

# An Important Situation

The story of how William Kennedy left the mines of Scotland, married a widow in Illinois, homesteaded 320 acres in South Dakota, ran for State Auditor on the Prohibition Party ticket, started a Free Methodist church, and retired in the Queen Anne neighborhood of Seattle.

The lives of

Alexander & Susan Kennedy

William & Emma Kennedy

Wallace & Mabel Kennedy

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# Preface

If you are reading this then you are probably related to a member of the Kennedy family of Tacoma. You may have heard that they came from Scotland. But how did they end up in Tacoma?

Also, did you know that William Kennedy left the mines of Scotland, married a widow in Illinois, homesteaded 320 acres in South Dakota, ran for State Auditor of South Dakota on the Prohibition Party ticket, started a Free Methodist church, and retired in the Queen Anne neighborhood of Seattle?

Do you know the “Little House on the Prairie” books by Laura Ingalls Wilder? Laura Ingalls Wilder’s father and her future husband Almanzo both started homesteading in South Dakota in 1879. That is the exact same year that William Kennedy started his homestead in South Dakota. And William Kennedy was less than 100 miles away from them!

This book walks backwards in time, from 1950 back to 1860 and traces Wallace Kennedy of Tacoma back to his ancestors in Scotland. This allows the reader to start with familiar names and slowly dive into the unknown past. If you prefer to read in chronological order then simply start from the last chapter.

Are you wondering about the title, “An important Situation”? It will become clear in Section 9.4.

Everything in this book is taken from original sources and newspaper articles. Unfortunately we don’t have any written first-hand accounts. Sadly we also don’t have any photographs of William Kennedy, nor of William and Emma together. Please let me know if you have any of those.

Do you want to see the full family tree online? Go to [FamilySearch.org](https://www.familysearch.org) (it’s free) and search for the person with ID L83D-CSV. That will take you to Wallace H. Kennedy and from there you can browse all his ancestors. I recommend Family Search over places like Ancestry.com or MyHeritage.com because it is free and it is a single, global tree.

The newspaper articles in this book are from [newspapers.com](https://www.newspapers.com).

If you have any information, documents or pictures that should be included here please share them with me at [johannes.grad@gmail.com](mailto:johannes.grad@gmail.com) or text me at (408) 250-8622.

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# Chapter 1

## The 1950s - Tacoma, WA

Table 1.1: 1950 Census for Tacoma, WA. Taken April 4, 1950.

Address	Name	Age	Seeking work	Has Work	Job	Industry
3614 E J St	Kennedy, Mabel G	54	Yes	No	Waitress	Restaurants
	—, Wallace H.	24	No	No		
	—, Robert A.	23	No	No		
	—, William G.	20			Cuts paper	Life insurers
	—, Doris M.	18	Yes	No	Saleswomen	10¢ store

We begin our journey in 1950. Sadly, Mabel’s husband Wallace has already passed away. In the 1950 census Mabel is listed as the head of the house, but without a job, looking for waitressing work. Only Bill seems to be working.

### 1.1 The Kids are Moving Out

Lorne had already gotten married and moved out. He was working as a baker.

Doris will graduate from high school in June 1950 and get married in August that year.

Bob will graduate from College of Puget Sound’s pre-dental program in 1950 (today the school is called University of Puget Sound). And in 1953 he would marry Ann Redkey in Seattle and start a family of his own.

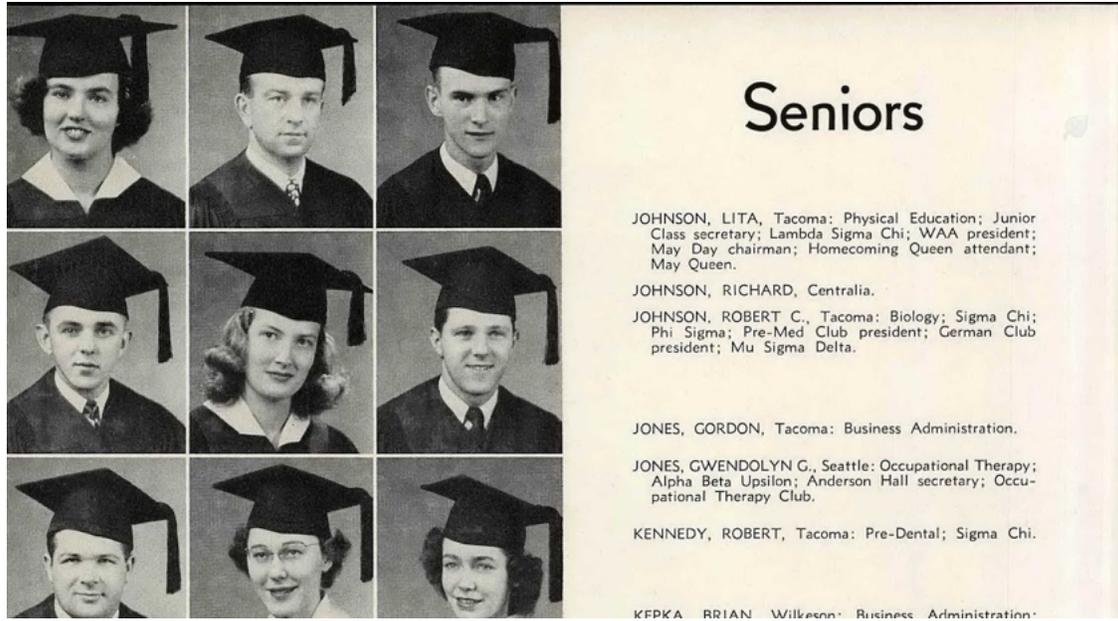


Figure 1.1: Bob's College graduation yearbook entry (second row, third from left), College of Puget Sound 1950



Figure 1.2: Ann Redkey's wedding. From left: Lucille Redkey, Ann Redkey, Mabel Kennedy

## 1.2 The Korean War “Doctors Draft”

In 1950 there was a special “Doctor Draft” for medical professionals to help in the Korean war. When Bob graduated from UW he was required to fill out a “special registration” for that draft.

45-12-26-465 4-D

SSS Form No. 1  
Special Registration Card 1

1. Name  
KENNEDY, ROBERT ALDRICH

2. Place of residence  
7615- Sandpoint Way, Seattle, 5, Wn.

3. Mailing address  
7615- Sandpoint Way, Seattle, 5, Wn.

4. Name and address of person who will always know your address  
Mrs. Wallace H. Kennedy- 3614- E. Jay St., Tacoma, 4, Wn.

7. Occupation  
Dentist

8. Firm or individual by whom employed  
None

9. Nature of business, service rendered, or chief product  
None

10. Place of employment or business  
None

11. Local board with which registered under Selective Training and Service Act of 1950, as amended  
LB Tacoma, Washington.

12. Were you ever rejected for service in the armed forces? Yes  No  When?

13. Marital status: Single  Married  Living with wife  Separated  Divorced  Widower  Father  (Over)

SELECTIVE SERVICE NUMBER  
45 12 26 465  
[Registrant will not enter Selective Service number]

5. Date of birth  
December 30, 1926

6. Place of birth  
Seattle, Washington.

14. Active duty in the armed forces of the United States or a cobelligerent nation since Sept. 16, 1940:  
U.S. Navy 387 27 39 1/3/45  
Ream Field, San Diego, Calif. 5/17/46

15. Present membership in a reserve component of the armed forces:  
None.

I affirm that I have verified the foregoing answers and that they are true:  
Robert A. Kennedy

DESCRIPTION OF REGISTRANT  
16. Color of eyes Blue Color of hair Brn. Complexion Med.  
Height (approx.) 5 11 in. Weight (approx.) 175 Race --  
Other obvious physical characteristics that will aid in identification:  
None.

I certify that my answers are true; that the person registered has read or has had read to him his own answers; that I have witnessed his signature or mark and that all of his answers of which I have knowledge are true, except as follows:

12/21/54  
Helen Sampson  
Registrar for local board Wn. Co. Grp. A., Seattle, Wn.

Local Board No. 12  
Room 213, Security Building  
915 Pacific Avenue  
Tacoma 2, Washington

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3614 E. Jay Tacoma, 4, Wn.

Figure 1.3: Bob “Doctor Draft” Registration for Korean War, Dec 21, 1954.



## Chapter 2

### The 1940s - Tacoma, WA

Table 2.1: 1940 Census for Tacoma, WA. Taken April 15, 1940. Address was 3614 E.J St. House was listed as “Owned”, value “1600”.

Name	Age	Education	Weekly Hours	Job	Industry	Weeks Worked
Kennedy, Wallace H.	43	C-4	42	Dentist	Own office	52
—, Mabel G	44	H-3				
—, Wallace H.	14	8				
—, Robert A.	13	8				
—, Lorne	11	6				
—, William G.	10	5				
—, Doris M.	8	3				

Mabel was raising 5 kids in a 1000 sq-ft 3 bedroom house, while Wallace was working 52 weeks in 1939 during the great depression.



Figure 2.1: Wallace, Mabel and the kids, early 1940s. From left: Wallace, Marilyn, Lorne, Bill, Mabel, Bob, Wally

## 2.1 Death of Wallace's Mother Emma (1940)

Wallace's mother Emma lived till age 90 and passed away on December 10, 1940. It is hard to imagine what her life must have been like. She had two husbands and gave birth to 13 children. Her first child was born when she was 16, and her last child, Wallace, when she was 47.

