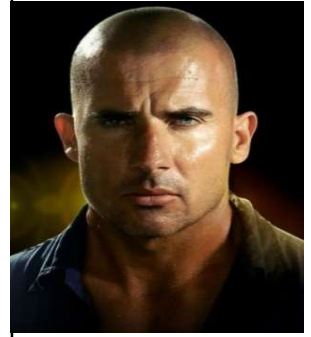


Entertainment

William James Pullman (born December 17, 1953) is an American actor. He made his film debut in the 1986 film Ruthless People, and has since gone on to star in other films, such as Spaceballs (1987), The Accidental Tourist (1988), Sleepless In Seattle (1993), While You Were Sleeping (1995), Casper (1995), Independence Day (1996), Lost Highway (1997) and Lake Placid (1999). He has also appeared regularly on television, usually in TV films, though starting in the 2000s he has also starred in miniseries and regular series, including starring roles in 1600 Penn (2012–13) and The Sinner (2017-present). Pullman was born in Hornell, New York, the son of James Pullman, a physician, and his wife Johanna (née Blaas), a nurse



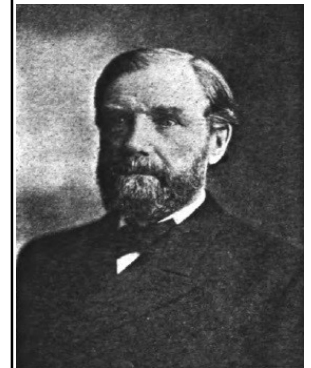
Dominic Purcell [2-17-1970] Born in England, to a Norwegian father and Irish mother, at the age of two, Dominic and his family moved from England to Sydney's Bondi and then moved to the Western Suburbs. After becoming a landscape gardener, he soon tired of the profession and, whilst watching the war movie *Platoon* (1986), decided to become an actor. Due to his working-class background, acting seemed a very unlikely choice of career, so he didn't pursue it until sometime later. He studied at The Australian Theatre for Young People (ATYP) and then later enrolled at the Western Australian Academy of Performing arts where he met his future wife Rebecca and studied with Hugh Jackman . In 1997, Dominic scored a role in the TV series *Raw FM* (1997) and then landed a part in *Mission: Impossible II* (2000), which was filmed in Australia. He became a TV star. In 2000, he won the Green Card lottery and now lives in Los Angeles with his family. He was spotted by a US talent scout and has been working constantly with roles in the movie *Equilibrium* (2002), the TV show *John Doe* (2002), *Blade: Trinity* (2004), and in the upcoming thriller *Three Way* (2004) and a new police television drama, *Strut*



John Qualen (born Johan Mandt Kvalen, December 8, 1899 - September 12, 1987) was a Canadian-American character actor of Norwegian heritage who specialized in Scandinavian roles. Qualen was born in Vancouver , British Columbia , the son of immigrants from Norway; his father was a Lutheran minister and changed the family's original surname, "Kvalen", to "Qualen" - though some sources give Oleson, later Oleson Kvalen as Qualen's earlier surnames. His father's ministering meant many moves and John was 20 when he graduated from Elgin High School in 1920. Though he was awarded a scholarship to Northwestern University after he won an oratory contest he never attended college



NILES THEODORE QUALES, M. D. Was born in Kinservik, Hardanger, Norway, on the 17th day of January 1831. His parents were Ole J. Prestegaard and Wife. the following survive: Gunhild, Lars, ørgen, Sarah, Anna, Olaf, Bernt, Henry and Joachim. The three oldest children are married. Gunhild, to Rev. H. Berthelsen, residing in Indianapolis, Ind. Lars is a farmer, having a farm in Alto township, Lee county, and Jorgen manages a lumber firm in Forest City, Iowa. The other children are at home. The family are all members of the Lutheran Church. Mr. Prestegaard is a true Republican in politics. He is of a thoughtful, intelligent mind, has always been a reader and well informed on all matters of general interest. The appearance of his farm demonstrates his ability as an enTorgils Johnson erequale and Guri Torgilsdatter Tjoflat. He was the next youngest of six children, four sons and two daughters; he worked on his father's farm in the summer and attended public school in the wintertime. During the next year he managed the large estate of Mr. Garman at Udsten Kloster, near Stavanger, but in 1852 entered the Royal Veterinary College at Copenhagen, Denmark, graduating in 1856. In 1859 he emigrated to America in company with Mr. Iver Lawson and family whose acquaintance he had made at Voss. He came to Chicago on the 6th day of July 1859. During the first year of his residence in America he experienced some of the trials of a newcomer. In 1861 he enlisted in Company "B" first **Illinois Artillery** then stationed at Cairo, Illinois, remaining in the army until 1864 when he entered Rush Medical College from which he graduated in 1867. After a competitive examination by the medical board of the **Cook County Hospital** he was appointed an interne of that institution and served until Feb. 1868. Shortly after leaving the hospital he was appointed city physician and served for two years. As city physician he had charge of the small-pox hospital then located on the lake shore at the foot of North avenue. During this time small-pox was epidemic and the hospital was crowded, containing at times as many as seventy patients. In 1870 he was appointed surgeon to the U. S. Marine Hospital, then located on Michigan avenue near the Rush street bridge. He remained in charge of the hospital until it was destroyed by fire in 1871. After the fire he was appointed visiting physician by the Chicago Relief and Aid Society and was assigned to the Old fourteenth ward which at that time comprised the territory north of W. Kinzie street and west of the north branch of the Chicago River. In 1873 he located at Wicker Park in his present home on Fowler street. In 1891 he was appointed physician to the Norwegian Deaconess Hospital on Humboldt street.



Dr. Niles T. Quales.

Carlton C. Qualey (December 17, 1904 - March 25, 1988) was an American professor, author and historian. His research specialized principally in Norwegian-American immigration. An eminent historian, his publications include books, articles and reviews produced over a 60-year career. He is most frequently associated with his 1938 study, *Norwegian Settlement in the United States*. Carlton Chester Qualey was born in Spring Grove, Minnesota . he was the son of Ole O. Qualey (1858-1937) and Clara Amalia (Knatterud) Qualey (1868-1947), He graduated from St. Olaf College (1929), earned his Masters from University of Minnesota (1930) and his Doctorate from Columbia University in (1938).

JOHN ARTHUR QUAM, President of the Farmers 81 Merchants State Bank of **Sheridan, IL.**, was born on a farm in Mission township, La Salle county, IL., May 24, 1854. His parents were Ole A. and Gertrude (Osmundson) Quam, of whom the father came from Nestrland, Norway, to America with his parents, in 1843, and the mother from Voss, Norway, with her parents and a two-year old sister, at the age of five years. Mr. Osmundson died in Chicago shortly after his arrival and his wife six months later leaving their two children alone in a strange land among entire strangers. All information except what is here mentioned of that family has been lost. Mr. J. A. Quam was educated in the public schools and confirmed in the Hauge Lutheran Church. Later he attended the Fowler Institute of Newark, IL., at intervals working on the farm. On July 15, 1875, Mr, Quam was joined in wedlock to Miss Amelia Nelson, a daughter of Peter C. and Signe (Danielson) Nelson. Peter C. Nelson was a son of Cornelius and Carrie Nelson, who came to America in 1825 in the sloop "Restoration," mentioned in another part of this volume. Mr. and Mrs. Quam have had four children, viz., Mabel Signe, born July 25, 1876; Vida Gertrude, Nov. 1, 1878; Hilda Jeanette, Sept. 1, 1893, and Inez, who died in infancy. Mabel was married to Rev. J. M. Hilbish, is now a widow and at present principal of the Iowa Bible Training School, of Des Moines, Iowa. Vida is married to Dr. F. A. Bernard, V. S. They live on a farm at Chambers, Neb., where Dr. Bernard is raising John A. Quam. Heresford cattle as a speciality. Hilda Jeanette is at home and attending school. Mr. Quam commenced his long business career as a merchant at Sheridan, IL., in 1875, and continued with same until August 1905. From 1885 to 1902 he was also running a private bank under the firm of Quam & Knapp, at the same place. In February 1902, the Farmers 8: Merchants State Bank of Sheridan, IL., was incorporated, succeeding to the banking house of Quam & Knapp. Mr. Quam has been its president since. It is but natural that a man of Mr. Quam's character should be honored by being elected to various public offices of trust by his townspeople He has served as clerk of Mission township from 1880 to 1889 and as supervisor for the same township from 1889 to 1901. In 1889 he was elected a delegate from La Salle county to the state convention of supervisors, held at Bloomington, Ill., and was chosen secretary of said convention. Mr. Quam is a member of the Methodist church at Sheridan and has served as superintendent of its Sunday school for twelve years. His mother departed this life at Ashland, Wis., in 1900, but his father is still living there.



John A. Quam.

Kjell Qvale (July 7, 1919 - November 2, 2013) was a Norwegian-American business executive. Qvale was one of the key figures in the creation of the Jensen-Healey . Qvale became the first distributor for Jaguar on the Pacific West Coast . Qvale was one of the founders of the San Francisco Auto Show and the Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance . He was credited with the concept of the Corkscrew signature corner of Laguna Seca. Kjell Qvale was born in Trondhjem , Norway , and was the son of a Norwegian sea captain. He moved to the United States in 1929. Qvale attended the University of Washington and was a U.S. Navy pilot during World War II .



Writers

Aagot Raaen (December 3, 1873 - January 7, 1957) was an American author and educator . Aagot Raaen was one of five children born to Thomas T. Raaen (1827-1903) and Ragnhild (Rodningen) Raaen (1839-1923), who were immigrants from Norway . In June 1874, the family had moved to Dakota Territory settling near Hatton, North Dakota . Thomas Raaen homesteaded 160 acres of land in Newburgh Township (now in Steele County, North Dakota). Aagot Raaen put herself through school and college. In 1903, Raaen graduated from the Mayville State Normal School, now Mayville State University . In 1913, she graduated from the University of Minnesota . She later did graduate work at universities in Berlin and Hawaii



Business

Elias Rachie In temperance: Gustav Eide, H. A. Foss, B. B. Haugan, J. L. Nydahl, Elias Rachie, J. J. SkoYdalsvold and Andreas Wright. Elias Rachie is a good lawyer, located at Minneapolis. He is said to have taken more degrees at the University of Minnesota than any other alumnus of the school, including B.L., A.M., Ph.D.

Founders

Erik Ramstad (January 17, 1860 - January 21, 1951) was one of the founders of Minot, North Dakota . Erik Reiersen Ramstad was the son of Reier Pedersen Rassahaugen and Anne Ellefsdatter. He and his brother Peter were natives of Sigdal, Buskerud, Norway. They were early settlers in the Souris River Valley of North Dakota arriving in May 1883.

Religious

Sidney Anders Rand (May 9, 1916 – December 16, 2003) was an American Lutheran minister, educator and college president. He served under the Carter administration as United States Ambassador to Norway from 1980 to 1981 Rand was born in Eldred, Minnesota to Charles W. and Alice Pedersen Rand. He lived in Beltrami and Williams, Minnesota, where his father was Superintendent of Schools



Sport

Paul Stephen Ranheim (born January 25, 1966 in St. Louis, Missouri and raised in Edina, Minnesota) is an American former professional ice hockey forward who played 15 seasons in the National Hockey League (NHL) for the Calgary Flames, Hartford Whalers, Carolina Hurricanes, Philadelphia Flyers and Phoenix Coyotes. He was a second round selection, 38th overall, at the 1984 NHL Entry Draft and played 1,013 games between 1988 and 2003. Internationally, he played with Team USA; He played in three World Championships and was a member of the bronze-medal winning squad at the 1986 World Junior Ice Hockey Championships

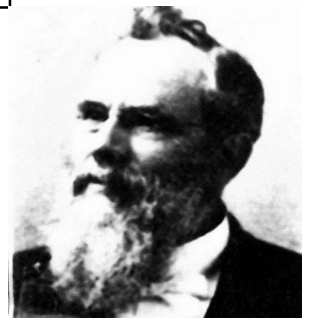


Business

Ingeborg Rasmussen Ingeborg Rasmussen (1858 —), M. D., Northwestern, 1892, has practised medicine in **Chicago**; has been with the Rush Medical Dispensary, Mary Thompson Hospital, Norwegian-American Tabitha Hospital. Is a member of Women's Medical Society, Women's Press Association, Women's City Club., etc., and since 1911 one of the editors of "Skandinaven." She has received a **gold medal from King Haakon VII** in recognition of her services to humanity. Valborg Sogn (1858-16) has been professor of gynecology at Northwestern University and the Tabitha Hospital. Haldor Sneve is professor of mental diseases. C. P. Lommen is dean of the College of Medicine, University of South Dakota. M. N. Voldeng, M. D., LL. D., has been professor at Drake University, the superintendent of the State Insane Hospital at Cherokee, Ia., and is director of the Colony of Epileptics at Woodward, Iowa.

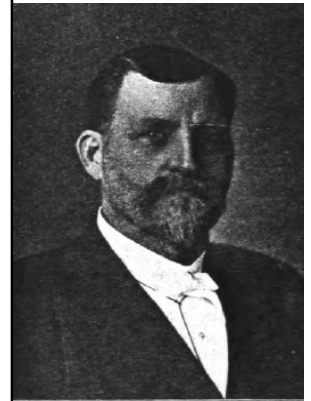
Religious

Peter Andreas P. A. Rasmussen [1-9-1829 – 8-15-1898] In 1850, P. A. Rasmussen was only 21 years old when Eielsen recruited him as a parochial school teacher. Attending Concordia Seminary of Missouri Synod at Ft. Wayne, 1853-54, he became pastor of **Lisbon, Ill**, 1854-97. In June 1855, Rasmussen and Eielsen expressed differences over the Old Constitution of the Eielsen Synod. The document contained the Donatistic leaven. Donatists held that a holy church must only consist of holy members. Eielsen would not yield to the criticism, and the controversy forced Rasmussen to withdraw from the Eielsen Synod. Rasmussen eventually took over all the churches in the Fox River area.



Religious

RASMUS ELIAS RASMUSSEN, The hardworking and ardent missionary, was born at Bergen, Norway, Feb. 26, 1854, to Rasmus Rasmussen, a cooper of that city, and his wife Martha Marie, ne'e Olsen. Elias enjoyed a common school education in his native city and was confirmed in the cathedral there. At the tender age of 13 he went to sea as a sailor boy visiting most of the important ports of the globe including several in America. He finally rose to be a captain's mate, but tired of the vicissitudes of the sea he settled down in Durban, Natal, South Africa, in 1879, as a store man and sailmaker. He remained there for five years, during which time the probably happiest period of his life occurred when his sweetheart from Bergen came there and they were joined in holy wedlock. This happened on Oct. 9, 1881, his wife being Ingeborg Anderson, a daughter of Johannes and Mina (Sjurson) Anderson of Bergen. They remained at Durban until 1884 when they returned to Bergen. While visiting New Zealand as a sailor Rasmussen had given his heart to God and upon his return to Bergen he concluded to devote the remainder of his life to the service of his Master. He consequently began work among the class of -people with whose life and habits he was most familiar, namely the sailors, and became a harbor missionary at Bergen. He continued this with good success until in 1893 he joined the crew of the Viking which frail little vessel, as is well known, crossed the Atlantic, was sailed to the **World's Columbian Exposition in Chicago** and here became one of the attractions of that great show, Mr. Rasmussen returned to Norway the same year. In 1895 he again visited the United States in the interest of his mission, and ten years later in Aug., 1905, he came here the third time traveling through the Norwegian settlements all over Rasmus E. Rasmussen. the United States. He returned to Norway in 1906 and in September of that year brought his family with him to America settling down at Helmar, Ill. Mr. and Mrs. Rasmussen have had ten children, five sons and five daughters, of whom three sons and three daughters are living, viz., Elias, born Nov. 15, 1888; Ingeborg, Nov. 12, 1800; Ruth, Jan, 19, 1893; Johannes, Oct. 28, 1895; Holtan, Nov. 24, 1898; Magdalena, Dec. 22, 1900. All of them were born in Bergen. A son, Rasmus Johannes, born in Durban, died in Bergen, when about twenty years old. Mr. Rasmussen's father died at Tromsø in 1879. His mother is still living at Bergen, 89 years old. Mr. Rasmussen is the author of four books written in the Norwegian language. More than twenty thousand copies have been sold of one of them.



Rasmus E. Rasmussen.

Entertainment

Rasmus Rasmussen (4 November 1862 – 17 July 1932) was a Norwegian actor, folk singer and theatre director. He was born in Molde, a son of captain Chrispinus Martinus Rasmussen and Anna Helene Carlsen. He emigrated to the United States around 1880, where he earned his living as a logger, but returned to Norway some years later. He performed at Den Nationale Scene in Bergen from 1887 to 1910. The next two years he toured Norway as a singer. He was the first theatre director of Det Norske Teatret, from 1912 to 1914, and during this period he also contributed as actor in several plays. He served as theatre director at Trondhjems nationale Scene from 1916 to 1924. He appeared in the several silent movies, including *Bride of Glomdal* and *Brudeferden i Hardanger*, both from 1926 and his only sound film, *Kristine Valdresdatter* in 1930

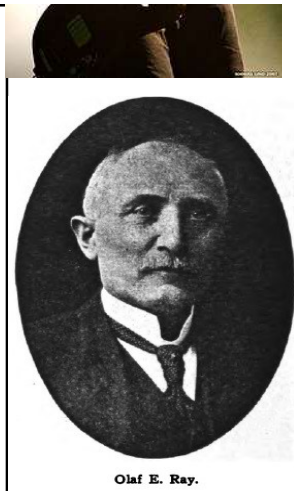


Entertainment

Petrus Thomas Ratajczyk (January 4, 1962 – April 14, 2010), better known by his stage name **Peter Steele**, was the lead singer, bassist and composer for the gothic metal band Type O Negative. Before forming Type O Negative, he had created the metal group Fallout and the thrash band Carnivore. Steele was born in Red Hook, Brooklyn into a Roman Catholic family and attended Edward R. Murrow High School located in the Midwood neighborhood of Brooklyn. His father was of Russian and Polish descent and his mother of Scottish-Irish, Norwegian, and Icelandic descent



OLAF EDWARD OLSSSEN RAY Was born on the farm Ree, near. Levanger, Norway, June 27, 1856. His father, Olai Olssen, was a school teacher and afterwards became editor and founded "Nordenfjeldsk Tidende" at Levanger and "Dagsposten" in Trondhjem. Mr. Ray's mother is Ragnhild Ray Olssen, now in Chicago, still active, and founder and president of "DeNorske Kvinders Industriforening." Mr. Ray was married in 1890 to Ernestine LeDue, of French English extraction, and has two daughters, Anita and Aimée, 16 and 9 years respectively. Mr. Ray commenced life as a sailor serving 12 years on the water and passing nautical examinations both in Norway and England. .In 1881 he came to Chicago, passed examination for evening school teacher and taught several years at the Wells public school. In 1890 he graduated from **Chicago College of Law** and has since been Olaf E. Ray. in active practice as attorney at law; he is senior member of the firm of Ray and Pease, 160 Washington street. Politically Mr. Ray was a Jeffersonian democrat up to 1897, when he turned republican. In 1892 he was one of the attorneys for the City of Chicago and in 1896 he was the democratic nominee for Congress in the seventh Illinois district against George Edmund Foss, who won out, the district being a republican stronghold. In 1906 Mr. Ray was one of the representatives from the Norwegian National League Of Chicago to the coronation of **King Haakon VII**. He has written a number of articles for Norwegian papers principally for "Skandinaven".



Olaf E. Ray.

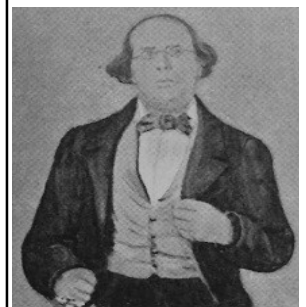
Tanoai Reed (born February 10, 1974) is a Hollywood stunt man. Reed was born in Honolulu, Hawaii of Samoan and Norwegian, Swedish, Irish descent. He is the cousin and stunt double of Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson



Harley Refsal is an internationally recognized figure carver, specializing in Scandinavian flat-plane style of woodcarving. December 1944. Refsal was born and raised on a farm near Hoffman, Minnesota, which was homesteaded by his Norwegian-immigrant grandparents. He began working in wood as a young boy. His father, a carpenter and farmer, and a woodworker uncle who lived nearby kept him well supplied with wood, tools, and encouragement.



The first one to do that was **Johan Reinert Reierson** who left Norway in 1843 by way of Havre for New Orleans. From New Orleans he proceeded north to Illinois and Wisconsin and then down to Texas. There he had gone to Austin, the capital, and had been presented to the governor, who was anxious to get Norwegians to occupy the Texan prairies. He returned to Norway, published in 1843 his famous book, "Veiviseren," rounded up his family and a few others, and set sail again for America. He located in Henderson County and called the colony Normandy, but it was later changed to Brownsboro. He died at Prairieville, Tex., Sept. 6, 1864, but his widow was still living there in 1895. One of his sons was then a hotel keeper at Kaufman, Tex.; another son was a bank cashier at Key West, Fla. Prairieville, founded in 1847 by Reierson, is the second Norwegian settlement in Texas. It was known also as Four Mile Prairie. One of the most remarkable Norwegians in Texas was Mrs. Elise Warenskjold. She came to Four Mile Prairie in 1847 as Mrs. Foyen, then married Waerenskjold in 1848 and lived with him until he was assassinated on account of his anti-slavery views. She had been an editor in Norway and wrote many articles for the Norwegian press from her far western home. The give much first hand reliable information about pioneer life. She organized a temperance society in her community; also a Lutberan congregation, taught school and prevailed on her husband to preach until a trained pastor could be secured. Through her Rev. Elling Eielsen made a missionary journey to Texas in 1849 and Emil Frederichsen was called as minister of the Gospel at Four Mile Norwegian Lutheran Congregation, 1854-1857.



Artists

The work of **T. S. Reimestad**, author of "Sangalbum" (1914), a series of hymns with music of his own composition or interpretation, is also a valuable contribution to music. Theodore Reimestad BIRTH: 7 Mar 1874 Iowa, USA DEATH 10 Feb 1958 (aged 83) Cottonwood, Lyon County, Minnesota, USA

Entertainment

Trine Rein is an American-Norwegian singer, who belongs to the exclusive group of Norwegian artists whose album sales have exceeded more than a million records. Rein was born in San Francisco in 1970. She is 1.54 meters. She is married to Sámi-Norwegian adventurer Lars Monsen.



Artists

KNUTE REINDAHL, The well-known violin maker, whose office and violin shop is in the Atheneum Building, 26 E. Van Buren street, **Chicago**, was born in M0, upper Telemarken, Norway, Nov. 16, 1858. His parents were Kittel Thronson Reindahl and Ingrid Gulbeck. His father died in Norway in 1863. His mother, left with seven children, came to America in 1867, going direct to Dane county, Wisconsin, where her oldest son, Thron, had located three years previously. The only schooling he got was three or four months in a country school, known as the Stensland schoolhouse, where Prof. J. E. Olson at the time was teaching. For several years Mr. Reindahl worked on farms in the neighborhood, and also at carpenter work, but was not satisfied, feeling that his talent was in another line. Violin making was his aim. He took up the study of the old Italian masters and found that all the great violin makers of the past had been wood carvers. In 1876 he accordingly came to Chicago, where he secured a position with the Pullman Palace Car Company as wood carver. He remained with this company for two years and afterward had charge of the wood-carving departments of several leading factories in Chicago. All his spare time, how ever, was devoted to his beloved violin. In 1892 he engaged in the making of violins exclusively and for himself, and was happy, having found his work in life. In 1893 he received a diploma of merit at the World's Columbian Exposition, and at the Paris Exposition in 1900 he was awarded a medal and diploma for beauty of tone and artistic workmanship. His success is now assured, for he is conceded to be at the head of his profession. His instruments are so beautifully designed and produce tones so exquisite that eminent artists have pronounced them equal to the old and renowned Italian instruments. Violinists of world-wide reputation use the "Reindahl" and bestow upon it the highest praise. On May 13, 1894, Mr. Reindahl married Anna Sophia Ellefson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thorbjørn Ellefson Skaade, of Dane county, Wis. They have five daughters—Edna, Olive, Gladys, Margarette and Ruth. The family attends the United Lutheran Church.



Knute Reindahl.

Sport

Sarah Reinertsen (born 22 May 1975 NY) is an American paratriathlete and former Paralympic track athlete. She was born with proximal femoral focal deficiency , a bone-growth disorder; her affected leg was amputated above the knee at age seven



Business

Oscar H. Reinholdt, San Diego, is a mining engineer. Was a geographer in the Philippine Forestry Bureau, superintendent U. S. army coal mines, with U. S. Bureau of Mines, consulting petroleum engineer, with Treasury Department, valuation engineer of natural resources, awarded bronze and silver medals, St. Louis, and gold medal, San Diego, for mineral exhibit ; geologist, teacher of Spanish, author of "Statistical Handbook," "Treasures and Tragedies of Oildom," associate editor, "U. S. Treasury Manual of the Oil and Gas Industry."

Entertainment

Ann Reinking (born November 10, 1949) is an American actress, dancer, and choreographer. Her extensive work in musical theater includes starring in Broadway productions of Coco (1969), Over Here! (1974), Goodtime Charley (1975), A Chorus Line (1976), Chicago (1977), Dancin' (1978) and Sweet Charity (1986). In the 1996 revival of **Chicago**, she reprised the role of Roxie Hart and was also the choreographer, winning the Tony Award for Best Choreography . For the 2000 West End production of Fosse , she won the Olivier Award for Best Theatre Choreographer . She has also appeared in the films All That Jazz (1979), Annie (1982), and Micki & Maude (1984).Reinking was born in Seattle, Washington , the daughter of Frances (née Harrison) and Walter Reinking.



Chester Reiten

Scandinavian-American Hall of Fame 2011

"Hello, my name is Chester."

Long before he was known by simply his first name, Hastings, ND native and Norwegian-American Chester M. Reiten was making his mark on his city, his state, his country and his heritage. Ensign Reiten, US Navy, served in WW II, his tour of duty flanked by college attendance. He graduated from NDSU in 1948 with a degree in Ag Soil Sciences, and also with a title that, to this day, is his most cherished: husband to Joy Steenson Reiten. A navy veteran herself (WAVE), Joy Reiten represented all women veterans when recognized with an SAHF Meritorious Award in 1995. In his first career out of college, County Agent Reiten left Wells County (ND) a better place, revitalizing the area's 4-H program and working with farmers to improve rural living and ag production.

**Joy Steenson Reiten**

Recognition of Meritorious Service by the Women of World War II - 1995

After graduating from high school in Hillsboro, ND, Joy Reitan went into defense training at the **Rock Island, Illinois** arsenal, manufacturing rifles for the war. In early 1943 she volunteered for the U.S. Navy Waves. After boot camp at Hunter College in New York City and training as an airplane mechanic at Norman, Oklahoma, she was assigned to the U.S. Navy Air Station in San Diego, where she served as a mechanic repairing Navy military aircraft until her discharge from service. Joy Reitan (Mrs. Chester) accepted recognition on behalf of all women who served in WWII. Joy Reitan is a gold star sister as her brother, Staff Sergeant Chester Steenson was killed in the invasion of Anzio, Italy in 1944. Grandfather Anulo Steenson, born in Norway

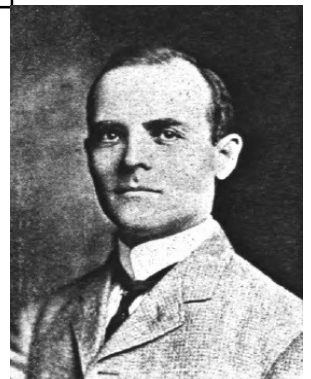


William Addams Reitwiesner (March 8, 1954 – November 12, 2010) was an American genealogist who traced the ancestry of United States political figures, European royalty and celebrities.

Reitwiesner was born on 8 March 1954 in Havre de Grace, Maryland, the son of Homé Stephens (McAllister) and George Walter Reitwiesner. He grew up in Aberdeen, Maryland and Silver Spring. His grandfather, Addams Stratton McAllister, was a board member of the National Genealogical Society, and from the age of five, Reitwiesner would explore his grandfather's library. He was mostly of German and English descent, with some Scotch-Irish, Irish, French and Dutch descent and distant Frisian, Scottish, Swedish, Norwegian, Walloon and Italian ancestry.



NILS E. REMMEN, M. D. Was born in Warsaw, Goodhue county, Minn., May 6, 1863. His parents were Endre T. and Thora N. (Arnehaugen) Remmen, both from Valdres, Norway. Mr. Remmen worked on the farm and attended the public school in Minnesota, and later attended Luther College at Decorah, Iowa. He then graduated as a physician from the College of Physicians and Surgeons in Chicago and took a two-year post graduate course at the University of Vienna. He also studied with the renowned oculist at Copenhagen, Denmark —Prof. Hanson Grut. He began the general practice of medicine in **Chicago** in February 1887, and continued as a general practitioner until 1896, when he confined his practice to diseases of the eye. He has been attending eye surgeon to the Illinois Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary for the past nine years. He is a member of the Scandinavian Medical Society, the American Medical Association, the Chicago Medical Society, the Chicago Ophthalmological Society and the American Academy of Ophthalmology. He is an expresident of the Scandinavian Medical Society and has been president of the Luther College Club since 1904. He was married to Miss Inga Kiland, daughter of Gunder H. and Gunhild (Torrison) Kiland, of Manitowoc, Wis., on Jan. 1, 1891. Dr. Remmen's father died in Warsaw, Minn., in the fall of 1865. The family resides at 799 N. Leavitt street; the doctor's office is at 103 State street.



Dr. Nils E. Remmen.

Politicians

Janet Wood Reno (July 21, 1938 – November 7, 2016) was an American lawyer who served as the Attorney General of the United States from 1993 until 2001. President Bill Clinton nominated Reno on February 11, 1993, and the Senate confirmed her the following month. She was the first woman to serve as Attorney General and the second-longest serving Attorney General in U.S. history, after William Wirt. Reno was born and raised in Miami, Florida. After leaving to attend Cornell University and Harvard Law School, she returned to Miami where she started her career at private law firms. Her first foray into government was as a staff member for the Judiciary Committee of the Florida House of Representatives. She then worked for the Dade County State Attorney's Office before returning to private practice. She was elected to the Office of State Attorney five times. Reno was born in Miami, Florida. Reno's mother, Jane Wallace (née Wood), wrote a weekly home improvement column for The Miami News under a male pseudonym and later became an investigative reporter for the paper. Her father, Henry Olaf Reno (né Rasmussen), was an emigrant from Denmark and a reporter for the Miami Herald for 43 years. Janet Reno had three younger siblings: Mark; writer Robert Reno; and Maggy Hurchalla.








Sport

Sigurd Styrk Reque BIRTH:26 Feb 1883 Iowa, USA
 DEATH:1962 (aged 78–79) Decorah, Winneshiek County, Iowa, USA
 Styrk Sigurd Reque, in 1919. Luther played its first intercollegiate baseball game with St. Olaf College, May 17, 1891, and won. St. Olaf played on the Luther grounds May 17, 1925, and won, 2 to 0. In the nine innings not a St. Olaf man hit the ball, Luther made only two hits. St. Olaf has always been Luther's most interesting and feared rival in baseball and other contests, a foeman worthy of his steel. In baseball Luther has so far been on top. In the 30 years, 1891-1921, there have been 36 Luther-St. Olaf games. Luther tied once, lost ten times and won 25. From 1891 to 1921 Luther has played 41 colleges and universities, tied five times, lost 87 times and won 128 times — 40.5 per cent lost, 59.5 per cent won. Football coaches at Luther have been : Walter Jewell, 1919, a former Iowa University tackle; Oscar M. Solem, 1920, a former Minnesota University end tackle; Ivan Doseff, 1921-1922, a former **Chicago University** all-Western honor man ; Franklin C. Cappon, 1923-1924, a former Michigan University, all-American honor man; also last, but not least, Orlando W. Oualley, 1920 — , and S. S. Reque, athletic director, 1925 —

Journalist

James Denoon Reymert was the first editor of a Norwegian paper in America, "Nordlyset" (The Northern Light), published at Muskego, 1847-1849.
 James DeNoon Reymert (October 24, 1821 – March 25, 1896) was an American newspaper editor, mine operator, lawyer and politician. He was a pioneer settler in Wisconsin Territory, early elected official in the state of Wisconsin and founded the first Norwegian language newspaper to be published in the United States. Reymert was born in Farsund, in the county of Vest-Agder, Norway. Several generations of his forefathers were in succession the pastors of the same church at the Søgne Parish from 1636 to 1738. His father, Christen Reymert, had been a ship owner and merchant in Leith, Scotland and later a customs officer in Farsund. His mother, Jeanette Sinclair Denoon, had been born in Scotland. At age fifteen young Reymert left home to complete a course of study at a commercial college at Christiania. Later he went to Scotland, where he entered the commercial house of John Mitchell and Company at Leith, spending four years there. He studied law and literature at Edinburgh in the law offices of Murdoek and Spencer. He was under the guardianship of his uncle, the Reverend James Young, a Presbyterian minister. Reymert migrated to the United States during 1842 and in 1844 he married fellow Norwegian immigrant Anna Caspara Hensen. They settled down in the Muskego Settlement in Wisconsin. In 1847, James D. Reymert, Even Heg and Søren Bache agreed to start the Norwegian-language newspaper Nordlyset (The Northern Light). Reymert continued to serve as editor the paper until 1850, when it was sold and was moved to Racine, Wisconsin. In 1852, Reymert founded the village of Denoon on the shores of Lake DeNoon. The town was built around the first two-boiler sawmill in America. The town prospered, but was abandoned following a cholera epidemic. Reynert was also credited with getting a plank road built from Janesville to Milwaukee.



Infamous	<p>Jessa Rhodes (born June 29, 1993) is an American pornographic actress. Rhodes is of Norwegian and Swedish descent. She grew up in Oregon and is the youngest of seven children. She was homeschooled until sixth grade</p>	
Entertainment	<p>Alexandra Nicole Richards (born July 28, 1986) is an American model, artist, and DJ in New York City. She is the daughter of Patti Hansen and Rolling Stones guitarist Keith Richards, and the sister of Theodora Richards</p>	
Entertainment	<p>Ariana Clarice Richards (born September 11, 1979) is an American actress and painter. She is best known for her role as Lex Murphy in the blockbuster film Jurassic Park. Richards won several Young Artist Awards for her acting, but since adulthood has focused on her art career. Richards was born in Healdsburg, California, the daughter of Darielle (née Garrison), a public relations representative and film producer, and Gary Richards. Her sister, Bethany, is also an actress. Her maternal grandmother, who was of Italian ancestry, was a descendant of Renaissance painter Carlo Crivelli. Richards is also a descendant of boxer John L. Sullivan.</p>	
Entertainment	<p>Theodora Dupree Richards (born March 18, 1985) is an American model and the daughter of Patti Hansen and Rolling Stones guitarist Keith Richards, and the older sister of Alexandra Richards. At 16, Richards, her sister Alexandra, and Elizabeth Jagger (daughter of rock star Mick Jagger) were asked to model for a Tommy Hilfiger campaign</p>	
Business	<p>HAROLD LYLE RICHOLSON, Of Ottawa, was born there Oct. 25, 1877. He is a son of Samuel and Marietta (Meehan) Richolson. He is a graduate of the high school, St. Bede College (Peru, Ind.), and the academy at Morgan Park, Ill. After leaving school he studied law in his father's office in Ottawa and was admitted to the bar in 1902. Our subject is local attorney for the C. B. & Q. Railway. He was elected city attorney for Ottawa in 1905. He is a 'member of the Knights of Columbus and the Order of Elks. His father died June 24, 1906.</p>	

Business

SAMUEL RICHOLSON Was born in **La Salle county, Illinois**, March 25, 1841. Died at Ottawa, June 24, 1906. His father was Lars Richolson and his mother Heldebaar Helene Richolson. His parents came to La Salle county about 1837, so that the child and boy had a lively taste of pioneer life. No more may the young people have those experiences, and as the sturdy men and women who converted the wild prairie into cultivated fields and communities of business people pass away there is left only the printed page to tell of efforts and trials, and the history can not tell all the story. Mr. Richolson attended the district school and then the Fowler Institute at Newark, and later the Clark Seminary at Aurora. About 1865 he began the study of law and was admitted to the bar at Ottawa early in 1870. His first partnership was with Henry K. Boyle. In the fall of the same year (1870) Judge T. Lyle Dickey entered and the firm name was Dickey, Boyle & Richolson. This firm was first broken by the death of Mr. Boyle, and later Judge Dickey withdrew to take a seat on the bench of the supreme court of the state, leaving Mr. Richolson to practice in an individual capacity. He was mayor of Ottawa three terms from 1875 to 1881. He was attorney for the state in many important cases and earned a reputation as a lawyer of ability and trust. He was also attorney for the C., B. & Q. R. R. for over twenty-five years. He was a member of the Masonic Order, a Knight Templar, and a director in the board of the Ottawa Boat Club. Nov. 17, 1870, he was married to Marietta Meehan, who was born in New York state. There were three children; two are living—Florence Helen Salembier, of New York city, and Harold Lyle Richolson, city attorney of Ottawa. In answer to a request for information for this history, Mr. Richolson, who was then still living, replied: "The only part of my life that is now becoming of more than ordinary interest is the pioneer days of my existence and the experience I had in an unsettled country. My parents came to this county in the year 1837, I think it was; possibly 1836. This country was a wilderness then. The rapid development is a matter of constant wonder, and I find it difficult to believe all that I have seen transpire in one to me brief life time." In business matters Mr. Richolson was recognized as a man of good judgment, and the fine and well invested estate which he left attests that this recognition was well founded. The business and professional career of the deceased give evidence of what persistent, painstaking effort may accomplish in this land of limitless possibilities.



Harold L. Richolson.



Samuel Richolson.

Business

DANCHERT J. RICHTER, Assistant manager of the western office of the Alpha Portland Cement Co., of Alpha, N. J., was born in Christiania, Norway, May 27th, 1864. After leaving school he was for two years tutor Danchert J. Richter. in a private family and for two years thereafter deputy sheriff (lensmandsfuldmagtig). But the future in Norway did not look very bright to him; so he decided, as so many others before him had done, to go to America; and in the fall of 1889 he left Norway and came direct to **Chicago**, where he at once found employment in a bank. After being with the bank for two years, he resigned his position to enter the service of a large Portland cement concern, with which he remained for ten years or until 1901, when he accepted his present position. On December 5, 1891, he married Miss Abel Westin, born in Namsos, Norway, March 1, 1864. They have two children, Ruth, born March 15, 1893 and Theodore, June 30, 1901. Mr. Richter is an Odd Fellow and a member of the Norwegian Quartet Club of Chicago. As a delegate to the Norwegian National League of Chicago he took an active part in the establishment of the Norwegian National League's employment bureau, and was one of its first directors.



Danchert J. Richter.

Scientists

Sally Kristen Ride (May 26, 1951 - July 23, 2012) was an American astronaut, physicist, and engineer. Born in Los Angeles, she joined NASA in 1978 and became the first American woman in space in 1983. Ride was the third woman in space overall, after USSR cosmonauts Valentina Tereshkova (1963) and Svetlana Savitskaya (1982). Ride remains the youngest **American astronaut** to have traveled to space, having done so at the age of 32. After flying twice on the Orbiter Challenger, she left NASA in 1987. She served on the committees that investigated the Challenger and Columbia space shuttle disasters, the only person to participate in both. Ride died of pancreatic cancer on July 23, 2012. The elder child of Dale Burdell Ride and Carol Joyce Ride (née Anderson), Ride was born in Los Angeles. She had one sibling, Karen "Bear" Ride, who is a Presbyterian minister. Both parents were elders in the Presbyterian Church. Ride's mother had worked as a volunteer counselor at a women's correctional facility. Her father had been a political science professor at Santa Monica College.



REV. FREDERICK RING. Reverend Frederick Ring was born at Hone fos, Norway, April 12, 1848. He attended School in his native town and graduated from the public school at the age of 14 years. Later, in connection with his work, he studied with private teachers. Rev. Ring was married Oct. 3, 1869, to Miss Anna Ellefsen. Nine children were born to them, of which two married daughters, Anna and Ella, are living, and are graduates from the **Chicago Musical College**. Before his appointment as pastor he held a very good position in the government service of Norway for six years and left this position to devote all his time to church work. At the age of 21 he was converted among the Methodists at Christiania, and in the spring of 1870 united with that body of Christians. Rev. M. Hansen was pastor at that time. After his conversion and union with the church the call to preach the gospel began to grow upon him. In this he was encouraged by the church, which gave him an exhorter's license in 1870, and in 1872 made him a local preacher. His field of labor at this time was at Kragerø and at Laurvig. In the former place he organized a congregation, and at the latter erected a house of worship. Having been ordained deacon by Bishop Edward G. Andrews, at Horten, in 1876, his first appointment as an ordained minister was at Christiania First Church, Norway, at that time the largest Methodist Episcopal church in that country, with a membership of 400, and a Sunday school of more than 400 children. In the fall of 1882, he emigrated with his family to this country, and came to Minneapolis, Minn. The presiding elder for Red River Valley district, P. Jensen, appointed him to Glynson, Minn. After having served this congregation for one year he was appointed to Crookston, Minn., then a new field, at which place he succeeded, in a period of three years, both to organize a congregation and to build a church and a parsonage. In 1885 he was received into full membership of the Norwegian-Danish Conference, and Rev. Fred. Ring was ordained elder by Bishop Thomas Bowman, at Cambridge, Wis. From Crookston he was sent to Duluth, Minn., and later to LaCrosse, Wis. Each of these churches he served for a period of two years. His next appointment, in 1890, was to the First Norwegian-Danish Congregation of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Chicago, Ill. This congregation he served most acceptably for a period of four years, and the church had good success both in spiritual and financial affairs, in which time the old church debt of \$2,400 was paid in full. He was now entrusted with one of the most responsible and honorable positions within the gift of the Methodist Church.



Rev. Fred. Ring.

Founders

LARS L. RISETTER Is one of the pioneer farmers of Lee county. He was born at Søfjorden, Hardanger, Bergens stift, March 30, 1826. His father was Lars Larson Risetter and his mother Anna Pettersdatter Lindvig. He was the youngest of five children. He had the advantage of very good local schools and grew to manhood among very pleasant surroundings. He early acquired a knowledge of farming on his father's farm and continued to live in the old home until 1847. On April 20 of that year he left for America on the sailship Juno, arriving in New York just one month later, or on May 20. He came direct to Illinois and Lee county. He at first worked for Thomas Fessenden on the farm, but after a short time he bought eighty acres of land from him in Sublette township for the sum of \$62. It was at that time a wild prairiewolves, deer and other wild animals were frequently seen, where now are flourishing farms and rich villages. He lived on his eighty acres for ten years. He sold the farm in 1857 for much more than he paid for it. He then bought a tract of land in Willow creek township, same county, and has resided there ever since. He has met with success in the pursuit of his calling, built himself a home replete with comforts, and had a finely equipped farm, amply supplied with modern machinery for carrying on his extensive farming operations. He at one time owned over a thousand acres of choice land, but has for many years lived a retired life, having divided his farms between his two sons, Lewis and Holden. On Dec. 9, 1847, 'the same year he arrived in this country, Mr. Risetter was married to Gertrud Helgesdatter Hilleson, by an American minister, in the first house ever built by a Norwegian in Lee county. 'The house was built between Melugins Grove and Dixon, by Omund Helgeson Maakestad. The wedded life thus entered upon lasted nearly fifty years and was one of true happiness. They had five children, two of whom died in infancy. Annie, the daughter, was married to Rev. A. C. Olsen, but both of them are now dead. Lewis and Holden are living and running their farms. Mrs. Gertrud Risetter died July 12, 1897. Mr. Risetter found a widower's life too lonesome. and was later married to Elizabeth Gabrielsdatter Espeland, who was born in Norway. She died three years later. Mr. Risetter and family have always been earnest Christians and members of the Lutheran Church.



Lars L. Risetter and Wife.

