

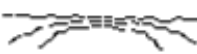


# BIOGRAPHICAL HISTORY

OF

## Crawford, Ida <sup>AND</sup> Sac Counties, Iowa.

Containing Portraits of all the Presidents of the United States, with accompanying Biographies; a Condensed History of Iowa, with Portraits and Biographies of the Governors of the State; Engravings of Prominent Citizens of the Counties, with Personal Histories of many of the Early Settlers and Leading Families.





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county, Illinois, in 1886, aged seventy-one years, and the mother still resides in that city. The former was a farmer by occupation, and was identified with the Republican party.

Milom Fosdick, the subject of this sketch, was educated in the district schools of McHenry county, Illinois. In August, 1862, at the call for 300,000 more volunteers, he enlisted in the Ninety-fifth Illinois Infantry, Colonel Church's regiment, for three years, and participated in the battles of Vicksburg, Black River Bridge, Haines' Bluff, under A. J. Smith, and on the Red River expedition. He was taken prisoner at Guntown, Mississippi, confined at Andersonville seven months, and at the time of his release weighed only eighty-six pounds. During that time he escaped from the prison, but was recaptured by bloodhounds. Mr. Fosdick was paroled and returned home for seventy days, after which he joined his regiment at New Orleans and took part in the battle of Mobile. During his service he received a charge of buckshot, breaking the left hip; also a flesh wound in the right arm. After his discharge, in 1865 he returned to Woodstock, Illinois, and in 1879 came to Wall Lake township, Sac county, Iowa. He now owns eighty acres of land and residence property in Douglas township, and is also the owner of property in Early, Sac county, Iowa.

In Woodstock, Illinois, at the age of twenty-seven years, our subject was united in marriage with Lany Singer, a native of McHenry county, Illinois, and a daughter of Jacob Singer. To this union have been born three children: Harry J., Jay M. and Herbert Logan. The great loss of Mr. Fosdick's life was in the death of his wife, who died July 12, 1890. Our subject takes an active interest in politics, and has served as a member

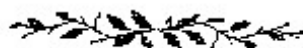
of the School Board. Socially, he is a member of the William T. Sherman Post, No. 284, of Sac City, of which he was elected Officer of the Day five times by acclamation; of the Masonic order at Lake View, and of the I. O. O. F., No. 323, of Sac City. He is one of the representative men of Sac county.




C. ZUPP, a farmer of section 3, Douglas township, was born in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, September 18, 1835, a son of George Peter Zupp, a native of Paris, France. The latter was a veterinary surgeon by profession, and was a soldier under Napoleon Bonaparte, also in the Mexican war. He married Elizabeth Zender, and they afterward came to America, locating in Pennsylvania. When our subject was three years of age they went to Wyandot county, Ohio, and three years later to Hillsdale county, Michigan. The mother died in Ohio, leaving a family of seven children, viz.: W. Z.; George P., who served in an Ohio regiment in the late war; Christiana; Margaret; Caroline; Henry, a resident of Michigan; C. C.; and John, who served in the Eighteenth Michigan Infantry, and is now deceased. The father died in Michigan.

C. C. Zupp, our subject, was reared to farm life, and educated in the district schools. At the opening of the late war he enlisted in the Eighteenth Michigan Infantry, and after its close returned to Michigan, thence to Buchanan county, Iowa, and in 1869 to Douglas township, Ida county. At that time this county cast only thirty-two votes, and only three families resided in Douglas township, the Moorehead home being the only house between Mr. Zupp's farm and Idu Grove. Our subject experienced the hardships common to pioneer life.

He was first married at the age of nineteen years, to Jennie Crawfoot, a native of New York, and a daughter of Seth and Ann Eliza Crawfoot. To this union was born two children: A. D., of Nebraska, and Ida. In 1867 Mr. Zupp was united in marriage with Julia Crawfoot, a sister of his former wife, and they have had the following children: Jennie wife of M. G. Sherman, of Cushing, Iowa; Jessie; Will; Blanche, wife of Charles Herrington; Belle, now Mrs. Mertell; and Pearl, at home. The wife and mother died in 1883, having been a consistent member of the Methodist Church. In his political views, Mr. Zupp votes with the Republican party, and has served as Constable, Trustee and a member of the School Board. He is one of the early pioneers of Ida county, and is frank and cordial.

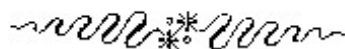



 R. DUNN, a farmer and stock-raiser of section 23, Logan township, Ida county, was born in Scott county, Iowa, in 1854, a son of A. R. and Margaret (Grace) Dunn, natives of Ohio and New York, respectively. When a young man the father located in Allen's Grove, Scott county, Iowa, and at that time Davenport contained only seven log houses. He was married in that county, where he was engaged in farming until 1890, and in that year the parents went to California. They still reside in that State. The grandparents of our subject, John and Eleanor Dunn, were among the early pioneers of Scott county, Iowa, where they afterward died. Grandfather Grace removed from New York to Scott county, in the early settlement of that locality, where he spent the remainder of his life. Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Dunn were the parents of five children, viz.:

Amzi, married, and resides in Cherokee county, Iowa; Alice, wife of Alvin Fawlea, of Sac county; Jerry, who resides near Trenton, Hitchcock county, Nebraska; A. R., our subject; and John, married, and also resides in Hitchcock county.

A. R. Dunn, the subject of this sketch, was reared and educated in his native county, where he was early inured to farm labor. In 1877 he entered land in Silver Creek and Galva townships, Ida county, Iowa, where he remained until 1881, and in that year purchased 160 acres of raw land in Logan township. His land is now well improved, and in the fall of 1882 he erected a fine residence, and in 1890 a good barn, 28 x 23 feet. Mr. Dunn's place is well watered with wells and creeks, and he is engaged in general farming and stock raising. In his political views he votes with the Republican party.

In 1877, in Mahaska county, Iowa, our subject married Miss Cora Andre, a native of Ohio, and daughter of Jonathan and Cecilia (Johns) Andre, natives also of that State. In an early day they removed to Scott county, Iowa, and thence to Mahaska county, where the father now resides. Mr. and Mrs. Dunn have two children: Maggie and Verlin. Mr. Dunn has witnessed many changes in Ida county. At the time of his settlement the nearest markets were Denison and Aurelia, was obliged to ford the streams, and all he now owns has been made by his own efforts, as he had only \$85 when he landed in Ida county.



 A. RANCL, a farmer, and Secretary of the School Board of Grant township, Ida county, was born in Seneca county, Ohio, in 1855, a son of Peter and