She rests at Mount Pleasant cemetery in Seattle, in a grave with her mother Samantha and her husband William.

The cemetery is still in operation and can be visited. The address is Queen Anne, 700 W Raye St, Seattle, WA 98119. The exact GPS location of the graves can be found on [findagrave.com](http://findagrave.com).



Figure 2.2: Obituary for Emma Kennedy, Wallace's mother - Seattle Times, December 11 1940



Figure 2.3: Kennedy grave site at Mount Pleasant cemetery in the Queen Anne neighborhood of Seattle. Resting here are William, Emma and her mother Samantha.

## 2.2 Death of Wallace (1943)

The 1940 census was the last time husband Wallace would be listed. Sadly he would pass away in 1943 sometime after he had a stroke. He had travelled to Grants Pass Oregon, where his sister lived, and passed away 32 days after arriving there. He also rests at Mount Pleasant cemetery in Seattle, a few rows away from the grave of his parents.

The cause of death is described on the death certificate:

Bronchial pneumonia (terminal)  
 Nephritis [inflammation of the kidneys]  
 Encephalitis due to cerebral hemorrhage [inflammation of the brain due to a brain bleed (stroke)]

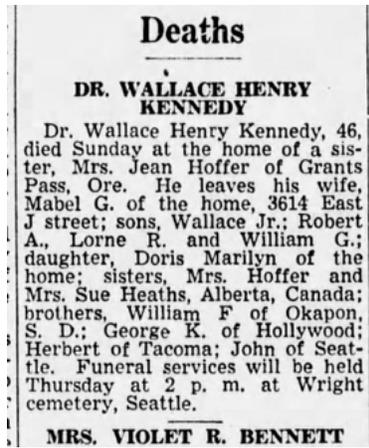


Figure 2.4: Obituary for Wallace, Dec 15, 1943 - News Tribune, Dec 15, 1943 Page 12

MARGIN RESERVED FOR BINDING

N. B.—WRITE PLAINLY, WITH UNFADING INK—THIS IS A PERMANENT RECORD. Every item of information should be carefully supplied. AGE should be stated EXACTLY. PHYSICIANS SHOULD USE OF DEATH in plain terms, so that it may be properly classified. Exact statement of OCCUPATION is very important.

STATE PRINTING DEPT.

**Oregon State Board of Health**  
**Division of Vital Statistics**

**Standard Certificate of Death**  
 STATE OF OREGON

State File No. 180  
 Local Registrar's No. 179

C1706

<b>1. PLACE OF DEATH:</b> (a) County <u>Josephine</u> (b) City or town <u>Grants Pass</u> (If outside city or town limits write RURAL.) (c) Name of hospital or institution: (If not in hospital or institution write street number or location) (d) Length of stay: In hospital or institution In this community <u>32 days</u> In state <u>32 days</u> (years, months or days)		<b>2. USUAL RESIDENCE OF DECEASED:</b> (a) State <u>Washington</u> (b) County <u>Pierce</u> (c) City or town <u>Tacoma</u> (If outside city or town limits write RURAL.) (d) Street No. <u>3614 East J</u> (If rural give location) (e) If foreign born, how long in U. S. A.? _____ years.	
<b>3. (a) FULL NAME</b> <u>Wallace Henry Kennedy</u> (b) If veteran, name war _____ (c) Social Security No. <u>538-03-4887</u> 4. Sex <u>M.</u> race <u>W.</u> 5. Color or <u>White</u> divorced <u>Married</u> 6. (b) Name of husband or wife <u>Mabel G.</u> 6. (c) Age of husband or wife <u>47</u> years (Month) (Day) (Year) If alive _____ years 7. Birth date of deceased <u>April 4, 1897</u> (Month) (Day) (Year) If less than one day 8. Age: Years <u>46</u> Months <u>8</u> Days <u>8</u> hr. _____ min.		<b>MEDICAL CERTIFICATION</b> 20. Date of death: Month <u>Dec.</u> day <u>12</u> year <u>1943</u> hour <u>12</u> minute <u>30 A.M.</u> 21. I hereby certify that I attended the deceased from <u>Nov. 20</u> 19 <u>43</u> to <u>Dec. 12, 1943</u> ; that I last saw him alive on <u>Dec. 11, 1943</u> ; and that death occurred on the date and hour stated above. Immediate cause of death <u>(830) Pneumonia (Bronchial)</u> Duration <u>7 days</u> <u>(Pneumonia)</u> Due to <u>Nephritis</u> <u>1 yr</u> <u>due to what is due to</u> Due to <u>Cerebral Hemorrhage</u> <u>1 yr</u>	
9. Birthplace <u>Parkton S. Dakota</u> (City, town, or county) (State or foreign country) 10. Usual occupation <u>dentist</u> 11. Industry or business _____ 12. Name <u>Wallace H. Kennedy</u> 13. Birthplace <u>Advent, Scotland</u> (City, town, or county) (State or foreign country) 14. Maiden name <u>Anna Marston</u> 15. Birthplace <u>Masson</u> (City, town, or county) (State or foreign country)		Other conditions _____ (Include pregnancy within 3 months of death) Major findings: _____ Of operations _____ Of autopsy _____ 22. If death was due to external causes, fill in the following: (a) Accident, suicide, or homicide (specify) _____ (b) Date of occurrence _____ (c) Where did injury occur? _____ (City or town) (County) (State) (d) Did injury occur in or about home, on farm, in industrial place, in public place? _____ (Specify type of place) While at work? _____ (Specify type of place) 23. Signature <u>Violet R. Bennett</u> (M. D. or other) <u>M.D.</u> Address <u>Grants Pass, Oregon</u> Date signed <u>Dec 12, 1943</u>	
16. (a) Informant's own signature <u>Mrs. Mabel G. Kennedy</u> (b) Address <u>3614 East J, Tacoma - Washington</u> 17. (a) <u>Removal</u> (b) Date thereof <u>Dec. 13 - 1943</u> (Burial, cremation, or removal) (Month) (Day) (Year) (c) Place: burial or cremation <u>Seattle, Washington</u> 18. (a) Signature of funeral director <u>Vigil &amp; Speer</u> (b) Address <u>Grants Pass, Oregon</u> 19. (a) <u>Dec. 13, 1943</u> (b) _____ (Date received local registrar) (Registrar's signature)			

Figure 2.5: Oregon death certificate for Wallace, Dec 12, 1943



Figure 2.6: Wallace H. Kennedy grave site at Mount Pleasant Cemetery Seattle

## 2.3 High School Years

The kids attended Lincoln High School in Tacoma.

- For Wally I could only find yearbook entry for his Sophomore year in 1942. He was enlisted in the war in December 1943, before he could finish his senior year.
- Bob entered the Navy in January 1945 but is listed with the 1945 senior class in the yearbook. There is one more picture of him with the “Stage Crew” club.
- Lorne graduated in 1947
- Bill graduated in 1948
- Doris graduated in 1950

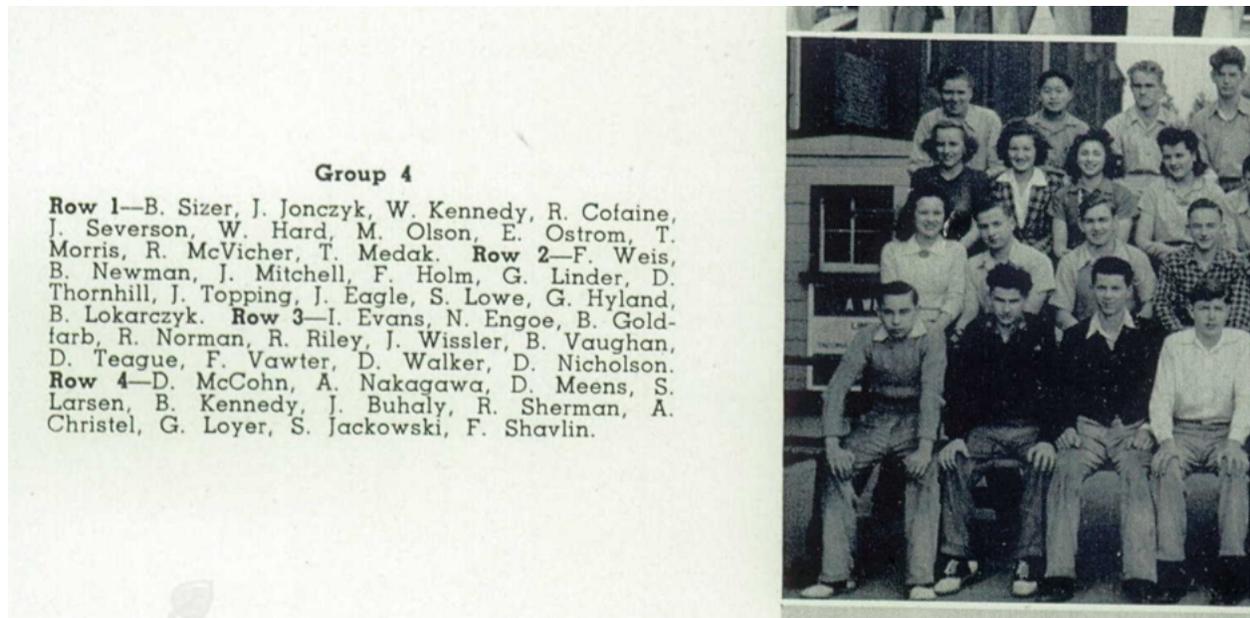


Figure 2.7: Wally as a Sophomore in the Lincoln High School 1942 yearbook (Front row, third from left)