Business

OMMUND ATLAACHSON RISETTER, Of Lee, Ill., was born in Hardanger, Norway, July 27, 1855. His father was Atlaach Thomas søn and his mother Gjertrud Osmundsen. The subject of our sketch attended the common schools in Norway and was confirmed in Ullensvangs Church at Hardanger. He came to America in 1872, landing at Quebec, Canada. He made his way to an uncle, Ole Lonning, living in Alto townshipree county, Illinois, where he remained for two years. Afterward he settled on a farm in the same county, where he has resided since. He was married to Miss Anna Pederson, the daughter of Peder Olson (Engum sogn) and Gunilde Johnson, on July 14, 1875. They have had six children, five are living, namely: Lewis O., Jane O., Alfred O., Anton Olai and Anna O. Risetter. Lewis, the oldest, is married to Gertrude Tixen; Jane to Lars C. Risetter, and Alfred to Georgine Risetter. There are three branches of the Risetter family in Lee county, all distantly related from the old country. Alfred is a first cousin of Georgine, who is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Risetter, and Lars C. Risetter is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis L. Risetter and a third cousin to his wife. Mr. O. A. Risetter lives on his farm in Alto township. He is a member of the Norwegian Lutheran Church and has been a member of the school board for over nine years.



Ommund A. Risetter.

Sport

Scott Allen Rislov (born June 26, 1980) is an American football quarterback most recently playing in the Arena Football League for the San Jose SaberCats in 2008. Rislov was born in Pierre, South Dakota to Greg and Diane Rislov and is of Norwegian descent. He graduated from T. F. Riggs High School in Pierre in 1999.



Artists

Biography Gilbert P. Riswold Born in Sioux Falls, SD on Jan. 23, 1881. Riswold studied with Lorado Taft and Milligan in **Chicago**. He was a resident of Oak Park, IL and Salt Lake City before moving to California in 1930. He died in Hollywood on March 15, 1938. Member: Painters & Sculptors of LA. In: Mormon Battalion Monument (Salt Lake City). Gilbert P. Riswold, born of Norwegian immigrant parents on a farm near Baltic, South Dakota, located now at Chicago, is a sculptor of unusual promise. His statue of Stephen A. Douglas, standing in front of the State House in Springfield, is declared by critics to be one of the finest works of art in America. This work was accepted in a competition participated in by more than 75 artists, including several of America's leading sculptors. In his hands: The stone unhewn and cold Becomes a living mould, The more the marble wastes The more the statue grows.



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Medal of Honor

Thomas Robinson (May 17, 1837 - May 12, 1915) was a United States Navy sailor and a recipient of the United States military's highest decoration, the Medal of Honor. A native of Norway, Robinson immigrated to the United States and joined the Navy from the state of New York. By July 15, 1866, he was serving as captain of the afterguard on the USS Tallapoosa. On that day, while the Tallapoosa was off the coast of New Orleans, Louisiana, he attempted to rescue a shipmate, Landsman Wellington Brocar, from drowning. For this action, he was awarded the Medal of Honor two weeks later, on August 1. Robinson's official Medal of Honor citation reads: For heroic efforts to save from drowning Wellington Brocar, landsman, of the Tallapoosa, off New Orleans, 15 July 1866.

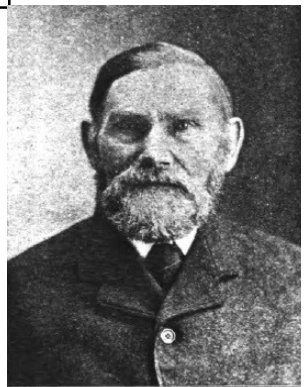
Sport

Knute Kenneth Rockne (; March 4, 1888 - March 31, 1931) was a Norwegian- American football player and coach at the University of Notre Dame . Rockne is regarded as one of the greatest coaches in college football history. His biography at the College Football Hall of Fame identifies him as "without question, American football's most-renowned coach". Rockne helped to popularize the forward pass and made the Notre Dame Fighting Irish a major factor in college football. Knute Rockne was born Knut Larsen Rokne, in Voss, Norway , to smith and wagonmaker Lars Knutson Rokne (1858-1912) and his wife, Martha Pedersdatter Gjermo (1859-1944). He immigrated to Chicago with his parents when he was five years old. He grew up in the Logan Square area of **Chicago**, on the northwest side of the city. Rockne learned to play football in his neighborhood and later played end in a local group called the Logan Square Tigers. He attended North West Division High School in Chicago, playing football and also running track.



Business

JACOB OLSON ROGDE Was born in Ullensvang, Hardanger, Norway, the 23rd of August 1828. He was not born to riches, but by hard work and strict economy he managed to save enough to purchase a ticket to **Chicago** in 1851. Arriving here penniless but hopeful, he heard of the Illinois prairies and immediately made for Lee county, locating near Ashton. He worked part of the time on a farm and once in a while at his trade as a carpenter. After three years he had laid by enough to venture the purchase of eighty acres of land in Bradford township. Lee county, and in 1854 he went onto the land to farm it. The following year he married Elsie Pederson Bly, also from Hardanger, who had come over the year previous. United effort and hard work brought success, and they have found themselves able to add forty acres to their hold ings. In 1863 land value was increased in price and they sold out to advantage, buying 240 acres in Willow Creek township in the same county, where a Norwegian colony had started. Here prosperity smiled upon them, but in 1876 Mrs. Rogde died, leaving her husband with nine children, the oldest 18 years and the youngest six months. The children, except the youngest, are all married. On Nov. 30, 1877, he married Gjyri Olson Bly, with whom he had six children. She died in 1892. In 1904 he rented his farm and the following year erected a commodious home on his own farm in the Village of Lee, where he now lives with the children of his second marriage, all being with him except the youngest daughter, who is married. Mr. Rogde prides himself upon having been a consistent republican in politics. He is a member of the Lutheran Church of Lee and has held the office of deacon or trustee ever since the congregation was organized.



Jacob O. Rogde.

MARTIN J. ROGDE Was born at Lee, Ill., Nov. 1, 1866. His father is Jacob Olson Rogde and his mother Elsie Bly, both born at Hardanger, Norway. Mr. Rogde received his education in the district school and then worked on the farm until 23 years of age. Then he went west to Ruthton, Minn., where he was thrashing for the farmers for two years. His brother, Lewis, was located there. On his return to Lee he was married, March 4, 1899, to Miss Julia Kittelson, a daughter of Halvor Kittelson, whose picture appears on another page of this book. He now rented eighty acres of land from his father-in-law, and the next year he bought eighty acres of the Johnson estate. He continued to cultivate the 160 acres until he bought the eighty acres which he had rented from his father-in-law and increased his farm by renting forty acres more from Halvor Kittelson. The marital union has been blessed by five children, of whom four are living—Grace, Herbie, Mildred and a son not yet named at this writing.



Martin J. Rogde.

OLAF HJALMAR ROLFSEN, Son of Rollef and Jørgine Halvorsen, was born in Kongsberg, Norway, Dec. 2, 1864. His father was a gunsmith with the Needenes Batallion, stationed at Christiania. When 16 years old Olaf began as clerk in a grocery in Kongsberg and remained with the same firm until 22 years old. He came to America, locating in Madison, Wis., in the spring of 1886. That fall he came to Chicago and secured employment with the **Chicago Cottage Organ Company**, where he worked for four years. He then worked for the West Chicago Street Railway Company until the fall of 1892, when he engaged in the grocery business in company with John Engebretson. Under the name of Rolfsen & Engebretson they started a store at 313 W. Ohio street, and six years later they bought a grocery at 358 W. Erie street. In 1903 they erected their own building, on the corner of Spaulding and Beach avenues, and opened a store there, having in the meantime sold their Erie street place. Mr. Engebretson now looks after the new store and Mr. Rolfsen is still at the Ohio street store. He is a member of the Norwegian Sharpshooters and the Tabitha Hospital Association.



Olaf H. Rolfsen.

Erling Nicolai Rolfsrud

Scandinavian-American Hall of Fame 1989

Erling Nicolai Rolfsrud (Sept. 3, 1912 - August 21, 1994) was born near Keene, ND to Nils and Rebecca Rolfsrud, Norwegian immigrant homesteaders. He graduated from Watford City, ND. On September 6, 1941, Erling married his wife, Beverly, in Washburn, ND. After attending a summer term at Minot State Teachers College (now Minot State University), Rolfrud taught three terms of rural school in McKenzie County. During his time teaching at Rocky Glen School, Rolfrud sold his first children's story. Later, he would go on to graduate from Concordia College, Moorhead, Minn. He taught in secondary schools, then headed the department of business education at Concordia for five years. After 18 years of teaching English at Alexandria, he retired in 1978 to devote full time to writing.



Gregg Alan Rolie (born June 17, 1947, Seattle, Washington , United States) is an American singer and keyboardist. Rolie served as lead singer of the bands Santana , Journey and Abraxas Pool - all of which he co-founded. He also helmed rock group The Storm , and currently performs with his Gregg Rolie Band. Rolie is a two-time inductee of the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame , having been inducted both as a member of Santana in 1998 and as a member of Journey in 2017



Gary O. Rollefson (born August 2, 1942) is an American Anthropologist . He has specialized on Near Eastern prehistoric archeology and prehistoric religion . Gary O. Rollefson was born in Forest City, Iowa . He was the oldest of three boys. In 1957, the Rollefson family moved to Long Beach, California where he completed high school. He attended the University of California, Berkeley and graduated in 1965 receiving a Bachelor of Arts in Anthropology .



Writers

Ole Edvart Rølvaag (Rølvåg in modern Norwegian, Rolvaag in English orthography) (April 22, 1876 - November 5, 1931) was a Norwegian-American novelist and professor who became well known for his writings regarding the Norwegian American immigrant experience. Ole Rolvaag is most frequently associated with *Giants in the Earth* , his award-winning, epic novel of Norwegian immigrant homesteaders in Dakota Territory . Rølvåg was born in the family's cottage in a small fishing village on the island of Dønna , in Nordland county, Norway. Dønna, one of the largest islands on the northern coast of Norway, is situated about five miles from the Arctic Circle . He was born with the name Ole Edvart Pedersen, one of seven children of Peder Benjamin Jakobsen and Elleringe Pedersdatter Vaag. The settlement where he was born had no official name, but was referred to as Rølvaag, the name of a narrow bay on the northwestern point of the island where the fishermen kept their boats. At 14 years of age Rølvaag joined his father and brothers in the Lofoten fishing grounds. Rølvaag lived there until he was 20 years of age, and the impressions he received during the days of his childhood and his young manhood endured with him throughout his life.



Business

Kelly, Hereditary Princess of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha, Duchess of Saxony (born **Kelly Jeanne Rondestvedt** on 10 January 1975) is an American investment banker. Through her marriage to Hubertus, Hereditary Prince of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha, the heir apparent to the defunct ducal throne of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha, she is a princess of the House of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha. Kelly Jeanne Rondestvedt was born on 10 January 1975 in Pensacola, Florida. Her father, Captain Christian Robert Rondestvedt, is a retired pilot in the United States Navy and her mother, Cheryl Ann Forbes, is a former middle school teacher. She has two younger brothers, Christian and James. She is of Norwegian and English descent.



Founders

Finn Ronne (20 December 1899 - 12 January 1980) was a Norwegian-born U.S. citizen and Antarctic explorer. Finn Ronne was born in Horten , in Vestfold county, Norway . His father, Martin Rønne (1861-1932), was a polar explorer and served in Roald Amundsen 's successful expedition to the South Pole . Ronne received his education in engineering at Horten Technical College. In 1923 Finn Ronne immigrated to the U.S. and gained citizenship in 1929. After working at Westinghouse Electric Corporation for some years, he took part in two of Richard E. Byrd 's expeditions to the South Pole, and in 1939 Ronne served as Byrd's executive officer helping discover one thousand miles of new coastline.



Religious

ANDREAS ROREM, Of **Ottawa, Ill.**, was born in Stjernerø sogn, Stavanger amt, Norway, July 21, 1850. His parents, Ole and Ellen Rorem, were farmers in Norway. Andreas remained with his parents on the farm until 20 years old, attending the common schools and also taking private lessons in the common branches. In 1871 he came to America' via Quebec, going direct to Morris, Ill. Here he worked for two years on adjoining farms by the month and then went to Colorado, where he spent one year as a gold miner. He then returned to Grundy county, Illinois, and engaged in farming, which he has followed since. For about three years he taught the Lutheran parochial school and also sold books. He is now retired, having sold his farm a few years ago and moved to Ottawa. He married Sarah Mathre of Morris Ill., Oct. 16, 1874. She is a daughter of Sjur L. and Ragna Mathre. They have been blessed with nine children, eight of them living. Their names are Oscar, born Feb. 6, 1876; Severt, May 9, 1877; Edward, July 1, 1880; Henry, Jan. 31, 1882; Mary, Feb. 22, 1884; Anna, Oct. 16, 1886; Sadie, Nov. 17, 1888; Rebecca, Feb. 19, 1892; Ellen, Feb. 4, 1894. Oscar, the oldest is married to Miss Ida Johnson, of Newcastle, Neb. Mr. Rorem was township collector for Nettle creek township in 1886, justice of the peace in the town of Rutland from 1898 to 1901 and was re-elected but declined to serve. He is very closely associated with the **Pleasant View Luther College**, of which he has been trustee since its organization in 1895 and is a member of the executive committee. He has been a constant contributor to all charitable institutions under the control of the Norwegians. He and his family are members of the Trinity Lutheran Church of Ottawa, in which he has held nearly all offices usual to congregations. His parents both died in Norway, his father in 1873 and his mother in 1883. In the summer of 1903 Mr. and Mrs. Rorem took a trip to Norway and spent most of the summer in traveling to the various points of interest in the fatherland. He found great pleasure in visiting the land of his birth, childhood and young manhood; and Mrs. Rorem, who was born in America, enjoyed the visit to the land of her fathers quite as much.



Andreas Rorem and Wife.

Sloopers

Ovee Rosdail, [12-17-1809 – 12-30-1890] son of Daniel Rosdail 'Married Gertrud Jacobs had 5 children Rem. Martha Hoganson. In 1850, Ove Rosdail, second in the family, was living at Middlepoint, Illinois, with his wife Gertrude and two daughters, Malina and Emily. He was postmaster, justice of the peace ~ he married many in the Fox River community; carpenter, cabinet maker, blacksmith, and farmer. He was also an inn keeper, an auctioneer, a real estate agent, and business advisor for the Sloopers still in Kendall, New York. It appears further that he made steel plow shares (perhaps the first), and was a tailor who made suits for the neighbors. These letters disclose Ovee Rosdail to be the manager of their legal and financial affairs in Fox River and it appears that he was general business advisor of many of the Sloopers in both colonies. He was justice of the peace, postmaster, and innkeeper, as well as farmer, carpenter, and blacksmith. Ovee Rosdail worked in Rochester [NY] building canal boats. The religious controversies were obviously important to the Sloopers' community, but "the days and weeks continued to be occupied with the more earthly matters of existence and economic progress. Canute Peterson's activities are indicative. In the spring and summer of 1846 he hired out breaking prairie and threshing grain. In 1847 he hauled freight between **Ottawa and Chicago**. Later he traded his team for 40 acres of land. In 1840 he hauled lumber for a saw mill in Ottawa.



Artists

Esther Elvina Rose (April 1, 1901 – July 16, 1990) was an American painter who worked in oils, collage, silkscreen and watercolors. She was best known for her impressionist renditions of California coastal images. Esther Elvina Holbeck was born in Two Harbors, Minnesota. Esther's parents were John and Hilma Holbeck. John emigrated from Norway in 1883 and Hilma in 1880. Hilma was born in Norway however her parents were Swedish

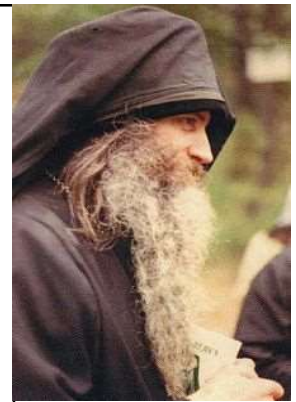
Entertainment

Julia Rose (born 13 April 1973) is a Zambian -American actress. She has guest starred in many American television shows, such as Star Trek: Enterprise , Code Monkeys , and CSI: NY . She studied Diplomatic History at the University of Pennsylvania . Rose is the daughter of a United Nations diplomat.



Religious

Seraphim Rose (born Eugene Dennis Rose; August 13, 1934 – September 2, 1982), also known as Seraphim of Platina, was an American hieromonk of the Russian Orthodox Church Outside Russia who co-founded the St. Herman of Alaska Monastery in Platina, California. He translated Orthodox Christian texts and authored several works (some of them considered polemical). His writings have been credited with helping to spread Orthodox Christianity throughout the West; his popularity equally extended to Russia itself, where his works were secretly reproduced and distributed by samizdat during the Communist era, remaining popular today. Eugene Rose was born on August 13, 1934, in San Diego, California. His father, Frank Rose, was a World War I veteran who operated the city's first "Karmel Korn Shop" together with his wife Esther Rose, Eugene's mother. His ancestors had come to the United States from France, Norway and the Netherlands



Journalist

Karlton Jerome Rosholt (January 20, 1923 - April 4, 2008) was an American journalist and author. Rosholt was born in 1923 in Glasgow, Montana . His parents were Carl Lauritz Rosholt (1881-1952) and Ida Emilia Solem (1893-1926). He has one younger brother, Norman Tegnear Rosholt. Rosholt attended Luther College , but was interrupted by World War II . During the war, he served with the 95th Infantry Division . After the war, he was graduated from Luther with a degree in mathematics in 1948. During college, Rosholt twice won national forensic championships in extemporaneous speech, both times winning the college division and then representing the college division in the university division and winning it. Luther College later honored him with the first Oliver Eitrem Award for Excellence in Broadcast Media (1977) and a Distinguished Service Award (1998).



Business

Ingvald Andreas Rosok
 BIRTH: 9 Jun 1875 Norway
 DEATH: 8 Mar 1967 (aged 91) Tucson, Pima County, Arizona, USA
 "Arrived United States of America June 10, 1891"
 "Arrived Bisbee, Arizona September 13, 1907"
 Ingvald Rosok, Bisbee, Arizona, is an electrical and mining engineer in charge of electric light plants, ice-making factories and other enterprises. He is mayor of his city and operates oil wells in California on the side.

Entertainment

Evan Olav Næss (born August 26, 1988), known professionally as **Evan Ross**, is an American actor and musician. He made his acting debut in the crime comedy-drama film ATL (2006), and has since starred in the films Pride (2007), According to Greta (2009), Mooz-lum (2010), 96 Minutes (2011), Supremacy (2014), -The Hunger Games: Mockingjay Part 1 (2014) and Part 2 (2015). Ross is the son of the late mountaineer Arne Næss Jr. and the Supremes lead singer Diana Ross. He has been married to singer-songwriter Ashlee Simpson since 2014, with whom he has a daughter named Jagger. Ross was born Evan Olav Næss in Greenwich, Connecticut to businessman and mountaineer Arne Næss Jr. and entertainer Diana Ross . His father was of German and Norwegian descent and his mother is African-American. His paternal great-uncle was Norwegian philosopher Arne Næss .



Entertainment

Glynn Ross (December 15, 1914 – July 21, 2005, Tucson, Arizona) was an American opera impresario. Ross was the first general director of the Seattle Opera, serving that company from 1963 to 1983, and the second general director of the Arizona Opera, from 1983 to 1998. He was born Glynn W. Aus to a Norwegian immigrant father and a mother of Swedish descent, in Omaha, Nebraska. He attended the local schools and, upon graduation from high school, managed his family's farm for five years. After his father's death, and with the encouragement of his mother, Ross left Nebraska to pursue his dream of a career in theatre, attending the Leland Powers School of the Theatre, the alma mater of his high school drama teacher, in Boston from 1937 to 1939



Models

Nicholai Olivia Rothschild (née Hilton; born October 5, 1983) is an American businesswoman, socialite, model and fashion designer. She is a member of the Hilton family by birth, and a member of the Rothschild family through her marriage to James Rothschild, a grandson of Victor Rothschild, 3rd Baron Rothschild, in 2015. Hilton was born in New York City and raised in Los Angeles. She is the daughter of Richard Hilton, a hotel heir of the Hilton family who works as a businessman in real estate and Kathy Hilton (née Avanzino), a former actress and half sister of Kim and Kyle Richards. Hilton was named for her great-uncle, Conrad Nicholson Hilton, Jr. She is the second of four children: she has an older sister, Paris Whitney Hilton (born 1981), and two younger brothers, Barron Nicholas Hilton II (born 1989) and Conrad Hughes Hilton III (born 1994). Hilton was raised Roman Catholic. She has Norwegian, German, Italian, English, Irish, and Scottish ancestry. Hilton graduated from Convent of the Sacred Heart, an all-girls Catholic school on the Upper East Side, in 2001. She took courses at Fashion Institute of Technology and Parsons The New School for Design but does not have a degree.



Sport

Ben Rothwell (born October 17, 1981) is an American mixed martial artist who competes as a Heavyweight in the Ultimate Fighting Championship. He also competed for the Quad Cities Silverbacks of the IFL where he held an undefeated 9–0 record before leaving the promotion due to a contract dispute. He has also had one-fight stints in Affliction, M-1 Global, and King of the Cage. Rothwell is from Kenosha, Wisconsin, and both of his parents work in the restaurant business. His parents own a catering company. He is of Norwegian and Irish descent.



politicians

Karl Christian Rove (born December 25, 1950) is an American Republican political consultant and policy advisor. He was Senior Advisor and Deputy Chief of Staff during the George W. Bush administration until his resignation on August 31, 2007. He has also headed the Office of Political Affairs, the Office of Public Liaison, and the White House Office of Strategic Initiatives. Since leaving the White House, Rove has worked as a political analyst and contributor for Fox News, Newsweek, and The Wall Street Journal. Karl Rove was born in Denver, Colorado, the second of five children, and was raised in Sparks, Nevada.



Artists

Trygve A. Rovelstad (September 27, 1903 - June 8, 1990) was an American sculptor and medal designer. Trygve A. Rovelstad was born in Elgin, Illinois to Norwegian immigrant parents. Rovelstad first studied at Fabyan Villa art studio on the estate of George Fabyan in **Geneva, Illinois**. Later he was accepted to work and study at the studio of sculptor Lorado Taft. He also attended classes at the Art Institute of Chicago and at Beaux-Arts Institute of Design in New York City. **Rovelstad designed medals for the United States War Department, including the Combat Infantryman Badge, Legion of Merit, Bronze Star, Occupation of Germany Medal (General John J. Pershing Medal), Unit Blue Citation Badge, Women's Army Corps (WACs) Medal and Insignia Lapel Pins, and the E-Medal.** He also designed non-military coins and medals for the United States Mint, the State of Illinois, and other bodies. He was a lifelong resident of Elgin and created several works honoring the city's history. Several of his sculptures are displayed at the Elgin Area Historical Society Museum. His public sculptures include the Pioneer Family Memorial on the east bank of the Fox River and a bust of James Talcott Gifford (1800-1850), founder of Elgin.



Writers

Anthony Melville Rud (11 January 1893 – 30 November 1942) was an American writer and pulp magazine editor. Some of his works were published under the pen names Ray McGillivray and Anson Piper. Anthony Melville Rud was born in **Chicago, Illinois** to Dr. Anthony Rud (1867-1928), an immigrant from Kongsberg, Norway and Dr. Alice Florence (Piper) Rud (1871-1941). Rud attended St. John's Military School in Delafield, Wisconsin and graduated from Dartmouth College in 1914. He also studied at Rush Medical College in Chicago.



Medal of Honor

George William Rud (October 7, 1883-August 29, 1916) was a United States Navy Chief Machinist's Mate received the **Medal of Honor** during the destruction of the USS Memphis (CA-10) formerly USS Tennessee (ACR-10) during a tsunami. Lieutenant Claud Ashton Jones and Machinist Charles H. Willey were also awarded the Medal of Honor for their actions on August 29, 1916. Born: October 7, 1883, Minneapolis, Minn



Norsk Høstfest

Raymond Curtis "Ray" Rude [5-23-1916 – 12-16-2004]
 Scandinavian-American Hall of Fame 2004
 Rude, a Stanley, N.D. native, is credited with revolutionizing the sport of springboard diving through his development of the Duraflax diving board. His developments have impacted athletic performance, safety and consistency and have rewritten the history of Olympic and World-level diving. STANLEY, N.D. (AP) - Ray Rude, who went from doing farm work at age 5 to becoming a multimillionaire benefactor after developing the Duraflex diving board, died Thursday at a medical center here. He was 88. Mitch Leupp, the administrator of the Mountrail County Medical Center in Stanley, Rude's hometown, said Rude died Thursday. He earlier had donated \$1 million to the hospital, allowing it to build a new facility. Rude also was known as a benefactor to the University of North Dakota, his alma mater. He recently donated \$1.75 million to help build the Ina Mae Rude Entrepreneur Center on the UND campus in memory of his late wife.



Business

Mrs. Thorsten T. Rue was a widow with two sons, Thorstein and John. They made their home at first in **La Salle County, IL.**; then moved to Shelby County, Mo., in 1838 ; in 1840 they departed for Lee County, Ia. ; and in 1846 they became a part of the Blue Mounds Settlement in Dane County, Wis. John Rue took the name John Thompson, better known as "Snowshoe" Thompson from the fact that for twenty years (1856-1876) he was the U. S. mail carrier from Carson Valley, Ida., to Placerville, Cal., over the Sierra Nevada Mountains, covering the ninety mile route on skis. He had gone to California as a gold hunter in 1851 and is said to have worked faithfully for the postal department twenty years without any other pay than fine promises. His life was rilled with heroic adventure. Only once in his life was he afraid, he is reported to have said, and that was when he had to pass six hungry, howling wolves. Thompson's skis are on exhibit at the capitol at Sacramento — silent witnesses of a day that is gone forever.

Artists

Cyrus M. Running (August 2, 1913 - December 25, 1976) was an American regionalist painter. Cyrus Maynard Running was born in Veblen, South Dakota. He was the son of Lutheran minister Alfred Running (1879-1970) and his musician wife, Julia Sophia Olson (1884 - 1935). Cyrus Running graduated from St. Olaf College and the University of Iowa. A student of Grant Wood, he is sometimes considered a regionalist. Much of his art focused on themes common to Minnesota or Norway. He was a member of the faculty of Concordia College in Moorhead, Minnesota, for many years



SJUAT RASMUSSEN RUNSTAD Was born at Finø, Stavanger amt, Norway, Nov. 25, 1834. His father, Rasmus Jonson Runstad Sjuat Rasmusson and Wife. was a farmer and married to Malinda Sjuatsdatter Hovda. Mr. Rasmusson received his education in the common school and was confirmed at Finø church. He then worked on his father's farm except one year, when he was clerking in a store at Stavanger, until he came to America in July 1856 and settled in **Miller township, LaSalle county**. Sept. 18 of the same year Mr. Rasmusson was married in Leland, IL., to Miss Anna Olena Andresdatter Bjelland, a daughter of Andres Oleson Bjelland and Margretha Olesdatter Duvig. Mrs. Rasmusson was born in Norway in 1836. Their marital union has been blessed with twelve children: four sons and eight daughters, of whom nine are living. The names of the children and the dates of their birth are as follow: Margaretha, Sept. 28, 1857; Malinda, Jan. 3, 1859; Isabel, Oct. 8, 1860; Serena, June 1, 1862; Anna, Aug. 8, 1864; Rasmus, Aug. 8, 1866; Celia, Dec. '7, 1868; Silas, Feb. 17, 1871; Linnie, April 10, 1873; Andrew, April 6, 1875; Ida, Jan. 14, 1878, and Samuel, Sept. 29, 1881. Margaretha is married to Jacob Anderson; Malinda to Ole S. Johnson; Isabel to Cyrus Jackson; Serena to Lewis Fruland; Anna to Joseph Marwick; Silas to Clara Vaga; Linnie to AmiDanielson; Andrew to Gertie Knutson, and Ida to Frank Voreberg. Two sons died in infancy, and Mrs. Joseph Marwick died in Story City, Ia., in 1899, 35 years of age. Sept. 18, 1906, the venerable couple celebrated their golden wedding surrounded by five daughters, three sons and thirty-five grandchildren. One of the daughters with her two children was un able to be present. Of their other relatives and friends from near and afar about 350 joined in the celebration, among whom Rev. Lockrem came all the way from Superior, Wis.; Rev. Aarrestad from Morris, and Prof. Vigness from **Pleasant View Luther College**. Mr. Rasmusson has served six years as trustee for the Fox River Church at Norway and three years as deacon. He owns a farm of 160 acres of the best cultivated land in La Salle county.



DR. HELGA MARIANE RUUD Was born at Kongsberg, Norway, Dec. 28, 1860. Her parents were Nils and Birgithe Ruud. There were nine children in the family, six of whom grew up to mature age. The subject of our sketch received her first schooling at a private school for girls and later attended middelskolen, from which she graduated in 1879. In 1880 Miss Ruud came to America, having previously obtained a position as governess to the children of Rev. Valdeland, a Lutheran minister in Clayton county, Iowa. She remained with this family a year. The following five years she was governess in an American army officer's family, stationed at various places—Fort Douglas, Utah; Fort Leavenworth, Kan; St. Louis and **Chicago**. In 1885 she began the study of medicine at the women's 'nmedical college of the Northwestern University, graduating in 1889. The following year she was appointed resident physician to the women's department of the county insane asylum at Dunning, and remained there for five years. On leaving Dunning Dr. Ruud went to New York city, where she spent the summer and fall in study at the Post-graduate Hospital. Since 1896 she has been located in Chicago, engaged in the general practice of medicine among women and children. She was clinical professor of obstetrics at the women's medical college, Northwestern University, from 1896 (0 1900. She was a member of the Chicago medical society, the American Medical Association, the Scandinavian Medical Society, the Women's Medical Club, the Women's Clinical Dispensary, of which she was president, and also secretary of the Women's Medical Club. For years she has been interested in the Tabitha Hospital, where she has been obstetrician since 1900. Dr. Ruud has an office at 34 Washington street and resides at 281 Warren avenue.
' He also taught English subjects.

Edwin Ruud (9 June 1854 – 9 December 1932) was a Norwegian mechanical engineer and inventor who immigrated to the United States where he designed, sold, and popularized the tankless-water heater. He was the founder and President of Ruud Manufacturing Company, now a division of Rheem Manufacturing Company. Edwin Ruud was born in the parish of Askim in Østfold, Norway. He was educated in engineering at the Horten Technical School (Horten tekniske skole) in Vestfold, Norway



Joseph Charles Ruud (born November 28, 1981) is an American professional wrestler. He is currently signed to World Wrestling Entertainment (WWE), where he performs on the SmackDown brand under the ring name Rowan (shortened from his previous ring name Erick Rowan), and is part of the tag team The Bludgeon Brothers with Harper. He is currently inactive due to an injury. Ruud was born in Minneapolis, Minnesota, and grew up in Montrose, Minnesota. His family is Norwegian, and emigrated from Nannestad, Norway. Ruud is a trained guitarist, and attended the University of Minnesota Morris, where he played football.



CAPTAIN MATJ-IIAS HOECK RYERSON Was born at Qster Risør, Norway, Oct. 13, 1834. His father, Reier Thorkelson, was a government employé (Undertoldbetjent) at Jomfruland, and his mother's maiden name was Martha Marie Schroeder of Kongsberg. Young Ryerson was educated in the common schools and confirmed in the Lutheran church at Kragerø. At the age of 16 he went to sea as a sailor boy working his way up until he became second mate and, of course, visiting various ports of the world. When of age he came to America in 1855 locating at Chicago, where he made his home an'd'has remained since. He sailed on the great lakes until 1866 during which time he was a captain on various vessels for six years. He quit sailing in 1866. Two years previously he had been married, in **Chicago**, on July 23, 1864, to Miss Bertha Serina Reinertson, daughter of Abraham and Ingemar Reinertson. They have had nine children, six sons and three daughters, of whom eight are now living. Abraham Richard was born July 6, 1865; Hoeck Walter, Sept. 16, 1869; Lloyd Hubbard, Feb. 18, 1871; Adline Atalia, Oct. 18, 1872; Amund Andreas, April 30, 1874; Jacob Christopher, March 30, 1876; Nellie, Nov. 6, 1877, and Borghild Maria, July 18, 1881. Richard is married to Maria E. Steveland of Milwaukee, Wis., and is a traveling salesman for a wholesale millinery house. They reside in Evanston, Ill. Walter is married to a Miss Kennick and is an insurance inspector. Lloyd is married to a Miss Clausen and is president of the American Refrigerator Company. Adline is married to Mr. Song, a book binder. Jacob is married to Miss Himdahl, and Borghild to Mr. Nurrie, who is in the shade manufacturing business. Miss Nellie is at home with her parents. After having given up the life of a sailor, which is marred by many vicissitudes, Captain Ryerson engaged in the less fickle coal business, which he is still pursuing at 577 N. Robey street. Both Captain Ryerson's and Mrs. Ryerson's parents departed this life in Norway; his father at the advanced age of 80 and his mother at 85. Mrs. Ryerson's father died at 85 and her mother at 86 years of age. The captain is a member of the I. O. U. W. and carries his '72 years hale and hearty. His experiences as a sailor were many and varied but our limited space does not permit us to mention them in detail.



Capt. M. H. Ryerson.

OLIVER MARTIN STANLEY RYERSON Was born in **Livingston county, near Pontiac**, July 16, 1873. He is a son of Thomas G. Ryerson, who served his adopted country as a soldier during the Civil War, and Lisa Larson, retired farmers now living in Pontiac. Mr. Ryerson was educated in the country schools until he was old enough to work on the farm. This was the rule among most of our hard-working farmers. When older he was allowed to visit the schools only during the winter months. Oliver, together with two younger brothers, remained on the farm, while of the two older brothers Theodore became a station agent for the Ill. Cent. R. R. and Millard an operator in Gibson City for the same railroad. When the parents retired to the town, Oliver became boss of the farm, which he is now running. He is a staunch republican and has taken a very active interest in politics, local, county, state and national. He is a baptized member of the Lutheran Church and belongs to the Hauge synod. Besides being a farmer, he is also a practical engineer, having learned that profession by sheer enterprise and persistency. He makes a business of thrashing and shelling corn, sawing lumber, etc., for the farmers in his district, and it can readily be seen that his knowledge of engineering stands him in good stead and brings him a handsome extra income. He is still unmarried.



O. M. S. Ryerson.

Business

THEODORE RYERSON Was born in Livingston county, near Pontiac, Ill., Aug. 24, 1870. His father is Thomas G. Ryerson, who served in the Civil War, and his mother Lisa Larson, retired farmers, now living in Pontiac. Mr. Ryerson obtained his education in the country schools during the winter months, attending them until 18 years old. He remained on the farm with his father until 25 years of age. He entered the service of the Ill. Cen. Ry. In 1896, first as an extra operator, then as station agent at different smaller stations, and finally as station agent at Pontiac, July 1905. He is a member of the I. O. O. F., the Knights of Pythias, the Modern Woodmen of America and the order of Railroad Telegraphers. In 1901 Mr. Ryerson was married to Miss Sarah Amacher, born near Cullom, Ill., of German parents. This union has been so far blessed with one child, a son, Murtin Delbert. The family live in their own residence at 1216 N. Main street, Pontiac.



Theodore Ryerson.

Business

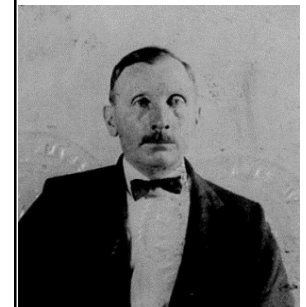
JACOB K. RYG The prosperous farmer in Freedom township, La Salle couiity, Ill., was born on gaarden Ryg, Randebergsogn, Norway, Jan. 8, 1867. His father is Knud Jensen Ryg, a farmer, and his mother Olena Christiansdatter (Sande) Ryg. Mr. Jacob Ryg attended the public school until he, in 1881, was confirmed in the Lutheran church at Randeberg. He then worked on his father's farm for one year, and came to America in 1882, landing at New York. From there he went via Chicago to Leland, Ill., arriving there April 15, and continued his journey to Freedom, stopping with Tom Mosey and Sivert Jameson a few days. He then went to work for Edward Smith until March 1, 1883, after which date he was employed by Ezekiel Howland until Nov. 20, 1885, whereupon he made a six months' trip to Norway. Returning to America during the following spring he worked two years for I. Brower and three years for Ezekiel Howland. In 1891, on Feb. 19, he was married to Miss Sophie L. Fosse of Hardanger, her parents being Lars Andersen and Guro Knudsdatter (Haabrecke) Fosse. This union has been blessed by six children, all now living, namely: Charles Leon, born Dec. 19, 1891; Otto Guy, Oct. 4, 1893; Lottie Grace, Aug. 13, 1896; Houston Silas, Nov. 29, 1899; Myrtle Gertrud, Sept. 4, 1903, and Owen Leslie, May 26, 1905. Mr. Ryg acquired 160 acres of land in Freedom township in 1893 to which holding he added 80 more acres in 1905. The family are members of the Lutheran church at Freedom, and Mr. Ryg is a liberal supporter both of the church and the Pleasant View Luther College at Ottawa, Ill.



Jacob K. Ryg.

Journalist

Andreas Nilsen Rygg (15 August 1868 - 21 September 1951) was a Norwegian-American journalist, newspaper editor and author. He is most associated with his 1941 study, Norwegians in New York 1825-1925. Andreas Nilsen Rygg was born in Stavanger in Rogaland , Norway . He was a brother of Nicolai Rygg , Governor of the Central Bank of Norway . In 1888, the 20-year-old Rygg immigrated to the United States and located in Chicago . He first worked at a nickel plant and entered simultaneously in a trade school, then he studied law for a time at the Chicago College of Law . After three years he was employed as a cashier in the Skandinaven business department and stayed there for 12 years.



Religious

REV. GEORGE ALFRED TAYLOR RYGH Was born in Chicago, March 21, 1860, his parents, Andrew and Andrine Rygh, having emigrated from Norway. His early life was spent in Chicago, where he attended school, but he graduated as an A. B. from Luther College, Decorah, Iowa, in 1881, and from the Capital University, at Columbus, Ohio, with the degree of B. D., in 1884. From this time until 1889 he served congregations in Portland and Cumberland Mills, Maine, and Berlin, N. H. He taught at the academy in Wittenberg, Wis., in 1889-90 and filled a pastorate in Grand Forks, N. D., in 1890-91. He was instructor in Scandinavian languages and literature at the University of North Dakota from 1891 to 1895. He was pastor and teacher in the Academy at Mt. Horeb, Wis., from 1895 to 1898. He then came to Chicago, where he is pastor for the Bethlehem evangelical Lutheran Church, which is affiliated with the United Norwegian Lutheran Church of America. He has been a member of the United Lutheran Board of Home -Missions, president of the Norwegian Lutheran Children's Home Society of Chicago, and a director of the Deaconess Home and Hospital. He was married Nov. 13, 1895, to Clara Louise Aaker, daughter of Lars Aaker, They have had three children; two are living. The family re sides at 143 N. Centre avenue.

Writers

Ole Rynning (April 4, 1809 – September 1838) was a Norwegian emigrant pioneer and author. Ole Rynning wrote "True Account of America" Norwegian: "Sandfærdig Beretning om Amerika" Ole Rynning entered the University of Christiania in 1829 graduating in 1833. In 1837 he journeyed to America with a group of Norwegians, They settled near **Beaver Creek 70 miles south of Chicago** Illinois in 1837. The area was swampy and many of the settlers came down with malaria, Ole Rynning came down with the disease and while sick in bed wrote out the chapters to his book before his death in the winter of 1838. After he died the pages were taken back to Norway and published as a booklet. It was very popular and was eventually published in English. Many of the eventual emigrants to America read the book. "Ole Rynning, born in Ringsaker Norway. Grew up as a priest's son in Snåsa and worked as a teacher at a Snåsa private school in 1833-37. He led a group of Norwegian emigrants to Beaver Creek in Illinois in 1837, but died the following year. Rynning wrote a book about the conditions in "America, True Report on America for Enlightenment and Utility for Farmer and Menigmand" (1838). This became known in Norway as the "America Book", and helped stimulate emigration." "I have now been in America eight months, and in this time have had an opportunity to learn much in regard to which I vainly sought to procure information before I left Norway. I felt on that occasion how unpleasant it is for those who wish to emigrate to America to be without a trustworthy and fairly detailed account of the country. I learned also how great the ignorance of the people is, and what false and preposterous reports were believed as full truth. It has therefore been my endeavor in this little publication to answer every question that I myself raised, to make clear every point in regard to which I observed that people were in ignorance, and to refute the false reports which have come to my ears, partly before my departure from Norway and partly after my arrival here. I trust, dear reader, that you will not find any point concerning which you desired information overlooked or imperfectly treated."



Entertainment

Kai Ryssdal (born October 8, 1963) is an American radio journalist and the host of Marketplace, a business program that airs weekdays on U.S. public radio stations. He also co-hosts the spinoff podcast Make Me Smart with Molly Wood. Ryssdal is from Briarcliff Manor, New York. His surname is Norwegian, as his father was born in Norway. He spent much of his childhood in England and Denmark. He graduated from Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia in 1985, and then spent eight years in the U.S. Navy, first flying a Northrop Grumman E-2 Hawkeye from the aircraft carrier USS Theodore Roosevelt, and later as a Pentagon staff officer. Ryssdal received his MA in National Security Studies from Georgetown University in 1993, and joined the U.S. Foreign Service, serving in Ottawa, Ontario, Canada, and Beijing, China



Sport

Bret William Saberhagen (born April 11, 1964) is an American former professional baseball right-handed starting pitcher. He played in Major League Baseball (MLB) for the Kansas City Royals, New York Mets, Colorado Rockies, and Boston Red Sox from 1984 through 1999, and a comeback in 2001. Saberhagen was born in **Chicago Heights**, Illinois. His parents, Linda and Bob, divorced when he was five years old.



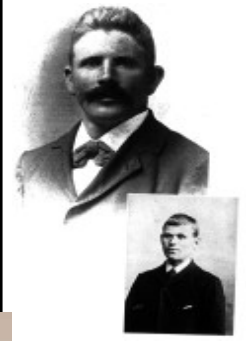
Writers

Fred Thomas Saberhagen (May 18, 1930 – June 29, 2007) was an American science fiction and fantasy author most famous for his Berserker series of science fiction short stories and S.F. novels. Saberhagen was born in and grew up in the area of **Chicago**, Illinois. Saberhagen served as an enlisted man in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War while he was in his early twenties



Sport

Frank Samuelson (26 February 1870 - 1946) and George Harbo (14 September 1864 - 1909) were Norwegian-born Americans who in 1896 became the first people ever to row across an ocean. Their time record for rowing the North Atlantic Ocean was not broken for 114 years, and then by four rowers instead of two. Frank Samuelson was born Gabriel Samuelson in a seacoast town, Farsund in Vest-Agder, Norway on February 26, 1870 and went to sea at age 17, spending six years in the merchant marine. Samuelson was quickly promoted up the ships chain-of-command to bosun's mate. After six years at sea covering many of the worlds oceans Frank decided to make New York a permanent port. He headed for the fishing villages along the Jersey coast where his brother lived and there he would meet up with George Harbo. They became friends and clammed together.



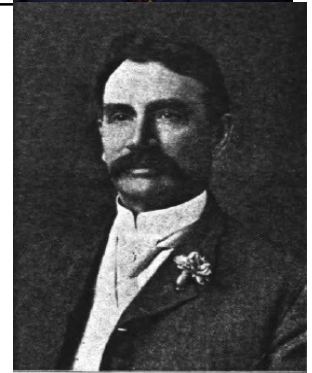
Journalist

Orion Samuelson born March 31, 1934) is an American broadcaster, most widely known for hosting U.S. Farm Report . He was inducted into the National Radio Hall of Fame in 2003. Samuelson was born on a dairy farm in Ontario, Wisconsin , near LaCrosse . He considered becoming a Lutheran pastor before deciding on six months of radio school. His early work was based in Wisconsin , at WKLJ in Sparta, WHBY in Appleton, and WBAY-TV /AM in Green Bay . He is best known for his association with **WGN Radio in Chicago**, serving as the station's head agriculture broadcaster since 1960



Business

KARL FERDINAND MARIUS SANDBERG, M. D., Was born in Gaustad, Vestre Aker, Norway, Sept. 15, 1855. His father, Ole Rømer Aagard Sandberg, was superintendent of the state insane asylum at Gaustad. His mother's maiden name was Johanne Emelie Barth. The Doctor's youth was given to schooling. He passed through Nissen's Latin and Real Skole in Christiania preliminary to entering the university and was confirmed in Vestre Aker's Lutheran Church. Entering Christiania University, he took a classical and medical course, graduating in 1881 with the degrees of Ph. D. and M. D. He was interneat the Rigshospital in Christiania, also assistant physician at the state asylum for the insane at Dr. K. F. M. Sandberg. Gaustad and assistant physician at the Bergen Hospital. He came to America and to **Chicago** in 1882. Here he has been engaged in the general practice of medicine since. He is the attending gynecologist and obstetrician at the Cook County Hospital and the National Temperance Hospital, and surgeon-in-chief to the Norwegian Tabitha Hospital. He married Miss Inga G. Stensland, a stepdaughter of Paul O. Stensland, July 25, 1885. He served as lieutenant with the reserve in the Norwegian Army for five years. Dr. Sandberg has always been a faithful and hard worker for the Tabitha Hospital and the Children's Home. He is credited with having prepared a number of valuable papers on scientific subjects more particularly pertaining to his own profession. His parents died in Christiania, his father in 1884 and his mother in 1894. Dr. Sandberg's office and residence is at 682 N. California avenue, Chicago.