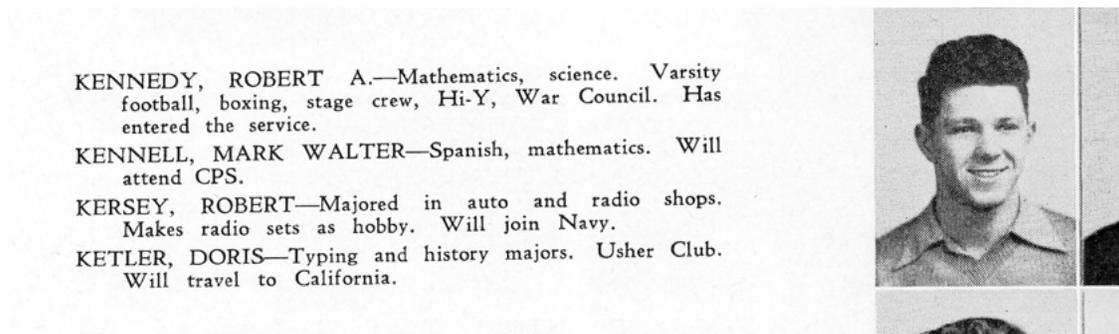


Figure 2.8: Bob's High School graduation yearbook entry, Tacoma Lincoln High School 1945

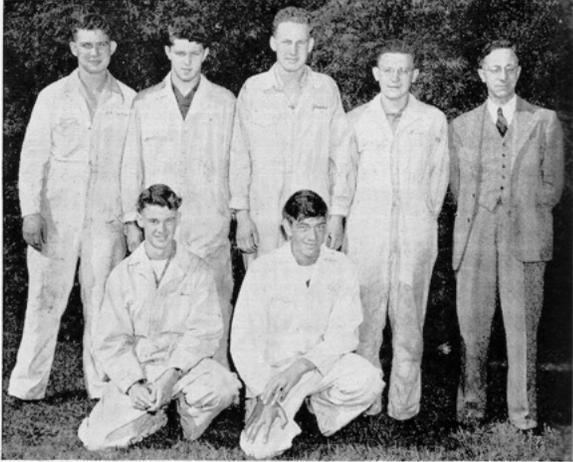
*Stagemen Work Miracles*

From behind the oak door labeled "stage room" comes Lincoln's stage crew armed with paint, setting, props, electric cords, and all things that have to do with the preparation of a stage for a school production. The Lincoln stage crew is a hard-working and talented group of artists, working in the mediums of lights, scenery, sounds, and effects. Their work is to create delusions.

Our stage, in the past year, has gone through amazing changes. From a trim newspaper office, which was the background for the senior class play, to the deck of a seventeenth century ship, which was one of the scenes of the all-school musical, the crew has consistently attained the desired delusions.

Dances also take much of the time of the stage crew, for it is through their knowledge of lighting-effects that Lincolnites are able to imagine themselves in anything from "Abe's Barn" to "Neptune's Gardens".

Under the guidance of Lloyd Hague and Bob Neudorfer, adviser and foreman respectively, the crew has done much to relieve the monotony of many lives. For this their only compensation comes in murmurs of admiration of some one of their projects by an appreciative audience.



STAGE CREW  
Row 1: R. Sallee, L. Adams. Row 2: B. Neudorfer, B. Kennedy, B. Besich, E. Glasmon, Mr. Hague, Adviser.

*Movie Give Studios Aile*

Figure 2.9: Bob's High School "Stage Crew", Tacoma Lincoln High School 1945



English. Retailers' Club, Marcetta Ki, Rifle Club, Pep Club, LLL, Orchestra. Will get married.

KELLER, BEVERLY ANNE—English, Spanish, Mathematics. Glee Club, Choir, V. P. Club, Honor Society, Christmas Vespers '46, "The Mikado". Will attend PLC.

KELLER, DALE A.—Science, History, English. Hi-Y, Pep Club, Secretary of Pierce County Junior Red Cross. Will attend college.

KENNEDY, ELLSWORTH—Majored in Auto Shop, Woodshop. Will work.

KENNEDY, LORNE R.—History, English, Science. Forestry Club, Boys' Club. Will work.

Figure 2.10: Lorne's High School graduation yearbook entry, Tacoma Lincoln High School 1947



Figure 2.11: Bill's High School graduation yearbook entry, Tacoma Lincoln High School 1947

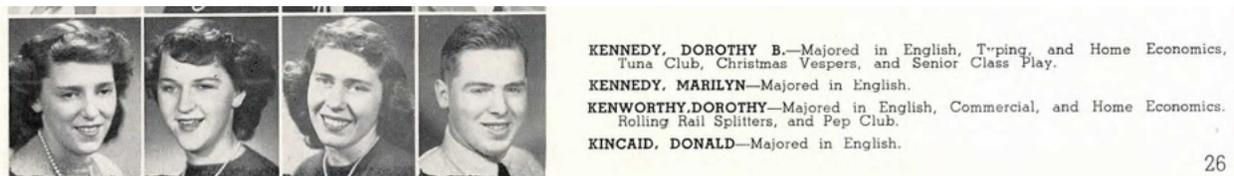


Figure 2.12: Marilyn's High School graduation yearbook entry (second from left), Tacoma Lincoln High School 1950

## 2.4 World War II

Wally was enlisted on Dec. 11, 1943, the day before his father passed away. According to his army record he had only completed 3 years of High School. Wally later stated on his 1948 draft card that he served in the army from Jan 3, 1944 - May 18, 1946. He came under enemy fire in Europe on February 24, 1945. He suffered shrapnel wounds in the shoulder, leg and wrist. According to his 1948 draft card he was a member of the 102nd Infantry Division (the "Ozarks"). According to the internet the day before he was injured the 102nd crossed the Roer River in northern Germany and was approaching Mönchengladbach.

Bob served in the Navy from Jan 3, 1945 - May 17, 1946. He joined during his senior year in High School. This is also stated on his yearbook entry. For unknown reasons he did not fill out his registration card until June 1946. He was an excellent typist and was assigned to Ream Field in San Diego according to his Korean war registration card.

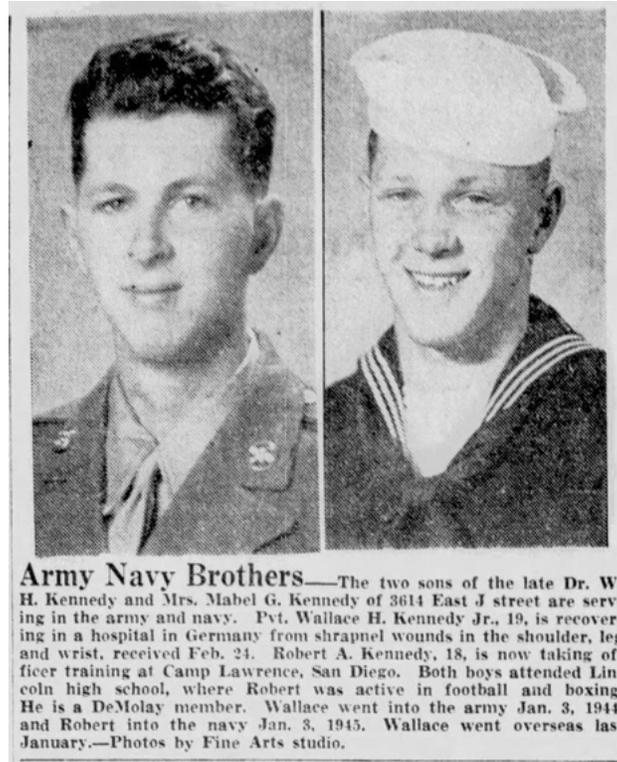


Figure 2.13: The Tacoma newspaper featuring Wally and Bob on April 1, 1945 - Tacoma News Tribune

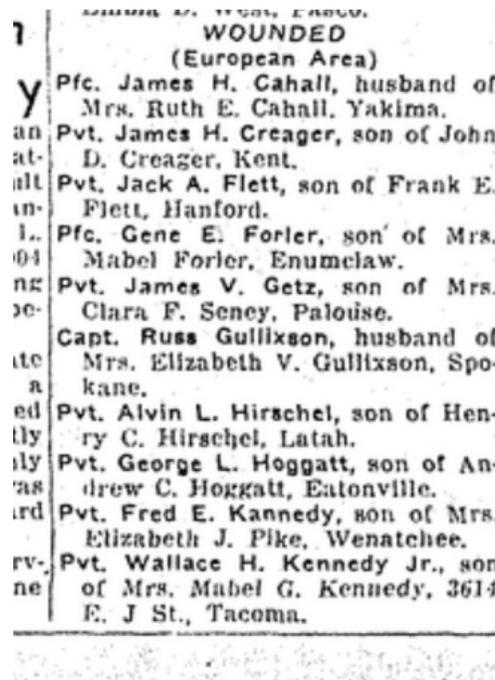


Figure 2.14: Newspaper report of Wally being wounded in Europe, March 30 1945 - Seattle Post-Intelligencer, Friday, Mar 30, 1945

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17, 1945

## 27 More Join Navy

Twenty-seven more 17 year old men from the Tacoma area have been enlisted in the navy, according to news released Wednesday by Chief Recruiter Kenneth Winters of the local recruiting station.