Dr. K. F. M. Sandberg.

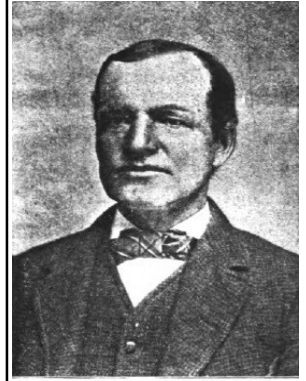
Sport

Earl Harold Sande (November 13, 1898 - August 19, 1968) was an American Hall of Fame jockey and thoroughbred horse trainer . Born in Groton, South Dakota , Earl Sande started out as a bronco buster in the early 1900s but then became a successful American quarter horse rider before switching to thoroughbred horse racing in 1918.



Business

AUSTIN SANDERSON, Of **Leland, Ill.**, was born on Bakka, Tin, Norway, Aug. 14, 1836. His parents were Helge and Adelaide (Knudson) Sanderson. They emigrated to America in 1843, when Austin was 7 years old, their objective place being La Salle county, Ill., where they had relatives who had preceded them. They landed in New York city after nine weeks on a sailing vessel. From New York they went to Albany by boat, thence via canal to Buffalo, and then over the lakes to Milwaukee. From Milwaukee the family pursued their way to La Salle county on foot, being four weeks in making the trip. This was the most tedious part of their journey, for two of the children were quite small and had to be carried. Mr. Sanderson, Sr., settled on forty acres of government land, to which he later added forty acres, and these eighty acres are a part of our subject's farm to-day. His father spent the rest of his days on this farm, passing away on Sept. 26, 1855, at the age of 61 years. His mother lived on the old homestead with her son until her death, in 1887, having been born in 1803. While farming Mr. Sanderson served as school director formany years. In 1874 the community built a Norwegian Lutheran church, in which our subject was one of the leading factors. In 1891 Mr. Sanderson retired from farming and moved to Leland, where he engaged in the clothing business with his brother-in-law, Mr. Allan Farley, the firm name being Sanderson & Farley. In 1898 a fine Lutheran church was built in Leland, largely through the efforts of Mr. Sanderson. In 1891 he built an elevator with a capacity of 100,000 bushels of grain, at a cost of \$18,000. This is also operated by Sanderson & Farley. His store building, which burned down in January 1905, has been rebuilt and enlarged, being now a substantial two-story brick building. In 1878 Mr. Sanderson, who by the way never married, made a visit to his friends and relatives in Norway, and reports that he had a very enjoyable trip. Mr. Austin Sanderson is probably the best-known man in Leland, being, as we are told, also the wealthiest. When it has come to church matters he has been exceptionally enthusiastic and sacrificing. He took pride that the Norwegians of the village of Leland should have a fine church and to that end he donated out right \$1,000, and while the church was being built he worked on same almost day and night without any compensation. Mr. Sanderson has always been a hard worker, and often when he had nothing particularly urgent to do for him self he would help some neighbor so as to keep himself busy.



Austin Sanderson.

Entertainment

Steven Jacob "Jake" Sandvig (born September 8, 1986) is an American actor. He is best known for playing Hugh Payne in Twenty Good Years and Preston Shackleton in Cracking Up. In 2009, he made a guest appearance in Ruby & the Rockits. He is also known for his roles in Easy A and Sky High



Entertainment

Peter Sarsgaard [3-7-1971] was born at **Scott Air Force Base, Illinois**, to Judy Lea (Reinhardt) and John Dale Sarsgaard, an engineer who worked for the Air Force and later Monsanto and IBM. He is a graduate of St. Louis' Washington University, where he majored in history and literature. He was a co-founder of the comedy improvisational group Mama's Pot Roast and trained initially with the Actors' Studio in New York. Such off-Broadway productions included Horton Foote 's "Laura Dennis" and John Cameron Mitchell 's "Kingdom of Earth." He made his screen debut in Tim Robbins ' Dead Man Walking (1995) and was given more sizable roles in Desert Blue (1998) and The Man in the Iron Mask (1998), as the ill-fated son of the Musketeer Athos, played by John Malkovich . Peter then started gracing the art-house circuit, making a violent, searing impression as a homophobic killer in Boys Don't Cry (1999) starring two-time Oscar-winner Hilary Swank as a trans-gendered teen.



Scientists

Steven J. Sasson (born July 4, 1950) is an American electrical engineer and the inventor of the first self-contained (portable) digital camera. Sasson is a 1972 (BS) and 1973 (MS) graduate of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in electrical engineering. He attended and graduated from Brooklyn Technical High School. He has worked for Eastman Kodak since shortly after his graduation from engineering school



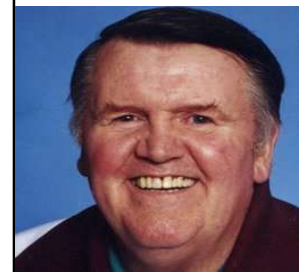
Entertainment

Sonia Satra (born December 17, 1967 in Glen Ridge, New Jersey) is an American actress. She is known for her roles on Guiding Light and One Life to Live. She was born, the youngest of three children, to Gunvor Satra, a Norwegian history professor, and John Satra, an Austrian economics professor. Before starting a career in acting, she attended Rutgers University , where she earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in communication.



Sport

Edwin J. Saugestad (c. 1937 - March 20, 2014) was an American ice hockey coach. From 1958 to 1996, he was the head hockey coach at Augsburg College in Minneapolis, Minnesota . He led the Augsburg hockey team to three National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics men's ice hockey championships and six consecutive Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference championships from 1976 to 1982. At the time of his retirement in 1996, he ranked second in career wins in NCAA Division III history. He received the John MacInnes Award in 2002 for his lifetime of contributions to amateur hockey and the Hobey Baker Legends of College Hockey Award in 2007. As of 2010, he ranks 18th all-time among college men's ice hockey coaches with 503 wins



Business

WILLIAM SAXON, General superintendent with the Miehle Printing Press Company, at Fulton and Clinton streets and on Milwaukee avenue, **Chicago**, was born in Christiania, Norway, July 6. 1857. His father, Christian Saxon, was a mechanical engineer in Christiania; his mother, Alice Tomlinson, was from Manchester, England. Our subject attended a private school in Christiania until he was confirmed in the old Aker's Church, and went to Manchester, England, at the age of 15. Here he attended a mechanical and technical school and graduated in the technical course. He then served as an apprentice for five years with Parr, Curtis & Madely, leading machinists in Manchester. After this he returned to Christiania, where he was employed as draftsman and machinist by the Oluf Ansum Company and J. Ø! A. Jensen & Dahl, while he remained there. He came to this country in 1883, via New York and direct to Chicago, where he has been located since. He worked in a number of machine shops here until 1889, when he secured work with the Miehle Printing Press and Manufacturing Company, where he has been for over sixteen years and is now the general superintendent. He was married to Marie Jacobson, of Brevig, Norway, Nov. 24, 1881. Her parents were Jacob and Kristine Jacobson, of Brevig. They have had five children: Alice, born 1882 and in 1895 married to John E. Press, now residing in Oak Park, IL.; James, born 1889; Harriet, born 1886 and died in 1889; William, born 1892; Margaret, born 1895. Mr. Saxon's father died in Norway in 1871; his mother in Manchester, England in 1903. Our subject is a member of the Royal Arcanum and the North American Union. He is also a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. The family attend St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal Church on North avenue and reside at 117 Maple avenue, Oak Park, Ill.



William Saxon.

Entertainment

Timothy John Schafer (born July 26, 1967) is an American computer game designer . He founded Double Fine Productions in July 2000, after having spent over a decade at LucasArts . Schafer is best known as the designer of critically acclaimed games Full Throttle , Grim Fandango , Psychonauts , Brütal Legend and Broken Age , co-designer of Day of the Tentacle , and assistant designer on The Secret of Monkey Island and Monkey Island 2: LeChuck's Revenge . He is well known in the video game industry for his storytelling and comedic writing style



Writers

Mike Schennum is a photojournalist with The Arizona Republic. His face appeared on a 2012 Time magazine cover montage for a story about Latino voters, despite the fact that Schennum is of half Chinese, and half Irish-Norwegian ancestry.



Models

Nikki Schieler (born August 9, 1971) is an American model and actress . Schieler was Playboy's Playmate of the Month for September 1997.



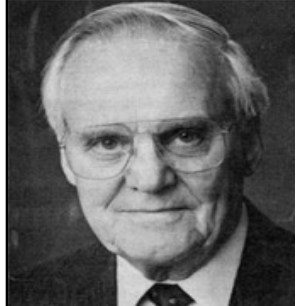
Fredrik Axel Schiotz (15 June 1901 – 25 February 1989) was an American Lutheran Church leader, president of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, President of the Lutheran World Federation and Presiding Bishop of The American Lutheran Church. Fredrik Axel Schiotz was born in **Chicago**, Illinois. Both his father, Jacob Schiotz, and his mother, Stina Akerholt, had been immigrants from Norway. He graduated from St. Olaf College in Northfield, Minnesota (class of 1924) and earned a master's degree at Luther Theological Seminary in Saint Paul, Minnesota



Gilmore Schjeldahl

Scandinavian-American Hall of Fame 1991

Gilmore Schjeldahl (June 1, 1912 - March 10, 2002) was a packaging and plastics innovator. The Northwood, ND, native combined engineering genius and business savvy to impact business with products and techniques from air sickness bags to heart catheters. Schjeldahl, named to the North Dakota Entrepreneur Hall of Fame in 1988, launched a string of companies. Born in 1912, he helped his father with threshing machines, watched blacksmiths mend and make farm machinery, and worked as a theatre projectionist. Working for a local paper, he built a static eliminator for the press. The North Dakotan attended North Dakota State School of Science and North Dakota State University where he met his wife, Charlene. They have five children. After WW II Schjeldahl joined Armour and Company in **Chicago** where he explored a new packaging material, polyethylene. Using his kitchen as a laboratory, he developed a technique for cutting and sealing the material at the same time, a packaging revolution



Peter Schjeldahl (born 1942) is an American art critic, poet, and educator. Schjeldahl was born in Fargo, North Dakota. He grew up in small towns throughout Minnesota, and attended Carleton College and The New School. He began his professional writing career as a reporter in Minnesota, Iowa and New Jersey.



ARNOLDUS SCHLANBUSCH Of **Sheridan, IL.**, was born in Vossevangen, near Bergen, Norway, March 11, 1836. His father, Fredrick Schlanbusch, a merchant there, and his mother, Larsina Boe Schlanbusch, are both dead. Arnoldus, being a trained sailor and navigator, came to America in the spring of 1860, direct to Chicago, where he followed his occupation during the summer. In 1861 he enlisted in Company A, Fifteenth Wisconsin Volunteers, which was the only Scandinavian regiment in the service. He held the position of first sergeant until May 1864, when he was transferred to the navy, serving altogether three years and seven months. After the war he started in the general merchandise business—first in Norway, IL., then in Serena, and in 1881 he came to Sheridan and was there engaged in the business until his death. In 1866 he was married to Miss Nicoline Synnestvedt, with whom five children were born: Pauline Magdalena, Larsina Maria, Florence Maria, Astra Gunfrilda and Walter Theodore. Larsina and Florence are dead. Pauline is married to Dr. W. H. Cartmell, Magnolia, Iowa. Walter assisted his father in running his business at Sheridan until the older Schlanbusch died in the spring, 1906. He now owns it. The family attends the Methodist Episcopal Church, of which he was a trustee. He had also been a member of the village board and for many years was the village treasurer. Mr. Schlanbusch was a charter member of the G. A. R., Clayton Beardsley Post of Sheridan; also a member of the Modern Woodmen of America and the Ancient Order of United Workmen.



Arnoldus Schlanbusch.

Business

GERHARD B. SCHLANBUSCH. Was born in Vossevangen, near Bergen, Norway, Aug. 13, 1847. His father, Fredrick Schlanbusch, and his mother, Larsina Boe Schlanbusch, died long ago. Mr. Schlanbusch left his native country when but 13 years of age, in 1860, and came over to America in a sailing vessel, it taking seven weeks to make the voyage. There were 27 deaths on board. Mr. Schlanbusch received his education first. in the public schools in Norway and after his arrival in **Chicago** in the Kinzie school here. Since then he has been engaged in _the mercantile business most of his time with the following firms: Christian Erickson, Parker 8: Jevne, J. V. Farwell & Co., J. H. Walker & Co., and during the past twenty years with the whole sale house of Carson, Pirie, Scott 8: Co. In 1872 Mr. Schlanbusch was married to Miss Camilla Fredericksen of Copenhagen, Denmark, of which union two daughters were born: Amy, in July 1873, and Stella, in March 1875. The former was married Sept. 26, 1905, to Mr. Charles Renner. They have one' daughter, Alice, born Sept. 2, 1906. Stella was married May 2, 1900, to John Culver, M. D. They also have one daughter, Amy, born Feb. 10, 1902. Mr. Schlanbusch, having become a widower, married Miss Alice Rohne of **Sheridan, IL.**, in 1884. They have no children. During the summer of 1906 he visited his childhood home for the first time since his arrival in America. He was confirmed in the Lutheran faith but since has joined the Baptist Church. He is a member of Berwyn Lodge A. F. 8; A. M. No. 839 and the Haymarket Council of the National Union. With his wife he resides in Berwyn, Ill.



Gerhard B. Schlanbusch.

Scientists

George Schlukbier is the North American innovator who in the 1990s built Nando , one of the early websites offered by a daily newspaper (The News & Observer of Raleigh, North Carolina), and NandO Times, an early and much-copied online newspaper. He later built Total Sports as an early online sports information source

Writers

Gjertrud Schnackenberg (born August 27, 1953 in Tacoma, Washington) is an American poet. Schnackenberg graduated from Mount Holyoke College in 1975. She lectured at Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Washington University, and was Writer-in-Residence at Smith College and visiting fellow at St. Catherine's College, Oxford, in 1997.



Sport

Eddie August Henry Schneider (October 20, 1911 - December 23, 1940) was an American aviator who set three transcontinental airspeed records for pilots under the age of twenty-one in 1930. His plane was a Cessna Model AW with a Warner-Scarab engine, one of only 48 built, that he called "The Kangaroo". He set the east-to-west, then the west-to-east, and the combined round trip record. He was the youngest certificated pilot in the United States, and the youngest certified airplane mechanic. He was a pilot in the Spanish Civil War in the Yankee Squadron. He died in an airplane crash in 1940, while training another pilot, when a Boeing-Stearman Model 75 belonging to the United States Navy Reserve overtook him and clipped his plane's tail at Floyd Bennett Field . Eddie August Henry Schneider was born on October 20, 1911 at 2nd Avenue and 17th Street in Manhattan in New York. His father was Emil August Schneider (1886-1955) who was born in Bielefeld, Germany. His mother was Inga Karoline Eldora Pedersen (1882-1927), who was born in Farsund, Norway. Eddie had one full sibling: Alice Violetta Schneider (1913-2002) who married John Harms (1905-1985). He was never called Edward, he was baptized as "Eddie Auguste Henry Schneider" on November 12, 1911 at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church in Queens, New York City



Entertainment

Liev Schreiber [10-4-1967] was born in San Francisco. His mother, Heather (Milgram), is a painter, and his father, Tell Schreiber (Tell Carroll Schreiber III), is a theatrical actor who had a small role in The Keeper (1976). His mother is from a working-class Jewish family from Poland and Russia, while his father is from an upper-class Protestant family. His parents moved the family to Canada when Liev was one, and divorced when he was five. He and his mother moved to New York, where she drove a cab. During that time, they lived as squatters in abandoned buildings. His mother taught him to read, and she also forbade him from seeing color movies. He grew up seeing silent and black & white movies at a local revival house and particularly enjoyed those of Charles Chaplin . His mother now lives in an ashram in Virginia. He began acting at Hampshire College and continued at the Yale University School of Drama in 1992. He originally wanted to be a playwright, but his teacher encouraged him to become an actor



Business

OLAF SCHROEDER Was born at Kragerø, Norway, Dec. 26, 1882. His father, H. T. Schroeder, a ship broker at Kragerd, and his mother, Marie (Nelson), are both living. Olaf attended the high school in his native town and then spent three years at the technical institute at Porsgrund, where he graduated as mechanical and electrical engineer. He came to America and **Chicago** in 1902 and has resided here since, working as a draftsman at the present time connected with the Western Electric Company.



Cartoonists

Charles Monroe Schulz (November 26, 1922 - February 12, 2000), nicknamed Sparky, was an American cartoonist best known for the comic strip Peanuts (which featured the characters **Charlie Brown and Snoopy**, among others). He is widely regarded as one of the most influential cartoonists of all time, cited by cartoonists including Jim Davis, Bill Watterson, and Matt Groening. Born in Minneapolis, Minnesota, Schulz grew up in Saint Paul. He was the only child of Carl Schulz, who was born in Germany, and Dena Halverson, who had Norwegian heritage. His uncle called him "Sparky" after the horse Spark Plug in Billy DeBeck's comic strip, Barney Google.



Entertainment

Sigrid Schultz (January 5 [or January 15 according to Wisconsin Historical Society], 1893 – May 14, 1980) was a notable American reporter and war correspondent in an era when women were a rarity in both print and radio journalism. Schultz was born in **Chicago, Illinois**. Her parents were of Norwegian ancestry, and her father was a well-known painter who had studied at the Académie de peinture et de sculpture in Paris, France. When Schultz was eight, her father obtained a commission to paint the king and queen of Württemberg in Germany and the family moved to Europe. After completing the royal commission, Schultz's father continued to receive requests for portrait painting and decided to stay in Europe, establishing a studio in Paris. Sigrid attended lycée — the French equivalent of American high school education — and subsequently studied international law at the Sorbonne, graduating in 1914. She taught French and English in Berlin for much of World War I.



Artists

CARRIE SCOTT, The accomplished pianist and music teacher, was born in Iowa and came to Lisbon, Ill., while a child. Her parents—Torris and Sara (Storhaug) Scott—are both dead. She graduated from the **Chicago Musical College** in piano, harmony, composition and science of music with honor, paying for every lesson from her own earnings as a teacher of the piano. She was connected with the famous Balatka Music College. Of Miss Scott's pupils six have received gold medals at graduation, one of them being a young Norwegian, Olvin Johnson, of whom Prof. Balatka said that no pupil was evermore deserving of the distinction. Our subject has several valuable compositions to her credit, one being a cradle song (instrumental) with variations on several hymns, which presumably will be published. Miss Scott is an ardent promoter of the temperance movement and a liberal contributor to the Hope Mission, of which she was secretary for one year. She is a member of the Law Enforcement League of the Northwest Side, Chicago, in which she takes a great interest, believing that it is one of the best agencies for the enforcement of all laws in the city. She is a member of the Covenant Aid Society, a life member of the Deaconess Home Society and the Children's Home Society. She is a member of the Lutheran Church at **Lisbon, Ill.** Last year she bought a fine little house at 1454 N. Kimball avenue, where she resides and has one of her studios. During the fall of, 1906 Miss Carrie Scott, Messrs. M. C. Olson, Geo. T. Scott, Walter J. Miller and Algot E. Strand incorporated the Mendelssohn Conservatory of Music, of which Miss Scott is the president. This new addition to the Chicago musical world has its studios in the Atheneum Building, 26 E. Van Buren street, and is rapidly developing both in number of students and their progress in musical attainments. The directors of the musical board are: Carrie Scott, Lydia Gersch Neeb, Ady Thorpe Butterworth, Max 1. Fishel and A. Alfred Holmes.



Miss Carrie Scott.

Writers

Cathleen "Cathy" Scott (born 1949 in San Diego, California) is a Los Angeles Times bestselling American true-crime writer and investigative journalist best known for penning the biographies and true crime books *The Killing of Tupac Shakur* and *The Murder of Biggie Smalls*, both bestsellers in the United States and United Kingdom. She grew up in La Mesa, California and later moved to Mission Beach, California, where she was a single parent to a son, Raymond Somers Jr. Her hip-hop books are based on the drive-by shootings that killed the rappers six months apart in the midst of what has been called the West Coast-East Coast war. Each book is dedicated to the rappers' mothers. Scott is the daughter of the late author Eileen Rose Busby, and the late James (Jim) Scott, a Senior Olympics winner who helped pioneer and develop the game of racquetball. She is the granddaughter of California artist Esther Rose and Frank Rose (a sports writer at the *Two Harbors*, Minnesota, newspaper in the 1920s), and niece of the late Russian Orthodox hieromonk Seraphim Rose. Her brother is scientist and author J. Michael Scott. Her twin sister is antique store owner Cordelia Mendoza



Business

INGVARD MARTINIUS SCOTT, The well known druggist at 941-43 Wabansia avenue, was born in Christiania, Norway, Dec. 10, 1868. His father, Paul A. Scott, was a dealer in patent medicines in **Chicago, IL.**; his mother's maiden name was Brita Andersdatter Barstad. He came to America with his parents on Aug. 24, 1883, locating in Chicago. He had attended school in Norway, and did so here, where he was confirmed in Juul's Church, on May and Eric streets. Later he attended Northwestern University, from which he graduated in pharmacy. His first work in Chicago was as clerk with Den Kristelige Talsmand. He was married on January 15, 1897, to Vivian M. Maguire. He has been engaged in the drug business for many years and is located at 941 43 Wabansia ave. He is a Mason, a K. P., a member of the Royal League and an Odd Fellow.

Scientists

J. Michael Scott (born 1941 in San Diego, California) is an American scientist, professor, environmentalist and author. Scott is the eldest son of Eileen Rose Busby, an author and antiques expert, and Jim Scott, a Senior Olympics winner who helped pioneer and develop the game of racquetball. He is the grandson of California artist Esther Rose, the nephew of the late Russian Orthodox Hieromonk Seraphim Rose, brother of true crime author Cathy Scott and volunteer Cordelia Mendoza.

Entertainment

Kathryn Leigh Scott (born Marlene Kringstad; January 26, 1943) is an American television and film actress who is best remembered for playing several roles on *Dark Shadows*. Scott was born Marlene Kathryn Kringstad in Robbinsdale, Minnesota to Ole and Hilda Sophie (née Karlsgodt) Kringstad, both of Norwegian descent. Scott grew up on a farm in Robbinsdale, Minnesota, the daughter of Ole Kringstad, a Norwegian immigrant, and Hilda Karlsgodt Kringstad, of Norwegian descent. She attended Northwestern University in their summer "cherub" program while in high school.



Entertainment

Mabel Julienne Scott (November 2, 1892 – October 1, 1976) was an American stage and silent movie actress. Scott was born in Minneapolis, Minnesota of French and Norwegian heritage. A graduate of Northwestern Conservatory in Minneapolis, she came to New York City at the age of 17. When she failed to land the job she wanted, Scott played for a time with a stock company in Omaha, Nebraska. Scott made her Broadway (Manhattan) stage debut in *The Barrier* by Rex Beach.



Museum

Robert Francis Seby was born April 27, 1925, in **rural Sheridan**, to Francis and Anna (Knutson) Seby. He was a lifelong farmer. Robert served in the U.S. Army during WWII and was a Prisoner of War during the Battle of the Bulge. He was honored for his service to our country with an Honor Flight and was also the Guest of Honor at an event in Cantigny. Robert was a member of the Fox River Lutheran Church, the Sheridan American Legion, Sons of Norway, the Farm Bureau, the Norway Cemetery Association and was on the board for the Serena Fire Department and Norsk Museum.



Business

MARGARETHE SEEHUUS, A resident of **Chicago** since 1872, was born in Gryten parish, Romsdalen, Norway, Sept. 19, 1832. Her father, Ole Halvorsen Mejlva, was a member of the Storting, as was her grandfather. Her mother was Marit Olsdatter Devold. She attended schools at her home and was confirmed in the Hovedkirke in Gryten parish. She afterward attended the school of obstetrics in Christiania, and graduated as a midwife. She was married in Norway to Christopher Bude Seehuus, on Jan. 24, 1858. They had two children—Knute, born May 3, 1859, and Ole Martin, born Dec. 24, 1863. The former is now a Lutheran pastor, located at Locust, Winneshiek county, Iowa, where he looks after four congregations, three Norwegian and one German. The other son is a practicing physician at Hatton, N. D. Mrs. Seehuus visits her sons annually. She is very active in her practice and proudly relates that she has welcomed over five thousand infants to this world. She came to America with her husband and children on the steamer Peter Jeppeson, landing at New York and coming directly to Chicago, where they arrived in May 1872. Her husband, who was a carpenter and cabinet-maker by 'trade, found work immediately, but was in poor health and died on March 14, 1875. About fifteen years ago Mrs. Seehuus started a school for the teaching of obstetrics, which she is still conducting. Her home is at 103 N. Center avenue, Chicago.



Margarethe Seehuus.

Artists

Benjamin Goodwin Seielstad, who worked as B. G. Seielstad, (December 23, 1886 – July 1, 1960) was an American painter and illustrator. He claimed his first job was covering the 1906 San Francisco earthquake. He worked for a variety of newspapers and for Popular Science Monthly in the 1930s before working at Life magazine in the 1940s. He was accorded a great deal of latitude in illustrating articles for Popular Science Monthly on topics such as an automated freeway, a futuristic city, and "How The World Will End". Benjamin Seielstad was born in Lake Wilson, Minnesota, on December 23, 1886, to Gudbrund Julius Seielstad, a farmer, and his wife Carrie Goodwin Benson. Both had migrated to the United States from Norway



Sport

Bjørn Kristian Selander (born January 28, 1988) is an American professional road racing cyclist of Norwegian descent. Selander currently rides cyclocross for Donkey Label Cycling. Selander completed his first and only Giro in 2011 , placing 128th overall



Scientists

Clarence Selmer Gonstead (July 23, 1898 - October 2, 1978) was a chiropractor and the creator of the Gonstead technique . He established a large chiropractic facility in Mount Horeb, Wisconsin . Clarence Gonstead was born in Willow Lake, South Dakota the son of Carl Gonstead (1871 - 1956) and Sarah Gonstead (1874 - 1918). His family later moved to a dairy farm in Primrose, Wisconsin . At the age of 19, Gonstead was bedridden with rheumatoid arthritis . He enrolled in the Palmer School of Chiropractic in Davenport, Iowa



Business

CHARLES OLINUS SETHNESS Was born in Christiansund, Norway, Aug. 5, 1860. His parents were John and Olina (Rordahl) Sethness. He attended school in Norway and also the public school in Chicago and was confirmed by Rev. Torgersen in the Norwegian Lutheran Church on Grand avenue and Peoria street. In 1873 he came to **Chicago**, and in 1874 he entered the employ of Christopher Stange, to learn the profession of a druggist and chemist. He worked for him for ten years, or until 1884, when he engaged in the same business, first at Robey street and Milwaukee avenue. Later he moved to his present quarters at 262-68 N. Curtis street, where he manufactures flavoring extracts and deals in bottlers' machinery and supplies. Reference to his business and a cut of his building appear under the proper heading in this history. Mr. Sethness was married in Chicago, Dec. 14, 1882, to Miss Helga Midling, daughter of Auker and Hilda Midling, from Christiania, Norway. They have four children—Charles Henry, born in 1883; Ralph Edward, 1885; Walter Douglas, 1887; Hilda Elvira, in 1895. Our subject's father died in Norway many years ago; his mother died in Chicago in 1884. Mr. Sethness is at present a member of the board of education. He is also a Mason, a Knight Templar, a Shriner, and a member at the Irving Park Country Club. The family resides at 2642 N. Forty-second avenue, Irving Park.



Chas. O. Sethness.

Business

SETHNESS COMPANY Are manufacturers of flavoring extracts and colors, essential oils and chemical specialities as used by confectioners, bakers, ice-cream makers, sodawater dispensers, perfumers, rectifiers, brewers, syrup refiners, cider and vinegar makers, picklers, preservers, etc. They also handle bottlers' machinery and supplies. The accompanying cut of their office, laboratory and factory, located at 262-268 N. Curtis street, **Chicago**, will give an idea of the room it requires to conduct such a business. They employ eight traveling men, who cover every state in the Union and Canada; have an office force of ten and a regular force in the factory of twelve, not counting teams and drivers. It is an incorporated company with **C. O. Sethness** as president and manager. It is the largest concern of its kind— extract and color manufacturing— in America.



Chas. O. Sethness.

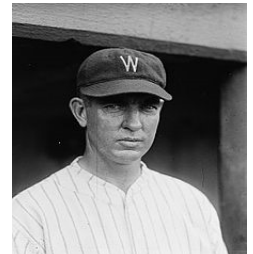
Journalist

Arnold "Eric" Sevareid (November 26, 1912 - July 9, 1992) was an American author and CBS news journalist from 1939 to 1977. He was one of a group of elite war correspondents that was hired by CBS newsman Edward R. Murrow and nicknamed "Murrow's Boys ." Sevareid was the first to report the Fall of Paris , when the city was captured by the Germans during World War II. Traveling into Burma during the war, his aircraft was shot down, and he was rescued from behind enemy lines by a search and rescue team that had been established for that purpose. He was the last journalist to interview Adlai Stevenson II before his death. He followed in Murrow's footsteps as a commentator on the CBS Evening News for 12 years for which he was recognized with Emmy and Peabody Awards. Sevareid was born in Velva, North Dakota , to Alfred E. and Clara H. Sevareid. After the failure of the bank in Velva in 1925, his family moved to Minot and then to Minneapolis, Minnesota , settling on 30th Avenue North. He graduated from the University of Minnesota in 1935. He preserved a strong bond with Norway throughout his life.



Sport

Henry "Hank" Levai Severeid (June 1, 1891 – December 17, 1968) was a Catcher for the Cincinnati Reds (1911–13), St. Louis Browns (1915–25), Washington Senators (1925–26) and New York Yankees (1926). Severeid was born in Story City, Iowa to Norwegian immigrants Lars Severeid and Maria (Naess) Severeid. Three of his brothers, Oscar and Charles, as well as Elmer, played minor-league ball.



Cartoonists

John Powers Severin (December 26, 1921 – February 12, 2012) was an American comics artist noted for his distinctive work with EC Comics, primarily on the war comics Two-Fisted Tales and Frontline Combat; for Marvel Comics, especially its war and Western comics; and for his 45-year stint with the satiric magazine Cracked. He was one of the founding cartoonists of Mad in 1952. John Severin was born in Jersey City, New Jersey, of Norwegian and Irish descent. He was a teenager in Bay Ridge, Brooklyn, New York City, when he began drawing professionally. While attending high school, he contributed cartoons to The Hobo News, receiving payment of one dollar per cartoon.



Cartoonists

Marie Severin (August 21, 1929 – August 29, 2018) was an American comics artist and colorist best known for her work for Marvel Comics and the 1950s' EC Comics. She was inducted into the Will Eisner Comics Hall of Fame in 2001. Marie Severin was born in East Rockaway, New York, on Long Island, the second and last child of John Edward Severin, born in Oslo, Norway, who immigrated to the United States at age 3, and a mother, Marguerite (Powers) Severin, from Syracuse, New York, whose heritage was Irish. Her older brother, John Severin, was born in 1922



Museum

Past Presidents Cleng Peerson - Sons of Norway Chapter #525: 1. 1973-1975 [3] **Lester Seversike** (1918-1982)



Norsk Hostfest

Clinton H. Severson
 Scandinavian-American Hall of Fame 2008
 Clinton Severson's story illustrates the American Dream, complete with childhood jobs as a paperboy and grocery clerk. In Severson's case, those jobs sparked an interest in business that would take him on an entrepreneurial journey destined to land him as Forbes Magazine's 2007 "Entrepreneur of the Year." After working his way through Minot State University, the Minot, North Dakota native graduated with a Bachelors Degree in Business in 1973. His subsequent job search took him to San Francisco and a sales position with the diagnostics division of Dow Chemical. His decision to sell blood-testing equipment for Dow was to influence his entire career.



Museum

Past Presidents Cleng Peerson - Sons of Norway Chapter #525: 13. 2015-17 [4] **Charleen Seville**



Singers

Alia Martine Shawkat (born April 18, 1989) is an American actress and artist. She is known for her roles as Hannah Rayburn in State of Grace , Maebly Fünke in the Fox /Netflix television sitcom Arrested Development (2003-2006; 2013; 2018), Gertie Michaels in the 2015 horror-comedy film The Final Girls , and Dory Sief in the TBS black comedy series Search Party (2016-present). She also guest starred as Frances Cleveland , Virginia Hall , and Alexander Hamilton on Comedy Central 's Drunk History . Shawkat was born in Riverside, California , to Dina Shawkat (née Burke) daughter of actor Paul Burke , and Tony Shawkat, a strip club owner. She grew up in Palm Springs . She has two brothers. Her father is Arab Iraqi , from Baghdad. Her mother is of Norwegian, Irish, and Italian descent. When not acting, she likes to paint; she has participated in gallery shows in Los Angeles , Mexico City and Paris . She also likes to make music and sing in jazz bars. Ever since the filming of Whip It , she has been best friends with fellow actress Ellen Page . She is bisexual.



Business

CHRIST SHERDEN Was born in Stange, Norway, Nov. 18, 1864. His parents were Knud Knudson and Martha (Johansen) Sherden. When our subject was 5 years old, his parents with two other small children migrated to America and settled upon a homestead in northern Minnesota, putting up the usual log house as a home. The country was practically a wilderness—Indians and wild animals were the burden of their lives. The Indians were a thieving lot and murder of the white settlers was a common occurrence. The Sherdens endured these hardships for four years, and then, as matters seemed to get worse, they abandoned their homestead and sought a more civilized community. A family council decided upon Chicago as their future home, and here they have been since. After having received a grammar-school education young Sherden was apprenticed in 1880 to learn sign and carriage painting. He served the required time and mastered the trade with Chris Johnson, at 208-10 N. Sangamon street. Later he was with A. P. Shogren as foreman for eighteen years. He is now in charge of the paint shop for Hans Lund, the wagon and carriage manufacturer at 3840 W'. Huron street, corner of Curtis. Mr. Sherden is an artist in his line and turns out the finest work to be seen on Chicago's streets. He was married to Miss Otelia Nelson, of **Chicago**, May 15, 1886. They have had four children; three are living — Cora May, Clarence George and Arthur Theodore Sherden. Mr. Sherden is an active republican and has been president of his precinct club in the fifteenth ward, and often judge of elections. He is a member of Chicago court no. 15, Tribe of Ben Hur, of which he has also been chief and in structor in degree work for several terms. The family resides at 125 N. Mozart street.



Christ Sherden.

Artists

Sigvart Sieverts has won a national prize by his painting "A Snow Stormy Day." He painted the "Restaurationen"

Business

LARS J. SILJAN Was born on the Siljan farm in Maelum, near Skien, Norway, Jan. 30, 1883, his parents being Johan and Aslaug (née Siljan) Haukemes. He was educated in the public schools of Maelum, Gjaerpen and Skien until twelve years of age, and then attended Larsen's Middelskole, from which he graduated two years later. He was confirmed in the same year by Rev. Kullerud in the Lutheran church of Skien. He then secured employment as a clerk, first in the custom house office at Skien and later in his uncle's grocery store at the same city. Here he also entered upon his career as a newspaper man being enlisted on the editorial staff of "Bratsberg Amtstidende" as reporter and news-gatherer, said paper being the oldest in that part of the country. He remained in said position about one year or until the paper was sold to the proprietor of "Fremskridt", another newspaper published at Skien. He remained with that daily paper for a short time, and in 1901 he migrated to the United States, where many of his relatives had settled before. Mr. Siljan came to Chicago, where he spent his first year working as a machine hand with the Johnson Chair Company. In 1902 he secured a position as clerk in the advertising department of "Skandinaven", and after a year he was promoted to the city editorship, which position he held for over four years, when he resigned and went to North Dakota. He did not remain there for any length of time, however, and, having returned to Chicago, again, in June 1907, became connected with "Skandinaven". Mr. Siljan was married to Miss Hilder Johnson, of **Chicago**, May 16, 1905. Mrs. Siljan is a daughter of an old Swedish settler in Chicago, Mr. Frederick Johnson. This marital union has been blessed with one child, a daughter, Evelyn Dagmar. They live at 900 N. Albany avenue. Mr. Siljan is a member of the "Young People's Society Ulabrand," of which he was elected president in 1907; of the Norwegian Turn Society; the Sleipner Athletic Club; the Norwegian Debating Society; the Norwegian Singing Society; Nora Lodge K. 8: L. of H. and Nora Lodge R. H. K.



Lars J. Siljan.

Sport

Miles Julian Simon (born November 21, 1975) is an American former professional basketball player and current assistant coach of the Los Angeles Lakers of the National Basketball Association (NBA). Simon was born in Stockholm to an American father and a Norwegian mother.



Religious

PROF. NELS EDWARD SIMONSEN, A. M., D. D., Of Evanston, was born near Alderly, Dodge county, Wis., May 17, 1854. > His parents came from Fossum, Skien, Norway, in 1842, and settled on a farm in the section of country which in early days was known as Ashippun, thirty miles northwest of Milwaukee. Here on a large farm n the southern part of- Dodge and Washington counties he grew up with such advantages as a country school afforded. With one brother educated at Luther College, one at Appleton University and one at the Milwaukee College he too had a strong desire to acquire higher education. Having become greatly interested in religious work and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, he entered the Northwestern University to prepare for the Christian ministry. After completing the classical course in the academy and university and the prescribed theological studies he was graduated with the degrees of A. M. and B. D. He then spent four years in study in Europe, mostly in Christiania and Copenhagen. He has since spent three summers in study and travel in Europe. From his alma mater he was given the degree of D. D. in 1806. He is a member of the Phi Beta Kappa Society. Business. While he is an ordinary minister and member of the Norwegian and Danish Methodist Episcopal conference, his lifework has been that of an educator rather than a minister. He took up educational work in 1685 as a professor in the Norwegian and Danish Theological Seminary of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Evanston, Ill. He has for twenty years been president of this seminary, and during this time sixty young men have been sent out into the ministry of the Methodist Episcopal Church among the Norwegian and Danish people in America and Europe. Prof. Simonsen was a member of the economical conference of methodism which met in Washington, D. C., in 1891; a delegate to the general conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Cleveland, Ohio, in 1896, in Chicago in 1900, and at Los Angeles, Cal., in 1904. He represented the Ninth General Conference district in the general committee of the Freedmen's Aid and Southern Educational Society and the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He was married on June 17, 1896, to Jenny Lindgren. They have one child (Richard). The family resides at 2243 Orrington avenue, **Evanston, Ill.**



Prof. N. E. Simonsen.

Entertainment

Redmond Aksel Simonsen (June 18, 1942 – March 9, 2005) was an American graphic artist and game designer best known for his work at the board wargame company Simulations Publications, Inc. (SPI) in the 1970s and early 1980s. Simonsen was considered an innovator in game information graphics, and is credited with creating the term "game designer". Simonsen was born and raised in Inwood, Manhattan, the second son of Astri Nordlie Simonsen and August Emil Simonsen, an immigrant from Norway. His father was a high ironworker who died in a fall from a building; his mother then worked as a domestic and raised her three children August, Lois, and Redmond.

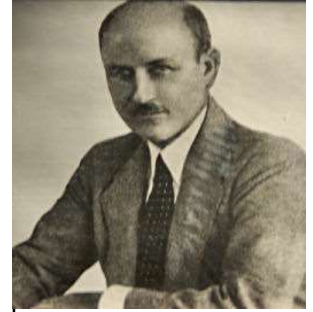


Founders

Most of the Shelby County settlers, following the lead of **Andrew Simonson**, moved in 1840 to Sugar Creek, but Peerson remained behind and did not sell his Missouri farm until 1847, when he was about to join the Swedish Communistic Colony at Bishop Hill, IL. At Sugar Creek Barlien and others were already coming in from the east. It has been said that the Shelby Settlement was badly chosen, but Andrew Simonson gave this testimony in 1879 : "No settlement ever founded by Norwegians in America had a better appearance or better location than this very land in Shelby County, of which the Norwegians took possession at that time, and which they in part still own." In 1920, according to the U. S. Census, Shelby County had four foreign-born Danes and two foreign-born Swedes, but no foreign-born Norwegians.

Scientists

Ole Knutsen Singstad (June 29, 1882 - December 8, 1969) was a Norwegian-American civil engineer who innovated the ventilation system for the Holland Tunnel (which subsequently became commonly used in other automotive tunnels) and advanced the use of the immersed tube method of underwater vehicular tunnel building, a system of constructing the tunnels with prefabricated sections. By 1950, Singstad had designed and overseen the construction of more underwater tunnels than all other engineers combined. Ole Singstad was born at Singstad farm in Lensvik (now Agdenes municipality) in Trøndelag county, Norway. He was the seventh of nine children born to Knut Jacobsen Singstad (17 Mai 1831- 24 Nov 1906) and Anne Mikkelsd Auset Singstad (10 Jul 1843-30 Apr 1947). In 1898, Singstad went to Ålesund to study grammar school. Later, his sister Marie, a midwife, encouraged Singstad to further his education. He studied at the Trondheim Technical School from 1901-1905, today Norwegian University of Science and Technology, where he was chairman of the student body. In 1905, he emigrated to the United States. He became a U.S. citizen in 1911.



Business

PETER OLSEN SKAADEN, Contractor, carpenter and builder, was born in (bier, Gudbrandsdalen, Norway, May 27, 1840. His father was Ole Skjønsberg; his mother Sign Joharinsen. He began his trade in Norway when 15 years old and served in the Norwegian army from 1861 to 1866. He was married to Matea Malum on Jan. 18, 1867. Mrs. Skaaden died March 28, 1888. They had five children; all are living: Minnie is married to Thomas T. Engness, in **Chicago**; they have four children. Inga is married to Dr. Martin Seehuus, living in North Dakota; they have four children. Eugene is a musician on the piano and organ, and has a school in Minneapolis, Minn. Arthur is in Black Hills, S. D., in the mining business. The youngest daughter, Palma, is in school in Minneapolis. Mr. Skaaden is a member of Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, of which he has been a trustee for several years. His membership dates back to 1867. He lives at 280 W. Erie street. In 1906 he made an extended trip through Norway.



Peter O. Skaaden.

Artists

Stephanie Skabo (born May 23, 1983 in Greenwich, Connecticut, USA), is an American/Norwegian figurative painter and photographer. Themes and styles in Skabo's work reference anecdotes and narratives, while primary influences by Andy Warhol and Robert Rauschenberg, place her work as a contemporary "Pop Art" artist. Skabo works with mixed medias, her main tools are photography and painting



Sport

Jack Skille (born May 19, 1987) is an American professional ice hockey right winger who is currently playing with Genève-Servette HC of the National League (NL). He has previously played in the NHL for the **Chicago Blackhawks**, Florida Panthers, Columbus Blue Jackets, Colorado Avalanche, and the Vancouver Canucks. Skille is the son of Lee and Carrie Skille. His father Lee skated at Wisconsin in the mid-1970s, served as the head hockey coach at Century High School in Bismarck, ND and head hockey coach and athletic director at Madison West High School. Skille has two sisters, Maggie and Claire. He attended Huron High School in Ann Arbor, Michigan, and Verona Area High School in Verona, Wisconsin.