Intense interest in the radio technician and air crewman programs is being expressed by these young men, the chief said.

The names released today are: Thomas M. Evans, son of Agnes Evans, 5512 Cushman avenue; David B. Vogeler, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. O. Vogeler, 3705 North Adams street; Joseph P. Shilley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Shilley, 7229 South Tacoma avenue; William P. Brady, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Brady, 3018 Pacific avenue; William L. Lawrence, son of F. A. Lawrence, Olalla, and Nina E. Lawrence, 717 South M street; Hogue Willmott Jr., son of Eva Willmott, 1005 9th street southwest, Puyallup; Robert Q. Cloquet, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Cloquet, 1243 South State street; Edwin J. Crooks, son of Helen Skinner, 3807 South 11th street; Roy F. Larson, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Larson, 701 South 54th street; Jack A. Dolman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Dolman, Rt. 1; Everett D. Sauve, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Sauve, Ohop; Dale N. Andahl, son of Mr. and Mrs. Soren Andahl, 1243 South Grant avenue; Frank Hutchins, son of Mrs. Lynn Hutchins, Auburn; Douglas E. Anderson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tarrel Anderson, 2006 South J street.

Thomas R. Sauriol, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Sauriol, 5631 South Birmingham street; Stephen L. Norman, son of Florence Bianco, 4546 South Tacoma way; Richard A. Piper, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Piper, Rt. 13; Donald G. Jackson Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Jackson, 115 South 23rd street; Charles H. Overas, son of Caroline Overas, Spanaway; Theodore W. Harris, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Harris, Spanaway; Roy F. Carlson, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Carlson, Rt. 8; William H. Jones, son of D. D. Jones, 119 East 52nd street; James V. Cobb, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Cobb, 4315 South D street; Robert A. Kennedy, son of Mabel Kennedy, 3614 East J street; George D. Dickman, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Dickman, 4031 South Bell street; Jack E. Carlson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Erick Carlson, 2514 South Sheridan avenue; Harold A. Allen Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold A. Allen Sr., American Lake South. Allen will enter the radio technician school as a result of having passed the Eddy test.



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INFANTILE  
PARALYSIS

JAN. 14-31

Figure 2.15: Newspaper report of Bob joining the Navy - Tacoma News Tribune, Jan 17 1945

## 2.5 World War II Draft Registration

Even at age 44 husband Wallace had to fill out a draft registration for WWII, after he had already been drafted for WWI. He was born in April 1897, and the cut-off was February 1897. On his draft card he lists an employer, so maybe at the time he did not have his own private practice. The employer is given as “Dr. L. Whetstone” and the address as “302 So. 13th, Tacoma”. This probably refers to “Dr. L. S. Whetstone”, a prominent dentist in Tacoma at the time who frequently took out large advertisements in the newspaper. His address in the newspaper is given as “13th and Broadway, across from Sears, Roebuck”, which matches the address that Wallace had listed.

Lorne registered in June 1946, one day after turning 18, while a student at Lincoln High. He was required to register because the mandatory draft order was in place until early 1947.

Bill turned 18 after the draft ended, so we don't have a card for him.

**REGISTRATION CARD—(Men born on or after February 17, 1897 and on or before December 31, 1921)**

SERIAL NUMBER 1. NAME (Print) ORDER NUMBER  
 T. 2248 Wallace Henry Kennedy DMD T. 1149

2. PLACE OF RESIDENCE (Print)  
 3614 E. Jay Tacoma Pierce Wash

3. MAILING ADDRESS  
 Same

4. TELEPHONE 5. AGE IN YEARS 6. PLACE OF BIRTH  
 Ga 3469 44 Seattle Wash

7. NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERSON WHO WILL ALWAYS KNOW YOUR ADDRESS  
 Clifford Stevens - 5720 McKinley Tacoma, Wn

8. EMPLOYER'S NAME AND ADDRESS  
 Wm. H. Peterson

9. PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT OR BUSINESS  
 302 So. 13th Tacoma Pierce Wash

I AFFIRM THAT I HAVE VERIFIED ABOVE ANSWERS AND THAT THEY ARE TRUE.  
 D. S. S. Form 1 (Revised 1-1-42) (over) ☆ 16-21600-1 Wallace Henry Kennedy DMD (Registrant's signature)

**REGISTRAR'S REPORT**

**DESCRIPTION OF REGISTRANT**

RACE	HEIGHT (Approx.)	WEIGHT (Approx.)	COMPLEXION
White	5' 10 1/2"	172 #	Sallow
	<b>EYES</b>	<b>HAIR</b>	Light
Negro	Blue	Blonde	Ruddy
	Gray	Red	Dark
Oriental	Hazel	Brown	Freckled
	Brown	Black	Light brown
Indian	Black	Gray	Dark brown
		Bald	Black
Filipino			

Other obvious physical characteristics that will aid in identification:  
 None

I certify that my answers are true; that the person registered has read or has had read to him his own answers; that I have witnessed his signature or mark and that all of his answers of which I have knowledge are true, except as follows:

Registrar for Local Board # 4 Tacoma, Wash  
 Date of registration 2/14/41  
 Marian Nesmidt (Signature of registrar)

Local Board No. 4  
 Tacoma City  
 State Armory  
 Tacoma, Wash  
 (SEAL OF LOCAL BOARD)

(The stamp of the Local Board having jurisdiction of the registrant shall be placed in the above space.)

16-21600-1

Figure 2.16: Wallace, father of Wally, Bob, Lorne and Bill, Draft Registration, February 14, 1941. At age 44 he was drafted again, he had already been drafted for WWI.

**REGISTRATION CARD (Men born on or after July 1, 1924, and on or before December 31, 1924)**  
 (Also for the registration of men as they reach the 18th anniversary of the date of their birth on or after January 1, 1943.)

SERIAL NUMBER 1. NAME (Print) ORDER NUMBER  
 W. 282 Wallace Henry Kennedy Jr. 13, 288

2. PLACE OF RESIDENCE (Print)  
 3614 East Jay St Tacoma Wash

3. MAILING ADDRESS

4. TELEPHONE 5. AGE IN YEARS 6. PLACE OF BIRTH  
 Ga 3469 18 Seattle Wash

7. NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERSON WHO WILL ALWAYS KNOW YOUR ADDRESS  
 Mrs. M. Kennedy, 3614 East Jay St. Tacoma

8. EMPLOYER'S NAME AND ADDRESS  
 Hooker Chemical Co.

9. PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT OR BUSINESS  
 Alexander Hvc. Tacoma Wa

I AFFIRM THAT I HAVE VERIFIED ABOVE ANSWERS AND THAT THEY ARE TRUE.  
 DSS Form 1 (Rev. 11-10-40) (over) ☆ 16-21600-4 Wallace H. Kennedy Jr. (Registrant's signature)

**REGISTRAR'S REPORT**

**DESCRIPTION OF REGISTRANT**

RACE	HEIGHT (Approx.)	WEIGHT (Approx.)	COMPLEXION
White	5' 9 1/2"	160	Sallow
	<b>EYES</b>	<b>HAIR</b>	Light
Negro	Blue	Blonde	Ruddy
	Gray	Red	Dark
Indian	Hazel	Brown	Freckled
Filipino	Brown	Black	Light brown
Japanese	Black	Gray	Dark brown
Other Oriental		Bald	Black

Other obvious physical characteristics that will aid in identification:  
 None

I certify that my answers are true; that the person registered has read or has had read to him his own answers; that I have witnessed his signature or mark and that all of his answers of which I have knowledge are true, except as follows:

Registrar for Local Board # 4 Pierce Wn  
 Date of registration Aug 17, 1943  
 Virginia Jny (Signature of registrar)

Local Board No. 4  
 Tacoma City  
 State Armory  
 Tacoma, Washington

(The stamp of the Local Board having jurisdiction of the registrant shall be placed in the above space.)

16-21600-4

Figure 2.17: Wally Draft Registration, February 11, 1943. Employer listed as Hooker Chemical Co.

FORM APPROVED  
Budget Bureau No. 33-R012-42

**REGISTRATION CARD** (Men born on or after July 1, 1924, and on or before December 31, 1924)  
(Also for the registration of men as they reach the 18th anniversary of the date of their birth on or after January 1, 1943.)