Academics

Prods Oktor Skjaervo (Norwegian: Prods Oktor Skjærvø) (born 30 December 1944, in Steinkjer) is a professor of Iranian studies at department of Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations in Harvard University, where he succeeded Richard Frye as Aga Khan Professor of Iranian Studies



Military

Norman Cyrus Skogstad (July 18, 1920 – May 12, 2001) was a United States Army Air Forces flying ace and a leading pilot in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations during World War II. Norman Cyrus Skogstad was the son of Otis Skogstad (1886–1965) and Mabel (Simonson) Skogstad (1892–1979) of Barron, Wisconsin. He graduated from St. Olaf College in Northfield, Minnesota



Religious

William Stephen Skylstad (born March 2, 1934 in Omak (Methow) in Okanogan Co., Washington) is an American Roman Catholic Bishop. He is Bishop Emeritus of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Spokane in Washington retiring June 30, 2010. He is a former President of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), having served after Archbishop Wilton Daniel Gregory of Atlanta, Georgia and before Cardinal Francis Eugene George , O.M.I., of **Chicago**, Illinois . The oldest of six children, William Skylstad was born in the Okanogan County town of Omak, delivered on a table in the garage. His father was an apple farmer and Norwegian immigrant. He grew up at a farm in the settlement of Skylstad, east of Ålesund in the fjord country of Norway . He was a Lutheran , but the mother (Reneldes Elizabeth Danzl-Skylstad) was a devout Catholic from Minnesota



Military

Donald Kent "Deke" Slayton (March 1, 1924 – June 13, 1993), (Major, USAF) was an American World War II pilot, aeronautical engineer, and test pilot who was selected as one of the original NASA Mercury Seven astronauts, and became NASA's first Chief of the Astronaut Office. Slayton was born on March 1, 1924, on a farm near Sparta, Wisconsin, to parents Charles Sherman Slayton (1887–1972) and Victoria Adelia Slayton (née Larson; 1895–1970). He was of English and Norwegian descent.



Medal of Honor

Thomas Sletteland was an Private in the United States Army and a Medal of Honor recipient for his actions in the Philippine-American War. He is buried in North Dakota Veterans Cemetery, Mandan, North Dakota. Rank and organization: Private, Company C, 1st North Dakota Infantry. Place and date: Near Paete, Luzon, Philippine Islands, April 12, 1899. Entered service at: Grafton, N. Dak. Birth: Norway. Date of issue: March 11, 1902. Citation: Single-handed and alone defended his dead and wounded comrades against a greatly superior force of the enemy.



Singers

Grace Barnett Slick (born October 30, 1939) is an American singer-songwriter, musician, artist, and former model, widely known in rock and roll history for her role in San Francisco 's burgeoning psychedelic music scene in the mid-1960s. Her music career spanned four decades. She performed with The Great Society , Jefferson Airplane , Jefferson Starship , and Starship . She also had a sporadic solo career. Slick provided vocals on a number of iconic songs, including "Somebody to Love ," "White Rabbit ," "We Built This City ," and "Nothing's Gonna Stop Us Now ." Grace Barnett Wing was born October 30, 1939, in the Chicago suburb of **Highland Park, Illinois**, to Ivan Wilford Wing (1907-1987), of Norwegian and Swedish descent, and Virginia (née Barnett; 1910-1984) Wing, a lineal descendant of passengers of the Mayflower



Business

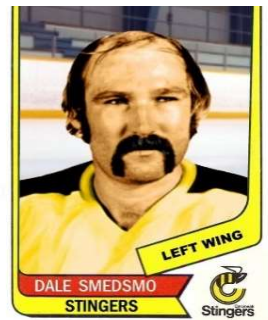
SEAVER ERICKSON SMEBY, Proprietor of the popular meat market at 163 W. Erie street, was born in Tr'akstad, Smaalenenes amt, Norway, March 16, 1855. His parents were Erick Jensen and Ingeborg (Bprresen) Smeby. Seaver attended the public schools in Norway. When he was 14 years old, April 23, 1869, his parents emigrated to America. The trip was made by steamships from Christiania to Hull, England, and thence to Liverpool and New York by an ocean liner. They made their way west ward and settled in Goodhue county, Minnesota, where Mr. Smeby, Sr., first rented and afterward purchased a piece of land. Here Seaver worked on the farm, attended English school and was confirmed by Rev. (Dsten Hansen at Aspelund. Several years afterward he went to Minneapolis and worked at whatever he could find to do until 1877, when he came to **Chicago**. His brother-in-law, J. O. Hoem, was then running a meat market on Division street, and Mr. Smeby worked for him one year, familiarizing himself with the business. The next year, 1878, he started a meat market for himself at his present location, 163 W. Erie street. In 1889 he went back to Norway on a visit. He was married March 18, 1891, to Mrs. Georgiana Olsen, a widow with four children—Herbert, Harvey, Hulda and Minnie. Mr. Smeby is a member and treasurer of Nora Lodge, R. H. K., a member of the Norwegian Old People's Home and the Tabitha Hospital societies. The family attend the Lutheran Church and reside at 526 N. Sacramento avenue.



Seaver E. Smeby.

Sport

Dale Darwin Smedsmo (born August 23, 1951 in Roseau, Minnesota) is a retired American professional ice hockey forward who played four games in the National Hockey League for the Toronto Maple Leafs. He would also play 110 games in the World Hockey Association with the New England Whalers, Cincinnati Stingers, and Indianapolis Racers. Smedsmo played college hockey at Bemidji State University for the Bemidji State Beavers. His stepson is Dustin Byfuglien, who currently plays for the Winnipeg Jets.



Entertainment

Rolf Thorstein Smedvig (September 23, 1952 – April 27, 2015) was an American classical trumpeter. He was the founder of the Empire Brass Quintet. He is renowned for his velvet pure tone and accurate intonation. Rolf Smedvig was born in Seattle, Washington. His father Egil Steinar Smedvig (1922-2012) was a composer and music teacher who had immigrated from Stavanger, Norway. His mother Kristin (Jonsson) Smedvig (1921-2004) was member of the Seattle Symphony's violin section who had immigrated from Iceland.



Scientists

Elias Anton Cappelen Smith (6 November 1873 - 25 June 1949) was a Norwegian American chemical engineer, civil engineer and metallurgist. He pioneered copper production in the early 20th century. Among his achievements were the Peirce-Smith converter [fr] and the Guggenheim process. Cappelen Smith was born at Trondheim in Sør-Trøndelag, Norway. He was the son of Elias Anton Smith (1842-1912), founder of E.A. Smith AS and Ingeborg Anna Røvig (1846-1923). His middle name Cappelen is from the family of his paternal grandmother, Marie Severine Cappelen (died 1900) married to Peder Høegh Smith (died 1881). He grew up as the eldest son among nine children and attended the Trondheim Cathedral School. He was educated as a chemist at Trondhjems Tekniske Lærestanstalt, now the Norwegian University of Science and Technology, taking his final exam in 1893. The same year he emigrated to the United States



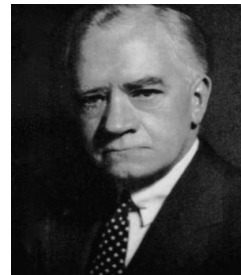
Business

JENS LAJRITZ SMITH, Alderman from the Fifteenth ward, was born in Christiania, Norway, March 16, 1850. He attended the public schools in Norway until 14 years old, when he went to sea on a Norwegian sailing vessel, two days after he was confirmed. His first trip was on the sloop Haabet, and Hamburg was the destination. This was during the trouble between Germany and Denmark, and the sloop, being Norwegian, was naturally supposed to be friendly to Denmark, and was accordingly ordered upon for failure to hoist its flag promptly. The jibboom and bowsprit were shot away, compelling the vessel to remain for a time for repairs, giving the crew an opportunity to watch the maneuvering of the Danish ships, which Mr. Smith says was a glorious sight. While on board the schooner Juno, in the fall of 1867, the ship was wrecked, the crew hanging to the wreckage for eight days, but were finally rescued by a Hanoverian schooner, less than thirty minutes before the Juno sank. Mr. Smith also experienced a wreck while on a trip from Philadelphia to the West Indies in 1867. The ship was run down by an American steamer in the Delaware River, being cut in two, and sank in a few minutes. Two of the crew lost their lives in this accident. Mr. Smith then went back to Philadelphia and from there shipped on an American ship, going to New Orleans and Antwerp and back to Quebec. He came back to **Chicago** in 1869 and sailed on the lakes for two years and then went back to salt water for two years, which ended his sea-faring career. He settled in Chicago in 1872, working for various firms, mostly in the hardware business, until 1889, when he started a business of his own in the same line at 752 W. North avenue, which he still continues. In 1905 he was elected alderman for the Fifteenth ward by a majority of 944, which Mr. Smith considers very flattering. He married Bendikke M. Bjornson on Nov. 29, 1872. They have six children. Mr. Smith is a member of Humboldt Court Tribe of Ben Hur, is a member of the Norwegian Old People's Home Society, helped to build the Tabitha Hospital, and belongs to the Wicker Park Lutheran Church, of which he has been a member of the board of trustees for the last twenty years.



Jens L. Smith.

Marius Nygaard Smith-Petersen (November 14, 1886 - May 1953) was a Norwegian-born American physician and orthopaedic surgeon. Dr. Marius Nygaard Smith-Petersen was the son of Morten Smith-Petersen and Kaia Jensine Rosalie Ursin, he was born on November 14, 1886 in the coastal town of Grimstad in Aust-Agder County, Norway. He died the 16th of June, 1953 in Boston, Massachusetts , at the age of 65, he died suddenly of a heart disorder, shortly after performing a successful hip replacement operation on one of his most famous patients, television, talk-show host, Arthur Godfrey



MRS. BERTHA CAREY SMITH, The well known church and temperance worker and lecturer, was born on a farm near Vermilion, S. D., March 2, 1862. Her father was Henry F. Johnson, from the farm Flettre, Voss, Norway. Her mother's maiden name was KariGjerde, from the farm Gjerde, Tysver, near Haugesund, Norway. Her mother was a widow when she married Bertha's father, having four children — one boy and three girls. They were married at Vermilion in 1860. Before Bertha was old enough to attend school they moved to Story county, Iowa, three miles south of Story City. Here our subject first attended school, the same being held in her father's house, there being no schoolhouses at that time except miles away. Her oldest brother was the teacher. Her youngest brother was born on the farm in Iowa in 1866. Here Bertha was confirmed in the Lutheran Church. Her mother passed away in 1869 and was the first one buried in the Story City cemetery. Her father then sold his farm and moved on a farm four miles west of Graettinger, in Palo Alto county, Iowa. While living there our subject went to Des Moines, Iowa, and learned the millinery and dress-making trade. She returned to Graettinger, where her brother, Jens H. Johnson, was clerk in a general store, and opened a millinery store. She always took an active interest in church matters and also taught the Lutheran Church school. She was married on her father's farm on Sept. 1, 1890, to Mr. Martin Smith, of **Chicago**. They lived there until 1893, when they came to Chicago and conducted a hotel on N. Morgan street during the World's Fair. Later Mr. Smith engaged in the wood and coal business, at 261 Noble street, which he is still operating. After Mrs. Smith moved to Chicago her father and brother sold the farm. Her brother's health was poor and he came to Chicago to live with his sister while consulting a doctor, her other brother and sisters having died years before. Her father went to Norway in 1896 on a visit, and while there met and married Randie Olsen. They came to America, but his wife did not like it here, so they went back after three years and bought a home in Haugesund where they are still living. Mrs. Smith's brother, Jens H. Johnson, died April 27, 1897. His death was a great loss to her, he being the only one left of her brothers and sisters. In 1902 Mrs. Smith went to Norway, where she took a number of pictures and views of interesting scenes and familiarized herself with local conditions, to be able to talk intelligently on the subject in her lectures. These entertainments are usually given under the auspices of churches or church societies for charitable purposes. They are illustrated by moving pictures. Besides talking on Norway she also lectures on the life of Martin Luther, John Wesley and others



Mrs. B. C. Smith.

Lauraine Snelling

Scandinavian-American Hall of Fame 2012

Award-winning and best-selling author Lauraine Snelling has published 80 titles since 1982, among them popular historical fiction series revolving around Norwegian immigration and inspired by her own heritage. Writing about real issues within a compelling story is a hallmark of Snelling's style, shown also in her contemporary romance and women's fiction, which probe issues of forgiveness, loss, domestic violence, and cancer. Norsk Høstfest is a natural venue for Snelling and she has participated for many years in the bookstore there, where her volumes are top sellers. Fellow author, as well as lecturer and award-winning producer/director Astrid Karlsen Scott introduced Snelling at the banquet. Scott is known internationally for her books and videos on her native Norway, and is president of Nordic Adventures, a company dedicated to the promotion of Norwegian culture. She is also a familiar face at Høstfest book tables



CHARLES GUSTAVE SOEMO, The coal dealer at. 361-63 W. Ohio street, Chicago, was born in Porsgrund, Norway, Nov. 23, 1865. His parents were Halvor Bruun Soemo and Maren Kristine Moe. Our subject attended the public schools and was confirmed in the East Side State Church in Porsgrund, in April 1881. In May of the same year he left for America, arriving in Chicago on June 7. Young as he was, he had to depend upon himself for a living, but soon found a job, and went to work. He contrived to arrange for attendance at evening school during the following winter months, and later took a course in an evening college. He soon got a good place in a machine shop and afterward was placed in charge of the steam plant of S. J. Pope & Co., then at the corner of Lake street and Fifth avenue. In 1888 he engaged in the general teaming and coal business, with his brother as an equal partner, under the name of Soemo Bros., and the firm continues in business under the same name and at the same place to-day. Our subject has been married twice, his first wife, Josephine B. Osborn, whose parents came from Florida, died in February 1897, leaving him two girls: Namah Elvira, born Sept. 25, 1888, and Charlotte Margrethe, born July 22, 1892. Another girl, Lillian Grace, 2 years old, was buried on the same day as her mother. On Sept. 26, 1898, he was married to Rebecca Elizabeth Hofstad, from Westeraalen, Norway, daughter of Peter and Hannah Paulina Hoffstad. They have two sons: Howard Edwin, born March 13, 1900, and Charles Harold, born April 9, 1901. Mr. Soemo's mother died in Chicago in 1888, only six months after her arrival in this country, having planned to return to Norway. She was the mother of twelve children, two of whom died in infancy and one sister died here in Chicago a few years ago. The other nine are all married and residents of Chicago. The father, now past 84 years, is still hale and hearty, attends church regularly, and visits his children and grandchildren. Mr. Soemo is a member of the Lincoln Lodge, Knights Of Pythias, Walhalla Court, Tribe of Ben Hur, was president of the Lincoln Pleasure Club, and served one year in the Second Regiment of Illinois National Guards. The family resides at 163 W. Huron street.



C. G. Soemo.

Reidar Sognnaes (November 6, 1911 - September 21, 1984) was Dean of the Harvard School of Dental Medicine, founding Dean of the UCLA School of Dentistry and scholar in the field of oral pathology. Reidar Fauske Sognnaes was born in Bergen, Norway. Sognnaes grew up in Bergen and took his final exams at Tanks gymnas in 1931. He took the first part of dental education in Leipzig, and concluded with an examination at the Norwegian Dental School (Norges Tannlegehøyskole) in 1936. He participated in a Norwegian scientific expedition to Tristan da Cunha during 1937-38. Sognnaes came to America in 1938 as an intern at the Forsyth Dental Infirmary for Children in Boston. He continued on as a Carnegie Dental Fellow at the University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry in New York, where he earned a master of science degree in physiology and a Ph.D. in pathology in 1941. Following World War II, in which he served in the Royal Norwegian Air Force, Sognnaes accepted a teaching position at Harvard University. Sognnaes will perhaps be best remembered for his work as a gifted forensic scientist. He is credited with identifying the remains of Adolf Hitler and Martin Bormann, through examination of American and Soviet documents. Sognnaes also disproved the theory that President George Washington had wooden teeth. When the original dentures were stolen from the Smithsonian Institution during 1981, he was able to produce a duplicate.



ERIK SEVERIN SOLBERG, Of **Seneca, Ill.**, was born in Bergen, Norway, April 17, 1854. His parents were John E. and Gertrude (Tutland) Solberg. He attended common school, high school and three years at the Latin school. He was bookkeeper with F. G. Gade & Co., Bergen, for two years. Mr. Solberg came to Chicago in December, 1872, and in the spring of 1873 went to Pentwater, Mich., where he clerked for Sands & Maxwell for two years. He then returned to Norway. He married Miss Caroline Lucie Danielson, of Bergen, Norway, Dec. 26, 1874. Her parents (Ole and Maria Danielson) lived to celebrate their diamond wedding. Mr. Solberg's mother died in Bergen; his father is still living. In the spring of 1875 Mr. Solberg returned to Pentwater with his bride and was given charge of Sands & Maxwell's branch store at Crystal Valley, Mich. He remained until 1878, when he moved to Norway, Ill. Here he was bookkeeper with Chas. J. Borchsenius until 1884, when he started a general merchandise store in **Norway, IL**. He operated this store until 1892. During that year he built a brick house and store in Seneca, closed up his establishment in Norway, and moved to Seneca, where he has conducted a general store since. He was postmaster at Norway during President Cleveland's first term and has served as alderman in Seneca for nine years. Mr. and Mrs. Solberg have had eight children, namely: Gertrude Maria, born Sept. 20, 1875; Olaf, Oct. 14, 1877; Carl August, Sept. 7, 1879; Caroline Lucie, May 3, 1882; Ernest, July 20, 1884; Walter, August 2, 1885; Marshall, Jan. 18, 1887; Margit, April 13, 1890. Ernest, Walter and Margit have passed away.

REV. CARL K. SOLBERG, Pastor of Zion Norwegian United Lutheran Church, **Chicago**, was born at Rushford, Fillmore county, Minn., June 2, 1872, his parents being Knut K. and Aasild (Haugen) Solberg. Carl early indicated a desire for an education, and after taking advantage of the public schools he attended St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minn., graduating on June 17, 1896, receiving the degree of B. A. On June 1, 1900, he graduated from the United Lutheran Church Seminary at Minneapolis. On June 17, 1900, he was ordained to the ministry of the gospel. On the 5th of August he was installed as pastor of Trinity Norwegian Lutheran Church of Vermilion, S. D. Half a year later he organized and took charge of a congregation at Yankton, S. D. He served these two congregations till the spring of 1905, when he accepted a call from Zion United Norwegian Lutheran Church, Chicago, entering upon his duties on May 7. Rev. Solberg practically paid his own way through school, spending his boyhood days on the farm in Yellow Medicine county, Minnesota. By working on the farm, canvassing for books and teaching parochial school during the summer vacations he paid for his schooling. He was married to Gunhild Sophie Berg on June 30, 1893. He is a member of the board of publication of the United Lutheran Church and president of the Norwegian Children's Home Society of Chicago. He is also chairman of the executive committees of the Luther League of Illinois and of the Chicago Luther League. The family resides at 398 Potomac avenue, Chicago.



Rev. Carl K. Solberg.

REV. CHARLES ORRIN SOLBERG, At present pastor of the Covenant English Lutheran Church of **Chicago**, was born at Rushford, Minn., Dec. 24, 1869. His parents were Halvor K. and Anna J. (Nattestad) Solberg. His youth was devoted to school. He was confirmed in the Norwegian Lutheran Church on Jefferson Prairie, near Clinton, Wis. Afterward he attended Augustana College, at Canton, S. D., for two years; then spent seven years at Beloit College, Beloit, Wis., and three years at the Lutheran Theological Seminary in Chicago. He was honored by the degree of B. A. and M.A. from Beloit College and B. D. from the seminary. After graduating he was instructor in Greek, Latin and English at **Pleasant View Luther College, Ottawa, Ill.**, for five years. He was ordained as a minister of the gospel in 1901. His first call was as pastor of Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Rockford, Ill., where he remained until 1903, the church being an English charge belonging to the Swedish Augustana Synod. From 1903 until the present time Rev. Solberg has been pastor for the Covenant English Lutheran Church of the United Norwegian Church. Rev. Solberg has been president of the Luther League of Illinois for four years. He was married to Anna L. Jacobson, of Clinton, Wis., on Sept. 2, 1896. Mrs. Solberg's parents were Mr. and Mrs. Helge Jacobson, of Clinton, Wis. Mr. and Mrs. Solberg have been blessed with two children—Helen Eunice, born July 6, 1898, and Anna Louise, Nov. 3, 1902. The family resides at 435 Cornelia street.



Rev. Charles O. Solberg.

Military

Thorvald Solberg (April 22, 1852 - July 15, 1949) was the first Register of Copyrights (1897-1930) in the United States Copyright Office . He was a noted authority on copyright and played an instrumental role in shaping the Copyright Act of 1909 . Thorvald Solberg was born in Manitowoc, Wisconsin . He was the eldest of six children born of immigrant Norwegian parents. Solberg attended public schools, working for booksellers after graduation in Manitowoc , Boston , Detroit , Knoxville , and Omaha



Sport

Oscar Martin "Ossie" Solem (December 13, 1891 – October 26, 1970) was an American football player, coach of football and basketball, and college athletics administrator. He served as the head football coach at Luther College in Decorah, Iowa (1920), Drake University(1921–1931), the University of Iowa (1932–1936), Syracuse University (1937–1945), and Springfield College (1946–1957), compiling a career college football record of 162–117–20. From 1913 until 1920, Solem was the head coach of the Minneapolis Marines, prior to that team's entry into the National Football League (NFL). During his time with the Marines, Solem introduced the team to the single-wing formation, developed by the famed coach, Pop Warner, and used by the University of Minnesota, where Solem had played football. Solem was also the head basketball coach at Drake University for four seasons, from 1921 to 1925, tallying a mark of 37–31.



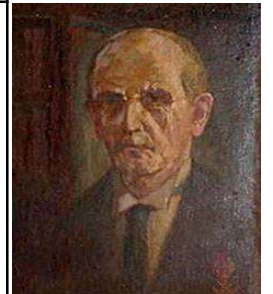
Sport

Karsten Solheim (September 15, 1911 - February 16, 2000) was a Norwegian -born American golf club designer and businessman. He founded Karsten Manufacturing, a leading golf club maker better known by its brand name of PING , and the Solheim Cup , the premier international team competition in women's golf. Born in Bergen , Norway , to Herman A. and Ragna Koppen Solheim, the family emigrated to the United States in 1913, and settled in Seattle , Washington , in its Ballard neighborhood. Herman was a shoemaker , and Karsten graduated from Ballard High School in 1931 and enrolled two years later at the University of Washington , with aims at becoming a mechanical engineer . Due to family financial hardship during the Great Depression, he withdrew from UW after his freshman year and then worked in the family shoe shop



Artists

Yngvar Sonnichsen (March 9, 1873 - July 1938) was a Norwegian born, American artist and painter known especially for his portraits, landscapes and murals. Yngvar Sonnichsen was born in Christiania, (now Oslo, Norway) to S.P. and Inga Mathea Sonnichsen. He studied at the Norwegian Institute of Technology in Trondhjem earning a civil engineering degree. He studied art at the Norwegian National Academy of Craft and Art Industry with Norwegian artists Oscar Wergeland and Eilif Peterssen . Later, from 1895 to 1899, he attended the Académie Julian in Paris, studying with William-Adolphe Bouguereau and Jean-Joseph Benjamin-Constant



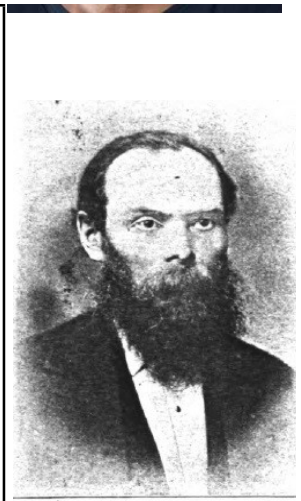
Entertainment

Kevin David Sorbo (born September 24, 1958) is an American actor . He is best known for his starring roles in two television series: as Hercules in Hercules: The Legendary Journeys , and as Captain Dylan Hunt in Andromeda . Sorbo was born in Mound, Minnesota , where he attended Mound Westonka High School . He is the son of Ardis, a nurse, and Lynn Sorbo, a junior high school mathematics and biology teacher. He is of Norwegian descent. He was raised in a Lutheran family. Sorbo attended Minnesota State University Moorhead , where he double majored in marketing and advertising. To help make tuition, he began to work as a model for print and television advertising



Business

CHRISTOPHER MARTIN SØRENSEN, Of **Aurora, Ill.**.. was born in Christiania, Norway, Aug. 4, 1827. At the age of 14 he was apprenticed to learn carpenter and cabinet work and continued at that until 1853 when he came to America. He secured work in a piano factory in New York city and remained there for five years; returned to Norway, where he was offered a good place With the Hals Bros'. piano factory and remained with them until 1868, and again came to America. He made a short stop in Chicago, but early located at Aurora, where he was employed in the shop of the C., B. 8: Q. Railroad. He continued with this company continuously until Thanksgiving Day, 1905, when he resigned and retired to enjoy his remaining years visiting his children and at his pleasant home in Aurora. Mr. Sørensen was married in Norway, May 10, 1850, to Emilie Marianna Wangensten. His wife died in 1882, leaving six children, four having preceded her to the unknown shore. Those living were all girls—Mathilda Severina, Ovidia Amelia, Emma Maria, Anna, Martha and Jennie. All are married and comfortably settled, and grandchildren greet Mr. Sørensen at all his daughters' homes. Mr. Sørensen is a member of Waubansia Lodge, No. 45, I. O. O. F.; Rebekah Encampment, No. 22, and Uniform Degree Canton, No. 13, Aurora, Ill. He has filled nearly all chairs in these lodges and was for one term chief patriarch. He belongs to and attends the. Lutheran church.



Christopher M. Sørensen.

Singers

Matthew William Sorum (born November 19, 1960) is an American drummer and percussionist. He is best known as both a former member of the hard rock band Guns N' Roses , with whom he recorded three studio albums, and as a member of the supergroup Velvet Revolver . Sorum is currently a member of the touring project, Kings of Chaos , and is a former member of both The Cult and Y Kant Tori Read . Sorum was also a member of Guns N' Roses side-projects, Slash's Snakepit and Neurotic Outsiders , and released a solo album, Hollywood Zen , in 2004. He has also been the drummer for the supergroup Hollywood Vampires since 2015. Sorum was born Matthew William Sorum on November 19, 1960, in an unincorporated area of Orange County, California that later became the city of Mission Viejo . He started to play drums after watching Ringo Starr with The Beatles on The Ed Sullivan Show in 1964. Later he was mainly influenced by Ian Paice , Keith Moon, Ginger Baker , John Bonham , Roger Taylor , Buddy Rich and Bill Ward



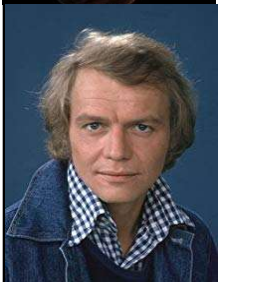
Entertainment

China Alexandra Soul (born 5 May 1988) is an American singer/songwriter, residing in Britain. Her debut album Secrets & Words was released in the UK on 25 October 2010 through AS:Music. She is the daughter of actor/singer David Soul and actress Julia Nickson-Soul.



Entertainment

David Soul (born David Richard Solberg, August 28, 1943) is an American -British actor and singer. He is known for his role as Detective Kenneth "Hutch" Hutchinson in the ABC television series Starsky & Hutch from 1975 to 1979. He became a British citizen in 2004. Father and brother Lutheran ministers. Great-grandparents helped found Stavanger Lutheran church near **Seneca, Illinois.**



Journalist

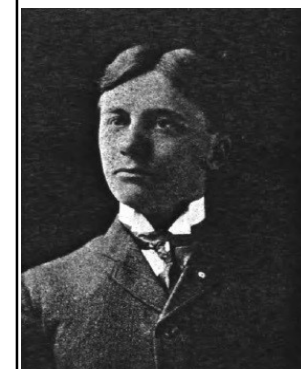
Carl Søyland (May 19, 1894 - December 1978) was a Norwegian born, American author, reporter, editor and community leader. Carl Søyland was born in Bergen , Norway . He was the son of Tønnes James Søyland (1859-1917) and Kristiane Nilsen (1868-1953). Søyland grew up in Flekkefjord in Vest-Agder , Norway. He immigrated to the United States during 1919 at 25 years of age. In 1926, Søyland settled in Bay Ridge area of Brooklyn . Søyland was the editor-in-chief of Nordisk Tidende from 1940 until his retirement in 1963. Founded in 1891, Nordisk Tidende (now Norwegian American Weekly) was a Norwegian language weekly newspaper published by the Norwegian News Company in Brooklyn, New York



Carlo Alberto Sperati (Carlo A.) was born to Italian musician Paolo Agostino Sperati and Marie (Nielsen) Sperati on December 29, 1860; he was their eighth child. His mother died when he was five and his father then married Mathilde Bendixsen. Carlo A. Sperati Professors of Music. Prof. Sperati, comes from a musical family. His parents were musical ; his children are musical. His father, an Italian musician, married a Danish girl and finally settled at Christiania, where he was a church organist and musical director of brilliant and solid worth, and famed from Turin to Trondhjem. The boy Carlo learned to play the violin, piano and organ, but was especially good on the drums. At the Tivoli Gardens, Copenhagen, he played before the crowned heads and in Christiania he received a beautiful set of studs from the dowager Queen Josephine. He attended a navigation school and sailed the seven seas. On one occasion when his boat stopped at Havana, he went on shore and stepped into a fine hotel. A piano was standing- there with the paid musicians resting for the moment from their task. One of his companions said, "Sperati, you go and play us a tune on the piano." The musicians beckoned him to try it, smiling to themselves at the thought of this sailor lad playing on the piano. But their smiles were soon changed to wonder and amazement as he played by heart with exquisite technique the masterpieces of Italy, Germany and Norway. The room was soon filled with enchanted listeners, and after an hour or two of playing in which there was absolute quiet, the delighted audience rushed up to him to give him their heartfelt thanks. Through his- life as a sailor Sperati had a burning desire to study theology and through the instrumentality of Sister Elizabeth Fedde, he was led to go to Luther College and later to Luther Seminary, after which he went into the Norwegian ministry at Bellingham, 1891-1894, Parkland, 1894-1895, Tacoma, 1895-1905. He became instructor in music at Pacific Academy in 1894 and director of choirs all along Puget Sound. He was the first choir director of the Norwegian Singers of the Pacific Coast and held the position 13 years, 1903-1916. Rudolf Moeller, the composer, is now president of this association. In 1905 he came to Luther College, and has won distinction as choir director and musical instructor of national and international repute. In 1914 the climax of band tours was achieved when the band represented Luther College and Norwegian-American culture in the field of music at the hundredth anniversary of Norway's independence.



C. O. R. STABECK, Cashier of the Farmer's Bank of Davis, IL., was born on his father's farm in Winnebago county, Illinois, Dec. 31, 1881. His father, Thursten Stabeck, now deceased, and his mother (Torgen Patterson) were also born in Winnebago county. They resided on this farm until 1884, when they moved to Davis. Here the elder Stabeck engaged in the shipping of horses to the Northwest, and also handled real estate and loans, until 1895, when he organized the Farmer's Bank of Davis, of which he was president until his death, on June 8, 1903. His widow with six children survives him; four of them are married—H. N. Stabeck, president of the First National Bank, Renville, Minn.; Clara L. Orth; Raymond, Minn.; Anna H. Bragstad and Estella B. Bragstad, of Canton, S. D. The subject of our sketch and a younger brother, Lloyd K., are at home with their mother at Davis, Ill. Mr. Stabeck graduated from the Davis high school in 1900. He was early taught the Norwegian language, attending school every summer until he was confirmed, June 6, 1896. In 1900-'01 he attended Luther College, Decorah, Iowa, where he received his diploma from the preparatory department, having devoted most of his time to the study of languages, more especially to Norwegian and German. The following year he attended Beloit (Wis) college, after which he taught Norwegian school for two terms. He then entered the Farmer's Bank Of Davis as bookkeeper, which place he held until his father's death, when he was appointed cashier and director. He is closely connected with several banks and land companies through out the Northwest, being vice-president of the Gold-Stabeck Land and Credit Company, of Renville, Minn. He is a member of the Norwegian Lutheran Church of Rock Run, is a republican in politics, and is township and village treasurer. He is a 32d-degree Mason



C. O. R. Stabeck.

Arthur Staff, national champion skater, is a Chicago boy, born of Norwegian parents. His prowess and skill were developed by the old Sleipner Athletic Club, which now is called the Norwegian-American Athletic Association of Chicago.

Arthur Nels Staff

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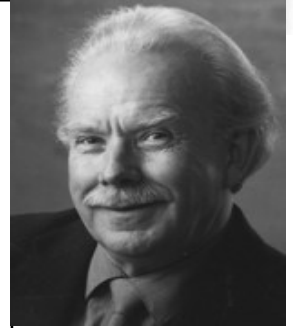
DEATH4 Jan 1976 (aged 78) Cypress, Orange County, California, USA



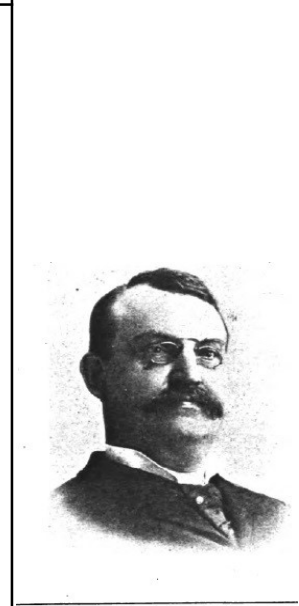
Rolf Kristian Stang [9-19-1939]

Scandinavian-American Hall of Fame 1998

A versatile performer, he has used his talents in many ways entertaining diverse audiences. Young people, especially, are charmed by his portrayal of historical figures such as Hans Christian Andersen. Rolf Kristian Stang, American vocalist, educator, actor, advertising executive, writer. Decorated knight (Norway), St. Olav medal King Harald V of Norway, 1997; named to Scandinavian-American Hall of Fame, 1998; recipient Leif Eriksson citation, 2000. Stang, Rolf Kristian was born on September 19, 1939 in **Rockford, Illinois**, United States. Son of Trygve Ingvald and Kirsten (Anfinsen-Kristiansen) Stang.



PETER CHRISTIAN BUCK STANGE, With the First National Bank, was born at Amllesogn, Bergens stift, Norway, April 18, 1849. His parents were Jacob Stange, merchant, of Flekkefjord, and Dorothea Christiane Buck, of Molde. When our subject was 18 months old his father died, and the widow first moved to Bergen and later to Mandal, where he attended the select school until the age of nearly 15 years, when he entered the office of district judge Mons Lie, father of the poet Jonas Lie. Here, under the kind patronage of the judge and his able son and deputy, Emil Lie, he was enabled through further study under private tuition to acquire an education. His elder brother, Christopher Lorentz Buck, being a graduate pharmacist, accepted the position of medical attendant on the sailing vessel Rjukan for a passage to America. On reaching Chicago he obtained a position as chemist so remunerative that he remained in America and urged his brother to follow. He did so, arriving in **Chicago** in June 1868. Now began a series of trials for him, in a strange country and under new conditions. In order to become thoroughly Americanized he worked on a farm in Illinois, and later went to Louisiana, where he worked a cotton plantation one year on shares. After various vicissitudes in the South he returned to Chicago. In 1872, following the great fire, he secured employment in a dry goods store on Milwaukee avenue, where he was offered a partnership, but declined it to take a position with a newly organized Scandinavian banking house, which was more to his liking. That bank, however, failed in 1877, and he accepted a position with the foreign exchange department of the First National Bank of Chicago, which, under the leadership of Lyman J. Gage and later under James B. Forgan, was destined to become the greatest financial institution west of New York. It afforded the desired field for his energies. He has remained with the bank since, having held the place of chief accountant for the foreign exchange department, had charge of the Scandi navian department, and is at present assistant to the manager of the foreign exchange department. In 1893 he applied for the post of vice-consulfor Norway and Sweden in Chicago, being supported by the newspapers Norden, Amerika and Skandinavien. In this connection we quote in translation from Norden of May 16, 1896: "Christian Stange is first of all a business man and a bank man, but he is also interested in matters not pertaining to the daily toil and strife. He is greatly interested in literature and music and is a warm and faithful friend.



Peter C. B. Stange.

Business

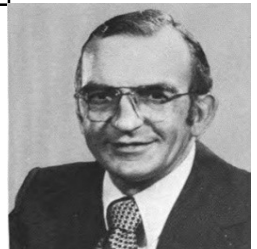
WILLIAM JAN STANGE Is a native of **Chicago** having been born in this city Oct. 14, 1870. His father, C. L. B. Stange, was born in Flekkefjord, Norway, and his mother Wilhelmina Mathilda Møller, in Copenhagen, Denmark. They came to America in 1867. Upon arrival here Stange, Sr., engaged in the chemical business and continued in it until his death on March 31, 1889. William, who was then 19 years old, had together with his schooling, also been with his father and studied the business so that he was able to continue in the same line and has been engaged in the same business since. He manufactures bottlers' supplies, flavoring extracts, chemicals and colors. His plant is located at 839-41 W. Lake street. He attended the University of Notre Dame, Indiana, for four years, and then took a course in pharmacy and chemistry at the Illinois' College of Pharmacy. A year or so after his father's death he associated himself with others, but in 1903 he branched out for himself, alone and independent. He was married on June 1, 1898, to Lucretia Steiens, daughter of Jacob and Lucretia, Sievens, of Chicago. Mrs. Stange is a vocalist of some note, possessing a very fine and unusual contralto voice, as well as being an accomplished pianist. Mr. Stange prides himself upon the fluency with which he speaks Norwegian, considering that he is a native American. He speaks German with equal fluency. He is a member of the Masonic Orders, the B. & P. O. of E., Knights and Ladies of Security, and a charter member of the Chicago Drug Trade Club.



William J. Stange.

Politicians

Arlan Ingehart Stangeland (February 8, 1930 - July 2, 2013) was an American politician from the U.S. state of Minnesota. As a Republican, Stangeland served on the Barnesville, Minnesota school board (1976-1977) and as a member of the Minnesota House of Representatives (1966-1975) before being elected to the U.S. House of Representatives as the representative from Minnesota's 7th congressional district in a special election to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Robert Bergla



Business

Benjamin Franklin Stangland [1848-1941], Sloop, is a mechanical engineer. He was in the employ of the Fairbanks Co., **Chicago**, 1873-1877; with Howard and Morse, New York, since 1879; has designed many ventilating plants in large buildings. Charter member of American Society of Heating and Ventilating Engineers. The youngest of Andrew and Susan Stanglands children was Frank, christened Benjamin Franklin. He was to have been adopted by his Uncle Richard Caiy but his Uncle Alex, still at home, picked him up and said, "Mother I think we will keep Frank", and took him out of the room. Alex did not marry until Frank was 7, an occasion which took him out of dresses and into trousers. His hair was tow, as white as snow. When Frank was old enough to ride a horse he began to work on the Caiy farm for his Uncle Alex. By the time he was lli he was a full-fledged hand, -- except for pitching hay. When his Grandfather Cary died, it became his job to take the wheat to Kendall Mills to be ground. Meanwhile he went to school at the little schoolhouse on the corner at Norway Road, except when it burned down. Then for a time he went to the school at Moscow Road and County Line, staying with his brother Jack at the Wilsons. Frank wait to Brookport Normal College when he was about 16 and also spent some time out in Indiana, doing chores for brother Tallock. Later, back in New York, he and a friend walked to Rochester on the way to Poughkeepsie to go to business college. But in Rochester they found two such schools and they went first to one and then the other as the tuition was alternately lowered. Frank went to Bryan-Stra ions until his money (inheritance) gave out. He then applied for work at Forsythe Scales. After a long talk with Mr. Forsythe, the latter said to him, Well Frank, come the first of April. Chno, that's Friday and Friday's an unlucky day. Come Thursday". He worked as a shipping clerk but soon found out he preferred to s'ill and the firm put him on the road. In 1870 he was sent to Chicago. From there he went to Galena, and to Dubuque, and then down the river by steamer to Davenport. He then went cross-country to Cedar Rapids and Omaha, Nebraska. No other agent came anywhere near selling the amount that he did. Frank Stangland worked in the Forsythe store in Chicago '97 he was the Fairbanks Scale Co. representative, when he was not selling on the road. On Oct. 9, 1871 he experienced the great Chicago fire.



Entertainment

Eider "Red" Stangland (February 7, 1922 – August 8, 1995) was an American radio broadcaster and humorist. He wrote numerous joke books focused on Upper Midwestern humor, most notably a series of titles about the fictional characters Ole and Lena. Eider C. Stangland began his radio career as an announcer and ended it as a station owner. He owned KIWA AM and FM in Sheldon, Iowa, and had owned the former KCHF AM and FM stations in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Stangland wrote numerous joke books centered on the Nordic characters at the center of jokes that predate his works and go back at least to the 1940s.



Religious

Gustav Stearns was born on March 23, 1874 in New Richland, Minnesota, United States. Son of Halvor and Bergit (Sevats) Stearns. Bachelor of Arts, St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minnesota, 1896. C.T., Lutheran Theological Seminary, St. Paul, Minnesota, 1899, Master of Theology, 1929. Doctor of Divinity, Augustana College, Sioux Falls, South Dakot, 1931. Ordained ministry Lutheran Church, June 25, 1899. Pastor Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Ascension, Milwaukee, 1899-1934. Dedicated new church building, 1923.

Full time United States Government Veterinary Administration chaplain, National Soldiers Home, Milwaukee, 1934-1947. Chaplain, First lieutenant, 1st Wisconsin Infantry, Mexican border service, 1916. Chaplain, captain, 127th Infantry, 32d Division, United States Army, 22 months, World War. Overseas 15 months; wounded at Badricourt, France, July 12, 1918. Engaged in battles, Haute-Alsace sector, May 18-July 21, 1918, Aisne-Marne offensive, July 30-August 6, 1918, Oise-Aisne offensive, August 28-September 6, 1918. Chaplain, rank of major, Wisconsin National Guard and Reserves, January 1, 1925. Lieutenant colonel and chaplain, National Guard of the United States and State of Wisconsin, 1931-1938. Vice president Chaplains' Association Army of the United States, 1931, president, 1932.

Captain-Chaplain Gustav Stearns, 127th Inf. 32nd Div. A.E.F. conducting a church service between the trenches in the Haute-Alsace trench sector in the spring of 1918. All were ordered to wear steel helmets and gas masks constantly while in this area. The gas mask is seen at the chaplain's side.



Writers

LAURITZ H. STEENSOHN, The well-known reporter and news-gatherer on the editorial staff of the daily "Skandinaven," was born at Lyngen, near Tromso, Norway, Jan. 31, 1852. His father, D. C. Steensohn, was a merchant there, until his death, 45 years ago. His mother, Mrs. Dorothea Steensohn, is still living at Drammen at the advanced age of 90 years. Having been educated in the public schools and confirmed in the Lutheran Church, Mr. Steensohn at the age of 15 years secured employment as a clerk with a mercantile house at Bodo and later at Hammerfest, the northernmost city in Europe. In that position he remained for about ten years, when he started in business as a merchant on his own account. He also was engaged in the steam-ship and insurance business. Being very much socially inclined it was but natural that Mr. Steensohn should be called as member of a number of societies. In several of them he was elected president and in 1880 and 1882 he was sent as a delegate from the Work fngmen's Association to conventions in Christiania and Trondhjem. He came to **Chicago** in 1884 and at first worked as a painter and paper-hanger. During the last twelve years he has been engaged in the new: paper business, mostly with "Skandinaven", in the capacity of reporter and news-gatherer. Since 1890 he has been a notary public. In Chicago Mr. Steensohn has been connected with various Norwegian societies.



L. H. Steensohn.

Entertainment

Eric Matthew Stefani (born June 17, 1967) is an American musician, composer, writer, and animator best known as the founder and former member of the ska punk band No Doubt. He is the older brother of former bandmate Gwen Stefani and is also a former animator on the television series The Simpsons and The Ren & Stimpy Show. Stefani is the son of Dennis and Patti Stefani (née Flynn). He attended Loara High Schoolin Anaheim, California. He worked at a Dairy Queen with his sister Gwen and John Spence. He studied animation at the California Institute of the Arts 1991



Singers

Gwen Renée Stefani (born October 3, 1969) is an American singer, songwriter, and actress. She is a co-founder and the lead vocalist of the band No Doubt that experienced major success after their breakthrough studio album Tragic Kingdom (1995) along with various successful singles, including "Just a Girl", "Don't Speak", "Hey Baby", and "It's My Life". Inspired by pop music from the 1980s, the album was a critical and commercial success. Gwen Renée Stefani was born on October 3, 1969, in Fullerton, California, and raised Roman Catholic in Anaheim, California. She was named after a stewardess in the 1968 novel Airport, and her middle name, Renée, comes from The Four Tops' 1968 cover of The Left Banke's 1966 song "Walk Away Renée". Her father, Dennis Stefani, worked as a Yamaha marketing executive. Her mother, Patti (née Flynn), worked as an accountant before becoming a housewife. Gwen's parents were fans of folk music and exposed her to music by artists like Bob Dylan and Emmylou Harris. She has two younger siblings, Jill and Todd, and an older brother, Eric. Eric was the keyboardist for No Doubt before leaving the band to pursue a career in animation on The Simpsons.