SERIAL NUMBER 1. NAME (Print) ORDER NUMBER  
W. 676 Lorne Roger Kennedy 13 682

2. PLACE OF RESIDENCE (Print)  
3614 East J. St. Tacoma Pierce Washington

3. MAILING ADDRESS  
same address.

4. TELEPHONE 5. AGE IN YEARS 6. PLACE OF BIRTH  
GA 3469 18 Seattle

7. NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERSON WHO WILL ALWAYS KNOW YOUR ADDRESS  
Mrs. Mabel Kennedy 3614 East J. St., Tacoma, Wash. (Mother)

8. EMPLOYER'S NAME AND ADDRESS  
Student at Lincoln High

I AFFIRM THAT I HAVE VERIFIED ABOVE ANSWERS AND THAT THEY ARE TRUE.  
DSS Form 1 (Rev. 11-16-42) 16-21630-4 (OVER) Lorne R. Kennedy

**REGISTRAR'S REPORT**

DESCRIPTION OF REGISTRANT

RACE	HEIGHT (Approx.)	WEIGHT (Approx.)	COMPLEXION	
White	<u>5' 10"</u>	<u>150</u>	Sallow	
Negro	Blue	Blonde	Light	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Gray	Red	Ruddy	
Indian	Hazel	Brown	Dark	
	Brown	Black	Freckled	
Filipino	Black	Gray	Light brown	
	Other	Bald	Dark brown	
Oriental			Black	

Other obvious physical characteristics that will aid in identification.  
Scar on knuckle of middle finger- left hand

I certify that my answers are true; that the person registered has read or has had read to him his own answers; that I have witnessed his signature or mark and that all of his answers of which I have knowledge are true, except as follows:  
None to my knowledge

Patricia A. Lawson  
Registrar for Local Board #4, Tacoma, Washington  
Date of registration: June 3, 1946

BOARD NO. 4 97  
Tacoma City 653  
JUN 5 1946 004  
State Armory

(The stamp of the Local Board having jurisdiction of the registrant shall be placed in the above space)

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 16-21630-1

Figure 2.18: Lorne Draft Registration, June 3, 1946

FORM APPROVED  
Budget Bureau No. 33-R012-42

**REGISTRATION CARD** (Men born on or after July 1, 1924, and on or before December 31, 1924)  
(Also for the registration of men as they reach the 18th anniversary of the date of their birth on or after January 1, 1943.)

SERIAL NUMBER 1. NAME (Print) ORDER NUMBER  
W. 463-B Robert Aldrich Kennedy 13 469-B

2. PLACE OF RESIDENCE (Print)  
3614 East Jay St. Tacoma Pierce Washington

3. MAILING ADDRESS  
Same

4. TELEPHONE 5. AGE IN YEARS 6. PLACE OF BIRTH  
Garland 19 Seattle

7. NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERSON WHO WILL ALWAYS KNOW YOUR ADDRESS  
Mrs. Mable Kennedy 3614 East Jay St., Tacoma, Washington

8. EMPLOYER'S NAME AND ADDRESS  
None

9. PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT OR BUSINESS

I AFFIRM THAT I HAVE VERIFIED ABOVE ANSWERS AND THAT THEY ARE TRUE.  
DSS Form 1 (Rev. 11-16-42) 16-21630-4 (OVER) Robert A. Kennedy

**REGISTRAR'S REPORT**

DESCRIPTION OF REGISTRANT

RACE	HEIGHT (Approx.)	WEIGHT (Approx.)	COMPLEXION	
White	<u>5' 11 1/2"</u>	<u>170</u>	Sallow	
Negro	Blue	Blonde	Light	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Gray	Red	Ruddy	
Indian	Hazel	Brown	Dark	
	Brown	Black	Freckled	
Filipino	Black	Gray	Light brown	
	Other	Bald	Dark brown	
Oriental			Black	

Other obvious physical characteristics that will aid in identification.  
None

I certify that my answers are true; that the person registered has read or has had read to him his own answers; that I have witnessed his signature or mark and that all of his answers of which I have knowledge are true, except as follows:

Samuel Bailey  
Registrar for Local Board #4, California Local Board Group B  
Date of registration: May 21, 1946

BOARD NO. 4 85  
Tacoma City 653  
JUN 5 1946 004  
State Armory

(The stamp of the Local Board having jurisdiction of the registrant shall be placed in the above space)

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 16-21630-1

Figure 2.19: Bob Draft Registration, June 5, 1946. He had already joined the Navy in January 1945 and seems to have registered after the fact.



Figure 2.20: Newspaper advertisement for Dr. Whetstone. He was listed as the employer on Wallace’s 1941 draft card. The Tacoma News Tribune, May 12, 1943, Page 4

## 2.6 Cold War Draft of 1948

In the summer of 1948 the cold war led the government to start a special peace-time draft. In Tacoma, all men between the ages of 18 and 25 had to register at the Tacoma armory. The draft was by year of birth, and all of Mabel’s sons fell squarely into that age range.

Year of Birth	Days to register	Mabel’s Son
1924	Sept. 2-3, 1948	
1925	Sept. 4-7, 1948	Wally
1926	Sept. 8-9, 1948	Bob
1927	Sept. 10-11, 1948	
1928	Sept. 13-14, 1948	Lorne
1929	Sept. 15-16, 1948	Bill

Here is a Tacoma News Tribune frontpage newspaper article from Tuesday, August 1948 recapping the details of the draft:

# Tacomans Flock To Register for the Draft

"Friday" came to Tacoma again Monday with 25-year-olds flocking to registration centers as wheels of the nation's draft machine once more began turning.

In Tacoma as across the nation, it was the first step in America's plan to build up its armed forces with a peacetime draft. Actually, only a fraction of the millions who register will be drafted, but Uncle Sam does want a census of draft-age men.

According to estimates from military leaders, only about one out of every 42 men will be tapped for a 21-month stretch in the services.

**Most Are Veterans**

A large percentage of those who registered Monday were veterans and hence will not be called. All youths 18-25 must register, regardless of wartime service, however.

Tacoma registration centers are in the State Armory and at draft headquarters, Room 231-234, Provident building. The 25-year-olds registered Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, men born in 1923 will sign up. The schedule then goes on like this:

Men born in 1924 register Sept. 2-3; 1925, register Sept. 4 or 7; 1926, Sept. 8-9; 1927 Sept. 10-11; 1928, Sept. 13-14; 1929, Sept. 15-16; if born in 1930 before Sept. 19, sign up Sept. 17-18.

**Much Waiting Due**

Draft officials have explained that a minimum of 60 days will be needed between the date of the first draft call and actual inductions. This would mean the earliest that peacetime draftees will be in uniform will be Nov. 2, and any delay of the selective service machinery in getting under way could prolong the interval.

Registration in Tacoma was taking only about 10 minutes. First in line at the Armory was Gordon K. Iverson of 1711 So. J, while first at the Provident building was Clifford V. Benboe of 1516 So. 52nd.

## Carolinas Await Blow

HATTERAS, N. C., Aug. 30.—P

—North Carolinians battered down along the coast today for a big blow expected to hit tonight.

Hurricane warnings were displayed from here to Wilmington as a weather bureau advisory placed the center of the tropical hurricane about 250 miles south of here and moving north-northwest or north at 10 to 12 miles an hour.

Storm warnings were displayed as far north as the Virginia capes and as far south as Charleston. The Miami weather bureau, however, said the danger south of Wilmington "seems to be diminishing."

Present indications are, the bureau said, that the center will pass over or very near Cape Hatteras

Figure 2.21: Announcement of the 1948 draft in the Tacoma News Tribune, August 31, 1948, Frontpage

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SSS Form No. 1  
(Form approved Budget Bur. No. 33-R099)

**SELECTIVE SERVICE SYSTEM  
REGISTRATION CARD**

1. Name  
**KENNEDY WALLACE H. JR.**  
(Last) (First) (Middle)

2. Place of residence  
**3614 East J St. Tacoma Wash.**  
(City, town, village, or county) (State)

3. Mailing address  
**3614 East J St. Tacoma Wash.**  
(City, town, village, or county) (State)

4. Name and address of person who will always know your address  
**Mrs. Mabel G. Kennedy 3614 East J. Tacoma Wash.**  
(Name) (Address)

5. Date of birth  
**Aug 11 '25**  
(Month) (Day) (Year)

6. Place of birth  
**Seattle Wash.**  
(City, town, village, or county) (State or country)

7. Occupation  
**Student**

8. Firm or individual by whom employed  
**Tacoma Vocational School**

9. Nature of business, service rendered, or chief product

10. Place of employment or business  
**11th St - Tacoma Wash.**  
(Number and street or R. F. D. number) (Town) (County) (State)

11. Local board with which registered under Selective Training and Service Act of 1940, as amended  
**Army - Tacoma Wash.**

12. Were you ever rejected for service in the armed forces? Yes  No  When?

13. Marital status: Single  Married  [ Living with wife  Separated  Divorced  Widower  ] Father  (Over)

14. Active duty in the armed forces of the United States or a cobelligerent nation since Sept. 16, 1940:  
**Army - 39216639-1-3-44**  
(Branch of Armed Forces) (Service or serial number) (Date of entry)  
**102 Div - 405 Reg - C.I. - 5-18-46**  
(Name of last organization) (Date of separation)

15. Present membership in a reserve component of the armed forces:  
**None**  
(Branch of Armed Forces) (Service or serial number) (Date of entry)  
(Grade and organization)

I affirm that I have verified the foregoing answers and that they are true:  
**Wallace H. Kennedy, Jr.**  
(Signature of registrant)

**DESCRIPTION OF REGISTRANT**

16. Color of eyes **Bl.** Color of hair **Red** Complexion **Fair**  
Height (approx.) **5 ft 7 in.** Weight (approx.) **190** Race **White**  
Other obvious physical characteristics that will aid in identification:  
**Shrapnel wounds**

I certify that my answers are true; that the person registered has read or has had read to him his own answers; that I have witnessed his signature or mark and that all of his answers of which I have knowledge are true, except as follows:  
**None to my knowledge**  
**Sept 4 - 48 Magnificence**  
(Date of registration) (Signature of registrar)  
Registrar for local board **11-13 Tacoma Wash.**  
(Number) (City or county) (State)