Entertainment

Michael Mateus Steger (born May 27, 1980) is an American actor. He is best known for his role as Navid Shirazi on The CW's teen drama series 90210. Steger was born on May 27, 1980, the third out of four sons. He is the son of an accountant mother and an operations manager father. He is of Ecuadorian, Austrian, and Norwegian descent, and grew up in a middle-class family.



Norsk Hostfest

The Stenehjem Family

Scandinavian-American Hall of Fame 2016

The Stenehjem Family, founders of what is known today as First International Bank & Trust, has been in the banking business for over 100 years, with a fourth generation poised to assume leadership of the institution that serves customers in North Dakota, Minnesota and Arizona through 26 branches. It was an agricultural boom in western North Dakota that spurred Norwegian-American brothers Odin and Gerhard Stenehjem to start a bank in the small town of Arnegard. It later moved to Watford City, where its corporate headquarters remain.



Norsk Hostfest

Wayne Stenehjem

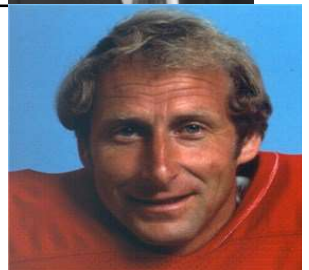
Scandinavian-American Hall of Fame 2007

Serving as North Dakota's Attorney General since January 2001, he has made drug enforcement a priority, proposing legislation for an initiative that coordinates law enforcement with health and human service agencies and promotes addiction counseling. He launched a website to help parents and other citizens with access to information about the most dangerous sex offenders in the state.



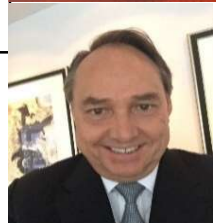
Sport

Jan Stenerud (, Norwegian ; born November 26, 1942) is a Norwegian former professional American football player for the AFL /NFL Kansas City Chiefs (1967-1979), Green Bay Packers (1980-1983), and Minnesota Vikings (1984-1985). He is the first pure placekicker to be inducted in the Pro Football Hall of Fame. Stenerud is distinguished as being the first Norwegian to play in the NFL. Born in Fetsund, in the county of Akershus, Norway, Stenerud came to the United States as a college student, on a ski jumping scholarship to Montana State University in Bozeman. In the fall of 1964, Stenerud was training for the upcoming ski season by running the stadium steps of Gattton Field, the football venue through 1971, directly south of Romney Gym.



Business

Kristian Stensby is a Norwegian-American entrepreneur and businessman involved in the marine and particularly the cruise line industry. Kristian Stensby is the President and Chief Executive Officer of Ocean Group. born on 12/3/1955. Currently, he lives in Coral Gables, FL



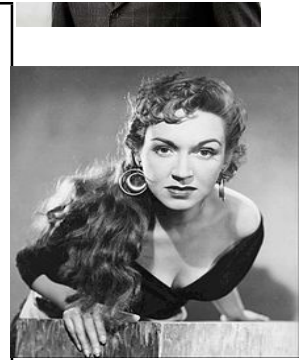
Artists

Frank Stephenson (born 4th October 1959) is an American automobile designer widely known for his design work at Mini, Fiat, Alfa Romeo, Ferrari and McLaren. Stephenson was born in Casablanca, Morocco (3 October 1959) to a Norwegian father who held American citizenship and a Spanish mother



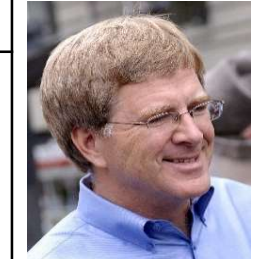
Entertainment

Risë Stevens (June 11, 1913 – March 20, 2013) was an American operatic mezzo-soprano. Beginning in 1938, she sang for the Metropolitan Opera in New York City for more than two decades during the 1940s and 1950s. Stevens was born Risë Gus Steenberg in New York City, the daughter of Sarah "Sadie" (née Mechanic) and Christian Carl Steenberg, an advertising salesman. Her father was of Norwegian descent and her mother was Jewish (of Polish and Russian descent). She had a younger brother, Lewis "Bud" Steenberg, who died in World War II. *Going My Way* is a 1944 American musical comedy-drama film directed by Leo McCarey and starring Bing Crosby and Barry Fitzgerald. Based on a story by Leo McCarey, the film is about a new young priest taking over a parish from an established old veteran. Crosby sings five songs in the film, with other songs performed onscreen by Metropolitan Opera's star mezzo-soprano, Risë Stevens (in the role of a famous Metropolitan Opera performer) as well as the Robert Mitchell Boys Choir



Historians

Rick Steves (born May 10, 1955) is an American travel writer , author, activist and television personality . Since 2000, he has hosted *Rick Steves' Europe* , a travel series on PBS . Steves also has a public radio travel show called *Travel with Rick Steves* (2005–present) and has authored numerous travel guides.



Singers

Harry Stewart (October 21, 1908 - May 20, 1956), born Harry Skarbo, was an entertainer, singer, comedian, and songwriter. He was best known for his portrayal of **Yogi Yorgesson**, a comically exaggerated Swedish American Harry Edward Skarbo was born in Tacoma, Washington to Hans H. Skarbo (1878-1941) an immigrant from Norway , and Elsie (Gilbertson) Skarbo (1882- 1911) who was the daughter of Norwegian immigrants. After the death of his mother, he was adopted by the Stewart family. Growing up in the Proctor District , he attended Washington Grade School and Stadium High School in Tacoma



Medal of Honor

Andrew Vincent Stoltenberg (January 26, 1865 - December 25, 1921) was a United States Navy sailor and a recipient of the **Medal of Honor** for his actions in the Philippine-American War . Andrew Vincent Stoltenberg was born in Aarnes, Trondenes , Norway . His father died when he was 4 years old and was raised by an aunt and uncle

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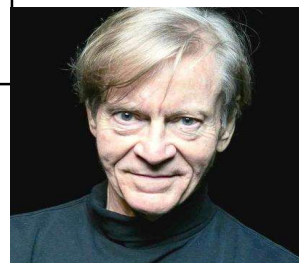
HENRY NICHOLAS STOLTENBERG, The attorney, was born in **Chicago** on March 9, 1866. His parents were Jens and Anna Erland Stoltenberg. Henry attended the public schools in Chicago and afterward Lake Forest University where he received the degree of bachelor of law, From 1875 to 1884 he sold newspapers, mornings and evenings. Then he took up shorthand and secured a position as stenographer with Judge Windes and Mr. Alexander Sullivan's law firm, acting also as court reporter. During these years he also studied law, and in 1890 began to practice. He opened an office for himself in 1902. He was married to Ingeborg, daughter of Herr and Fru Johan H. Jensen, of Stavanger, Norway, on Aug. 24, 1894. They have four children— Harriet Evelyn, born 1895; Gladys Lillian, 1897; Leila Naomi, 1899; Vivian Beulah, 1902. Mr. Stoltenberg's father died in 1870; his mother is living. Our subject is a member of Austin Lodge, A. F. & A. M.; Cicero chapter, R. A. M.: Royal Arcanum; A. O. U. W., and of the Degree of Honor, A. O. U. W., in which order he has also been representative to the grand lodge and deputy master workman. He spent three years in the interest of the Norwegian Hospital and other charitable societies, and was president of the Norwegian Tabitha Hospital. The family resides at 303 Humboldt boulevard.



Henry Stoltenberg.

Politicians

John Stoltenberg (born 1944) is a U.S. radical feminist activist, author, and magazine editor. He is the former managing editor of *AARP The Magazine*, a bimonthly publication of the United States-based advocacy group AARP, a position he held from 2004 until 2012. Stoltenberg was life partner to Andrea Dworkin for thirty-one years (eventually marrying), although he considers himself gay. He is a lapsed Lutheran, of German and Norwegian descent.



Scientists

Olaf O. Storaasli, Synective Labs VP, was a researcher at Oak Ridge National Laboratory (Computer Science and Mathematics Division's Future Technologies Group) and USEC following his NASA career. He led the hardware, software and applications teams' successful development of one of NASA's 1st parallel computers, the Finite element machine and developed rapid matrix equation algorithms to exploit accelerators (FPGAs) to solve science and engineering applications. He was PhD advisor and graduate instructor at UT, GWU and CNU and mentored 25 NHGS students. He is recognized by American Men and Women of Science, Marquis Who's Who, and NASA, Cray, Intel and Concordia College awards. NASA Awards include Viking Mars Lander design and Engineering Analysis (IPAD, RIM, HPC, FPGA, SPAR, FEM, Space Shuttle SRB and NASA Software-of-the-year). May 15, 1943 Philadelphia, PA



Singers

Axel Stordahl (August 8, 1913 - August 30, 1963) was an American arranger who was active from the late 1930s through the 1950s. He is perhaps best known for his work with Frank Sinatra in the 1940s at Columbia Records. With his sophisticated orchestrations, Stordahl is credited with helping to bring pop arranging into the modern age. Stordahl was born in Staten Island, New York to Norwegian immigrant parents. He began his career as a trumpeter in jazz bands which played in several dance bands around Long Island and the Catskills during the late 1920s and early 1930s. He also began arranging around this time, and in 1933 he joined Bert Bloch's orchestra in both capacities. Over the next couple of years, Stordahl sang on the side in a vocal trio dubbed the Three Esquires



Museum

After several months of hard work by **George Strand**, organizer, Cleng Peerson Lodge was instituted on October 29, 1972. The lodge was named for the first Norwegian immigrant to America, Cleng Peerson, and at the time it was chosen, had not been used by any other lodge. The charter president, Lester Seversike, and the first secretary, Leif Myre, spent long hours getting the lodge going, and welcomed the guidance and counsel of Mr. Strand. The largest charter in the history of Sons of Norway (with over 1100 charter members) was received at Cleng Peerson Lodge's first Syttende Mai banquet on May 17, 1973 in **Ottawa**. The lodge first met at Holiday Inn in Morris and then Ottawa, then at the Masonic Temples in these cities. We now meet in the Norway Improvement League Building in **Norway, IL**. Over the years our money making projects have been baked food sales, flea markets, garage sales, and a booth in the La Salle County Arts and Crafts Shows in Ottawa. We donate annually to many local worthy organizations and members ring the bells for Salvation Army each Christmas season. We meet the third Sunday of the month at 2 p.m. and we welcome all lodges to come visit us. Our sister lodge is NorDeka at DeKalb and Polar Star Lodge of Aurora.



Writers

Peter Francis Straub (; born March 2, 1943) is an American novelist and poet. His horror fiction has received numerous literary honors such as the Bram Stoker Award, World Fantasy Award, and International Horror Guild Award. Straub was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, the son of Elvena (Nilsestuen) and Gordon Anthony Straub. At the age of seven, Straub was struck by a car, sustaining serious injuries. He was hospitalized for several months, and temporarily used a wheelchair after being released until he had re-learned how to walk. Straub has said that the accident made him prematurely aware of his own mortality.



Museum

Lorraine Ellen Straw 1943 - 2016__, nee Meland, age 73, of **Oregon, IL** died Saturday, Dec. 3, 2016 at Serenity Hospice, Oregon, IL following an 11 month battle with brain cancer. Lorraine was born Nov. 22, 1943 in **Chicago IL**, the daughter of Thomas and Annabelle, nee Adamson; beloved wife of fifty-one years to Perry Clark Straw Jr.; loving mother of Naomi (Peter) Dhuse and Perry Clark III (Pamela) Straw; dearest grandmother of Zachary, Zoe and Zayla Dhuse; dear sister of Carol Hoidahl. Lorraine enjoyed time with family, neighbors, pursuing art, serving others in the Norwegian Community, and saving the 1893 Viking Ship. **SCHOOLING:** Thomas A. Edison School-1956, Taft High School-1962, Moody Bible Institute-1965, The Art Institute-1968, Kellogg School of Management-1987. **SUPPORTER OF:** The Moody Church, Moody Bible Institute, Minnekirken-Norwegian Lutheran Memorial Church, Evangelical Free Church of Mt. Morris, Jesus Video/CRU, Family Life Ministries. **SERVING/MEMBER:** Vesterheim-Norwegian-American Museum, Sons of Norway/Skjold Lodge #100, MSI, CHM, Field Museum, Tall Ships/Chicago, FOVS, Lakeview High School Local School Counsel, Eagle's Nest Art Group-Oregon, IL. **OFFICE HOLDER:** Norwegian National League (nnleague.org), Illinois Norsk Rosemalers Association (rosemaling.org), Grieg Ladies Singing Society (griegladies.org), Founding President of Friends of the Viking Ship (vikingship.us).



"Friends" of the Viking Ship gathered outside the courtroom after Judge Sophia Hall signed the agreed order. Front row: Elizabeth Safanda – FOVS Vice President, Matthew Shapiro – Assistant Attorney General, Trust Division, Lorraine Straw – FOVS President, Honorable Perry Gulbrandsen (Ret.), Honorable Sophia Hall, Paul Anderson – Honorary Norwegian Consul General, William Nissen, Lindy Anderson, Don Hoganson. Behind: Brian Ibsen – FOVS Board member, Bruce Andresen, Lynn Maxson, Nelson Brown, Senior Counsel, CPD, Thomas Maxson, Roald Berg

Infamous

Kevin Alfred Strom (born August 17, 1956) is an American White nationalist , neo-Nazi , Holocaust denier , White separatist and associate editor of National Vanguard . Strom resigned from National Vanguard in July 2006, but rejoined in 2012. In 2008, Strom pleaded guilty to possession of child pornography and was sentenced to 23 months in prison, of which he served four months



Religious

Peer Stromme also Per Olsen Strømme (September 15, 1856 - September 15, 1921) was an American pastor, teacher, journalist, and author. Peer Olson Strømme was born in Winchester, Wisconsin to immigrant parents from Norway; Ole and Eli Haugen. Stromme graduated from Luther College (Iowa) and attended Concordia Seminary in St. Louis, MO. In 1879, he was ordained into the Lutheran ministry. He subsequently held a teaching post at St. Olaf College . Peer Stromme was editor of Norden, a Norwegian language paper in **Chicago** . Additionally he was the founding editor of the Norwegian language newspaper Dagbladet . He also translated books for the John Anderson Publishing Company in Chicago and the Lutheran Publishing House of Decorah, Iowa

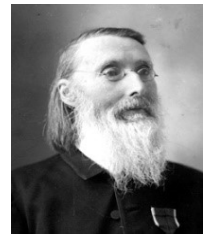


Entertainment

Sally Anne Struthers (born July 28, 1947) is an American actress , spokeswoman and activist. She played the roles of Gloria Stivic , the daughter of Archie and Edith Bunker (played by Carroll O'Connor and Jean Stapleton) on All in the Family , for which she won two Emmy awards, and Babette on Gilmore Girls . She was the voice of Charlene Sinclair on the ABC sitcom Dinosaurs and Rebecca Cunningham on the Disney animated series TaleSpin . Sally Anne Struthers was born on July 28, 1947 in Portland, Oregon , and attended Grant High School . She is one of two children. She has a sister, Sue. Their parents are Margaret Caroline (née Jernes) and Robert Alden Struthers, a surgeon, who left the family when Sally was 9 or 10 years old. Her maternal grandparents were Norwegian immigrants.



Hans Gerhard Stub (23 February 1849 - 1 August 1931) was an American Lutheran theologian and church leader. He served as Bishop of the Norwegian Lutheran Church in America. Hans Gerhard Stub was born in Muskego, Wisconsin. His parents were Lutheran Pastor Hans Andreas Stub (1822-1907) and Ingeborg Margrethe Arentz (1815-1892), both immigrants from Norway. Hans Stub was born in an immigrant cabin in Wisconsin.



Rev Hans Andreas Stub BIRTH13 May 1822 Fusa kommune, Hordaland fylke, Norway
DEATH22 Jun 1907 (aged 85) Muskego, Waukesha County, Wisconsin, USA
Hans A. Stub heeded the call of the Norwegian settlers: "Come over and help us." Full of faith and youthful enthusiasm he began to serve the Norwegian Congregation at Muskego as Lutheran pastor in 1848. In 1855 he was transferred to Coon Prairie, Wis. On June 27, 1907, Pastor Stub was called to his reward after a long life of blessed service in the Master's kingdom. In 1849, during the most frightful epidemic of cholera in the history of the Norwegian settlements, a son was born to H. A. Stub and Sorcn Bache's Log Hut English, Norwegian and German with wife, destined to rear head and shoulders above his fellows. This son is Hans Gerhard Stub, D.D., Litt. D., LL.D. Stub was educated at the Bergen Cathedral School, Norway; Luther College, Iowa; Concordia Seminary, St. Louis; and Leipzig University, Germany. He speaks and writes equal facility. He has been pastor at Minneapolis, 1872-78; professor of systematic theology and Old Testament at Luther Seminary, 1878-96; pastor and college professor, Decorah, Iowa, 1896-1900; professor of theology, Luther Seminary, 1900-17; president of Luther Seminary; president of the Norwegian Synod, 1911-17; president of the Norwegian Lutheran Church of America, 1917 —; president of the National Lutheran Council, 1919-22; etc. He has been editor of "Theologisk Tidsskrift" and "Kirketidende" and has written several books. He has been **thrice knighted by the King of Norway, Haakon VII:** In 1908, created Knight of St. Olav; in 1912, made Commander of St. Olav; in 1923, decorated with the Grand Cross. Hans Andreas Stub was a much-beloved pastor, whose name is still a household word. Adolph Carl Preus was an energetic president of the Norwegian Synod during many trying years, 1853-1862. Nils O. Brandt was the first pioneer pastor west of the Mississippi, a teacher at Luther College, 1865-1882, and a man of long and inspiring influence. His wife, nee Didrikke Ottesen, was a wonderful mother in Israel, of blessed memory. She never tired in behalf of students at Luther College; thousands enjoyed her hospitality. Hundreds of the great Norwegians, as well as those not so famous, have had their stockings darned and their pantaloons mended by this kind woman and her ladies' aids.

PETER JOHAN WICKMANN STUHR. Was born at Kristiansund, Norway, February 3, 1870. His parents are Captain C. H. Stuhr and his wife Babette, nee Walther. Mr. Stuhr was educated in the High Schools of his native city and confirmed in the Lutheran church. He was then apprenticed to learn the trade of a watchmaker at Christiania. At the age of twenty he came to America and settled first at Marquette and later at Ishpeming, Michigan, where he started in business and was married May 2, 1891, to Miss Olga Marie Kaspersen of Christiania, Norway. Seeking a larger field he moved to **Chicago** in 1893 and found employment as an expert watchmaker with the large jewelry house of Spaulding and Company on State street. Here Mr. Stuhr remained until August 1906, when he engaged in business on his own account and opened a jewelry store at 591 N. California avenue, where he is doing an ever increasing business, as he is gaining the confidence of his countrymen and neighbors by excellent work and straight dealings. It is in fact a splendid recommendation to have been connected with such a prominent business house during so many years, as Spaulding and Company employ only first-class men. Mr. Stuhr is a member of the Norwegian Quartet Club.



Peter J. W. Stuhr.

Directors

Sarah Cameron Sunde is an American theatrical director and translator based in New York City . She is a graduate of the UCLA School of Theater Film and Television , and is a Lincoln Center Directors Lab alumna. She has directed plays in New York City, California and Great Britain . In 2004, she translated and directed Jon Fosse 's *Night Sings Its Songs* at the Culture Project in New York City, and the following year she directed *The Asphalt Kiss* by Nelson Rodrigues at the Off-Broadway 59E59 Theaters. She directed her translation of Fosse's *deathvariations* in 2006 and *SaKaLa* in 2008. In 2009, she directed the world premiere of Sarah Dickey's *The Amish Project* at the Rattlestick Playwrights Theater. Sunde is a co-founder of both Oslo Elsewhere and the Translation Think Tank



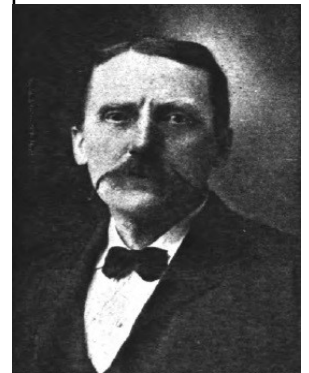
Entertainment

Arnold Olaf Sundgaard (October 31, 1909 – October 22, 2006) was an American playwright, librettist, and lyricist. He was also a writer of short stories and children's books as well as a college professor specializing in drama and theatrics. Sundgaard was best known for his role in the production of six Broadway plays. Sundgaard was born in Saint Paul, Minnesota, and was of Norwegian descent. He attended Johnson Senior High School in Saint Paul, where he played football with Warren E. Burger. He then attended the University of Wisconsin, graduating with a bachelor's degree in English in 1935; he also studied at the Yale Drama School. He taught drama at a number of schools, including Columbia University, Bennington College, and the University of Texas. Sundgaard was awarded a Guggenheim Fellowship in the field of music research in 1951



Business

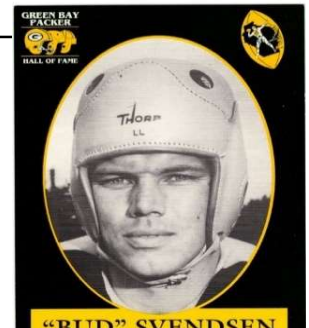
SIVERT SVE, The well-known watchmaker and jeweler of **Pana, Illinois**, was born on erandet, Søndre Trondhjems amt, Norway, Oct. 18, 1851. His parents were Johan Christian and Elen Johanna (@ien) Svee, his father being the keeper of a general merchandise store. Young Sivert was educated in the public schools and confirmed in @rlandet's church, whereupon he was apprenticed to learn the trade of a watchmaker with Severin Hoff, at Trondhjem. Having completed his trade and become Sivert Sve. a master mechanic of same he started in business as a watchmaker at Trondhjem but being persuaded he could do better in America he concluded to try his fortune in this country. He arrived in Chicago May 18, 1880. Here he obtained employment with Madson 8: Company on State street and remained with them until January 1881, when he was offered a position in the Elgin Watch Factory, which he accepted. In the fall of the same year he came to Springfield, Ill., and remained with the Illinois Watch Co. until May 1883, when he went on a visit to Norway. . Returning to America he again accepted a position with the Illinois Watch Co., and remained until October 1893, when he started a jewelry store at Pana, Ill., where his business has been on the increase ever since. Mr. Sve has been married twice; the first time in 1876 to Miss Noline Zaura who died in Trondhjem, in 1882, leaving him with three children: Johan Christian, born in 1877; Halfdan Olaus, in 1879, and Magdalena, in 1880. Of these Johan is married to Miss Ella Hunter. In 1886 Mr. Sve was again married, this time to Miss Karen Qiaas, a daughter of Anders and Sigrid Qiaas. They have had two children; Sigrid, born in 1887, and Erling, born in 1889. Mr. Sve's parents have departed from this life, the mother in 1881, 69 years of age, and the father in 1898, 79 years old, both in South Dakota. Mr. Sve is a member of the Masonic Order K. O. T. M. His business address is at 131 S. Locust street and he resides at 407 S. Chestnut street, Pana, Christian county, Ill.



Sivert Sve.

Sport

Earl Gilbert "Bud" Svendsen (February 7, 1915 – August 7, 1996) was a professional American football player who played center and linebacker for six seasons for the Green Bay Packers and the Brooklyn Dodgers of the National Football League (NFL). He was inducted into the Green Bay Packers Hall of Fame in 1985.



"BUD" SVENDSEN

Svend Rasmussen Svendsen (March 21, 1864 - September 6, 1945) was a Norwegian American impressionist artist . Svendsen is most known for his rural scenes, marine views, and snowy landscapes of Norway. Svend Rasmussen Svendsen was born at Nittedal in Akershus , Norway . He was the son of Rasmus and Marie Svendsen. Shortly thereafter his family moved to Kristiania (now Oslo) where Svendsen received his primary education. In 1881, he immigrated to America and settled in **Chicago, Illinois**. Svendsen had studied with Norwegian painter and engraver Fritz Thaulow . Svendsen also studied with Edward F. Ertz , Professor of Watercolor at the Académie Delécluse in Paris . Svendsen exhibited at the Chicago Art Institute , the National Academy of Design , and the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts . His paintings were shown at the Chicago Norske Klub and at Minnesota State Fair . His art was also featured at the Pan-American Exposition in Buffalo, NY during 1901. Since his death, the art work of Svend Svendsen has been included in exhibitions featured at St. Olaf College , at the University of Minnesota and at the Spanierman Gallery in Chicago. His art is on display at the National Museum of American Art at the Smithsonian Institution

Artists



Georg Sverdrup (25 April 1770 - 8 December 1850), born Jørgen Sverdrup, was a Norwegian statesman , most well known for being one of the presidents of the Norwegian Constituent Assembly in Eidsvoll in 1814. He was a member of the Norwegian Parliament and was also responsible for the development of the first Norwegian university library Georg Sverdrup was born in the fishing village of Laugen in Nærøy , Nord-Trøndelag , Norway. He was the uncle of brothers Harald Ulrik Sverdrup who served as a member of Norwegian Parliament and Johan Sverdrup who was the Prime Minister of Norway. Georg Sverdrup , the Norwegian-American Lutheran theologian, was his great-nephew

Religious



Leif Johan Sverdrup (11 January 1898 - 2 January 1976) was a Norwegian -born American civil engineer and general with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in the first half of the 20th century. He is best known for his service in the Southwest Pacific Area during World War II where he was Chief Engineer under General of the Army Douglas MacArthur . The son of a distinguished Norwegian family, Sverdrup emigrated to the United States in 1914.

Military



Helmer Swenholt (28 June 1886 - 8 May 1952) was born in Wittenberg, Shawano County, Wisconsin (near Shawano, Wisconsin). Having pursued a degree in engineering, he put his education to work in the Army Corps of Engineers. He was an officer and Veteran of World War I, and after the war continued his service in the Army Corps of Engineers. In World War II, Swenholt organized one of the first of the Engineer Regiments, a new type of combat engineer organization. At the war's conclusion Swenholt returned to the United States and retired from the Army. His father was Jonas Swenholt, who served in the Wisconsin State Assembly

Military

Business

Magnus Swenson, Inventor and Chemical Engineer By Olaf Hougen (Volume X: Page 152) He was born in Langesand, Norway, April 12, 1854, on the estate of Thorstrand, near the city of Larvik. He left Norway at the age of fourteen, and America was his home until his death in Madison, Wisconsin, on March 29, 1936. The career of Magnus Swenson in engineering, invention, manufacturing, business administration, and public affairs ranks him among the most versatile of American citizens. Unfortunately, Swenson made no attempt to record his achievements. He contributed practically nothing to scientific or engineering periodicals. He had a consuming passion for great achievements in chemical manufacture, production of machinery, in invention, in conserving the waste byproducts of industry, but was not concerned in the least with receiving recognition for his achievements or collecting the applause of future generations, or even of attaining credit and compensation for his enterprises. The sources of information for the material of this article are from personal interviews with Magnus Swenson, with his daughter, Mrs. Mary North, and with his former acquaintances. Through the courtesy of Mrs. North, hundreds of newspaper clippings in her possession were made available, as well as the large files of Swenson's personal correspondence. The government patents and specifications also constituted a reliable source of information. The sources of extant information were by no means exhausted. A complete study was not made of Swenson's correspondence, nor of newspaper files. No doubt there are still extant technical reports in the possession of numerous industrial organizations for which Swenson served as consulting engineer. Neither time nor expense permitted further search into these less accessible sources of information. His story is the familiar, yet ever-fascinating tale of the immigrant lad who came to America starved, penniless, and homeless, and who rose to become a distinguished citizen of his new country. He turned his hand to many tasks, from his early jobs as blacksmith, mechanic, and surveyor, and his scientific contributions as geologist, chemist, engineer, and inventor, to the later positions of honor and responsibility as bank director, regent of the University of Wisconsin, chairman of the commission to build Wisconsin's state capitol, food administrator for the state of Wisconsin, food relief ambassador to the Baltic countries in Europe, and president of a great steamship company.



Singers

Carl Frederick Tandberg (March 22, 1910 - August 26, 1988), was a bassist who recorded with Glen Campbell and Frankie Ortega. He was born on March 22, 1910 in Dorchester, Boston where his father, Thorvald Martin Tandberg I (1874-1970), managed a restaurant. Thorvald was born in Portland, Maine. Carl's mother was Alvilde Marie Naess (1875-1933) of Oslo, Norway. His maternal uncle was Alfred Næss, the Norwegian speedskater.



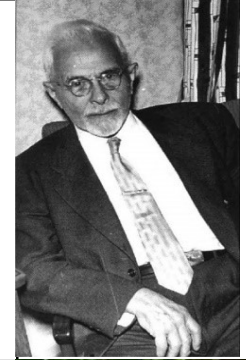
Religious

Nils Otto Tank (March 11, 1800 - May 4, 1864) was a Norwegian born, Moravian Church missionary and teacher. He was a pioneer settler in Wisconsin. Nils Otto Tank was born near Halden in Østfold, Norway. He was the son of a wealthy politician and landowner. His father Carsten Tank (1766-1832) had been Minister of Finance on the governing council in Norway in 1814. His mother, Cathrine von Cappelen Tank (1772-1837) was the daughter of Diderich von Cappelen, a wealthy land-owner and ship owner.



Religious

Jacob Tanner (15 October 1865 - 25 January 1964) was a Norwegian American Lutheran minister, educator and religious author. He spent most of his life in the United States and became a naturalized citizen. He was born at the farm Leirgrovvik in Bolsøy (now Molde), Norway, as the eldest son of Swiss dairyman Johannes Tanner (a Zwinglian) and native farmer's daughter Anne Birgitte (née Innholm). **Abraham Vereide** (October 7, 1886 - May 16, 1969) was a Norwegian-born Methodist minister and founder of Goodwill Industries of Seattle. Abraham was born on Vereide Farm in Nordfjord on 7 October 1886. His parents were Anders and Helene Vereide.



Entertainment

Kari Christine Tauring (born July 4, 1966) is an American folk musician, author, and teacher. She sings and writes Nordic folk music of her familial Norwegian heritage. Her career began in the early 1990s in Rose Absolute, a duo with vocalist Gina Sauer, while her first solo studio album, Faith in Me, was released in 1998. Tauring has released five albums, and an extended play. Tauring was born on July 4, 1966, in Minnetonka, Minnesota, the middle daughter of the five daughters had by Robert Walter Tauring and Grace Victoria Tauring (née, Engen), where she was raised in the Lutheran faith.



Models

Christine Diane Teigen (born November 30, 1985) is an American model and author. She made her debut in the annual Sports Illustrated Swimsuit Issue in 2010 and, alongside Nina Agdal and Lily Aldridge , appeared on the cover in 2014. She formerly was a part of the lifestyle panel talk show FABLife and currently co-hosts Lip Sync Battle with LL Cool J on Paramount Network . Teigen was born in Delta , Utah . Her father is of Norwegian descent, and her mother is Thai. Teigen's father worked as an electrician, and the family moved often. After living in Hawaii , Idaho , and Washington , the family eventually settled in Huntington Beach, California when Teigen was a teenager. She was discovered by a photographer while working in a surf shop.



Sport

Carl Tellefsen (September 9, 1854 - October 24, 1908) was a Norwegian-American skiing champion and the first leader of the U.S. Ski and Snowboard Association . Carl Tellefsen was born in Trondheim , Norway . Tellefsen was active as a ski jumper and was the first leader of the Trondheim Ski Association (Trondheim Skiløberforening) and the Trondheim Ski Club (Trondheim Ski Klub). He emigrated to America in 1887 and settled in Ishpeming, Michigan in March 1888, where he worked at the Ishpeming National Bank.

Picture

Religious

International Order of Good Templars. of "Tordenskjold"; D. V. C. C. 5., Jacob Hauch, of "Tordenskjold"; D. P. C. T., Oscar Andersen, of "Kamp og Seier"; D. E. Supt, Henry Weardahl; D. Chap., Dagmar Weardahl; D. M., Otto Larsen; D. d. M., Thilde Haugland; D. A. Sec'y, Wrn. Ludvigsen; D. G., Jens Orre; D. Sent, Joakim Christensen; D. Messenger, Halfdan Nordseth. As an adjunct to the I. O. G. T. among the Norwegian speaking people in this locality, the temperance club Nordstjernen deserves to be mentioned. It was organized in **Chicago**, Jan. 1, 1890, by Henry Weardahl, at a time when no Norwegian I. O. G. T. lodge was in existence here. It was based upon ritualistic work and served as a recruiting ground for the International, as was proven by the organization, from its membership, of the lodge Enighed No. 262. And last, but not least, I would like to mention a few of the most active and leading members of the present Norwegian I. O. G. T. lodges in Chicago: Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ludvigsen, Isaac Michaelson, Olaf Renden, Jonas Olsen, Chr. Ludvigsen, Mrs. Hanna Weardahl, Mr, and Mrs. T. Metzke, all members of "Norrøna," lodge NO. 113. Richard Nilsen and Olaf Nilsen of "Tordenskjold" lodge No. 137; Hans Lie, Mrs. Marie Lie; Ludvig Hagen of "Kamp og Seier" lodge No. 157; Henry QJdegaard, Mr. and Mrs. Oskar Olsen, Aksel Gundersen of "Henrik Ibsen" lodge No. 101. dying in 1873. He was married to Mrs. Isabella Richolson in 1876. Her portrait and biography are to be found on another page. Mr. Matson was an honorary 33-degree Mason. He was at his death to have been installed at the next meeting of Oriental Consistory as one of the grand standard bearers. At the meeting of the Medinah Temple, Mystic Shrine, shortly 3n» W.IN1K" The new Bethel church, Chicago, now being built.

Business

OLE LARSON TENDALL ; Of **Yorkville, Ill.**, was born in _Skaanevigs parish, Norway, Dec. 9, 1846, to Lars Larson and Margrete Haldorsdatter Ebne Teigendal. His father was a farmer. Ole. attended the ambulatory school a _few weeks each year from ,9th 14 years old and was then confirmed. His father was sickly and died when our subject was 13 years old, so that he and a brother two years. younger had to work hard to help their mother on the little farm. When .16 years of age he began to work as a builder of ships, which he continued until -he left for America. He was married Nov. 25, 1869, in _Skaanevigs Church to Siri Larsdatter Tungesvig, borh Feb. 10, 1848. Her parents were Lars and Siri (Nils clatter Tungesvig) Johannesen. They left Bergen, Norway, on the sailship Kong Sverre, in April 1871, and arrived in Quebec, Canada, five weeks later. They made their way by steamer to 'Hamilton and by railroad to Yorkville, IL., where they arrived on Line 19. He soon rented a _farm of 247 acres in Kendall township, upon which he has lived for overithirty years. I They have thirteen children—seven sons and six daughters—all living: Sarah, born' 1870; Louis, 1871; Sievert, 1873; Tom, 1875; Henry, 1877; Maggie, 1878; Lars, 1880; Mathieh 1882; Otto, 1883; Emma, 1885; Clara, 1887; Randolph, 1889; Ida, 1891. Of these Sarah is married to Ole J. Markhus; Louis to Sarah Nilson;,Sievert to Carrie A. Erslund; Tom to Hannah Anderson; Henry to Alice Nelson; Maggie to Peter Thompson; Mathie to Elbert Beane; Emma to Ollie Munson. Mr, Tendall is a member of the board of commissioners for highways of Kendall township. The family are members of the Lisbon Lutheran Church, of which Mr. Tendall has been trustee and deacon. He is one of the incorporators of the **Pleasant View Luther College**; also of the Deaconess Hospital and the Children's Home in Chicago. His father died in Norway in 1859; his mother was living with our subject on the farm, where she died in1893.



Entertainment

Lee Allen Tergesen (born July 8, 1965) is an American actor. He is best known for his roles as Tobias Beecher in HBO's prison drama Oz and as Evan Wright in Generation Kill, as well as guest starring in many other series. Tergesen was born in Ivoryton, Connecticut and graduated from Valley Regional High School in nearby Deep River. He moved to New York at the age of 18



Academicis

THOR TESDAL Was born in Stavanger, Norway, March 8, 1870. His father, T. Tesdal, was sheriff in Høgsfjord, near Stavanger. His mother was Malma (born Johnsen), from the same part of the country. Our subject was baptized in domkirken in Stavanger and confirmed in Høle church. His youth was spent at school, attending Almueskolen at Høle, also took private lessons and attended Captain Storms' private middelskole, in Stavanger. He came to America and passed through the celebrated Castle Garden on March 22, 1888. He went to **Morris, Grundy county, Ill.**, and has since lived in Nettle Creek township in that county. His first work in this country was as a farm hand, working by the month. He afterward bought eighty acres of land in Nettle Creek-township, located about eight miles northwest of Morris, where he now resides. He was married to Christianna Cassem, of Nettle Creek township, on Aug. 29, 1892. They have six children—five sons and one daughter namely: Tillier, born June 14, 1893; Palmer Alfred, Jan. 22, 1895; Melvin, July 29, 1897; Arnold Chester, April 25, 1899; Blanchard, Jan. 28, 1901; Lillie, April 24, 1903. Our subject was elected town clerk in 1902 and has been re-elected every year since. He has been school director for over ten years. He is a member of the United Lutheran Church at Lisbon and has been trustee for the Norwegian school connected with the church. He contributes to Norwegian charities through his church.

Infamous

Alexis Texas (born May 25, 1985) is an American pornographic actress, director, and featured dancer. Texas was born on an Army base in Panama. She was raised in Castroville, Texas and graduated from Medina Valley High School in 2003. She is of German, Norwegian, and Puerto Rican descent. Her first job was at a nursing home, where she worked as a personal care assistant. Prior to entering the adult film industry, she attended Texas State University studying respiratory care therapy



C.E. Tharaldsen

Professor Conrad Engerud Taraldsen(1884-1944), sønn av Reverend Iver Tharaldsen (11.11.1847 i Norge - 26.6.1926 i Otter Tail County, Minnesota,) og Caroline Emilie Engerud (1857 Racine, Racine County, Wisconsin- 11.2.1919 i Battle Lake, Otter Tail County, Minnesota). Gift 29. september 1909 i Madison MN, med Aslaug Marie Solveig Siljan (1.10 1885 i Wanamingo, Goodhue County MN -14.11.1950 Seattle,King. County, Washington), datter av Carl Hansen Siljan (1846-1945) og Walborg Josefine Williamson (1866-1931) Siblings: Gudrun, Torfinn, Ågot, Hjalmar Conrad Taraldsen oppfant en Micro-dissecting machine. Bodde i Brooklyn, New York

**Gary Tharaldson**

Scandinavian-American Hall of Fame 2003

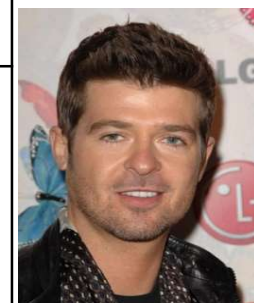
Chances are good you've experienced Gary Tharaldson's hospitality when traveling the United States. He is founder, owner, and president of Tharaldson Companies, which builds and operates hotels and motels across the country. Tharaldson Property Management, Inc., the nation's largest independent hotel property management company, operates 350 inns in 35 states, and at any given time Tharaldson Development Company has 20 to 30 more sites planned or under construction. The majority of Tharaldson properties are franchisees of Marriott, Choice Hotels, and Hilton. After brief careers in teaching and insurance the Dazey, ND-native and Norwegian-American entered the business in 1982 with the purchase of a Super 8 motel in Valley City, ND. In just 10 years, Tharaldson's company grew into the nation's largest hotel developer with an innovative, unique-to-the-industry approach: think small. Rather than chasing success in major lodging markets, Tharaldson built in cities with populations of under 100,000-often college towns in the Midwest-and opted for inns with fewer rooms than the industry standard. The idea was to reduce costs, keep occupancy high, and reap higher profits.



Theodore Theodorsen (January 8, 1897 - November 5, 1978) was a Norwegian-American theoretical aerodynamicist noted for his work at NACA (the forerunner of NASA) and for his contributions to the study of turbulence . Theodorsen was born at Sandefjord in Vestfold , Norway to parents Ole Christian Theodorsen, a chief engineer in the Norwegian merchant marine, and his wife Andrea Larsen. He was the oldest of six children. When Theodore's father took the examinations for a merchant marine engineer's license, he was the only applicant who correctly answered a particularly difficult question. To his father's surprise his then 12-year-old son was also able to solve the problem. At age 16, after finishing compulsory schooling, Theodorsen attended gymnasium in the nearby town of Larvik . Theodorsen's grades were so outstanding that he was admitted to the leading engineering university in Norway, the Norwegian Institute of Technology in Trondheim



Robin Thicke was born on March 10, 1977 in Los Angeles, California, USA as Robin Charles Thicke. He was previously married to Paula Patton



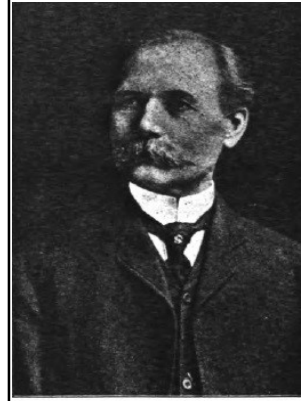
Maximillion Drake Thieriot (born October 14, 1988) is an American actor and director. He made his acting debut in the 2004 adventure comedy film Catch That Kid . Thieriot has since appeared in the action comedy The Pacifier (2005), the mystery comedy Nancy Drew (2007), the sci-fi Jumper (2008), the supernatural horror My Soul to Take (2010), the erotic thriller Chloe (2010), the drama Disconnect (2012), the psychological horror-thriller House at the End of the Street (2012), and the action-thriller Point Break (2015).

Thieriot was born in Los Altos Hills, California , the son of Bridgit Ann (née Snyder) and George Cameron Thieriot.



Business

DR. ABRAHAM L. THOMAS. Dr. Abraham Lokkert Harken Thomas was born at Offerso, Buxness prestegjeld, West Lofoten, Norway, Jan. 26, 1850. His parents were Thomas L .and Johanna (nee Amundsen) Abrahamsen. While growing up young Abraham went to the district school, and during vacations in the summer time went roaming the mountains and the adjoining wild country, boating or sailing on the sea and sometimes fishing and helping on the farm. In the wintertime he enjoyed the popular Norwegian sport ski-running. He was confirmed in the Lutheran church at Buxness. In June 1868, Mr. Thomas came to America, landing at Quebec, Canada, from where he went direct, to Rochester, Minn., arriving on June 16. Here he spent most of his time at school up to 1876, incidentally working on farms, selling books, farm implements, rafting on the Mississippi, railroad building, marble polishing and other minor occupations. Here he also began studying medicine with Dr. W. W. Mayo. In 1876 he entered **Chicago Medical College**, graduating from same as a M. D., in 1879. He immediately started practicing medicine and has continued in his profession up to the present time, with offices at 3046 Wentworth avenue and 4424 Indiana avenue. In December 1879 Dr. Thomas was married to Miss Sarah Lines, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Lines. They have one son, Orville Adrian Thomas, born Jan. 10, 1881. Dr. Thomas is a member of the Masonic Orders Blue Lodge, Chapter, Commandery, Consistory, Eastern Star and Eastern Star Shrine. He is Past Master of Blue Lodge, Principal Sojourner, in Chapter and Junior Ward in Commandery. He is a member of the Hamilton Club, the Chicago Medical Society and the American Medical Association. ' 'Dr. Thomas' mother passed away about, 25 years ago, but his father is still living 'in fair health at the advanced age of 85 years, with wife of a second marriage, one son and two daughters, at Offerso, Norway. -With his wife and son Dr. Thomas resides at 4424 Indiana avenue.



Dr. Abraham L. Thomas.