Local Board No. 12  
Rooms 231-234, Provident Bldg.  
913-919 Pacific Avenue  
Tacoma 2, Washington

(Stamp of the Local Board of jurisdiction as determined by item 2, front of card)  
U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE: 1948-O-790018

Figure 2.22: Wally 1948 draft registration card with details on his army service, Sept. 4, 1948

Special Registrant

SSS Form No. 1  
(Form approved Budget Bur. No. 33-R099)

**SELECTIVE SERVICE SYSTEM  
REGISTRATION CARD**

1. Name  
**Kennedy Robert Aldrich**  
(Last) (First) (Middle)

2. Place of residence  
**3614 East J St. Wa.**  
(City, town, village, or county) (State)

3. Mailing address  
**3614 East J St.**  
(City, town, village, or county) (State)

4. Name and address of person who will always know your address  
**Mrs. Mabel Kennedy 3614 East J.**  
(Name) (Address)

5. Date of birth  
**Aug 30 1924**  
(Month) (Day) (Year)

6. Place of birth  
**Seattle Wa.**  
(City, town, village, or county) (State or country)

7. Occupation  
**Dental Tech.**

8. Firm or individual by whom employed  
**Rev. Warrner**

9. Nature of business, service rendered, or chief product  
**Dentist**

10. Place of employment or business  
**931 Cordy Tacoma Puise Wa.**  
(Number and street or R. F. D. number) (Town) (County) (State)

11. Local board with which registered under Selective Training and Service Act of 1940, as amended  
**San Diego California**

12. Were you ever rejected for service in the armed forces? Yes  No  When?

13. Marital status: Single  Married  [ Living with wife  Separated  Divorced  Widower  ] Father  (Over)

14. Active duty in the armed forces of the United States or a cobelligerent nation since Sept. 16, 1940:  
**Navy 387-27-39 Jan 3 1945**  
(Branch of Armed Forces) (Service or serial number) (Date of entry)  
**10 May 17 1946**  
(Name of last organization) (Date of separation)

15. Present membership in a reserve component of the armed forces:  
**None**  
(Branch of Armed Forces) (Service or serial number) (Date of entry)  
(Grade and organization)

I affirm that I have verified the foregoing answers and that they are true:  
**Robert Aldrich Kennedy**  
(Signature of registrant)

**DESCRIPTION OF REGISTRANT**

16. Color of eyes **Blue** Color of hair **Brown** Complexion **Ruddy**  
Height (approx.) **5 ft 11 1/2 in.** Weight (approx.) **170** Race **White**  
Other obvious physical characteristics that will aid in identification:

I certify that my answers are true; that the person registered has read or has had read to him his own answers; that I have witnessed his signature or mark and that all of his answers of which I have knowledge are true, except as follows:

**Sept 9 1948 Katherine Felice**  
(Date of registration) (Signature of registrar)  
Registrar for local board **11-13 Puise Wa.**  
(Number) (City or county) (State)

Local Board No. 12  
Rooms 231-234, Provident Bldg.  
913-919 Pacific Avenue  
Tacoma 2, Washington

(Stamp of the Local Board of jurisdiction as determined by item 2, front of card)  
U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE: 1948-O-790018

Figure 2.23: Bob 1948 draft registration card with details on his 1945 service, Sept. 9, 1948

SSS Form No. 1  
(Form approved)  
Budget Bur. No. 23-1099

**SELECTIVE SERVICE SYSTEM  
REGISTRATION CARD**

1. Name: Kennedy, Lorne Roger  
2. Place of residence: 4606 So. Yakima, Tacoma, Wash.  
3. Mailing address: 4606 So. Yakima, Tacoma, Wash.  
4. Name and address of person who will always know your address: Mrs. Mabel Kennedy, 3614 E. Jay, Tacoma, Wash.  
5. Date of birth: 6 2 28  
6. Place of birth: Seattle, Wash.  
7. Occupation: Barber  
8. Firm or individual by whom employed: Barber Shop  
9. Nature of business, service rendered, or chief product: Barber Shop  
10. Place of employment or business: Barber Shop, Tacoma, Wash.  
11. Local board with which registered under Selective Training and Service Act of 1940, as amended: Army, Tacoma  
12. Were you ever rejected for service in the armed forces? Yes  No  When?  
13. Marital status: Single  Married  [ Divorced  Widower  ] Father  (Over)

SELECTIVE SERVICE NUMBER: 45 12 28 171

14. Active duty in the armed forces of the United States or a cobelligerent nation since Sept. 16, 1940: None  
15. Present membership in a reserve component of the armed forces: None  
I affirm that I have verified the foregoing answers and that they are true:  
Lorne Rogers Kennedy (Signature of registrant)

**DESCRIPTION OF REGISTRANT**  
16. Color of eyes: Blue. Color of hair: Brown. Complexion: Ruddy.  
Height (approx.): 5 ft. 10 in. Weight (approx.): 150. Race: White.  
Other obvious physical characteristics that will aid in identification: Few, low, split, warts.  
I certify that my answers are true; that the person registered has read or has had read to him his own answers; that I have witnessed his signature or mark and that all of his answers of which I have knowledge are true, except as follows:

Sept. 13, 1948 (Date of registration) Lorne Rogers Kennedy (Signature of registrar)  
Registrar for local board: Lorne Kennedy (Number) Tacoma, Wash. (City or county) (State)

Local Board No. 12  
Rooms 231-234, Provident Bldg.  
913-919 Pacific Avenue  
Tacoma, Washington

(Stamp of the Local Board of Jurisdiction as determined by Item 2, front of card)  
U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE: 1948-O-790018

Figure 2.24: Lorne 1948 draft registration card, Sept. 13, 1948

SSS Form No. 1  
(Form approved)  
Budget Bur. No. 23-1099

**SELECTIVE SERVICE SYSTEM  
REGISTRATION CARD**

1. Name: Kennedy, William Gordon  
2. Place of residence: 3614 East J. St., Tacoma, Wash.  
3. Mailing address: 3614 East J. St., Tacoma, Wash.  
4. Name and address of person who will always know your address: Mr. Mabel Kennedy, 3614 East J. St., Tacoma, Wash.  
5. Date of birth: June 15 1929  
6. Place of birth: Seattle, Wash.  
7. Occupation: Laborer  
8. Firm or individual by whom employed: Buffalo Lumber Co.  
9. Nature of business, service rendered, or chief product: Laborer, Buffalo Lumber  
10. Place of employment or business: Title-Block, Tacoma, Wash.  
11. Local board with which registered under Selective Training and Service Act of 1940, as amended: None  
12. Were you ever rejected for service in the armed forces? Yes  No  When?  
13. Marital status: Single  Married  [ Living with wife  Separated  ] Divorced  Widower  Father  (Over)

SELECTIVE SERVICE NUMBER: 45 12 29 178

14. Active duty in the armed forces of the United States or a cobelligerent nation since Sept. 16, 1940: None  
15. Present membership in a reserve component of the armed forces: U.S. Marines, 1652408, June 19-1948  
I affirm that I have verified the foregoing answers and that they are true:  
William G. Kennedy (Signature of registrant)

**DESCRIPTION OF REGISTRANT**  
16. Color of eyes: Blue. Color of hair: Brown. Complexion: Ruddy.  
Height (approx.): 5 ft. 6 1/2 in. Weight (approx.): 150. Race: White.  
Other obvious physical characteristics that will aid in identification: Scar on both knees.  
I certify that my answers are true; that the person registered has read or has had read to him his own answers; that I have witnessed his signature or mark and that all of his answers of which I have knowledge are true, except as follows:

Sept. 14, 1948 (Date of registration) Lydia Meisner (Signature of registrar)  
Registrar for local board: Lydia Meisner (Number) Tacoma, Wash. (City or county) (State)

Local Board No. 12  
Rooms 231-234, Provident Bldg.  
913-919 Pacific Avenue  
Tacoma 2, Washington

(Stamp of the Local Board of Jurisdiction as determined by Item 2, front of card)  
U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE: 1948-O-790018

Figure 2.25: Bill 1948 draft registration card, Sept. 14, 1948

# Chapter 3

## The 1930s - Seattle, WA

Table 3.1: 1930 Census for Seattle, WA. Taken April 10, 1930. Address was 2023 2nd Ave N. House was listed as “Rented”, monthly rent “\$20”.

Name	Age	Born	Father	Mother	Occupation	Industry
Kennedy, Wallace H.	32	S. Dakota	Scotland	United States	Dentist	Own office
—, Mabel G	33	WA	Vermont	Austria	none	
—, Wallace H.	4	WA	S Dakota	WA	none	
—, Robert A.	3	WA	S Dakota	WA	none	
—, Lorne	1	WA	S Dakota	WA	none	
—, William G.	9/12	WA	S Dakota	WA	none	

In 1930 the family still lived in the Queen Anne neighborhood of Seattle, presumably because many of Wallace’s family members lived there.

Marilyn had not yet been born, so there were only the 4 boys. Wally was the oldest at 4 and Bill the youngest at 9 months.

According to Redfin the house is 1,410 sq ft, 2 bd, 1 ba and was built in 1905.



Figure 3.1: Streetview image of Wallace and Mabel's 1930 Seattle rental, 2023 2nd Ave N.



Figure 3.2: The Kennedy kids, ca. early 1930s

### **3.1 Wallace and Mabel Buy Their Tacoma Home**

Wallace's mother Emma already lived in Tacoma in 1930, according to the 1930 census. That might be one reason why they decided to move there.