Sloopers

Charles Nels Thompson [12-16-1856 – 1-4-1918] Charles Nels Thompson, the oldest son, had an unusual career in the colorful world of the circus. He was a circus manager — the finest manager in show business and the highest paid in the world. A bare roster of his circus associations brings fond memories to four generations of circus-goers. He managed the Wallace Bros. Circus, and put the Hagenbeck Circus on the road He was manager of Sells Bros. Circus and took it all the way to Australia in 1892. He managed the **Buffalo Bill Wild West Show** and was with it at the time it completed operations. And for good measure he managed the **Ringling Bros. Circus**, and is said to have been the one to persuade them to set up winter quarters at Sarasota, Florida. Tens of thousands of circus lovers from Russia to Australia owe a great deal to the enterprise of Slooper Charles N. Thompson. With all of his traveling with the circus, it isn't surprising that Charles N. Thompson did not marry until he was thirty four. It was in 1890 that he married Mary Louise Hinkler, born and raised in **Morris, Illinois**.



Museum

Chrystal & Eunice Thompson charter members and major benefactors, daughters of Andrew and Clara Thompson. Their grandfather, Thomas Thompson came from Norway to Illinois in 1849 and farmed near Pontiac. A nurse and a school teacher. The sisters donated at least half of the items on display at the Norsk Museum. (1908-1995) (1910-2007)



HAKON THOMPSON Was born at Westre Toten, Norway, February a, 1847. His father was Thomas Storsveen and his mother's maiden name Helene Christiansdatter Ronaas. He was educated in the country schools in Norway and confirmed in, Aas church by Rev. Magelsen and came to this country in 1867. His parents, a sister and two brothers came to this country in 1868 and settled on a farm in Winneshiek county Iowa. In the first year of his settlement in **Chicago**, Mr. Thompson united with the First Norwegian Lutheran Church, in which he remained until 1873, then transferring his membership to Our Savior's church, in which he remained a member until 1890, filling such offices as Sunday school superintendent, trustee and choir leader. In the last named year, he joined the Bethlehem Lutheran Congregation of the United Church. In this church he has been Superintendent of the Norwegian department of its Sunday school, also leader of the church choir. Mr. Thompson was married to Miss Sophie Tofsrud of Christiania, Norway. Of six children who have blessed the home of Mr, and Mrs. Thompson the oldest, Albert T., has been confirmed in Our Savior's church, by Rev. Juul; the other five, Henry M., Thora M., Helena M., Anna T., and Esther in Bethlehem church, by Rev. Kildahl. Mr. Henry M. Thompson is a professor at **Pleasant View Luther College, Ottawa, Ill.** In 1898 Mr, Thompson was' joined in the undertaking business by his younger brother, Mr. John Thompson. In 1904 they opened another office at 512 N. California avenue, which building is owned by Mr. John Thompson. Our subject who lives on Ohio street, is in charge of the old establishment at 122 N. Centre avenue. Mr. Hakon Thompson has always taken a very active interest in charitable work among his countrymen. He has served on the board of directors of the Norwegian Old People's Home Society, as treasurer for the Norwegian Orphans' Home Society, and for many years as treasurer for the Norwegian Deaconess Society. He has also been president for the Sick and Aid Society of the Bethlehem congregation. He visited his native country in 1905.

John Albert Thompson (born Jon Torsteinsson Rue; April 30, 1827 - May 15, 1876), nicknamed **Snowshoe Thompson**, an early resident of the Sierra Nevada of Nevada and California, was a Norwegian-American considered to be the father of California skiing. Jon Torsteinsson Rue was born on the Rue farm in Austbygdi, Tinn in Telemark, Norway. He was the son of Torsten Olsen Rue (ca. 1760-1829) and Gro Jonsdatter Håkaland (1781-ca. 1846). His father died when Thompson was 2 years old. In 1837, at the age of 10, Thompson came to America with his mother, settling first on a farm in the Fox River settlement in **LaSalle County, Illinois**. The family subsequently moved on the Norwegian immigrant settlement in Shelby County, Missouri which was under the leadership of Cleng Peerson. In 1839, they were joined by Thompson's brother Tostein (1819-1880) and sister Kari (born 1822). In 1840, they followed Hans Barlien and moved to the Sugar Creek Settlement in Lee County, Iowa. In 1846, Thompson and his brother Tostein came to Dane County, Wisconsin. In 1851, Thompson drove a herd of milk cows to California and settled in Placerville. For a short while he mined in Kelsey Diggins, Coon Hollow and Georgetown. With the small amount he saved, he bought a small ranch at Putah Creek, in the Sacramento Valley. In 1860, Thompson homesteaded a 160-acre ranch in Diamond Valley, south of Genoa in California's Alpine County



JOHN THOMPSON, Johannes Thomassen, being the correct way of spellingjt in Norwegianhwas born in Western Toten, Norway, July 19, 1851. His father was Thomas Storsvcen and his mother's maiden name Helene Christiansdatter Rønaas. He attended the country schools in Norway until about 15 years old and was confirmed in Aas Church in Western Toten. He came to America with his parents and a sister and a brother in 1868, landing at Quebec and going direct to Winneshiek county, Iowa. Here he worked on a farm for two years. He came to Chicago in 1870, where he has resided since. He had devoted about one yeai' in Norway toward learning cabinet making, and when he came to **Chicago** he got a place in a planing mill. Later he joined Lars Skielvik and Anton Petersen in a desk factory but sold out his interest the next year. He then joined another man in a furniture factory but came out of it four years later with lots of experience and no money. He then accepted the foremanship with the Chicago Desk Manufacturing Company and remained there seven years. He was foreman for Anton Petersen & Co. for two years, and later in charge of the wood work with the James C. Curtis Casket Co. In 1898 he joined his brother Hakon in the undertaking business, in which he has continued since. In 1904 they. opened another office, at John Thompson. 512 N. California avenue, where our subject, who owns the building, is in charge. Hakon Thompson, who lives on Ohio street, is in charge of the old establishment, on May street, near Erie. Mr. Thompson was married in Chicago, in 1873, to Rina Hansen, from Torpen, Nordre Land parish. She died in 1882. In 1883 he married Miss Annie O. Berg, from Sarpsborg, Norway. There are three children. His parents are both dead. He is a life member of the Children's Home Society and also of the Norwegian Lutheran Deaconess Home and Hospital and has been a member of the Old Pe0ple's Home Society since its organization. The family are members of Bethlehem Norwegian Lutheran Church. They reside at 512 N. California avenue.



John Thompson.

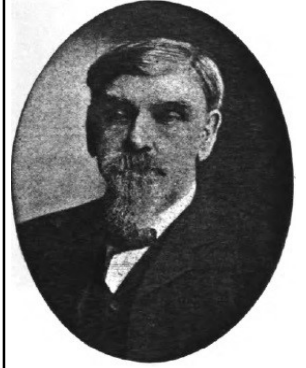
Myron Thompson

Scandinavian-American Hall of Fame 2018

If you've ever had a restaurant meal in North Dakota, chances are Myron Thompson has had a hand in it (figuratively, of course). Thompson, a native of Upham, ND, and of Norwegian heritage, has been in the foodservice industry for nearly a half century, successfully reading and satisfying the appetites of the public. Thompson began in the business in 1970 in Minot, ND, with an independent restaurant called The Lantern which he later converted into a Hardee's restaurant. Over the next seven years he was involved in a company that operated eight Village Inn Pizza restaurants, opened seven more Hardee's restaurants, four Happy Joe's Pizza and Ice Cream Parlors, and two Tex Mex restaurants called Adobe Oven.



THOMAS F. THOMPSON, Of **Leland, IL.**, was born in Norway, Sept. 7, 1832, and came to America with his parents—Thormod S., and Ingeborg (Lydahl) Flattre—in 1844, locating in Norway, Racine county, Wis. At the age of 14 he was confirmed in the Lutheran Church. Mr. Thompson remained at the family home in Wisconsin until 1852, when he left for Chicago, his father moving to Leland, La Salle county, Ill., in 1853, his mother having died in Norway, Wis. In 1854 Mr. Thompson went to Leland, where he was for two years in partnership with Mr. A. A. Klove. After this he went to Atchison county, Kansas, where he and John and Ole Nelson, of Chicago, ran a sawmill for two years. After his return to Leland he was for a time employed in a dry goods store owned by Hans Thompson. In 1861 Mr. Thompson and Thomas Iverson began to deal in grain at Leland, and they continued the business with varying success until 1866, when Mr. Thompson disposed of his interest and was associated for a time with C. F. Oakfield in the same business. He then moved to Creston, IL., where for eight years he was engaged in merchandising. Returning to Leland, he formed a partnership with Knute Buland and bought the grain business of Mr. Oakfield, who had died just before that time. In 1883 Andrew Anderson bought Mr. Buland's interest in the business and the firm became Thompson & Anderson. They continued business until 1901. The banking department was added in May 1896. Mr. Thompson is a republican. He served his townsmen from 1880 to 1900 as town clerk, and has filled several other important offices. He married Caroline A. Satter, a daughter of Ole T. Satter, June 19, 1861. Mrs. Thompson was a native of Norway. She was six months old when she was brought to this country. She bore Mr. Thompson ten children, and died deeply mourned, in 1886. Six of their children are living—Louis T., Stanley O., Cora May, Mrs. H. R. Thompson, Mrs. Wm. Grover and Mrs. W. H. Burke. Mr. Thompson has proven himself a public-spirited citizen, alive to the best interests of his town, county and state and deeply interested in national affairs. There is no public movement affecting the weal of the people of La Salle county in which he is not active and helpful.



Thomas F. Thompson.

Olav Thon

Humanitarian Award 2009

In the prologue to his book "Olav Thon - Billionaire in a Parka", about self-made billionaire and Norway's wealthiest citizen Olav Thon, author Hallgrim Berg calls Thon's story "one of remarkable talent, creativity and endurance." It is also a story of unusual modesty and rare generosity. By 17, he was a business owner and on a path of investments that would eventually make him Norway's largest property owner. And when others his age are contemplating retirement, Thon was pondering hotels and shopping mall development, and now at age 90 oversees an empire of 450 properties, including 60 hotels, and was listed in 2013 as Forbes' 198th richest person in the world. Among his many honors, Thon appreciates especially his honorary membership in the Norwegian Trekking Association, the country's premier outdoors Association. In Berg's words, Thon embodies the spirit of old Norsemen...being curious, open minded, looking for opportunities and willing to learn, to adapt, to grow, to negotiate, to strike a deal, usually for the common good." Having no heirs, Thon has announced his intention to give away all his properties and assts to society, particularly to medical science, through the establishment of an independent foundation. Olav Thon was presented by Hallgrim Berg.



HENNING LUDVIG THORESEN, Of Morris, IL., was born in Christiania, Norway, Jan. 23, 1863. He is the second son of Henning Ludvig and Julia Karoline (Guidotti) Thoresen, Christiania, Norway. His father was a wholesale merchant, a leading man in his line, a forceful, public-spirited citizen and one of the "ice breakers" in Norwegian liberal politics. His son and namesake frequented in his early school days the well known Quam grammar school, and later the Christiania cathedral school, and after his confirmation entered a business academy to equip himself for a business career. He began his active work in life as a clerk in a publisher's office and afterward was bookkeeper for a liberal paper published in Christiania. During the two years he was with this paper in the stormy political days of the "veto" fight Mr. Thoresen came in close touch with the patriotic and fearless men behind the guns of the liberal party. The association and the bringing up under the influence of a true democratic father moulded in the young man a character that later, after coming to America, could not deny itself. He came to America, landing at Boston, Nov. 7, 1883, and went direct to Grundy county, Illinois, and settled at Morris, where he has since lived. He married, on March 10, 1890, Miss Sadie A. Frey, a native of Morris and a daughter of William Frey and wife, both born in Pennsylvania and of Dutch parentage. Four children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Thoresen,—two boys (Henning Earl and Sigurd Harold) and two girls (Leonor Geraldine and Nathalia). Earl, the oldest boy, born March 17, 1891, met an accidental death by drowning while swimming in the Michigan and Illinois Canal. Immediately after his arrival in Grundy county, in order to master the language and familiarize himself with the customs of the country, he secured a place with an American farmer in the neighborhood. Only a few months' residence on the farm, and our subject began the battle for a livelihood in Morris, where he accepted a position as bookkeeper and clerk in the mercantile house of Zens & Erickson, and later with O. Erickson & Son. Mr. Thoresen was town clerk for Morris from 1892 to 1896, and on Jan. 20, 1903, was appointed by Governor Yates as chief clerk and paymaster of the Illinois and Michigan Canal Commission, a position he held until the office was abolished on account of lack of funds to maintain the expenses of the waterway. Our subject is a charter member of the Knights of Pythias Lodge, No. 178, of Morris. Ill.



Henning L. Thoresen.

WILLIAM THORESEN, The manufacturer of architectural sheet metal ornaments, now located in his own new building at 419-21 W. North avenue, was born in Christiania, Norway, Sept. 20, 1867. His parents were O. C. Thoresen and Sidonia Andersen. In 1879 he came to America with his parents, arriving in Chicago on Oct. 9, the anniversary of the great fire. Our subject had attended school for a few years in Norway and also attended the public schools here for a year or two, and when but a boy he secured work with Crane Bros., where he remained for ten months. He was then apprenticed to Price & Kaufman, to learn cornice work. At 18 he had mastered his trade and was offered the foremanship in one of the largest cornice shops in Chicago. He remained with this firm for seven years, when he started in the cornice business for himself, at 816 N. Western avenue. He was favored by securing a contract for all the cornice work for the board of education. In the meantime Mr. Thoresen had devoted a great deal of study to the designing and making of metal ornaments. In 1897 he abandoned the cornice business and devoted all his facilities to the making of architectural sheet-metal ornaments. The demand for these ornaments increased to such an extent that Mr. Thoresen was obliged to seek larger quarters, and to meet all requirements he erected a new building of his own at 419-21 W. North avenue. Mr. Thoresen was married in Chicago, on May 22, 1891, to Miss Sarah Ornes, of Stavanger, Norway. They have four children—Sadie, Wilde, William and Edwin. Mr. Thoresen is a member of the Masonic Order. The family resides at 50 Columbia street. Mrs. Thoresen's parents were Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Ornes, of Stavanger. Her father died some years ago, but her mother is living in Chicago. Mr. Thoresen's parents both died in 1894.



William Thoresen.

Business

JOHN THORESON Was born in Christiania, Norway, April 16, 1820. Early in life he learned the carriage and wagonmaker's trade and for five years was engaged in this business in Norway in his own name. John Thoreson. In 1853 he emigrated to America and located in **Chicago**, engaging in the same business. Two years later he moved to Rockford, where he was employed as a journeyman for some of the carriage and wagon works there until 1866, when he started a factory of his own. Success met him more than half way, necessitating the employment of many men from the very beginning. He invested in city property until he became a large property owner and one of the most substantial citizens. In 1862 Mr. Thoreson enlisted from Rockford in Company K, Seventy-fourth Illinois Infantry, and served as a private in the Cumberland Army. He was in the battles of Perryville, Stone River and Murfreesboro, where he was severely wounded in the left arm. He was sent to the hospital and there taken prisoner and sent to Libby Prison, where he was confined for two months. He was then exchanged and a few months later was honorably discharged for disability. He was a member of G. L. Nevius Post, G. A. R., at Rockford. He was married in Norway, in 1848, to Miss Martha Oslund, who was born near Christiania on Dec. 4, 1822, and died in Rockford Aug. 31, 1887. She was a consistent member of the Swedish Methodist Episcopal Church for thirty years and a true helpmate to her devoted husband, who was a charter member of the same church. Seven children were born to them, of whom only one, the youngest daughter, Mathilda J., is living, the wife of Alfred Abrahamson, who is a designer, stock holder and director in the Mantel and Furniture Company of Rockford. They have two children. Mr. Thoreson was the only one of his family to come to the United States, and enjoyed the honor of being the first Norwegian to settle in Rockford. He resided at 328 S. Main street and there enjoyed the rest and quiet deservedly earned by hard work and honorable dealing, until his death in March 1907.



John Thoreson.

Business

Halsten J B Thorkelson

BIRTH 18 Jan 1875 Racine, Racine County, Wisconsin, USA

DEATH 1 May 1953 (aged 78) Sheboygan, Sheboygan County, Wisconsin, USA

Halsten J. Thorkelson, E. Orange, N. J., is a mechanical engineer. Took his M. E. at the University of Wisconsin, 1901. Was draftsman 7 years, superintendent, J. I. Case Plow Works, Racine, 1901-1902, professor of steam engineering, University of Wisconsin, 1902-1914; business manager of same, 1913-1921; now connected with the General Education Board, New York.

Military

Jacob Thorkelson (September 24, 1876 - November 20, 1945) was an American politician from the state of Montana who served as the United States Congressman from Montana's 1st congressional district from January 3, 1939 to January 3, 1941. Thorkelson was born in Egersund, a coastal town in the county of Rogaland, Norway. Thorkelson immigrated to the United States in 1892; he studied nautical navigation, and later worked as navigator and sailing master on ocean-going ships. He graduated from the College of Physicians and Surgeons at the University of Maryland, Baltimore in 1911, and served as a member of the faculty from 1911 until 1913



Business

MRS. IDA AMELIA THORP, Widow of Mr. Ole A Thorp, whose sketch appears on page 223 in the first part of this volume, was born at **Chicago** June 30, 1865, to Andrew and Mathilda (born Peterson) Johnson. She was educated in the Chicago public schools and confirmed in Rev. J. Z. Torgersen's church. At the young age of twenty years Miss Johnson was married on May 23, 1885, to Mr. Ole A. Thorp, then a young promising business man, who later became one of our most prominent citizens in Chicago of Norwegian birth. He died Jan. 25, 1905. This union was blessed by four children, all daughters: Lovy Mabel Ida. Born Nov. 21, 1886; Lulu Alice Victoria, Nov. 8, 1888; Sara Olive Elizabeth, Feb. 3, 1890, and Pearl Edith Margerit, Jan. 31, 1892. The two youngest have died. Mrs. Thorp's father died long ago, but her mother, Mrs. Mathilda Johnson, is living with her daughter hale and hearty at the age of 62 years. The family attends St. Paul's Norwegian Lutheran church on North avenue. Mrs. Thorp lives in her own fine residence at 59 Columbia place



Mrs. Ida A. Thorp.

OLE A. THORP, Founder of the firm O. A. Thorp & Co. and for twenty years its head, died Jan. 25, 1905, at St. Mary's Nazarite Hospital, after an operation for an abscess. Mr. Thorp had been confined to his bed at the hospital for over a week, but had been able to improve, and his death was a surprise to his family and friends. With his wife he had two daughters; Mr. Thorp was born at Eidsberg, near Christiania, Norway in 1856. He came to **Chicago** in 1880 and started in the provision importing and exporting trade. For twenty-five years he was closely associated with the business life of Chicago, a member of various public bodies, and a well-known citizen. Early in his career he conceived the idea of shipping cargoes of merchandise between Europe and Chicago direct, and finally, in 1892, succeeded in bringing the Wergeland from Norway with a cargo of fish, which was landed at Chicago, and the ship returned loaded with provisions. Since then the Xenia and the Craig have sailed from Europe through the St. Lawrence river and the great lakes and landed at Chicago direct. On account of having first demonstrated the feasibility of making Chicago a port for Atlantic vessels, Mr. Thorp was made a member of the deep waterways commission. King Oscar of Sweden and Norway made him one of the commissioners to the World's Columbian Exposition at Chicago, in 1893, and decorated him with the Order of St. Olaf in 1899. For three years he was a member of the Chicago board of education, and as chairman of the buildings and grounds committee was responsible for many important acts of that body. He was a member of the board of trade and served on its arbitration committee for several years. Mr. Thorp interested himself in charitable projects and contributed to all manner of charities in a quiet way. He paid particular attention to the welfare of his countrymen, and his residence at 59 Columbia Place was known to nearly every Norwegian in the city. When a young man Mr. Thorp was made traveling agent for a mercantile house in Christiania and traveled all over the Scandinavian peninsula. He came to New York when 24 years old, and less than a year later to Chicago.



Ole A. Thorp.

KARL LORENTZ THORSGAARD, M. D. Was born in Westby, Wis., Jan. 24, 1875. His parents—Lauritz L. and Anna (Johnson) Thorsgaard—were farmers. Our subject was brought up on the farm, but spent much time at school and college. He received the degree of B. A. from Luther College, at Decorah, Iowa, in 1896, and M. D. from Rush Medical College, **Chicago**, in 1900. After his graduation in medicine he served two years as resident physician and surgeon at the Presbyterian Hospital, Chicago, and the following two years he became associated with Dr. James B. Herrick in his office and hospital work. After this he began the practice of medicine independently, having his office at 1562 N. Halsted street. Dr. Thorsgaard is attending physician at the Norwegian Lutheran Tabitha Hospital and is medical examiner for the Equitable and New York Life Insurance companies. He is a member of the Chicago Medical Society and of the Scandinavian Medical which he is secretary.



Dr. Karl L. Thorsgaard.

Delos Russell Thorson was born in Eau Claire, Wisconsin and his family moved to Montana when he was 12 years old. In 1930, Thorson graduated with a degree in journalism from the University of Montana in Missoula, Montana. Russell Thorson was born on October 14, 1906 in Eau Claire, Wisconsin, USA as Delos Russell Thorson. He was an actor, known for Hang 'Em High (1968), The Detectives (1959) and Zero Hour! (1957). He died on July 6, 1982 in Van Nuys, California, USA. Born: October 14, 1906 in Eau Claire, Wisconsin, USA
Died: July 6, 1982 (age 75) in Van Nuys, California, USA



Harald Thorson established a chain of banks throughout the Red River Valley and left an estate of over \$1,000,000.00. He helped to found St. Olaf College and remembered it with gifts from time to time — in all about **\$1,000,000.00**. **St. Olaf College** was founded November 6, 1874, at Northfield, Minnesota, under the name St. Olaf's School. Harald Thorson was born in the parish of North Aurdal in Valdres, Norway, on November 16, 1841. He was the son of Thore Olson and Sigrid (Gigstad) Olson. He came to America at the age of 16, settling in Manitowoc, Wisconsin, where he attended school and established a small country store. He soon sold the store to Osul Torrison, and continued as Torrison's employee until 1865 when he moved to Northfield, Minnesota, where he opened a general merchandise store with his brother Knut. That partnership was dissolved after one year, and Harald continued the business alone. The store apparently grew and prospered, and Thorson evidently became a wealthy man. He is said to have owned many farms in the Northfield area, and sold horses and mules in Northfield. He was one of the organizers of St. John's Lutheran Church in Northfield. He was one of the incorporators of St. Olaf College (1874) and served as secretary of the board of trustees. He also helped establish and became a director of the First National Bank in Northfield (1872). Around 1885 Thorson closed his Northfield business interests and moved to St. Paul, where he was involved in organizing the Northwestern National Bank. He was also involved in establishing the Columbian National Bank, Minneapolis. Thorson later moved to Elbow Lake, Minnesota, and became president of the bank there. While at Elbow Lake he made real estate investments in North Dakota, and held shares in several banks there. Thorson's first wife and child died in childbirth soon after the couple moved to Northfield. He later married Karen Lajord. The couple had eight children, including Minnie, Elmer, Clara, Theodore, Cecile, and Henry. Two others died in infancy. Thorson died in St. Paul on February 18, 1920, and was buried there. His wife had passed away a few years earlier. At the time of his death he was said to have owned a chain of about thirty banks located in Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Upper Michigan. The bulk of Thorson's estate was left to St. Olaf College. A lawsuit brought by his heirs following his death resulted in great animosity between them and the college. Thorson is said to have been a large financial contributor to St. Olaf College. He also made contributions to Concordia College (Moorhead, Minn.) and to Luther College (Decorah, Iowa). He was an active member of the Valdres Sambah.

John F. Thorson (May 10, 1920 – October 28, 1944) was a United States Army infantry soldier who was killed in action on October 28, 1944, in World War II. He was a posthumous recipient of the United States military's highest decoration for valor—the **Medal of Honor**—for his heroic actions above and beyond the call of duty during the war. Thorson was the seventh of eight children born to Norwegian immigrants. He joined the U.S. Army from his birth city of Armstrong, Iowa in 1942, and by October 28, 1944 was serving as a private first class in Company G, 2nd Battalion, 17th Infantry Regiment, 7th Infantry Division. On that day, in Dagami, Leyte province, in the Philippines, Thorson was wounded while single-handedly attacking an enemy trench, then smothered the blast of an enemy-thrown hand grenade with his body. He successfully protected his fellow soldiers from the blast, and was immediately killed. He was posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor nine months later, on July 19, 1945.



Ralph Edgar "Papa" Thorson Jr. (July 11, 1926 – November 17, 1991) was an American bounty hunter. In 1976, he was the subject of a biography by Christopher Keane. In that biography, Sue Lyon states, "He's the only man I know who can do a bastard's job with taste and come off looking like a nice guy." The 1980 movie *The Hunter* starring Steve McQueen was based on Christopher Keane's novel.

At 310 pounds and six-foot-two, Keane states, there is a "different Papa than the modern day bounty hunter. Papa is also "a church bishop; Master bridge champion; renowned astrologer; criminology alumnus of the University of California, Berkeley; child nutritionist, aficionado of classical music." Papa was born on 11 July 1926 in Anaconda, Montana. His mother, the former Margaret Hayford, had married his father, Ralph Edgar Thorson, Sr., in 1923. The Thorson family had immigrated from Norway in 1886, while the Hayford family had immigrated from England in 1635.



Entertainment

Russell Thorson (October 14, 1906 – July 6, 1982) was an American actor, perhaps best known for his co-starring role as Det. Lt. Otto Lindstrom in ABC's 1959-62 hit crime drama, *The Detectives Starring Robert Taylor*



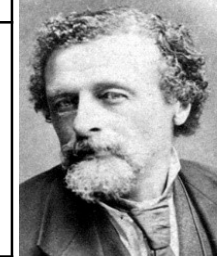
Entertainment

Bjorn Thorsrud is an American music producer, programmer, and audio engineer who has produced film scores and albums for rock and pop artists. He has also engineered, mixed, or has contributed production or programming to every Smashing Pumpkins record since 1998's *Adore* to 2012's *Oceania*. He previously worked for the Taj-Motown Record Company and established his own record label, Tri Records. He holds a bachelor's degree in physics and music from the University of Nevada, Reno



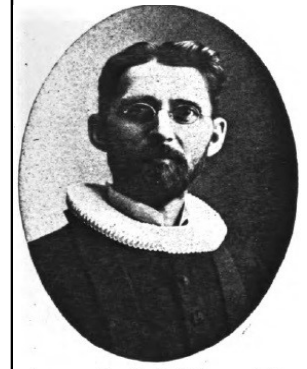
Journalist

Marcus Møller Thrane (14 October 1817 - 30 April 1890) was a Norwegian author, journalist, and the leader of the first labour movement in Norway . It was later known as the Thrane movement (Thranebevegelsen). Thrane was born in Christiania, now Oslo , in 1817. Shortly after his birth, his father, a merchant and managing director in Norges Rigsbank , was arrested for involvement in corruption, which devastated the family's reputation. At only 15, Thrane was orphaned and had to move in with friends of the family.



Religious

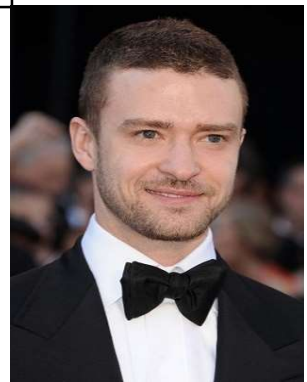
REV. CARL EDWARD TILLER Was born July 22, 1868, near Hader, Goodhue county, Minn., his parents being Ole Andreas and Hanna Bergitte (Hcgge) Tiller. He was baptized and confirmed in Aspelund congrega Most of his time was spent on his father's farm until the fall of 1886, when he entered the preparatory department at the Red Wing Seminary. He graduated in the spring of 1890. Afterward he studied theology two years at Red Wing Seminary, and then one year at Weidner's Theological Seminary in **Chicago**. Was ordained in the ministry at the annual convention of the Hauge Synod at Franklin, Minn., June 13, 1894. He has served two diflcrent charges in the Hauge Synod. The first was Hauge's congregation, near Creston, Ill., where he remained four years. Then he was called to Morrisonville, Wis., and served five congregations there for three years. In the fall of 1900 he received a call from Bethel Lutheran Church, of Chicago, belonging to the United Norwegian Lutheran-Church of America. He entered upon his duties there June 30, 1901. In 1902 he severed his connection with the Hauge Synod and was admitted into the United Church in June of the same year. Since he came to Chicago he has in addition to his work in the congregation been deeply interested in the Deaconess Home of the United Church and has for three years been secretary for the board of directors. The 31st of May 1894, he was married to Miss Lina Nerhougen, from Zunebrota, Minn. They have had three children, of whom one, Muriel Hildegard, died May 7, 1903. The family resides at 64 Humboldt boulevard.



Rev. Carl E. Tiller.

Entertainment

Justin Randall Timberlake was born on January 31, 1981, in Memphis, Tennessee, to Lynn (Bomar) and Randall Timberlake, whose own father was a Baptist minister. At the age of 11, he appeared on the show *Star Search* (1983), and even though he didn't win, it didn't dampen his ambitions. He also appeared on *The All New Mickey Mouse Club* (1989), where his costars included Britney Spears , Ryan Gosling , Keri Russell , Christina Aguilera and future band-mate J.C. Chasez . At age 14, Justin became a member of the boy band *NSYNC . In 1998, the group released their self-titled debut album. They became a big hit with fans and made a place for themselves in the music world with a succession of big-selling albums. In the beginning of 2002, Justin spent time working on and writing songs for his debut solo album. During this time, he broke up with his longtime girlfriend, Britney Spears . The release of the solo album, titled "*Justified*", came in November of 2002. Songs from his solo album include: "Like I Love You", "Cry Me A River" and "Rock Your Body".



Entertainment

Tinashe Jorgensen Kachingwe (born February 6, 1993), known mononymously as Tinashe, is an American singer, songwriter, record producer, dancer and actress. Born in Lexington, Kentucky, Tinashe moved to Los Angeles as a child to pursue a career in entertainment. Her notable roles included as a motion-capture model in the animated film *The Polar Express* (2004) and recurring roles in *Out of Jimmy's Head* (2007–2008) and *Two and a Half Men* (2008–2009). Tinashe Kachingwe was born on February 6, 1993, in Lexington, Kentucky, and is the eldest child of college professors Michael and Aimie Kachingwe. Her father is a professor who teaches acting at California State Polytechnic University and a first generation immigrant of the Shona people of Zimbabwe, while her mother, who is of Danish, Italian, Norwegian, Irish and English descent, teaches physical therapy at California State University, Northridge



Sport

Bud Tingelstad (April 4, 1928 – July 30, 1981) was an American racecar driver. Born in Frazee, Minnesota, Tingelstad drove in the USAC Championship Car series, racing in the 1960-1971 seasons with 120 starts, including the Indianapolis 500 in each year except 1961 and 1970, attempting, but failing to qualify in both of those years and also attempting to qualify in 1972. His best Indy 500 finish was tenth in 1962. He had 56 top-ten race finishes, with his one victory in 1966 at DuQuoin. He had a best Championship points finish of 5th in 1964. He died of a heart attack in Indianapolis, Indiana



Business

GABRIEL JOHAN TOBIASSEN, The well-known carpenter contractor, was born at Udland, Aa sogn Lyngdals prestegjeld, Norway, Jan. 9, 1864. His parents were Tobias and Anne Sophie (Jacobsdatter) Gundersen. Mr. Gabriel J. Tobiassen and Wife. Tobiassen was educated in the common school' and Amtskolen and was confirmed in Aa church: in 1878. He then worked on his fathers farm until he in the spring of 1883 emigrated to America, where he landed in New York during the latter part of May. He continued his journey overland to Sims, N. Dak., where he worked on a farm until in the fall of 1885 when he went to State Center, Iowa, and learned the trade of a cooper. In 1889 he returned to Norway to visit his aged father but came back to Iowa in 1890. In 1891 he came to Chicago which city he has made his home since. In **Chicago** he learned the carpenter trade which occupation he has followed since his arrival here. In 1898 he paid a new visit to the old country where he remained for 16 months. Upon his return to Chicago Mr. Tobiassen was married Jan. 9, 1900, to Miss Karen M. Michelson of that city. She was born at Porsgrund, Norway, Aug. 7, 1867, her parents being Hans and Anne Marie (Berg) Michelsen. At the Worlds Columbian Exposition in Chicago, in 1893, there was among the many other exhibits also one of women representing their various nationalities and dressed in national costumes. This enterprise generally went under the popular nomenclature of the "Beauty Show". Miss Michelsen was selected to represent her native country at this show, she being endowed with distinctive Norwegian figure and features. At the close of the Exposition she was the recipient of a gold medal. Mr. and Mrs. Tobiassen have had three children born to them, one daughter and two sons: Sophie Marie, born Oct. 8, 1900; Thorleif, May 3, 1903, and Helge Cornelius, Nov. 27, 1904, all living. The family are members of the Logan Square Norwegian Lutheran Church, of which congregation Mr. Tobiassen is the treasurer.



Gabriel J. Tobiassen and Wife.

Cartoonists

John Olaf Todahl (1884–1924) was an American illustrator and cartoonist. He worked principally as a newspaper editorial cartoonist John Olaf Todahl traveled throughout his career, living on both coasts of the United States. He illustrated for newspapers in Seattle, New York and Connecticut. While in Seattle, he joined the Seattle Cartoonists' Club, an association of Seattle newspaper cartoonists, getting together outside of their newspapers for a creative and business venture. They produced *The Cartoon; A Reference Book of Seattle's Successful Men*(1911), a vanity cartoon book with caricatures, cartoons and photos of Seattle's wealthy and prominent citizens



Military

Dr. Charles Toftoy [1939, West Point New York] Professor Emeritus of Management Charles Toftoy was born at West Point New York, where his father taught at the Academy. The family traveled throughout Toftoy's childhood and spent a lot of time in Arlington where his father was assigned to the Pentagon. Toftoy explains,"he actually ran Operation Paperclip and brought the German scientists back here for us... A lot of people say that he was really a pioneer on how we got to the moon. He still is called 'Mr. Missile' in Huntsville, Alabama where he commanded Redstone Arsenal. He graduated as a Second Lieutenant and went on various military tours. His first assignment was Berlin, where he was designated to guard Spandau Prison, where major war criminals such as Rudolph Hess and Albert Speer were jailed. Toftoy completed two one-year tours in Vietnam, as an airborne-ranger. In the course of his military service he earned such decorations as the Legion of Merit, Distinguished Flying Cross, seven Bronze Stars, two Purple Hearts, eight Air Medals, two Meritorious Service Medals, and five Army Commendation Medals, among many others. Between his two tours of Vietnam, Toftoy earned an MBA from Tulane University, which he asserts deserves its reputation as the "Harvard of the South." He then continued his military career including two Pentagon tours (Joint Chiefs of Staff & the Department of the Army staffs).



Military

Major General Holger Nelson Toftoy (October 31, 1902 - April 19, 1967) was a United States Army officer linked to early rocketry such as the Redstone missile. Toftoy was born on October 31, 1902, in **Marseilles, Illinois** . He studied at the University of Wisconsin Madison as an ROTC cadet, then transferred to the United States Military Academy , graduating in 1926. In 1944, he became chief of the Army Ordnance Technical Intelligence teams assigned to Europe to seek out and evaluate captured enemy ordnance weapons and equipment. During this time, Toftoy received a request from Colonel Gervais Trichel, chief of the rocket branch in the Ordnance Department at the Pentagon , to acquire and ship 100 operational V-2 rockets to the White Sands Missile Range in New Mexico for testing. Toftoy knew the U.S. Army was planning to add guided missiles to its weapons program. He first cabled, then went personally to Washington to recommend that the German scientists be brought to the U.S. for interrogation and possible employment. The mission became known as Operation Paperclip . By September 1945, the first group of scientists, including Von Braun, had arrived in the United States. In its first year, no less than 119 German scientists came to the United States under Toftoy's leadership. Toftoy was then transferred back to Washington and assigned responsibility for direction of the Army guided missile program. In 1952, Toftoy was assigned to Redstone Arsenal , Alabama, as director of the Ordnance Missile Laboratories, which was responsible for planning, technical control and supervision of what had become the nationwide Army guided missile and rocket development program



Sport

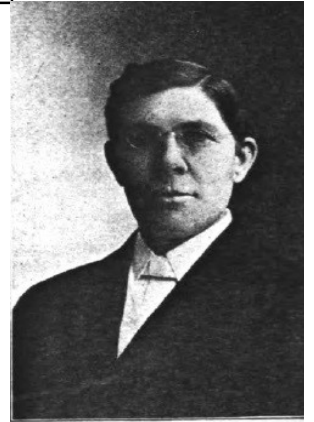
Arthur Emil Tokle (August 16, 1922 - March 3, 2005) was a Norwegian -born American ski jumper who competed for the United States at the 1952 Winter Olympics in Oslo , finishing 18th in the individual large hill event Tokle was born in Løkken Verk , a village in Meldal , Sør-Trøndelag county, Norway . His father was a Norwegian mining official, who raised every one of his 20 children in the sport, and skied himself until he was well past 70. Torger Tokle, Art's older brother, came to the U.S. in 1939 and gained sudden fame before he was killed in Italy as a ski trooper in 1945. Kyrre Tokle, another older brother, was still jumping in informal meets in the U.S. at the age of 55. The brothers represented the club SK Fjell



Sgt Torger Dahl Tokle BIRTH 7 Mar 1919 Lokken Verk, Meldal kommune, Sør-Trøndelag fylke, Norway DEATH 3 Mar 1945 (aged 25) Emilia-Romagna, Italy
Ski Jumper. Sergeant in 10th Mountain Division, 86th Regiment, Company A. He arrived in the United States in 1939, and the very next day beat the field at the Bear Mountain ski jump. Life magazine said, in February 24, 1941, "Best ski jumper in the U. S. is a 22-year-old Norwegian carpenter named Torger Tokle. In the two years he has been in this country Tokle has won 23 out of 26 meets, now holds the American record of 273 ft." His record eventually grew to winning 42 of 48 meets, and breaking his own distance record several times. In October 1942 he joined the U.S. Army and was placed in the 10th Mountain Division. After training in Camp Hale, his division was shipped to Italy, where they pushed back the Germans in the Northern Apennines. He was killed in action near Iola, Italy, during the campaign to reach Castel d'Aiano.



REV. J. C. TOLLEFSEN, Pastor of the Kedzie Avenue M. E. Church, **Chicago**, was born at Botne, Jarlsberg, Norway, Sept. 30, 1853. His father was born in Telemarken, having descended from the old-time "Birkebeiners," and his mother was born not far from Holmestrand. His great-grandfather descended from Germans who came to the silver mines at Kongsberg where the Norwegian silver bullion is mined. About nine years of age Mr. Tollefsen came with his parents to Horten where he attended school and was confirmed by Rev. Storm A. Munt in 1868. Ten years later he was converted in the Methodist church at that place. The church had been dedicated on Christmas day the previous year and he went there merely to see what was going on among the "new sect." A glorious revival was going on and he soon was among the converted and as a natural consequence joined the church. He travelled in Norway three or four years preaching and selling religious books until he left for America in March 1881, In April he arrived in Chicago and commenced working as he did not feel himself fitted for the ministry. The annual meeting of the Norwegian and Danish conference of the M. E. Church happened to convene in Chicago that year, and he was sent to Stoughton and Primrose, Wis., and became known as the "boy preacher" because of his apparent youth. After one year he had organized a congregation and a church was built, and then he was moved by the order of the elder. After being in Sheboygan, Wis., one year he was sent to Norway, Ill., where he remained two years. Since that time he has been in Milwaukee, Racine Trinity Church, Minneapolis, Duluth, St. Paul and five years in Chicago, being pastor of old Rev. J. C. Tollefsen. First Church, Grand avenue and Sangamon street for three years; and two years in the Kedzie Avenue Church, his present pastorate. In 1883 Rev. Tollefsen joined the conference on probation and after two years was admitted in full connection. In 1887 he was ordained elder in the First Church, Chicago, by Bishop C. H. Fowler. Mrs. Tollefsen was born at old Nidaros (Trondhjem), Norway, below the forts of Christiansten. Her father P. Haugan was for many years superintendent of the "Nordenfjeldske Dampskibsselskabs Reparationsvaerksted" in Trondhjem, and built the first locomotive in Norway. Her mother hailed from Røros. Mr. and Mrs. Tollefsen were married March 2, 1881, and their wedding trip was to America. became an American citizen in the eighties but has not forgotten the "old home stead," having visited Norway twice, the last time in 1905



Rev. J. C. Tollefsen.

DAVID K. TONE, The attorney, was born on his father's homestead near Estherville, Iowa, Jan. 5, 1867. His parents were Thomas and Julia (Klove) Tone from Tøne, Norway. Our subject attended the public school and worked on his father's farm in Iowa, until he was sixteen years old, when he entered Iowa College at Grinnell, Iowa, which he attended in 1885-86. He then attended the State University of Wisconsin, graduating in 1891. He immediately entered the College of Law with the same university and graduated in 1893. During his school years he taught the district school at Dunbar, Iowa, one year. was principal of the Cambridge, Wis., high school one year, 1890~91, principal of the Westfield, Wis., high school one year, 1891-92; instructor in history and constitutional law in the Wisconsin academy in 1892-93. He was also professor in the **Chicago Law School** from 1898 to 1904. Mr. Tone has been engaged in the active practice of law in the city of Chicago ever since the year 1895. He has practiced both civil and criminal law and has practiced in all the courts, state and federal, including the supreme court of the United States. A large share of his practice has consisted of being employed as special counsel in important litigation for other lawyers. In the spring of 1905 he was employed as special counsel in the strike litigation before judges Kohlsaas and Grosscup in the U. S. circuit court of appeals. In the fall of 1905 he was appointed special counsel for the city of Chicago by Mayor Dunne in the suit over the validity of the 75 cent gas ordinance pending before Judge Grosscup and involving \$13,000,000, and also special counsel for the city of Chicago in the tax suits brought before Judge Grosscup by the street car and gas companies to defeat the collection of \$1,500,000 of taxes levied against them by the state board of equalization. In March 1906, Mr. Tone was retained as special counsel for the Central Union Telephone Company in litigation involving the franchise of said company in the city of Rock Island, which suit he won, and in July 1906, he was retained as special counsel for the Central Union Telephone Company in a similar suit in the federal court, wherein the franchise rights of the city of Moline were involved, which suit he also won before Judge Humphrey at Peoria. Mr. Tone was president of the Lincoln Club, Chicago, in 1900-01; is a member of the Chicago Law Institute, the University of Wisconsin club of Chicago, and the New Illinois Athletic Club. Mr. Tone is not married. His offices are at 99 Randolph street, and he resides at 300 Sixty Sixth Place.



David K. Tone.

Marie Elizabeth Toohey is a violinist and orchestra leader at Augustana College. She is a graduate of Leipzig Conservatory of Music.

Martin Torinus Torgerson (November 7, 1875-June 12, 1939) was an American sailor serving in the United States Navy during the Boxer Rebellion who received the Medal of Honor for bravery. Torgerson was born November 7, 1875 in Oleesen, Norway, and after entering the navy he was sent as an Gunner's Mate Third Class to China to fight in the Boxer Rebellion. He died June 12, 1939 and is buried in Arlington National Cemetery Arlington, Virginia. His son, Harry Torgerson, later served with the Paramarines in World War II, and was awarded the Silver Star for actions during the Battle of Guadalcanal in 1942.

Citation: In action with the relief expedition of the Allied Forces in China, 13, 20, 21, and 22 June 1900. During this period and in the presence of the enemy, Torgerson distinguished himself by meritorious conduct.