Wallace and Mabel closed on their Tacoma home on October 14, 1937 as can be seen from the recorded deed.

According to Redfin the house is 1,080 sq ft, 3 bd, 1 ba and was built in 1907.



Figure 3.3: Streetview image of Wallace and Mabel’s Tacoma house, 3614 E J Street

The legal description on the deed matches the modern description of 3614 East J Street, which is “McKinley Park Addition Lots 7 & 8 Block 16”.

Interestingly, the deed is a Quit Claim Deed, not a Warranty Deed as one would expect for a typical home sale. This could indicate that the previous owner Seifert was in danger of losing the home and Wallace and Mabel took over the home and its mortgage from them “as is”.

Unfortunately it seems that Wallace and Mabel were also at risk of losing the house. During the great depression Wallace probably had steady work, but many clients were probably unable to pay on time, or tried to barter instead of paying cash. We can find a mortgage extension document from the “Home Owners’ Loan Corporation (HOLC)”, which was a 1933 New Deal government agency created to help people keep their homes. The HOLC stepped in and refinanced their mortgage to a monthly payment of just \$10. This was half as much as they paid in rent in Seattle in the 1920s.

This mortgage extension document was recorded on May 9, 1938. The recording date appears to be much later than the actual document. The new mortgage must have been negotiated in 1937 already because the new, lower, payments started in January 1938.

The mortgage extension agreement copy is pretty hard to read. As best as I can tell, the new terms were:

The sum of EIGHT HUNDRED FIFTY FOUR AND 69/100ths (\$854.69) DOLLARS

owing on said obligation as of the date of this instrument shall be paid in installments of TEN AND NO/100ths (\$10.00) DOLLARS or more, per month. This first installment shall be due and payable on the 25th day of January, 1938, and thereafter the installment shall be due and payable on the 25th day of each month until said indebtedment is paid in full.

The entire unpaid balance of such obligation (including as such delinquent and unpaid interest) shall bear interest at the rate of 5 per cent per annum.

As we now know the plan worked and they were able to keep the house. Mabel kept ownership until she passed away in 1984 and Wally inherited it.

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PIERCE COUNTY, WASHINGTON

SURNAME OF GRANTEE Ken Koo Ket Kos Kh	Given Name and Initial of GRANTEE	GRANTOR	DATE RECORDED			Nature of Instrument	WHERE RECORDED			Fee Book Number	PLAT OR SUBDIVISION		
			Mo	Day	Year		Vol	Sec	Page		Sec	Trk	Range
Kennedy	W. H. & Mabel G.	Wife & H. S. clay	Oct	15	1937	W.C.B.	554	Sec 93	222692	110	7-8	16	

Figure 3.4: Index entry of deed for Wallace and Mabel, October 15, 1937. Pierce County Grantee index, Page 15 1936-1939 KA-KN

Kennedy	W. H. & Mabel G.	Home Owners Sm. Corp.	May	9	1938	W.C.B.	356	Sec 137	223692	110	31-8	pg 91
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Figure 3.5: Index entry for a mortgage extension for Wallace and Mabel, May 9, 1938. Pierce County Grantee index, Page 15 1936-1939 KA-KN

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THIS INDENTURE WITNESSETH, That H. L. Seifert and Lillian Seifert,  
husband and wife now and at all times since acquiring title to the  
within described property  
part i<sup>e</sup>s of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of  
Ten Dollars and other valuable considerations - - - - - Dollars,  
lawful money of the United States of America, to them in hand paid by  
W. H. Kennedy and Mabel G. Kennedy, husband and wife  
part i<sup>e</sup>s of the second part, do by these presents remise, release, convey and quit claim unto said  
part of the second part their heirs and assigns, all interest of the said part i<sup>e</sup>s of  
the first part in and to the following described real property, situated in  
Pierce County, State of Washington, to-wit:  
Lots seven (7) and eight (8), in Block Sixteen (16),  
"McKinley Park Addition to Tacoma," which was filed for record  
in the office of the Auditor of said County, October 29, 1904.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD, The said premises, with all the appurtenances, unto the said  
part i<sup>e</sup>s of the second part, and to their heirs and assigns forever.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, The said part i<sup>e</sup>s of the first part have hereunto set their  
hand s and seal s the 14th day of October, 19 37.  
Signed, Sealed and Delivered in the Presence of

C. F. Mason } H. L. Seifert (Seal)  
Lillian Seifert (Seal)

Figure 3.6: Page 1 of the 1937 deed for Wallace and Mabel's Tacoma house (Pierce County Auditor's Office)

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STATE OF WASHINGTON,  
Pierce } ss.  
County of \_\_\_\_\_

I, \_\_\_\_\_ the undersigned  
a Notary Public in and for the said State, do hereby certify that on this 14th day of  
October, 1937 personally appeared before me  
H. L. Seifert and Lillian Seifert, husband and wife  
to me known to be the individual<sup>s</sup> described in and who executed the within instrument, and  
acknowledged that they signed and sealed the same as their free and volun-  
tary act and deed, for the uses and purposes therein mentioned.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal the day  
and year in this certificate first above written.

*C. F. Mason*  
Notary Public in and for the State of Washing-  
ton, residing at Tacoma in said County.

1222632  
Quit Claim Deed

RECORDED OF DEED  
PAGE \_\_\_\_\_ REQUEST OF  
TO

1937 OCT 15 AM 11:05

S. CLIFFORD DAVIS AUDITOR  
PIERCE COUNTY WASH  
*C. F. Mason* DEPUTY

Dated \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_

STATE OF WASHINGTON, } ss.  
County of \_\_\_\_\_

Received for record this \_\_\_\_\_ day  
of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_  
o'clock \_\_\_\_\_ M., and recorded at re-  
quest of \_\_\_\_\_  
in Book \_\_\_\_\_ Page \_\_\_\_\_  
Deed Records of said County.

County Auditor.  
By \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Auditor.  
*W H Kennedy*  
3614  
214

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Figure 3.7: Page 2 of the 1937 deed for Wallace and Mabel’s Tacoma house (Pierce County Auditor’s Office)

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HOLC Form 193-A, Washington  
Approved 5-25-37

Loan 45-25-C 1532

EXTENSION AGREEMENT

FOR VALUE RECEIVED, Home Owners' Loan Corporation of Washington, D. C., a corporate instrumentality of the United States of America, owner and holder of the note secured by that certain mortgage recorded on the 1st day of June, 1934, in Volume 318 of Mortgages, at page 91 records of the County Auditor of Pierce County, Washington, hereby amends the terms of said note and mortgage and extends the time for the payment of the indebtedness evidenced and secured thereby, as follows:

The sum of EIGHT HUNDRED FIFTY-FOUR AND 50/100ths (\$854.50) DOLLARS owing on said obligation as of the date of this instrument shall be paid in installments of TEN AND 00/100ths (\$10.00) DOLLARS or more, per month. The first installment shall be due and payable on the 25th day of January, 1938, and thereafter an installment shall be due and payable on the 25th day of each month until said indebtedness is paid in full.

The entire unpaid balance of such obligation (including as such delinquent and unpaid interest) shall bear interest at the rate of 5% per cent per annum.

In all other respects said note and mortgage shall remain unaffected, unchanged and unimpaired by reason of the foregoing extension and amendment.

It is specifically agreed that all provisions relating to default, in the note and mortgage, hereinbefore described and referred to, and all acceleration rights and remedies of the mortgages in the event of default for the period, if any, therein prescribed, shall apply with the same force and effect to the foregoing terms of payment; that time is of the essence of this agreement; and that in the event of default in the payment of any installment herein provided that Home Owners' Loan Corporation may, at its option, declare all the remainder of said debt due and collectible in accordance with the provisions of said original note. Any failure to exercise said option shall not constitute a waiver of the right to exercise the same at any subsequent time.

And the undersigned W.H. KENNEDY and MARK G. KENNEDY  
owners of the property covered by said mortgage.

and HENRY L. SEIFERT and LILLIAN SEIFERT

makers of said note secured thereby accept the foregoing extension and amendment, and, in consideration thereof, agree jointly and severally to pay the indebtedness evidenced by said note and secured by said mortgage according to the terms thereof as above extended and amended.

The pleading of any Statute of Limitations as a defense to any action or proceeding brought for the enforcement of any of the provisions hereof or of said note and mortgage is hereby waived by said owner or owners of said property and by said maker or makers of said note.

Dated at Tacoma Washington, the 25th day of December, 1937.



(Mail Address)  
(Mail Address)  
(Mail Address)  
(Mail Address)

HOME OWNERS' LOAN CORPORATION  
By: Richard Johnson  
Regional Treasurer  
W.H. Kennedy  
Mark G. Kennedy  
Henry L. Seifert  
Lillian Seifert

Figure 3.8: Page 1 of the HOLC mortgage relief extension (Pierce County Auditor's Office)

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA )  
CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO ) ss.

On this 8th day of March, 1938, before me personally appeared Arthur C. Johnson, Regional Treasurer of the Corporation that executed the within and foregoing instrument, and acknowledged said instrument to be the free and voluntary act and deed of said Corporation, for the uses and purposes therein mentioned and on oath stated that he was authorized to execute said instrument and that the seal affixed is the corporate seal of said Corporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal the day and year first above written.