Religious

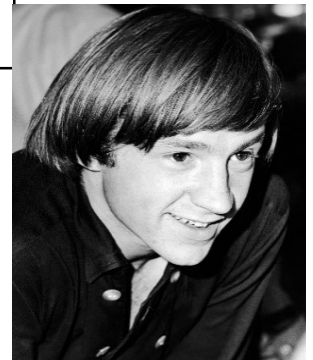
REV. JOHN Z. TORGERSEN Was a native of Bergen, Norway, where he was born March 1, 1841. When 6 years old, he came to America with his parents. They settled in Dane county, Wisconsin, but five years later moved to near Scandinavia, Waupaca county, and later to Winnebago county. Up to this time John had attended the public schools regularly, and here he studied at the Neenah high school and then for four terms attended the Lawrence University at Appleton. Previous to this and during intervals he taught public schools in the vicinity. He took a course in the Illinois State University, then under the control of the General Synod, where he studied theology and finished with a two-year course in the old **University of Chicago**, the beginning of the present world-renowned institution on the Midway. After completing his education, he was connected with the Chicago Bible Society as colporteur. While engaged in this work he visited over fifteen thousand homes personally during a period of two years. In February 1869, he began preaching in the Norwegian Church, corner Indiana street, now Grand avenue, and Peoria street, and in June was ordained to the gospel ministry by the Hauge Synod. About seven years afterward he withdrew from the synod and organized the Independent Evangelical Lutheran Bethania Church. He was a son of Ole Tobias Torgersen, who passed away at his son's home in this city in his 85th year. His mother, Ingeborg, of Bergen stift, Norway, died in Michigan in her 81st year. Mrs. Trina Torgersen is from Wardel, Hedemarken, Norway. They were married on Oct. 27, 1869. Six children were born to them, of whom two are now living—Mrs. L. E. Wilson, of Milwaukee, Wis., and Oscar A., who is with John M. Smyth & Co. Rev. Torgersen was called to his reward in the fall of 1905. Deceased was highly esteemed by all who knew him. Educated and refined, an able minister and a convincing and forceful teacher, he was agreeable and pleasant in all his associations with others. There were none so high in mental attainments or worldly position, but he could take his place beside them; nor none so lowly or poor but he would mingle with them, always putting forth some helpful suggestions and an encouraging word. Direct in his language, upright and honorable in all his dealings, he acquired a following of true friends who deeply and sincerely mourn his loss. We may mention also that he was very popular with young people, having joined in holy wedlock fifteen thousand couples.



Rev. Torgersen.

Singers

Peter Halsten Thorkelson (born February 13, 1942), better known as **Peter Tork**, is an American musician and actor, best known as the keyboardist and bass guitarist of the Monkees. Tork was born at the former Doctors Hospital, in Washington, D.C. Although he was born in the District of Columbia in 1942, many news articles incorrectly report him as born in 1944 in New York City, which was the date and place given on early Monkees press releases. He is the son of Virginia Hope (née Straus) and Halsten John Thorkelson, an economics professor at the University of Connecticut. His paternal grandfather was of Norwegian descent, while his mother was of half German Jewish and half Irish ancestry.



Sport

Chester Leroy "Red" Torkelson (March 19, 1894 – September 22, 1964), was a Major League Baseball pitcher who played in 1917 with the Cleveland Indians. He batted and threw right-handed. Torkelson had a 2-1 record, with a 7.66 ERA, in four games, in his one-year career. He was born and died in **Chicago**, Illinois.



Ted Torkelson

Entertainment

Justin Torkildsen (born July 3, 1981 in Boulder, Colorado, USA) is an American actor, best known for his role as Rick Forrester on the daytime soap opera, *The Bold and the Beautiful*. He portrayed the role from 1999 to 2006. Torkildsen received his first nomination in 2000 for his portrayal of Rick at the YoungStar Awards for "Best Young Actor/Performance in a Daytime TV Series". In 2001, he won a Daytime Emmy Award for "Outstanding Younger Actor in a Drama Series", and was consecutively nominated in the same category in 2002. He was also nominated at the Young Artist Awards in 2001 for "Best Performance in a Daytime TV Series - Young Actor". He was also nominated for a Soap Opera Digest Award for "Outstanding Younger Lead Actor" in 2003.



GEORGE ABRAHAM TORRISON, M. D., Was born at Manitowoc, Wis., March 23, 1865, his parents being Osuld and Martha (Findal) Torrison. He was educated in the public school at Manitowoc and at Luther College, Decorah, Iowa, from which he graduated in 1885 with the degree (if A. B. After spending a year at home in his father's store he began the study of medicine at the College of Physicians and Surgeons of New York City, the medical department of Columbia College, from which he received the Dr. George A. Torrison. degree of M.D., in 1889. He pursued his medical studies at the University of Vienna in 1889-90 and in 1893-94. In 1891 he began the practice of medicine in Chicago, and since 1895 has devoted his attention to diseases of the throat, nose and ear. Dr. Torrison is instructor in diseases of the chest, throat and nose at Rush Medical College, **Chicago**, is attending physician -to the Central Free Dispensary (throat department), laryngologist to the Norwegian Lutheran Deaconess Home and Hospital, and lecturer on diseases of the nose and throat at the Presbyterian Hospital training school for nurses. He has been a director of the Norwegian Lutheran Tabitha Hospital and for one year was president of the board. He holds membership in the the following societies: The American Medical Association, the Illinois State and the Chicago Medical societies, the Chicago Otological and Laryngological Society and the Scandinavian Medical Society of Chicago. Dr. Torrison was married to Miss Emma Irene Johnson, of Chicago, on Jan. 5, 1898. Her parents were Louis and Martha Johnson. They have two children, Martha Findal and Agnes I_vanda. The doctor's office is at 103 State street and the family resides at 46' Alice place.



Dr. George A. Torrison.

JUDGE OSCAR M. TORRISON. Oscar M. Torrison was born Aug. 29, 1861, at Manitowoc, Wis., where his father, Osuld Torrison, for forty years and until his death, in 1892, was a leading businessman. His parents settled in Manitowoc in 1849, his father coming as a boy from Heiret'os, near Grimstad, Norway, and his mother, Martha Hansen Findal, coming from Findal near Stathelle on the Skiensfjord. Oscar M. Torrison attended the common school and graduated from the high school at Manitowoc, and received the degree of Bachelor of Laws at Luther College, Decorah, Iowa, in 1881. In 1882 he received the degree of Bachelor of Laws at the State University of Iowa, at Iowa City, and in 1884 he took the degree of Bachelor of Laws (cum laude) at Columbia College, now Columbia University, New York City. He has been admitted to practice in the Supreme Courts of Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota, Wisconsin and in the 'Supreme Court of the United States. From 1886 to 1890 he practiced law at Elbow Lake, Minn., and acquired a large practice, enjoying a splendid reputation as a trustworthy and successful lawyer. He was elected mayor of Elbow Lake for three successive terms, and in 1888 was selected as an alternate delegate to the Republican National Convention in **Chicago** from the then Seventh Congressional District of Minnesota. In 1890 he removed to Chicago, where he soon acquired an extensive and varied practice and has taken an active part in matters of public interest. In 1896 he was appointed a member of the Board of Education of Chicago and served in that capacity and in important committees of the board in 1896 and 1897. He is a member of the board of directors of the Chicago Bureau of Charities and for the past three years has been president of its northwestern district. He is also one of the directors of the "Association House" on W. North avenue., which is extensively engaged in settlement work on the North West side. He was also at one time resident of the alumni association of Luther College. He is a man of broad sympathies and at varied interests and has rendered valuable services to numerous Norwegian charitable institutions both in and outside of Chicago. In November 1906 he was elected Judge of the new Municipal Court of Chicago and received the solid support of the Norwegians of the city. In the bar-primary ballot taken by the Chicago Bar Association prior to the election, he received the largest vote of all the candidates for Municipal Judge, over one hundred in number. In 1880 Mr. Torrison was married to Miss Ida Michelson, a daughter of Capt. H. Michelson of Chicago.



Judge Oscar M. Torrison.

Business

James Alex Trane (April 29, 1857 - January 24, 1936) was a Norwegian-American inventor and industrialist. He the co-founder of Trane . James Alex Trane was born in Tromsø , Norway. He was an immigrant to the United States who settled in La Crosse, Wisconsin in 1864, finding work as a steamfitter and plumber. In 1885, he opened his own plumbing shop. Besides being a steamfitter and a plumber, James Trane was also an inventor. He designed a new type of low-pressure steam heating system, Trane vapor heating. Reuben Trane , James' son, earned a Mechanical Engineering degree (B.S. 1910) at the -University of WisconsinMadison and joined his father's plumbing firm. In 1913, James and Reuben incorporated The Trane Company. By 1916, the Tranes were no longer in the plumbing business, but rather were focusing their attention on manufacturing heating products. In 1925, Reuben Trane invented a new type of heat transfer device known as the convector radiator. It consisted of a new style of heat exchanger in a sheet metal cabinet-a highly efficient, lightweight replacement for the bulky, slow responding castiron radiator. In 1931, The Trane Company developed its first air conditioning unit, the Trane unit cooler, and in 1938 its first centrifugal refrigeration machine, the Turbovac.



James A. Trane
Founder, 1885

Business

Reuben Nicholas Trane (September 13, 1886 - September 5, 1954) was an American Mechanical Engineer . Together with his father James Trane , he founded the heating and air conditioning company, Trane. Reuben Trane was born in La Crosse, Wisconsin . He graduated from La Crosse Central High School in 1906. In 1910, he graduated from the -University of WisconsinMadison with a degree in Mechanical Engineering. In 1913, James and Reuben incorporated The Trane Company. In 1923, Reuben Trane invented the convector radiator. From 1916 until 1951, Reuben Trane was President of Trane. From 1951 until his death in 1954, Reuben Trane was chairman of the board of Trane. He was a member of the Institution of Heating and Ventilating Engineers and of the American Society of Heating and Ventilating Engineers (ASHRAE), to which he was awarded a lifetime membership in 1951. Reuben N. Trane was inducted into the ASHRAE Hall of Fame in 1997



Politicians

Donald John Trump (born June 14, 1946) is the 45th and current President of the United States. Before entering politics, he was a businessman and television personality. Trump was born and raised in the New York City borough of Queens . He received an economics degree from the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania and was appointed president of his family's real estate business in 1971, renamed it The Trump Organization , and expanded it from Queens and Brooklyn into Manhattan . The company built or renovated skyscrapers, hotels, casinos, and golf courses. Trump later started various side ventures, including licensing his name for real estate and consumer products. He managed the company until his 2017 inauguration . He co-authored several books , including The Art of the Deal . He owned the Miss Universe and Miss USA beauty pageants from 1996 to 2015, and he produced and hosted the reality television show, The Apprentice , from 2003 to 2015. Forbes estimates his net worth to be \$3.1 billion. Donald Trump believed to be direct descendant of Rurik the Viking who established Russian state. Trump has ties to European royalty but he claims Barack Obama is also a descendant of Rurik. More descendants include Henry III of England, the first three King Edwards, and Joan Beaufort, Queen of Scots.



Entertainment

Harry Gilbert (Gil) Trythall (born October 28, 1930) is an American composer and pianist of contemporary classical music. Trythall was born on October 28, 1930 in Knoxville, Tennessee, the older brother of composer and pianist Richard Aaker Trythall. He attended Central High School in Knoxville and, in 1948, he enrolled at the University of Tennessee where he studied under David Van Vactor graduating with a Bachelor of Arts in 1951. He was then admitted, that same year, to Northwestern University where he studied under Wallingford Riegger obtaining a Master of Music in 1952



Entertainment

Richard Aaker Trythall (born July 25, 1939) is an American and Italian composer and pianist of contemporary classical music. Trythall was born on July 25, 1939 in Knoxville, Tennessee, the younger brother of composer Gilbert Harry Trythall. His family, related to composer Edvard Grieg, has Welsh and Norwegian ancestry, and moved to the United States from Norway



Business

Hermo Nielsen Tufte

BIRTH14 Aug 1798 DEATH30 Nov 1883 (aged 85)
North Cape Lutheran Cemetery North Cape, Racine County, Wisconsin, USA
Hermo N. Tufte was the first immigrant from Hallingdal. Now there are surely over 25,000 Hallings in America, over twice as many as dwell in the old valley. Tufte was a devout Haugean. His family turned out well. One of his sons is said by Holand to have been the most lovable man in Racine County. Three of his daughters made notable marriages — Sigrid married **Rev. Elling Eielsen**, the far-famed revivalist and pioneer missionary; Julia married Thomas Adland, son of **Mons Adland**, himself like his father, one of Muskego's best men; and Betsey married **O. B. Dahle**, a wealthy merchant of Mt. Horeb, Wis. father of Congressman **Herman B. Dahle**.



GILBERT KNUDSEN TUFTY, The retired porcelain and glassware merchant, was born in Vestre Slidre, Valdres, Norway, Oct. 14, 1839. His parents were Knud Larsen Tuvand Marit (Snorthum). He received the advantages of the public schools and was confirmed in Norway. He came to America in 1857 on a sail ship and landed in Quebec, Canada, after a five weeks voyage. He came west and located near Decorah, Iowa, where he worked on farms and attended the public schools for two years. In 1859 he secured a position in a general store in Decorah, where he remained a year, when he went to McGregor, Iowa, as a clerk in a crockery and glassware store. In 1865 he came to **Chicago** and clerked in a dry goods store for one year and then started a porcelain and glassware store of his own, on State street, near Harrison. It was here that occurred in his life a little episode that he can not forget. A carriage was driven up to the door one day, a lady stepped Out and came in and selected a few dollars' worth of dishes, and while paying for them asked whether he could not lend her a basket to pack them in, for she wanted to take them with her in the carriage. He said he could, but that it was customary with him to ask a deposit, which would be refunded when the basket was returned. This was readily agreed to and the basket and dishes, with the aid of the coachman, were soon in the carriage, and his customer gone. He said he was dumfounded when he learned from some of his neighbors that his customer was Mrs. Abraham Lincoln. He was especially chagrined because he had asked and accepted a deposit on the_ basket, which of course he would not have thought of doing had he known who she was. This was in 1867, when Mrs. Lincoln made Chicago her home for a time. Nothing remarkable about this, but Mr. Tufty considers it a noteworthy incident in his career. In 1870 Mr. Tufty moved his business to Milwaukee avenue, near Halsted street, where he had already purchased a small property. He has the distinction of being the first Skandinavian to engage in this particular line of business in Chicago. He retired from the mercantile business some years ago and is spending his time now in looking after his properties and occasionally turning a real estate deal. He was married on Jan. 17, 1874, to Miss Ragnhild Vick, of Decorah, Iowa. They have no children living. They are both members of the Old' Peoples Home Society and St. Paul's Norwegian Lutheran Church.

Business



Gilbert K. Tufty.

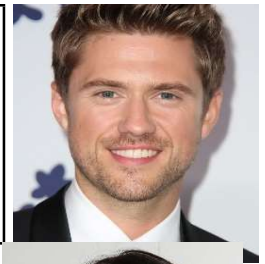
Scientists

Merle Anthony Tuve (June 27, 1901 - May 20, 1982) was an American geophysicist who was the founding director of the Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory . He was a pioneer in the use of pulsed radio waves whose discoveries opened the way to the development of radar and nuclear energy. Merle Antony Tuve was born in Canton, South Dakota . He and physicist Ernest Lawrence were childhood friends. All four of his grandparents were born in Norway and subsequently immigrated to the United States. His father, Anthony G. Tuve, was president of Augustana College and his mother, Ida Marie Larsen Tuve, taught music there. After Tuve's father died in the influenza epidemic of 1918 , the family moved to Minneapolis , where Merle attended the University of Minnesota ; he received there a BS degree in 1922 and an MS degree in 1923 both in Physics. Following a year at Princeton where he was an instructor, Tuve subsequently went to work for his doctorate at Johns Hopkins University . He obtained there his PhD degree in Physics in 1927.



Entertainment

Aaron Kyle Tveit (born October 21, 1983) is an American actor and singer. He is known for originating the roles of Gabe in *Next to Normal* and Frank Abagnale Jr. in the stage version of *Catch Me If You Can* on Broadway. He is also known for his recurring role as Tripp van der Bilt on The CW 's teen drama series *Gossip Girl* , his portrayal of Enjolras in the 2012 film adaptation of *Les Misérables* , as Mike Warren on the USA Network series *Graceland* , and as Danny Zuko in *Grease Live*



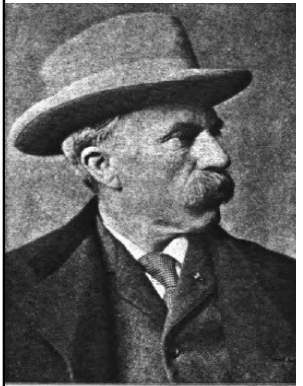
Models

Leeann Velez Tweeden (born June 13, 1973) is an American radio broadcaster, model and sports commentator. Since February 2017, she has been the news anchor for *McIntyre in the Morning* on Radio 790 KABC in Los Angeles. Tweeden was born in Manassas, Virginia , to Bill Tweeden, a retired Air Force Chief Mechanic, and her mother, Catherine. She is half Filipina on her mother's side. After graduating from Osbourn Park High School , in 1991, Tweeden moved to Hollywood to pursue a career in modeling.



Business

SIVERT UDSTAD, Of Aurora, Ill., was born in Trondhjem, Norway, Sept. 28, 1856. His father was Arnt Udstad; his mother's maiden name was Sigrid Gisvoldløyken. After finishing the common schools and' having been confirmed he entered a machine shop at Trolla, near Trondhjem, where he learned his trade as a machinist. He then went to Christiania and worked at his trade for three years; then to StOckholm, Sweden, where he worked at Bolinder's Machine Works and Holmgren's Fire Engine Works. He also served as steamboat fireman and engineer on a coaster in Norway for about three years. He came to America and Aurora, Ill., March 9, 1881, where he has resided since. He found work at the C., B. & Q. R. R. shops immediately and continued in that capacity until 1888, when he started a machine shop of his own. This was after the big strike on the C., B. & Q. Railroad. He was married on April 9, 1881, to Anne Back, from Qrkcdalen, Norway. They have eight children: Arnt, George, Elmer, Jennie, Norman, Annie, Einer and Nora. Elmer Udstad is married to Clara Bruger, of German descent. Arnt and George are living in St. Paul, Minn. Mr. Udstad has patented several improvements Sivert Udstad. on machinery. He served two years in the Norwegian army. He is a member of the K. P., Royal Arcanum, Modern Woodmen, the Elks, and a charter member of the chamber of commerce of Aurora. Our su'bject's mother died in 1894; his father is still living. Mr. Udstad's shop in Aurora is at 101 So. Water street. The family are members of the Norwegian-Danish Lutheran Church of Aurora, of which our subject has been a deacon for many years. The family home is at 115 T street, Aurora.



Sivert Udstad.

Writers

Brenda Ueland (October 24, 1891 – March 5, 1985) was a journalist, editor, freelance writer, and teacher of writing. She is best known for her book *If You Want to Write: A Book about Art, Independence and Spirit*. Brenda was born in Minneapolis, Minnesota to Andreas and Clara Hampson Ueland. She was the third of seven children. She attended Wells and Barnard colleges and received her baccalaureate from Barnard in 1913. She lived in and around New York City for much of her adult life before returning to Minnesota in 1930. Brenda was raised in a relatively progressive household; her father, an immigrant from Norway, was a prominent lawyer and judge. Her mother was a suffragette and served as the first president of the Minnesota League of Women Voters. Brenda would spend her life as a staunch feminist and is said to have lived by two rules: To tell the truth, and to not do anything she didn't want to

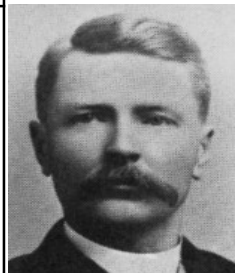


Norsk Høstfest

Lars Ueland [b.8-1855 WI -]

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A member of North Dakota's first House of Representatives, Ueland spearheaded passage of a bill giving citizens a stronger voice in government and helped establish the Grain Growers Association.



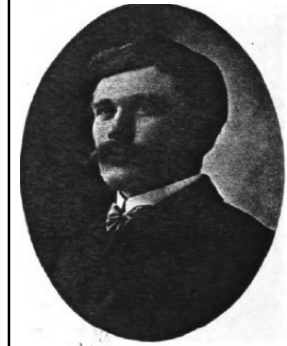
Museum

Harold & Bernice Ugland were major benefactors and charter directors of the museum. (1899-1985) (1910-2000)



Business

SALVE UGLAND, Of **Sheridan, La Salle county, Ill.**, was born at Hammeren, Norway, June 3, 1868, his parents being Hans Nilsen Møller and Gurine Salvesdatter. He attended the common schools in the country and afterward the officers' school of artillery in Christiansand. He came to America in the spring of 1888, landing in New York and coming to Norway, La Salle county. He rented some land and went to farming, but afterward went into the mercantile business. He is now in business as a contractor and builder. He was married to Cora Larson, of Stavanger, Norway, on May 14, 1893, her parents being Lars Stensvig and Maren Thompson. They had one child, Harold, born June 10, 1899. Mrs. Ugland died in 1901. Our subject has held several offices—having been collector for Mission township, cashier and director for the Farmers' and Merchants' Telephone Company, at Newark, and has also been an alderman at Sheridan.



Salve Ugland.

Business

John O. Ulberg had been a contractor and builder from 1890 to 1905, farmer and brick manufacturer, Mott, N. D., 1905-19, and experimenting with rotary engines since 1919. He has spent 20 years planning a rotary engine. In 1914 he visited the Patent Office at Washington, D. C., and found 3,086 patents of rotary engines ahead of him, but not one of them used his principle. He is president of Ulberg and Sons Rotary Engine Co., Sioux Falls. Beecher says that "he that invents a tool or a machine augments the power of man and the well-being of mankind." The inventors just mentioned have surely contributed to the welfare of humanity, and while in this life they received no material rewards for their foresight and sacrifice. It is said of a man that he asked his fellowmen for bread, and they gave him a stone — when he was dead. It is earnestly to be hoped that the world will eventually reward these inventors of machinery of such universal and far-reaching value with proper monuments of stone. It has been estimated that the Norwegians have produced 33, 000 inventions in the United States. In the table below will be found 33 of these chosen to show their variety and practicality. The Juel Self Feeder.



Business

DR. O. M. ULVESTAD. Son of L. O. and Anna S. (Jackson) Ulvestad was born in Rosendahl Township, Watonwan County, Minnesota, August 20, 1871. His father was born in Sogn, Norway, and his mother near Madison, VVis. He attended the district schools until 16 years old at his home in Minnesota. He then studied one year at St. Olaf's College at Northfield and the following two years at the State Normal at Mankato. Wishing to be independent he taught school for two years in Redwood and LacquiDr. O. M. Ulvestad. Parle counties and in 1893 taught another term of school. He afterwards clerked in a general store at Madelia, Minn., for two years. In 1895, he had laid by sufficiently to buy himself some land in Stevens County and moved upon it in the spring of 1896. He immediately Commenced putting up buildings and breaking up the prairie preparatory f0: crops. While on the farm he taught school again during the winter months. On June 30, 1897, he married Louisa A. Legvold, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hans E. Legvold of Bricelyn, Faribault Co., Minn., Mrs. Ulvestad's birthplace. They moved on the farm and lived there until the fall of 1899, when they came to **Chicago**. Mr. Ulvestad entered the Northwestern University Dental School from which he graduated in 1902. He fitted up an office at 328 West Erie St. where he has since continued his practice. Dr. Ulvestad is the oldest of a family of ten children, eight boys and two girls, all living. The Doctor's home has been blessed with one child, four years old. His residence is at 593 Grand avenue.



Dr. O. M. Ulvestad.

Martin Ulvestad (24 December 1865 - 19 January 1942) was a Norwegian-born American historian and author whose writings focused on Norwegian-American immigration. He was a pioneer in documenting the early history of Norwegian settlers in America.

Ole Johannes Martinus Ulvestad was born at Volda municipality in Møre og Romsdal, Norway. He was the son of Peder Olsen Ulvestad (1825-1918) and Alexandrine Knudsdatter (1824-1894). He immigrated to the United States in 1886. During his next three to four years, he worked as a book printer and as a typesetter for various English, German and Scandinavian language newspapers. Ulvestad published an English-Danish-Norwegian dictionary in 1895. Ulvestad subsequently collected and published extensive information regarding Norwegian-American immigration and settlement in North America. His books provided biographical information, history of the settlements associated with Norwegian immigration and information regarding those who fought in the American Civil War.



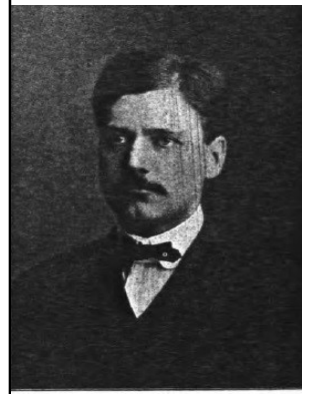
J. LEONARD UNDEM Is a native of **Chicago**, and was born May 21, 1880, his parents (S. L. and Susan Undem) being from Norway. Leonard, as he is familiarly called by his friends, was educated in the Chicago public schools, but had a liking for the grocery business, and early sought and secured a position in the retail store of his uncle. He worked at the retail grocery business for five or six years, but, seeing no chance for advancement, he resigned and took a business course at the Chicago Athenarum. He worked his way through college by clerking for a butcher after school hours and on Saturdays. He afterward secured a place as office boy with a wholesale grocery firm, the Louis W. Stayart Co., Haymarket Square, where he has since remained, having successively filled several positions, and is now one of the head salesmen for the firm. On Aug. 18, 1903, Mr. Undem married Bertha J. Latimer, daughter of Dr. H. H. Latimer, of this city. He is a 32d-degree Mason, a member of Medinah Shrine and the Corner Stone Blue Lodge.



J. Leonard Undem.

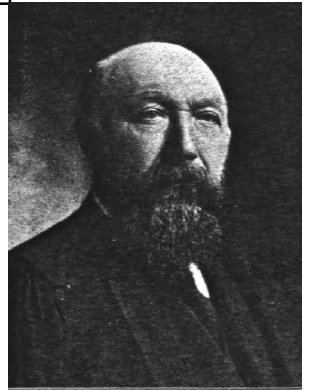
Per Ivarson Undi (1803 - 28 July 1860), also known as Peter Ivarson, was an early Norwegian-American homesteader in Wisconsin Territory. Peder Ivarson was born on the Undi farm in Vik, Sogn og Fjordane, Norway. He was one of eight children born to Iver Pedersen (1762-1837) of the Gullbrå farm in Vik and Inger Akseldtr (1775-1838) of the Skjervheim farm in Myrkdalen, a small valley in the municipality of Voss. Peder Ivarson was married to Anna Davidsdatter from the Skjervheim farm in Myrkdalen. Peder Ivarson, together with his wife and their children, became the first emigrants to the United States from the Sogn og Fjordane county in Norway. His brother-in-law, brother Peder Davidsen Skjervheim, had emigrated from Hardanger in 1837. Per Undi had also been influenced by Ole Rynning's True Account of America (Norwegian: Sandfærdig Beretning om Amerika) which was published during 1838.

DR. MAGNUS ANDREW UNSETH, Son of Peter T. and Johanne Bjørge Unseth, farmers, near Westby, Wis., was born Oct. 8, 1867. He attended the country public schools until 1883, when he entered upon a seven years' course at Luther College, Decorah, Iowa. He graduated in the spring of 1890, with the degree of AB. In the fall of that year he entered upon a three years' course of study in medicine at Rush Medical College, **Chicago**, and graduated in 1893 with the degree of M.D. He immediately opened an office in Chicago and commenced the practice of medicine as a physician and surgeon. On Nov. 27, 1895, he was married to Clara T. Wulff, daughter of John and Laura Wulff, of Chicago. They have two children—Malcom, born Aug. 15, 1898, and Helen Laura, born March 18, 1904. In 1895 Dr. Unseth was appointed medical inspector of the department of health in Chicago, in which position he served for two years. He was also for several years a member of the staff of attending surgeons to the Norwegian Lutheran Tabitha Hospital. He has for several years been an examining physician for a number of societies, and during the last six years has been one of the regular medical examiners for the Prudential Life Insurance Company of America. In a competitive civil service examination for the position of assistant city physician of Chicago he holds the distinction of being number two on the list. He has also taken other civil-service examinations and is on the eligible list as attending physician to the insane, poorhouse and consumption hospital at Dunning. but declined to accept the position when offered. Dr. Unseth's parents are living. Three years ago they retired and are now living in their beautiful home in the town of Westby, Wis. Dr. and Mrs. Unseth are members of St. Matthews' Lutheran Church, of Logan Square, Chicago, and reside at 1171 N. Maplewood avenue.



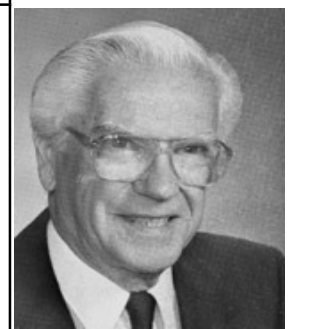
Dr. Magnus A. Unseth.

JACOB LARSEN URHEIM, M.D., Was born to Lars J. and Helga L. (Lofthu's) Urheim, farmers in Ullensvang, Hardanger, Norway, April 24, 1855. In Norway he attended the common and also Ullensvang Folkehøiskole and was confirmed in Kinsarvik's church. He came to America in 1876, going to Rushford, Minn., where he located. He worked on a farm in the summer and attended school during the winter. He then went to Harmony, Minn., where he was engaged as a druggist for eight years. During this time, he attended the Monona Academy, Madison, Wis., one year, and in 1891 graduated from the Bennett Medical College, **Chicago**. Dr. Urheim's first wife, whom he married March 20, 1881, was Tilda Laugen, the daughter of Ole Laugen, of Houston, Minn. She died Dec. 12, 1891, leaving him two children—Olaf, born Nov. 20, 1883, now a practicing physician, having graduated from the Bennett Medical College in 1906, and Alice Henriette, born March 5, 1889. On April 23, 1893, the doctor married Miss Lena Williams, the daughter of Viking Williams, of Lee, Ill. From January 1900, to January 1905, the doctor was attending physician at the Cook County Hospital. In 1904-5 he was professor at the Bennett Medical College. He is a member of the Scandinavian Medical Society, the State Society, the Eclectic Medical Society, the National Union and the Order of His mother died in Norway in 1889 and his father on Sept. 5, 1904. The family resides at 933 W. Division street, opposite Humboldt Park, where the doctor also has his office.



Dr. J. L. Urheim.

Dr. Merton Utgaard [11-2-1914 – 12-19-1998] Scandinavian-American Hall of Fame 1990 Dr. Utgaard, executive director of the International Ambassadors of Music, founded the International Music Camp Summer School of Fine Arts at Bottineau, which brings young musicians of many nations together to learn more music and share skills and friendships. Dr. Utgaard and the Ambassadors program also promotes cultural exchange programs between youths throughout the world. A winner of the American School Band Directors prestigious Harding Award, Dr. Utgaard was 1987 top State Music Educator and also has earned the Governor's Award for the Arts. He has been director of bands at University of South Dakota, Ball University in Indiana and **Northern Illinois University**



Business

OLE LARSEN UTHUS, The well-known commission merchant at 178 W. Randolph street, was born in Voss, Norway, July 26, 1863. His father, Lars Thorkelson Utbus was a farmer and one of the earliest and largest merchants dealing in cattle in Hallingdal surrounding country. His mother's maiden name was Torbjeir Klasdatter jSrdnes from Voss. Our subject attended the Vossestranden common school and middelskole and was confirmed in the Lutheran church on Vossestranden. He emigrated to America in 1882 arriving in **Chicago** on Nov. 7. From here he went to the pineries in Wisconsin and returned the following spring to Chicago. Here he worked for seven years in the linseed oil mill of Wright & Louter until 1889 when he engaged in the milk business on his own account. He continued with same until in 1896 when he started to work in the commission business. He was employed by various firms in that line until 1900 when he engaged in the same business for himself at 178 W. Randolph street where he is still located. Mr. Uthus has been very successful as a merchant, possessing such qualifications as will necessarily lead to success, viz., energy, perseverance and fairmindedness. He was married in Chicago to Miss Kari Nilsdatter Bidne, daughter of Nils Siverson and Bertha (Olsdatter) Bidne. Mrs. Uthus was born at Vossestranden, Norway, March 12, 1862. They reside at 785 Cornelia street, Chicago.



Ole L. Uthus.

Religious

Hans Valder [1813-1901]

Hans Olsen Velde - Baptist work among Norwegians in America originated with Hans Olsen Velde. Velde immigrated to the United States in 1837, settled in a sizable Norwegian community at **Indian Creek, La Salle County, Illinois**, and anglicized his name to Hans Valder. Through the influence of the Baptist congregation at nearby Leland, Valder became a Christian and a Baptist. Ordained to the ministry in August 1844, Valder organized a Norwegian Baptist congregation at Indian Creek in January 1848. This was the first Norwegian Baptist congregation in America, and Valder was the first Norwegian Baptist minister. Three months later the American Baptist Home Mission Society undertook some of his support, making him the first Norwegian Baptist missionary in America.
 BIRTH18 Oct 1813 Olen, Vindafjord kommune, Rogaland fylke, Norway
 DEATH28 Jan 1901 (aged 87) Newburg, Fillmore County, Minnesota, USA
 BURIALNewburg Methodist Church Cemetery Newburg, Fillmore County, Minnesota, USA



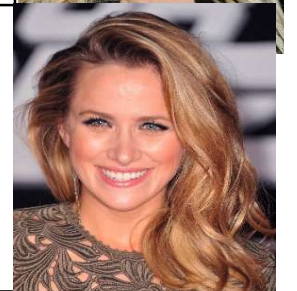
Entertainment

Kirsten Simone Vangsness (born July 7, 1972) is an American actress and writer. She currently stars as FBI Technical Analyst Penelope Garcia on the CBS drama series Criminal Minds . She portrayed the same character on the spin-off series Criminal Minds: Suspect Behavior . Vangsness was born in Pasadena, California , the daughter of Errol Leroy Vangsness and Barbara Mary (née Marconi).



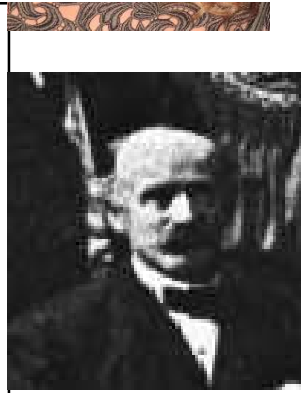
Entertainment

Shantel VanSanten (born July 25, 1985) is an American model and actress. As a model, she has been featured in the magazines Teen Vogue and Seventeen . On television, she played the role of Quinn James in the CW teen drama series One Tree Hill , recurred as Detective Patty Spivot in the CW show The Flash , and stars as Julie Swagger the wife of lead character Bob Lee Swagger on the USA Network series Shooter . On film, she has appeared in The Final Destination , You and I , and Something Wicked . VanSanten was born in Luverne, Minnesota . She is of Dutch and Norwegian descent.



Business

TOBIAS H. VARLAND Was born in Varland sogn, near Stavanger, Norway, Jan. 10, 1855. His father (a farmer in Norway) was Halvor Varland and his mother's maiden name Siri Torbjørnsdatter Eie. Our subject worked on his father's farm until 18, attended school, and was confirmed in Firing! church, in Norway. He came to America in the summer of 1873, arriving in Leland, Ill., June 14. He went to his uncle, Ole Thomson, a farmer who now lives at Deer Park, Ala. Our subject worked on the farm by the month for six years. He married Miss Malinda Johnsen, of Plattville, Ill., Feb. 24, 1880. His wife's parents were Andrew H. and Sarah (Baker) Johnson, Mrs. Varland being a sister of ex-Judge Johnson, of **Ottawa**. He then secured some land of his own in Miller township, La Salle county, and has been farming it since, having added to his holding from time to time, and now cultivates 240 acres. He also owns a 300-acre farm in Baker county, Minn., and a store, in partnership with Judge Johnson, in Seneca, Ill. Our subject is a member, songleader and deacon of Stavanger Lutheran Church, in La Salle county. He was also one of the incorporators of the **Pleasant View Luther College, at Ottawa**, and has always patronized it by donations and by sending his children to it. Mr. and Mrs. Varland have been blessed with thirteen children, all living— Harvey Elmer, born Nov. 21, 1880; Sina Margaret, Sept. 4, 1882; Arthur Zenus, June 29, 1884; Orville LeRoy, Dec. 1, 1886; Walter Baker, Jan. 9, 1889; Hazel Theresa, Feb. 17, 1891; Edgar Alexander, Oct. 3, 1894; Merrill Chester, Oct. 18, 1896; Esther Marie, April 21, 1898; Ruth Naomi, July 16, 1899; Freda Gertrude, Nov. 10, 1901; Truman Milo, June 18, 1903; James Gordon, May 9, 1905. Of the children all are at home except Harvey, who is farming in North Dakota, and Sina, who is teaching school and living with her brother in Dakota. Orville is a student at **Pleasant View College**.



Museum

Past Presidents Cleng Peerson - Sons of Norway Chapter #525: 7. 1991-1993 [3] **Lowell Varness** (1925-2005)



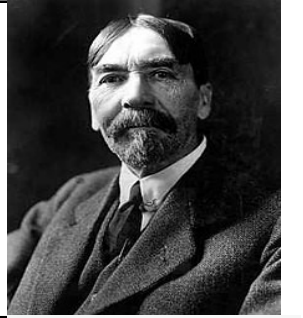
Scientists

Oswald Veblen (June 24, 1880 - August 10, 1960) was an American mathematician , geometer and topologist , whose work found application in atomic physics and the theory of relativity . He proved the Jordan curve theorem in 1905; while this was long considered the first rigorous proof, many now also consider Camille Jordan 's original proof rigorous Veblen was born in Decorah, Iowa . His parents were Andrew Anderson Veblen (1848-1932) and Kirsti (Hougen) Veblen (1851-1908). Veblen's uncle was Thorstein Veblen , noted economist and sociologist. He went to school in Iowa City . He did his undergraduate studies at the University of Iowa , where he received an A.B. in 1898, and Harvard University , where he was awarded a second B.A. in 1900. For his graduate studies, he went to study mathematics at the **University of Chicago**, where he obtained a Ph.D. in 1903. His dissertation, A System of Axioms for Geometry was written under the supervision of E. H. Moore . During World War I , Veblen served first as a captain, later as a major in the United States Army



Historians

Thorstein Bunde Veblen (; born Torsten Bunde Veblen; July 30, 1857 - August 3, 1929) was an American economist and sociologist who became famous as a witty critic of capitalism . Veblen is known for the idea of "conspicuous consumption ". People engage in conspicuous consumption, along with "conspicuous leisure", to demonstrate wealth or to mark social status - Veblen explains the concept in his best-known book, The Theory of the Leisure Class (1899). Historians of economic thought regard Veblen as the leader of the institutional economics movement. Contemporary economists still call Veblen's distinction between "institutions" and "technology" the Veblenian dichotomy .



Entertainment

Robert Thomas Velline (April 30, 1943 – October 24, 2016), known professionally as **Bobby Vee**, was an American singer, songwriter and musician who was a teen idol in the early 1960s and also appeared in films. According to Billboard magazine, he had thirty-eight Hot 100 chart hits, ten of which reached the Top 20. He had six gold singles in his career. Vee was born in Fargo, North Dakota, to Sydney Ronald Velline (a chef, pianist and fiddle player) and Saima Cecelia Tapanila, in a family of Norwegian and Finnish heritage. His first single, "Suzie Baby," was written by Vee with a nod to Buddy Holly's "Peggy Sue" and recorded for the Soma label, based in Minneapolis, in 1959; it was a hit in Minnesota and drew enough national attention to be purchased by Liberty Records, which signed him later that year. His follow-up single, a cover of Adam Faith's UK number-one "What Do You Want?", charted in the lower reaches of the Billboard pop chart in early 1960. His fourth release, a revival of the Clovers' doo-wop ballad "Devil or Angel" (U.S. number six), brought him into the big time with U.S. buyers. His next single, "Rubber Ball" (1961, U.S. number six, Australia number one), made him an international star.



Seamen

Georg Unger Vetlesen (January 31, 1889 - March 24, 1955) was a Norwegian-American shipbuilder and philanthropist. Vetlesen was born in Oslo, Norway, the son of a well-known Norwegian surgeon. At age eleven, he became a crew member on a ship bound for Copenhagen. He earned degrees in naval architecture and mechanical engineering from the Imperial Institute of London, and went on to work for a British shipbuilding firm. In 1913, Vetlesen migrated to Canada where he worked as a miner. In 1916 he migrated to the United States and worked in the shipbuilding industry. During World War II, Vetlesen worked to rebuild the Royal Norwegian Air Force. In 1943 he joined the United States Navy, as a Commander in the Special Forces headquarters in London to work with the Norwegian resistance. After the war, Vetlesen led the United States company representing the Norwegian America Line, and was a founder and chairman of the board of Scandinavian Airlines System.



Museum

Olav Vetrhus [11-28-1923 – 8-28-2016]
Norwegian Resistance member. Charter officer of the Cleng Peerson Lodge, Sons of Norway.



Entertainment

Vicky Vette (born 12 June 1965) is a Norwegian-Canadian pornographic actress, webcam model and webmaster. She has been named the most followed Norwegian on Twitter by the Norwegian newspaper, Verdens Gang. She also shot a mainstream movie in Indonesia called Pacar Hantu Perawan. Vette was born in Stavanger, Norway and moved to Canada when she was almost 5 years old. She relocated to the United States as an adult. She is mostly Norwegian with some German ancestry from her father.



Religious

REV. LAURITZ A. VIGNESS. One of the notable educational institutions for which the pretty little city of **Ottawa** is justly famed is the **Pleasant View Luther College**. which though young in years has advanced to the front ranks in an incredibly short period. The building is new and modern in every respect, is heated by steam and lighted by gas, and affords every comfort to the fortunate student who is enrolled as a pupil. The gentleman whose name appears at the commencement of this sketch is the president of the college and is working indefatigably for the good of the same. His heart and soul are in the enterprise, and the genuine interest which he takes in every student must make a favorable impression upon the scholar throughout his life. In tracing the life history of the worthy president it is found that he comes from the sturdy, manly old Viking stock of Norway. His father, Ole L. Vigness, was born in Finnyi, Norway. At the age of 23 the desire to see something of the world and to enter some other field of labor led him to set sail for America. Arriving here in 1856, he went to Rock county, Wisconsin, and found employment in the vicinity of Janesville. In 1859 he took up a homestead of government land in Fillmore county, Minnesota, and at the end of three years, when he had made improvements and had a comfortable home, he married Miss Anna Hallum, likewise a native of Norway. The mother died in 1884, leaving three sons and three daughters. Carl L., the second son, is now county superintendent of schools in Burleigh county, North Dakota; Mary, the wife of John Stennes, of Milan, Minn., died in 1900; Inga, who resides in Alberta, Canada, is the wife of J. Johnson; Emma and Edward are the younger members of the family. Until he was 15 years of age Lauritz A. Vigness attended the public schools of his native county, and early evinced unusual aptitude for books. His youthful ambition to enjoy the advantage of a collegiate education finally received fulfillment, and, after passing two years in Marshall (Wisconsin) Academy, he pursued a thorough four-year course of study in Augustana College at Canton; S. D. He then spent six months at Dixon College, at Dixon, Ill., after which he took a course at Augustana Theological Seminary, at Beloit, Iowa. From 1886 to 1890 he was professor of Latin and Greek at Augustana College. In 1890 he became a member of the faculty of the Highland Park College at Des Moines, Iowa, having charge of the classical department, and for four years his labors in that well-known institution met with excellent success. The presidency of Jewell Lutheran College, at Jewell, Iowa, was then tendered him, and he accepted the responsible charge.



Rev. Lauritz A. Vigness.

Lawyers

Aad John Vinje (November 10, 1857 - March 23, 1929) was a justice of the Wisconsin Supreme Court . He served as a Chief Justice of the Wisconsin Supreme Court from 1922 to 1929. Aad John Vinje was born on the Vinje farm (Winje nedre) in Vangen parish in Voss , Hordaland , Norway . His father died from injuries received in an accident in 1859 and his mother subsequently remarried. The family came to the United States in 1869 when Vinje was 12 years old. His parents, Mons Knudsen Vinje (1831-1923) and Ingeborg Davidsdatter (Klove) Vinje (1824-1901), immigrated together with their five children. His family settled in Marshall County, Iowa , where Vinje attended Iowa College (now Grinnell College) at Grinnell, Iowa from 1873 to 1874 and Northwestern University at Des Moines, Iowa from 1874 to 1875.

Sport

Lindsey Caroline Vonn (née Kildow ; born October 18, 1984) is an American World Cup alpine ski racer on the US Ski Team . She has won four World Cup overall championships-one of only two female skiers to do so, along with Annemarie Moser-Pröll -with three consecutive titles in 2008 , 2009 , and 2010 , plus another in 2012 . Vonn won the gold medal in downhill at the 2010 Winter Olympics , the first ever in the event for an American woman. She has also won a record 8 World Cup season titles. Born Lindsey Caroline Kildow in Saint Paul, Minnesota , she is the daughter of Linda Anne (née Krohn) and Alan Lee Kildow. She grew up in the Twin Cities metropolitan area in Burnsville, Minnesota . She is of Norwegian ancestry. Vonn was on skis at age two before moving into Erich Sailer's renowned development program at Burnsville's Buck Hill , which also produced slalom racer Kristina Koznick . Her father, who had won a national junior title before a knee injury at 18, "pushed" her very hard, according to Sailer.



Singers

Paul Waaktaar-Savoy (born Pål Waaktaar Gamst, 6 September 1961) is a Norwegian musician and songwriter . He was named Knights First Class of the Order of St. Olav by King Harald for his services to Norwegian music and his international success. Pål Savoy is best known for his work as the main songwriter and guitarist in the Norwegian pop band A-ha . He has written or co-written most of the band's biggest hits, including "The Sun Always Shines on T.V. ", "Hunting High and Low ", "Take On Me ", the James Bond theme "The Living Daylights " and the ballad "Summer Moved On ". In addition, Waaktaar-Savoy is also a painter . The band A-ha has sold more than 50 million albums worldwide.



Medal of Honor

Reidar Waaler (February 12, 1894 - February 5, 1979) was a soldier in the United States Army who received the Medal of Honor for his actions during World War I. Waaler was born in Norway on February 12, 1894, and died February 5, 1979. Rank and organization: Sergeant, U.S. Army, Company A, 105th Machine Gun Battalion, 27th Division. Place and date: At Ronssoy, France; September 27, 1918. Entered service at: New York, New York. Birth: February 12, 1894; Oslo, Norway. General Orders: War Department, General Orders No. 5 (1920). Citation: In the face of heavy artillery and machinegun fire, he crawled forward to a burning British tank, in which some of the crew were imprisoned, and succeeded in rescuing two men. Although the tank was then burning fiercely and contained ammunition which was likely to explode at any time, this soldier immediately returned to the tank and, entering it, made a search for the other occupants, remaining until he satisfied himself that there were no more living men in the tank.



Writers

Elise Wærenskjold (February 19, 1815 - January 22, 1895) was a Norwegian-American writer, temperance leader and early pioneer in Texas. Elise Amalie Tvede Wærenskjold was born in Dypvåg parish in Kristiansand in the county of Vest-Agder , Norway . She was the daughter of Lutheran parish priest Nicolai Sejersløv Tvede (1779-1832) and Johanne Elisabeth Meldahl (1773-1839), both of whose families were Danish -born patriots of the newly formed independent country of Norway. Educated by private tutors, she became a teacher and later opening a handicraft school for girls. She became involved in the national temperance movement and became editor of a Norwegian temperance magazine



Entertainment

Katharine Wagner (born May 11, 1964) is an American television personality and Hollywood reporter. Wagner was born in Los Angeles, California. Her parents are actress Marion Marshall and actor Robert Wagner. They divorced in 1971 when she was seven years old.



Entertainment

Robert John Wagner Jr. (; born February 10, 1930) is an American actor of stage, screen, and television, best known for starring in the television shows It Takes a Thief (1968-70), Switch (1975-78), and Hart to Hart (1979-84). He also had a recurring role as Teddy Leopold on the TV sitcom Two and a Half Men and has a recurring role as Anthony DiNozzo Sr. on the police procedural NCIS . In movies, Wagner is known for his role as Number Two in the Austin Powers trilogy of films (1997, 1999, 2002), as well as for A Kiss Before Dying , The Pink Panther , Harper , The Towering Inferno and many more. Wagner is occasionally drawn into public attention regarding the 1981 death of Natalie Wood with whom he was twice married. An autobiography, Pieces of My Heart: A Life, written with author Scott Eyman , was published on September 23, 2008. Wagner was born February 10, 1930, in Detroit, Michigan . He is the son of Hazel Alvera (née Boe), a telephone operator , and Robert John Wagner Sr., a traveling salesman who worked for the Ford Motor Company . His paternal grandparents were born in Germany and his maternal grandparents were Norwegian.



Founders

James M. Wahl (Given name: Jens Magnus Wahl) (January 7, 1846 - February 9, 1939) was a pioneer Norwegian American settler in South Dakota . He served as the first legislator of Lincoln County, South Dakota in the Dakota Territorial Legislature. Wahl named the city of Canton, South Dakota . Wahl was born at Storvahl in Nærøy parish, Nord-Trøndelag , Norway . He was the son of Fredrik Andreas Jenssen (1814-1866) and Johanna Maria Mikkelsdatter (1825-1917). Wahl emigrated to La Crosse, Wisconsin in 1867 from Nord-Trøndelag County, Norway . He attended West Salem Seminary in La Crosse, Wisconsin and upon completion moved to Sioux Falls, South Dakota . He served as a guide to immigrants coming to Lincoln County, South Dakota from Norway for many years. He later moved to the Sioux Valley arriving on April 23, 1868 in Canton, South Dakota . He filed for a homestead on the very piece of property on which the county courthouse stands today

Singers

Thomas Alan Waits (born December 7, 1949) is an American singer-songwriter and actor. Known for his distinctive deep gravelly singing voice, his lyrics are characterized by their focus on characters living on the underside of U.S. society. His early music during the 1970s was primarily in the jazz genre, but later work moved towards blues , vaudeville , and experimental music. Waits was raised in a middle-class family in Whittier, California and then San Diego . Thomas Alan Waits was born on 7 December 1949 in Pomona, California . His father, Jesse Frank Waits, was a Texan of Scots-Irish ancestry , while his mother, Alma Fern (Johnson), was an Oregonian of Norwegian heritage



Sport

GRETE WAITZ [1953-]donned her first pair of track shoes at a time when female athletes were not taken seriously, given equal opportunities or supported. As a teen in Oslo, Norway, she was too young to realize how much discrimination prevailed in sports she was merely too busy trying to get to the next race. She constantly fought with her family to get to local races since her brothers were seen as the athletes and Waitz as a young girl who ought to watch them from the sidelines. It wasn't until 1970 when Waitz began competing on an international level that she received any firm support from her parents. Two years later, Waitz was part of an Olympic first - the first time that women were allowed to participate in the 1500-meter distance at the Olympic Games in Munich. Waitz received a lot of encouragement from her male counterparts at the Munich games and continued to train seriously. However, to safeguard her future, she began attending a teachers college in Norway and trained twice a day running an average of 75 miles per week.



Academics

GOODMAN WALLEM. Goodman Wallem was born in Adams township, La Salle county, Illinois, Oct. 7, 1864. Attended district school, the Morris Normal School and the Dixon (Ill.) Business University. Taught school for several years. Commenced reading law at Leland, Ill., studied nights and Saturdays. Went thence to Chicago and finished his reading with the law firm of English & Hefferan. Was admitted to the bar May 7, 1897, and since then has been engaged in the general practice of law with offices in the Ashland Block, Chicago. Jan. 24, 1900, he was married to Miss Anna Thompson, of Leland, Ill.



Goodman Wallem.

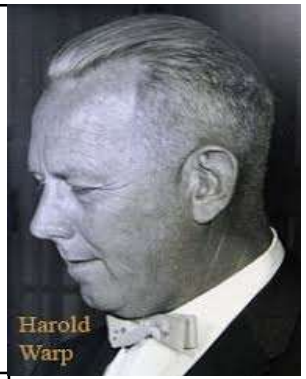
Scientists

Owen Harding Wangensteen (September 21, 1898 – January 13, 1981) was an American surgeon who developed the Wangensteen tube, which used suction to treat small bowel obstruction, an innovation estimated to have saved a million lives by the time of his death. He founded the Surgical Forum at the American College of Surgeons (ACS) and was renowned for his surgical teaching. Amongst his most notable students were Walton Lillehei, Christiaan Barnard and Norman Shumway. He made contributions to other surgical practices in other areas, including appendicitis, peptic ulcers and particularly gastric cancer. In his later life, he showed a keen interest in the history of medicine and co-wrote a number of books on the subject with his wife. Owen Harding Wangensteen was born in 1898 to Ove Wangensteen and his wife Hannah and brought up on the family farm in Lake Park, Minnesota. His parents were Norwegian-immigrant farmers and he spent his early years working on the farm. All born at home, he was the second of four siblings, having an older brother Charles, a younger sister Marian and a younger brother Theodore



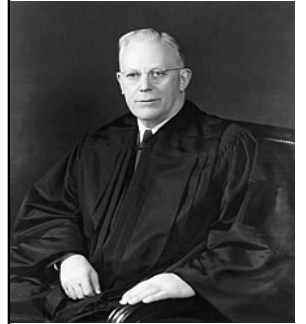
Business

Harold Warp (December 21, 1903 – April 9, 1994) was an American businessman who invented Flex-O-Glass®. He also founded Pioneer Village in Minden, Nebraska. Harold Warp was born in a sod house on a farm near Minden, Nebraska. He was the youngest of twelve children born to an immigrant family from Norway. When he was three years old, his father died and his mother died when he was eleven. In 1924, he and two of his brothers moved to **Chicago** with a patent for a plastic window material he had developed. Their business became successful and in time its product line grew to include many other plastic products. Warp Bros. is still in business and remains under family ownership. Harold Warp was the recipient of numerous awards including the Horatio Alger Award in 1979 and the Distinguished Nebraskalander Award in 1984.



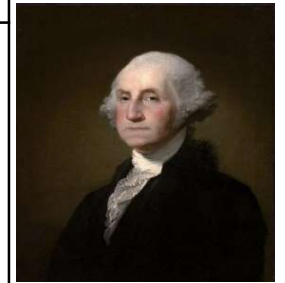
Lawyers

Earl Warren (March 19, 1891 - July 9, 1974) was an American jurist and politician who served as the 14th Chief Justice of the United States (1953-1969) and earlier as the 30th Governor of California (1943-1953). The Warren Court presided over a major shift in constitutional jurisprudence, with Warren writing the majority opinions in landmark cases such as *Brown v. Board of Education*, *Reynolds v. Sims*, and *Miranda v. Arizona*. Warren also led the Warren Commission, a presidential commission that investigated the 1963 assassination of President John F. Kennedy. Earl Warren was born in Los Angeles, California, on March 19, 1891, to Matt Warren and his wife, Crystal. Matt, whose original family name was Varren, was born in Stavanger, Norway in 1864, and he and his family migrated to the United States in 1866. Crystal, whose maiden name was Hernlund, was born in Hälsingland, Sweden.



Politicians

George Washington (February 22, 1732 - December 14, 1799) was one of the Founding Fathers and the **first President of the United States (1789-1797)**. He commanded Patriot forces in the new nation's vital American Revolutionary War and led them to victory over the British. Washington also presided at the Constitutional Convention of 1787, which established the new federal government. For his manifold leadership he has been called the "Father of His Country". Ancestry is Norwegian, a second cousin, 26 times removed to America's discoverer Leif Erikson.



Business

THOMAS ENGELSON WATERDAL. With Adams Bros. & Co., the building material and elevator manufacturers, at 355 Thirty-first street, was born in Waterdal, Onarkeim sogn, Tysnaes prestegjeld, Norway, on Jan. 5, 1855. His parents were Engel Thorbjørnsen and ChristiHenricksdatter. His early life was spent in the country, but at the age of 18 years he went to sea as a sailor from Bergen. When of military age he served for three years in the infantry of the Norwegian army. He came to America in 1884 and sailed on the lakes until 1895, when he associated himself with Adams Bros. & Co., **Chicago**. He belongs to the Norwegian Lutheran Church.



Thomas E. Waterdal.

Religious

HENRY CORNELIUS WEARDAHL, The professional masseur and instructor in practical massage and Swedish movements, at 800 N. Washtenaw avenue, was born in Trondhjem, Norway, Nov. 8, 1865. His father, Andreas M. Weardahl, was a watchmaker in Norway. Our subject attended betalingsskolen in Trondhjem and studied Swedish movements and massage under his uncle, Fanejunker Ole Tellesbøe in Trondhjem, in 1886. He also took a course at the **Chicago School of Psychology** in 1900. He was confirmed in the Cathedral, (Domkirken) at Trondhjem. He came to New York on May 5, 1889, and Chicago on the 7th. In 1890 he went to Springfield, Ill., but returned to Chicago in 1893. In the fall of that year he went to Moberly, Mo., where he was attendant at the Wabash Railroad Hospital until 1895, when he went to the Home Sanitarium, at Racine, Wis. In 1897 he returned to Chicago and located permanently. He was married to Hanna Olsen Døle, daughter of Ole P. and Sofie Døle, of Føresfjord, Haugesund, Norway, on Oct. 4, 1900. They have one child, a son, Arlin Andreas, born March 23, 1903. Mr. Weardahl served ninety days as a guard in the Norwegian army on Varnesmoen, near Trondhjem. He has been a member of the International Order of Good Templars since May 1881, is state deputy for Illinois, and has held all of fices in the subordinate lodge of which he is a member. He has been an instructor in practical massage and Swedish movements since 1895. As such he has held positions with the Norwegian Lutheran Home and Hospital since 1904. He has -many private students. From 1895 to 1897 he was manager of the male department at the Home Sanitarium at Racine, Wisconsin, and in 1893-95 was with the Wabash Railway Hospital at Moberly, Mo. When he first came to Chicago he found English, German and Swedish masseurs, but not one Norwegian. He decided, however, that Chicago was a good field for his work, and determined to spread the knowledge of massage and the Swedish move ments among his countrymen and thus establish for himself a permanent business. It has taken him several years and he has frequently been obliged to leave the city in order to earn enough money to continue the work. His efforts have been crowned with success, however, and Mr. Weardahl is now satisfied with the results obtained. He has always been an active worker in the temperance cause since he engaged in the work in 1881. For the last four years he has been the leader in the Norwegian lodges of the city. In recognition of his services in this work he was, on the 25th of last May, presented with a gold watch by Norrønna Lodge.



Henry C. Weardahl.

Religious

August Weenaas (1835-1924) was a Norwegian American Lutheran minister and educator. August Weenaas was the founding President of Augsburg University August Weenaas was born in Norway and educated in the ministry at the University of Christiania . He was ordained as a minister in the Church of Norway . He served as a pastor there for several years at Loppen prior to immigrating to the United States in 1868. Weenaas resigned his pastorate in the beginning of February 1868. Weenaas became a professor in Paxton, Illinois at the Scandinavian Augustana Synod Seminary (now Augustana College) in **Rock Island, Illinois** . In 1869, August Weenaas was named president of Augsburg Seminary.



Norsk Høstfest

Dr. Jon Wefald Scandinavian-American Hall of Fame 2002 In his foreword to Robert Shoop's book, A University Renaissance: Jon Wefald's Presidency at Kansas State, U.S. Senator Pat Roberts called 'the Wefald years' (1986-present) at K-State a time "when a very good university aimed high and became an excellent university." The evidence is substantial: during Jon Wefald's tenure, the school has achieved the greatest turn-around in the history of Division I football, becoming a power among the nation's elite; reversed a serious decline in student enrollment; added 1.6 million square feet in new buildings; and led the nation's 500 public universities in the number of prestigious academic scholarships awarded. Wefald, a Minot native and full-blooded Norwegian, came to K-State well credentialed. As chancellor of the State University System of Minnesota, he presided over seven state universities, and before that served as president of Southwest State University in Marshall, Minnesota from 1977-82. He himself was schooled at Pacific Lutheran University, Washington State University and the University of Michigan.



Artists

Danquart Anthon Weggeland (March 31, 1827 - June 2, 1918) is considered the "Father of Utah Art" and was an artist and teacher in the early history of Utah Territory. Weggeland was born in the city of Kristiansand, Norway. At age sixteen, he began studying with a portrait painter in Christiania and at age 20 he went to Copenhagen, where he eventually studied at the Danish Royal Academy of Art. After two years in Copenhagen, Weggeland returned to Christiania, where he worked as a portrait painter and did some work for theatres. In 1854, he was introduced to The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (LDS Church), and one of his main teachers was a missionary who had also attended the Royal Academy of Art, C. C. A. Christensen. After being baptized a member of the LDS Church, Weggeland moved to England. He served as a church missionary in England from 1857 to 1861.



Entertainment

Scott Richard Weiland (né Kline, October 27, 1967 – December 3, 2015) was an American musician, singer and songwriter. During a career spanning three decades, Weiland was best known as the lead singer of the band Stone Temple Pilots from 1989 to 2002 and 2008 to 2013. He was also a member of supergroup Velvet Revolver from 2003 to 2008 and recorded one album with another supergroup, Art of Anarchy. He also established himself as a solo artist, releasing three studio albums, two cover albums, and collaborations with several other musicians throughout his career.



Sport

John Garvin Weir (born July 2, 1984) is an American figure skater, fashion designer, and television commentator. He is a two-time Olympian, the 2008 World bronze medalist, a two-time Grand Prix Final bronze medalist, the 2001 World Junior Champion, and a three-time U.S. national champion (2004-2006). He is also known for his sports commentary with Tara Lipinski, as well as his work in LGBTQ activism. Weir was born in Coatesville, Pennsylvania, to parents John and Patti Weir. He is of Norwegian heritage, and has a brother, Brian, who is four years younger. Weir was raised in Quarryville, Pennsylvania, a town in southern Lancaster County. As a child, he was a successful equestrian, competing with his pony, My Blue Shadow, an Arabian-Shetland cross.



Infamous

Tori Welles (born June 17, 1967) is an American former pornographic actress. Welles was born and raised in Southern California. She is of Spanish, French, Norwegian, and English descent.



Entertainment

John Marcum Wells (born May 28, 1956) is an American theater, film and television producer, writer and director. He is best known for his role as executive producer and showrunner of the television series ER, Third Watch, The West Wing, Southland, Shameless, Animal Kingdom and American Woman. His company, John Wells Productions, is currently based at Warner Bros. studios in Burbank, California. Wells is also a labor leader, and served as president of the Writers Guild of America, West from 1999 to 2001 and again from 2009 to 2011. Wells was born in Alexandria, Virginia, the son of Marjorie Elizabeth (née Risberg) and Llewellyn Wallace Wells, Jr., an Episcopalian minister. He has English, Irish, Scottish, Swedish, and Norwegian ancestry.



Norsk Hostfest

Glenn Welstad Scandinavian-American Hall of Fame 2000 Norwegian-American Glenn Welstad is an Upham, ND-native, and business entrepreneur.

After graduating from UND with a business degree and working for major companies, Welstad formed a partnership with a college classmate. Welstad was a successful restaurateur and owned a number of Hardees and Village Inn franchises, but eventually hesold his interest to North Central Foods and retired.

Bored with retirement, Welstad re-entered the world of free enterprise, this time in the body - toning salon business. Around that time, an acquaintance introduced him to the daily labor business in which he was a franchisee. Welstad liked the concept and Labor Ready was born in 1989.

Labor Ready is the nation's leading provider of temporary manual labor to the light industrial, and small business markets. With over 800 offices in the US, Canada, Puerto Rico and Great Britain, the for-profit operation assists laborers wanting temporary work and employers needing temporary workers. Unlike other temporary help operations, however, Labor Ready is pleased if one of its workers is offered a permanent job at a client's company. The company debuted on the New York Stock Exchange in 1998.



Writers

Agnes Mathilde Wergeland (May 8, 1857 - March 6, 1914) was a Norwegian-American historian, poet and educator. Agnes Mathilde Wergeland was the first woman ever to earn a doctoral degree in Norway. Agnes Mathilde Wergeland was born in Christiania (now Oslo), Norway to Sverre Nicolai Wergeland (1817-96) and Anne Margrethe Larsen (1817-89). She was from a prominent, distinguished Norwegian family. Wergeland's family hailed from Brekke in Sogn . Her brother was Norwegian painter, Oscar Wergeland . She was the great-niece of Norwegian writer and politician, Nicolai Wergeland ; hence Henrik Wergeland , Camilla Collett and Joseph Frantz Oscar Wergeland were the cousins of her father.

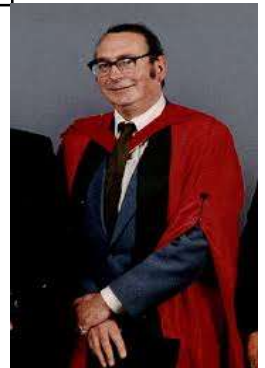
Medal of Honor

Karl Westa (April 8, 1875 - March 3, 1949) was a United States Navy sailor and a recipient of the United States military's highest decoration, the **Medal of Honor** . Karl Westa was born in Norway and immigrated to the United States. He departed on board the Danish vessel SS Hellig Olav from the port of Kristiansand and arrived in New York City on September 5, 1905. Westa joined the United States Navy from New York and by September 8, 1910, was serving as a chief machinist's mate on the USS North Dakota (BB-29) .



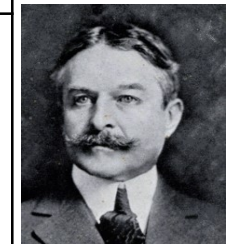
Bankers

John Harald Westergaard, AcSS (13 October 1927 - 3 May 2014) was British-Danish sociologist and academic. He was Chair in Sociological Studies at the University of Sheffield between 1975 and 1986, and President of the British Sociological Association (1991-93). John Harald Westergaard was born on 13 October 1927 in Putney , London , to Otto and Inger Westergaard; his parents were Danish and his father was a civil engineer . In 1938, with his parents about to divorce, Westergaard moved to Denmark with his mother and was sent to boarding school in Copenhagen ; his experiences under Nazi occupation and his mother's attachment to the Danish resistance movement during the Second World War encouraged an opposition to authority and a belief in socialism . He was briefly a censor in the British Army of the Rhine and then completed a sociology degree at the London School of Economics (LSE), graduating in 1951.



Business

Frank Bestow Wiborg (April 30, 1855 - May 12, 1930) of Cincinnati with Levi Addison Ault created the ink manufacturer, Ault & Wiborg Company. He was born on April 30, 1855 to Henry Paulinus Wiborg, a Norwegian immigrant, and Susan Isidora Bestow



Singers

Camilla Wicks (born August 9, 1928) is an American violinist and one of the first female violinists to establish a major international career. Her performing career included solo appearances with leading European and American symphony orchestras including the New York Philharmonic , Philadelphia Orchestra and **Chicago Symphony Orchestra** . Camilla Dolores Wicks was born in Long Beach, California . Her Norwegian born father, Ingwald Wicks (Ingvald Kristian Eriksen Varhaugvik), was a distinguished violinist and teacher. Her pianist mother studied with composer, Xavier Scharwenka . Wicks made her name as a child prodigy, making her solo debut at age 7 with Mozart 's Violin Concerto No. 4 at the Long Beach Municipal Auditorium. At 8, she performed Bruch 's First Concerto and a year later Paganini 's First Concerto. She went to study with Louis Persinger at the Juilliard School in New York City



Religious

John Andreas Widtsoe (31 January 1872 – 29 November 1952) was a member of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (LDS Church) from 1921 until his death. Widtsoe was also a noted author, scientist, and academic. Widtsoe was born on the island of Frøya in Sør-Trøndelag, Norway. At birth his hand was attached to the side of his head, but he had an operation to correct this problem. When Widtsoe was two, his family moved to the Norwegian mainland city of Namsos. His father, also named John, died in February 1878. This left his mother, Anna, as a widow with two young sons to take care of: Widtsoe, who was then five, and his younger brother Osborne Widtsoe. The family moved to Trondheim, where they were introduced to the LDS Church by a shoemaker. In 1883, Widtsoe immigrated to the United States with his mother and brother. They arrived in Utah Territory in mid-November. Widtsoe was baptized a member of the LDS Church the following April.



Sport

James Alvin Wiggs (September 1, 1876 - January 20, 1963), nicknamed "Big Jim," was a right-handed pitcher in Major League Baseball for the Cincinnati Reds (1903) and Detroit Tigers (1905-06). Born in Trondheim , Norway in 1876, Wiggs is one of three Norwegian major league baseball players in history. Wiggs was a big man at 6'4" tall. In April 1903, Wiggs made his major league debut at age 26 with the Cincinnati Reds . He appeared in only two games for the Reds, pitching in only 5 innings with a 5.40 ERA



Entertainment

Kristen Carroll Wiig (; born August 22, 1973) is an American actress, comedian, writer, and producer. She is known for her work on the NBC sketch comedy series Saturday Night Live (2005-12), and films such as Bridesmaids , The Martian , and Ghostbusters . Wiig was born in Canandaigua, New York , and raised in both Lancaster, Pennsylvania , and Rochester, New York . Wiig was born on August 22, 1973, in Canandaigua, New York , the daughter of Jon Wiig, who ran a lake marina in Western New York , and Laurie (Johnston), an artist. Her father has Norwegian and Irish ancestry and her mother is of English and Scottish descent. The name Wiig comes from the area Vik in Sogn og Fjordane in Norway.



Medal of Honor

Augustus Williams (1842 - unknown) was a seaman in the U.S. Navy stationed aboard the USS Santiago de Cuba (1861) during the American Civil War. He received the Medal of Honor for his actions during the Second Battle of Fort Fisher on January 15, 1865. Emigrating from his native Norway, Williams volunteered for service in the U.S. Navy and was assigned to the Union brig USS Santiago de Cuba (1861). His enlistment is credited to the state of Massachusetts. On January 15, 1865, the North Carolina Confederate stronghold of Fort Fisher was taken by a combined Union storming party of sailors, marines, and soldiers under the command of Admiral David Dixon Porter and General Alfred Terry. The President of the United States of America, in the name of Congress, takes pleasure in presenting the Medal of Honor to Seaman Augustus Williams, United States Navy, for extraordinary heroism in action while serving on board the U.S.S. Santiago de Cuba during the assault by the fleet on Fort Fisher, North Carolina on 15 January 1865. When the landing party to which he was attached charged on the fort with a cheer, and with determination to plant their colors on the ramparts, Seaman Williams remained steadfast when they reached the foot of the fort and more than two-thirds of the marines and sailors fell back in panic. Taking cover when the enemy concentrated his fire on the remainder of the group, he alone remained with his executive officer, subsequently withdrawing from the field after darkness.



Medal of Honor

Ludwig Andreas Olsen (1845 - February 20, 1886), also known as **Louis Williams**, was a United States Navy sailor and one of only 19 people to ever be awarded two Medals of Honor. Both awards were for peace-time actions rescuing fellow seamen. Olsen was born in Oslo, Norway, in 1845. He joined the Navy from California in 1870, under the name Louis Williams. He eventually achieved the rank of Captain of the Hold, an enlisted position that placed him in charge of keeping order in the ship's hold. On 16 March 1883, aboard the screw sloop-of-war USS Lackawanna off Honolulu, Hawaii, Olsen jumped overboard and saved a fellow sailor from drowning. The next year, on 13 June 1884 off the coast of Callao, Peru, Olsen again saved a man from drowning, along with Ordinary Seaman Isaac L. Fasseur. For each of these peace-time actions he was awarded a Medal of Honor; Fasseur also received the medal for the 1884 rescue. Both medals were presented to Olsen on 18 October 1884, making him one of only 19 people to receive two Medals of Honor and one of only 14 people to receive two Medals of Honor for two separate acts. Both medals were awarded under the name he had enlisted with, Louis Williams. Olsen's awards were for peace-time actions; it can be argued that today he would be awarded the Navy and Marine Corps Medal. Olsen died on 20 February 1886 and is buried in Cypress Hills National Cemetery, Section 6, Grave 12616, in Brooklyn, New York City, New York. First Citation: For jumping overboard from the U.S.S. Lackawanna, 16 March 1883, at Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii, and rescuing from drowning Thomas Moran, landsman. Second Citation: Serving on board the U.S.S. Lackawanna, Williams rescued from drowning William Cruise, who had fallen overboard at Callao, Peru, 13 June 1884.

Entertainment

Michelle Ingrid Williams (born September 9, 1980) is an American actress. She is particularly known for her work in small-scale independent productions with dark or tragic themes. The recipient of several accolades, including a Golden Globe Award, Williams has been nominated for four Academy Awards and one Tony Award. Born to the politician and trader Larry R. Williams, she was raised in Kalispell, Montana, and San Diego, California. She began her career at a young age with television guest appearances and made her feature film debut in the family film *Lassie* (1994). At 15, she gained emancipation from her parents, and soon achieved public recognition for her leading role in the television teen drama series *Dawson's Creek* (1998-2003).



Peter Williams (born 1831, date of death unknown) was a Union Navy sailor in the American Civil War who received the U.S. military's highest decoration, the Medal of Honor. He earned the award for steering USS Monitor throughout the Battle of Hampton Roads, the first combat between ironclad warships in history. Born in 1831 in Norway, Williams immigrated to the United States and lived in California. He worked as a civilian sailor for nine years before joining the U.S. Navy in New York on January 27, 1862, for a three-year term of service. His enlistment papers record him as being 5 feet 4 inches tall with blue eyes, brown hair, and a "florid" complexion. Following brief assignments to USS Norfolk Packet and the receiving ship USS North Carolina, Williams was transferred to the newly built USS Monitor, the first ironclad warship of the Union Navy, by March 6, 1862. He served on Monitor as a seaman and quartermaster, a position responsible for navigation of the ship. At the Battle of Hampton Roads on March 9, 1862, Williams stood at the ship's wheel and steered Monitor throughout an engagement with the Confederate ironclad CSS Virginia (formerly known as Merrimack). This battle represented the first meeting in combat of two ironclad warships. Williams was particularly noted for moving Monitor away from Virginia when the latter attempted to ram Monitor and again when Monitor's Captain John Lorimer Worden was wounded. Shipmate John Driscoll recalled of Williams: "Peter saw more of her [the Virginia] than anyone else. He say right into the bore of the gun...Pete says, 'Captain, that is for us,' and rip! she came." For his actions during the battle, Williams was awarded the Medal of Honor a year later on April 3, 1863. He was the only person to receive the Medal of Honor for service on Monitor. Weeks after the battle, Williams was promoted to mate (March 25) and then to master's mate (March 28) for his "heroic service" at Hampton Roads. On December 31, 1862, he survived the sinking of Monitor in rough seas. He and fellow quartermaster Richard Anjier were applauded by their captain, Commander John P. Bankhead, for showing "the highest quality of men and seamen" during the incident. Williams entered the commissioned officer ranks on January 10, 1863, with his assignment to USS Florida as an acting ensign, a position he held through the end of the war. In December 1865, he was placed in command of USS Clematis, a steam tugboat in the West Gulf Blockading Squadron. Williams was honorably discharged from the U.S. Navy on November 9, 1867, after nearly six years of service.



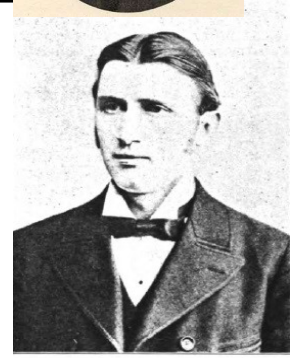
Rainn Dietrich Wilson (born January 20, 1966) is an American actor, writer, director, and producer. He is best known for his role as Dwight Schrute on the American version of the television comedy *The Office*, for which he earned three consecutive Emmy Award nominations for Outstanding Supporting Actor in a Comedy Series. A native of Seattle, Wilson began acting in college at the University of Washington, and later worked in theatre in New York City after graduating in 1986. Wilson made his film debut in *Galaxy Quest* (1999), followed by supporting parts in *Almost Famous* (2000), Steven Soderbergh's *Full Frontal* (2002), and *House of 1000 Corpses* (2003). Wilson has Norwegian ancestry. From ages three to five, Wilson lived with his father and stepmother, Kristin, in Nicaragua before they returned to Seattle after their divorce. He attended Kellogg Middle School and Shorecrest High School in Shoreline, Washington, where he played the clarinet and bassoon in the school band. He transferred to and graduated from New Trier High School after his family moved to **Wilmette, Illinois**, to serve at the Bahá'í National Center.



Johannes B. Wist (6 April 1864 -1 December 1923) was a Norwegian American newspaper editor, journalist and author. Born Johannes Racinus Benjaminsen, he was the son of Benjamin Olaus Johansen Wist (1829-97) and Magdalena Arnoldusdatter Sliper (1836-66). He was born on the Sund farm in Inderøy parish in Nord-Trøndelag county, Norway. He immigrated to the United States in 1884 during his early 20s. He lived in Minnesota and Wisconsin prior to settling in Decorah, Iowa.



ALFRED N. WOLD Is a native of **Chicago**, a son of Torris and Hanna (Hvid) Wold. His father' is president of Torris Wold & Co., large manufacturers of can machinery. Our subject was born Jan. 20, 1876. He attended the public schools and the Metropolitan Business College. Was confirmed by Rev. Torgersen. Began the active work of life as a clerk with J. L. Fulton, a cement contractor, in 1892, and later was bookkeeper and cashier for Torris Wold & Co. He then engaged in the undertaking business with his uncle and cousin on Grand avenue. He is a member of the Men's Burial Society, Blair Lodge A. F. and A. M., Chicago Lodge, No. 91, A. O. U. W.; Friendship Court, T. B. H., and Northfellow's Supreme Lodge. He is receiver for the Chicago Lodge, No. 91, A. O. U. W. June 26, 1901, he was married to Louise B. Olsen, a daughter of Knud and Andrea Olsen, from Christiania, Norway. They have two children—Hallie. Andrea, born May 22, 1902, and Torris Alfred, born March 11, 1905. The family resides at 476 Potomac avenue.



Alfred N. Wold.

NELS BERNHARD WOLD, Of the well known undertaking firm Wold & Wold, was born in **Chicago** March 10, 1876. His father was Bernt M. and his mother Josephine (Hansen) Wold, both deceased. Mr. Wold received his primary education in the Chicago public schools and was then sent to Bergen, Norway, where he remained three years studying under a private tutor and being confirmed in the cathedral of Bergen. Upon his return to Chicago he entered a business college and having finished a course there joined his father in the undertaking business. On June 10, 1903, Mr. Wold was married to Miss Marion Wingard, a daughter of Frederick and Mary Wingard, of Chicago. They have had one child, a girl, who died in infancy. Mr. Wold is a Free Mason, a member of the Knights of Pythias, the Singing Society "Bjorg vin", the National Union, the "I Will" lodge, Knights of Honor, Leif Erikson, R.'H. K., the Northfellows Supreme lodge, and "Haabets Anker". Mr. Wold and wife are members of Bethany Congregational church and reside at 595 N. Sacramento avenue.



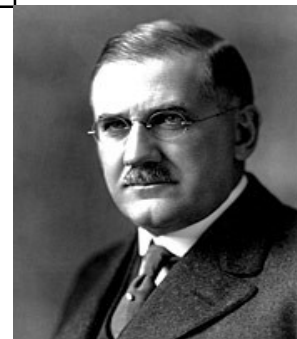
Nels B. Wold.

Nels T. Wold (December 24, 1895 – September 26, 1918) was a United States Army soldier and a recipient of the United States military's highest decoration—the **Medal of Honor**—for his actions in World War I. The son of Norwegian immigrants, Wold joined the Army from Minnewaukan, North Dakota, and served as a private in Company I, 138th Infantry Regiment, 35th Division. At the start of the Meuse-Argonne Offensive on September 26, 1918, his battalion was tasked with capturing the French village of Cheppy. Wold's platoon, at the battalion's far left flank, was to act as a communication link between the battalion and the neighboring 137th Infantry Regiment. However, thick fog caused the platoon to lose contact with both the 137th and its own battalion immediately after the advance on Cheppy began. The platoon continued forward as a combat patrol until encountering a group of American scouts led by Lieutenant John Wingate. Wingate combined the two groups and led them behind German lines, with the intention of attacking the Germans from the rear and thus clearing the way for the American advance.



Theodore Wold

Theodore Wold was the first governor and chief administrative officer of the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis, serving from the Bank's inception in October 1914 until his resignation on October 1, 1919, when he became first vice president of the Northwestern National Bank of Minneapolis. Wold was born on the heels of the Civil War in 1868 and educated in the Decorah, Iowa, public schools. Prior to joining the Minneapolis Fed, Wold had 20 years of banking experience in several Minnesota communities, including Elbow Lake, Little Falls and Winona, and was president of the Scandinavian National Bank in Minneapolis from 1910 until assuming his Minneapolis Fed position. Although leadership was shared with Federal Reserve Agent John Rich, Wold was in charge of the Bank's day-to-day operations, and assembled and organized the first group of employees. The Bank opened with nine officers and staff workers, but Wold oversaw massive staff growth during and following World War I, when the Bank issued war bonds as agent for the Treasury Department. By the time Wold left the Minneapolis Fed, he was coordinating a staff of nearly 500, 40 percent of whom were women, in three different Minneapolis locations. Wold died in 1945.



Business

TORRIS WOLD, President of Torris Wold & Co., machinists and manufacturers of can-making machinery, at 58—70 N. Jefferson street, **Chicago**, was born in Quamsø Sogn, Norway, on June 19, 1847. His father, Nils Wold, was a merchant in Norway; his mother's maiden name was Dorothea Lemmicka. His mother died in Norway in 1849 and his father in 1881. Torris attended the common schools, and after being confirmed in the Lutheran Church in Vik, he sailed for one year. He then went to Bergen and mastered the profession of an optician. He came to America in 1869 via Montreal and direct to Chicago, where he has remained continuously since. He was married on Sept. 19, 1871, to Hanna Zahl Hvid, of Nordlandet, Norway, her parents being Arnt Hvid and Hanna Zahl Hvid. Three children were born to them, two now living—Hallie Wold, who married H. H. Lyche, of H. H. Lyche & Co., manufacturers, 908 Security Building, and Alfred N. Wold, who married Louise Olsen, of Christiania, Norway. Upon arrival in Chicago Mr. Wold took up the machinist trade and later had charge of the diework in the shop of the G. A. Crosby Co. from 1876 to 1886. At that time he engaged in business for himself, making a specialty of manufacturing machinery for making all kinds of cans. Mr. Wold is a member of the Norwegian Lutheran Church and the Old People's Home Society. The family resides at 251 Humboldt boulevard.



Torris Wold.

Entertainment

Chelsea Joy Wolfe (born November 14, 1983) is an American singer-songwriter and musician. Her work has blended elements of gothic rock, doom metal, and folk music. Chelsea Wolfe was born in Roseville, California, and grew up in Sacramento. She is of Norwegian and German descent. Her father was in a country band and owned a home studio. By the age of 7, she had written her first poem and by the age of 9, had written and recorded songs which she later described as "basically Casio-based gothy R&B songs"



Religious

Mildred Olive Bangs Wynkoop (born September 9, 1905 in Seattle, Washington , died May 21, 1997 in Lenexa, Kansas) was an ordained minister in the Church of the Nazarene , who served as an educator , missionary and theologian , and the author of several books. Donald Dayton indicates that "Probably most influential for a new generation of Holiness scholars has been the work of Nazarene theologian Mildred Bangs Wynkoop, especially her book A Theology of Love: The Dynamic of Wesleyanism ." Mildred Olive Bangs was born on 9 September 1905 in Seattle, Washington , the daughter of Carl Oliver Bangs (born in Mandal, Norway) and Mery Dupertuis (born in Ollon, Canton de Vaud , Switzerland), both immigrants to the USA.



Norsk Hostfest

John Ydstie
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In his roles as correspondent, host, editor and producer for National Public Radio, journalist John Ydstie has devoted his career to bringing the world and its events to millions of Americans. Ydstie has been with NPR since 1979, the Concordia College Graduate who grew up in Wolford, ND and moved on to become senior editor on NPR's Washington Desk, overseeing coverage of the federal government, politics and economics. His next beat was Europe, where he covered, among other things, the breakup of the Soviet Union. Ydstie is now applying his reporting and interview skills as a roving national correspondent. Ydstie, who is of Norwegian descent, is married to Mary Jo Vrem. They live in suburban Washington, DC and have two grown daughters. He was presented by John Harris, Prairie Public Broadcasting president and CEO.



Religious

Johannes Wilhelm Ylvisaker was the fifth President of Luther College in Decorah, Iowa. J. W. Ylvisaker was born on April 18, 1900 to Johannes Ylvisaker in Robbinsdale, Minnesota. He attended Luther College in Decorah, Iowa, graduating in 1921. Ylvisaker then studied at Luther Theological Seminary, and graduated from Princeton Theological Seminary in 1926 with a Master of Theology degree.



Sport

Mildred Ella "Babe" Didrikson Zaharias (/ ; June 26, 1911 - September 27, 1956) was an American athlete who excelled in golf , basketball , baseball and track and field . She won two gold medals in track and field at the 1932 Summer Olympics , before turning to professional golf and winning 10 LPGA major championships. She is widely regarded as one of the greatest female athletes of all time. Mildred Ella Didrikson was born on June 26, 1911, the sixth of seven children, in the coastal city of Port Arthur , Texas . Her mother, Hannah, and her father, Ole Didriksen, were immigrants from Norway . Although her three eldest siblings were born in Norway, Babe and her three other siblings were born in Port Arthur. She later changed the spelling of her surname from Didriksen to Didrikson. She moved with her family to 850 Doucette in Beaumont, Texas , at age 4. She claimed to have acquired the nickname "Babe" (after Babe Ruth) upon hitting five home runs in a childhood baseball game, but her Norwegian mother had called her "Bebe" from the time she was a toddler



Entertainment

Renée Kathleen Zellweger (; born April 25, 1969) is an American actress and producer. She has received critical acclaim and numerous accolades , including an Academy Award , a BAFTA Award , three Golden Globe Awards , and three Screen Actors Guild Awards . She established herself as one of the highest-paid Hollywood actresses by 2007, and was named Hasty Pudding 's Woman of the Year in 2009. Zellweger had her first starring role in Texas Chainsaw Massacre: The Next Generation (1994). She subsequently earned early acclaim with a brief but notable appearance in Empire Records (1995), and was introduced to mainstream audiences in Jerry Maguire (1996). For Nurse Betty (2000), she won her first Golden Globe Award , and for her portrayals of Bridget Jones in Bridget Jones's Diary (2001)-a role she reprised in Bridget Jones: The Edge of Reason (2004) and Bridget Jones's Baby (2016)- and Roxie Hart in **Chicago** (2002), Zellweger was born on April 25, 1969, in Katy, Texas. Her father, Emil Erich Zellweger, is from the Swiss town of Au, St. Gallen and descends from an Appenzell family, and was a mechanical and electrical engineer who worked in the oil refining business. Her mother, Kjellfrid Irene (née Andreassen), is Norwegian. Kjellfrid grew up in Ekkerøy near Vadsø, and also Kirkenes , and was a nurse and midwife who moved to the United States to work as a governess for a Norwegian family in Texas.



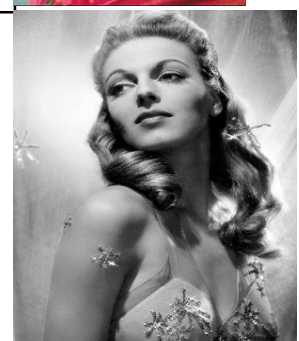
Entertainment

Norma Zimmer (July 13, 1923 – May 10, 2011) was an American vocalist, best remembered for her 22-year tenure as Lawrence Welk's "Champagne Lady" on The Lawrence Welk Show, and for her love of traditional Christian music. Born Norma Larsen on a dairy farm in Shoshone County, Idaho, she grew up in Seattle, Washington after her father moved the family west when she was 2 years old. Her father was a violin teacher, and Zimmer had hoped to play that instrument until he told her that her hands were too small.



Singers

Vera Zorina (January 2, 1917 - April 9, 2003) was a Norwegian ballerina , theatre and film actress, and choreographer. Today, she is chiefly remembered for her films choreographed by her then-husband George Balanchine . They include The Goldwyn Follies , I Was an Adventuress with Erich Von Stroheim and Peter Lorre , Louisiana Purchase with Bob Hope , and dancing to "That Old Black Magic " in Paramount Pictures ' Star Spangled Rhythm . Vera Zorina was born Eva Brigitta Hartwig in Berlin, Germany . Her father Fritz Hartwig was a German lapsed Roman Catholic , and her mother Abigail Johanne Wimpelmann (known as Billie Hartwig) was Norwegian and Lutheran . Both were professional singers. Young Eva was brought up in a small coastal town between Trondheim and Bergen , called Kristiansund North , where she debuted as a dancer at the Festiviteten, the oldest opera house in Norway. She received her education at the Lyceum for Girls in Berlin and was trained in dance by Olga Preobrajenska and Nicholas Legat



Business

P. G. Zwilgmeyer, a former city engineer of Seattle, and at present a civil engineer in the employ of the Northern Pacific Railroad, is a profound student of theology according to scientific methods, but (sic!) in childlike, orthodox faith. His treatises on Luther, Pascal, Paul's Relation to the Classics, Bible Introduction, are masterpieces.

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