*Virginia Townsend Hughes*  
Notary Public in and for the City and County of San Francisco, State of California, residing at San Francisco My commission expires Aug. 31st, 1940

STATE OF WASHINGTON )  
County of Pierce ) ss.

I, the undersigned, a notary public in and for the State of Washington, hereby certify that on this 25 day of April, 1938, personally appeared before me *W. R. ...* and *...* to me known to be the individual described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that they signed and sealed the same as their free and voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein mentioned.

Given under my hand and official seal the day and year last above written.

*John C. Brady*  
Notary Public in and for the State of Washington, residing at *...*



Mail to: HOME OWNERS' LOAN CORPORATION  
445 Dexter Horton Building  
Seattle, Washington

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RECORDED  
VOL. OF MORTGAGE  
PAGE REQUEST OF  
TACOMA TITLE CO  
1938 MAY 9 AM 11 20

S. CLIFFORD DAVIS, AUDITOR  
PIERCE COUNTY, WASH.  
DEPUTY *C. Connell*

Figure 3.9: Page 2 of the HOLC mortgage relief extension (Pierce County Auditor's Office)



# Chapter 4

## The 1920s - Seattle, WA

Table 4.1: 1920 Census for Seattle, WA. Taken January 10, 1920. Address was 2102 1st West. House was listed as “Owned”, with a mortgage.

Name	Relation	Age	Occupation	Industry
Kennedy, Emma	Head	69	none	
—, Wallace H.	Son	22	Clerk	City-Lighting
—, Clarence	Son	30	Cashier	Steamship Company

Here we are in 1920, still in the Queen Anne neighborhood. Wallace lives with his mother Emma and one of his older brothers. His father William had died just a year earlier in 1919. They own the house, but it has a mortgage (this will become interesting in 1910).

According to Redfin the house was built in 1902. These days it is a duplex, each unit has 2 br.



Figure 4.1: Streetview image of Emma's Seattle house, 2102 1st Ave W.



Figure 4.2: Wallace's mother Emma (according to Janey)

## 4.1 Getting Married

Wallace and Mabel were married on Sept 28, 1924. The witnesses were Emma Kennedy, Wallace's mother and Myrtle Beier, Mabel's sister. Interestingly, Wallace's county was listed as "Portland, Ore" because he was already in dental school. At the time there was no dental school in Seattle, you

had to go to Portland. They got the marriage license one day earlier, on the 27th. At the time there was no 3-day waiting period.



(a) Wallace



(b) Mabel

Figure 4.3: Wallace and Mabel in their younger years

MARRIAGE LICENSES		
Name and Residence	Age	
Kennedy, Wallace H., Portland	Legal	
Lang, Mabel G., Seattle	Legal	
Paulsen, Arvor E., Seattle	Legal	
Anderson, Alma E., Seattle	Legal	
Gustafson, Walter T., Seattle	22	
Kintzer, Helen Margaret, Seattle	20	
Miles, Joseph, Seattle	25	
Shelly, Edna F., Seattle	19	
Chitty, Ansel B., Centralia	Legal	
Wanke, Emma, Centralia	Legal	
Stone, Harlan R., Auburn	Legal	
Fancher, Retta, Auburn	Legal	
Martinson, Birger, Poulsbo	Legal	
Eckloff, Myrtle, Poulsbo	Legal	
Yoshimo, Fukuzo, Seattle	Legal	
Watanabe, Rin, Seattle	Legal	
Nave, Maurice Aubrey, Seattle	23	
Essex, Martha Elsie, Seattle	19	
Sherry, Henry Marion, Seattle	22	
Hertlein, Florence, Seattle	20	
Blaise, Peter E., Seattle	Legal	
Wehrfritz, Lillian, Seattle	Legal	

(a) Seattle Star, Sept. 29, 1924, page 13

MARRIAGE LICENSE INDEX					
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON					
MONTH	DAY	YEAR			ISSUE PRICE
Sept	23	1924	Kintzer Helen	Gustafson Walter T.	89350
	25		Kimball Marie	Arter Charles	89351
	27		Kennedy Wallace H.	Lang Mabel G.	89352
	27		Kintzer Helen Margaret	Gustafson Walter T.	89353

(b) King County Marriage License Index

Figure 4.4: Marriage of Wallace and Mabel

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STATE OF WASHINGTON, }  
 County of King } ss.

**Marriage Certificate**      No 89378 ✓

This Certifies, that the undersigned, Geo Asheafe  
 by authority of a License bearing date the 27 day of Sept A. D. 1924  
 and issued by the County Auditor of the County of King, did on the 28 day of Sept  
 A. D. 1924, at the \_\_\_\_\_  
 County and State aforesaid, join in Lawful Wedlock Wallace H Kennedy  
 of the County of Portland Ore and Mabel G Lang  
 of the County of King with their mutual assent, in the presence of  
Emma Kennedy and Myrtle Irma Beier witnesses.

In Testimony Whereof, witness the signatures of the parties to said ceremony, the witnesses and myself,  
 this 28 day of Sept A. D. 1924

Witness: <u>Emma Kennedy</u> <u>Myrtle Irma Beier</u>	Parties: <u>Wallace H Kennedy</u> <u>Mabel G Lang</u>	Officiating Clergyman or Officer: <u>Rev Geo Asheafe</u>
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P. O. Address 226 1/2 1st Ave  
Seattle Washington

Filed..... 192.....

This Certificate must be filed out and filed with the County Clerk of the County where the ceremony is performed, within three months after the ceremony.—See Pierce's Code, Vol. 1, Sec. 3712.  
 The County Clerk's Fee for recording this certificate is One Dollar, to be paid by the party applying for the license at the time each license is issued.—Pierce's Code, Vol. 1, Sec. 3713.  
 Failure to make and deliver Certificate to the County Clerk within three months is punishable by a fine of not less than \$25.00 or more than \$800.00.—See Pierce's Code, Vol. 1, Sec. 3714.

SEP 30 1924  
 GEORGE C. GRANT 927  
 CLERK  
 By W. S. GORDON

Figure 4.5: Wallace and Mabel's King County Marriage Certificate, Sept. 28, 1924

## 4.2 The Kids Arrive

While Wallace was still away in Oregon in dental school Wally arrived on Aug 11, 1925. Bob was born in 1926, just after Wallace passed the state board and got his license.

When Loren was born they couldn't decide between "Lorne" and "Grant". The birth certificate was changed multiple times. This seemed to cause so much confusion that both names ended up in the county birth register.

**BIRTHS**

**PAULSON**—August 19, to the wife of Peter N. Paulson, 6726 Sycamore Avenue, a daughter.

**STILES**—August 15, to the wife of Donald Lynn Stiles, 2426 West Fifty-seventh Street, a son.

**BAUMGART**—August 14, to the wife of Albert Gaumart, 7911 Third Avenue Northwest, a daughter.

**LINDEKUGAL**—August 11, to the wife of William Frederick Lindekugal, 402 West Galer Street, a son.

**JOHNSON**—August 20, to the wife of Andrew Emil Johnson, 622 West Fifty-first Street, a daughter.

**JOHNSON**—March 27, to the wife of Isak Johnson, 2809 West Sixty-fifth Street, a son.

**DUKICH**—July 25, to the wife of Eli Dukich, 3005 West Fifty-sixth Street, a son.

**CONN**—August 20, to the wife of Custer Warren Conn, 1107 East Cherry Street, a son.

**ANDERSON**—August 14, to the wife of Vern Anderson, 7316 Vashon Place, a daughter.

**O'NEIL**—August 12, to the wife of John Henry O'Neil, 1612 Bigelow Avenue North, a son.

**PETERSON**—August 13, to the wife of Benjamin Edgar Petersen, 1310 Allan Place, a daughter.

**KENNEDY**—August 11, to the wife of Wallace Henry Kennedy, Portland, Oregon, a son.

**HUSON**—August 16, to the wife of Homer G. Huson, 5016 Seventeenth Avenue Southwest, a daughter.

**ABRAMS**—August 24, to the wife of Richard Abrams, 2007 Boylston Avenue North, a daughter.

**KANIS**—August 17, to the wife of George Kanis, 1107 East Deaney Way, a son.

**GADDY**—August 24, to the wife of William Michael Gaddy, 1421 Fifteenth Avenue, a son.

**MARRIAGE LICENSES**

(a) Seattle Post-Intelligencer, Aug. 27 1925

**Little Stories of Life**

**BIRTHS**

To Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hammond, 1304 Summit avenue, girl.

To Mr. and Mrs. John Wade, 6921 6th avenue SW, boy.

To Mr. and Mrs. William Stevens, boy.

To Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Wallace, Carleton, boy.

To Mr. and Mrs. Michael Callahan, 102 15th avenue S, boy.

To Mr. and Mrs. James Miller, 4712 1th avenue NW, boy.

To Mr. and Mrs. Lester Kerton, 618 W. 14th street, girl.

To Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Johnson, 3743 S. Rindt street, girl.

To Mr. and Mrs. Walter Santo, 6221 Ellis avenue, boy.

To Mr. and Mrs. Harley Berry, 5823 7th avenue SW, girl.

To Mr. and Mrs. Paul Tutthill, 4512 Meridian avenue, girl.

To Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Kirk, 321 1 1/2 18th street, boy.

To Mr. and Mrs. Homer O'Neil, 421 18th avenue N, girl.

To Mr. and Mrs. Lester Cavender, 22 Queen Anne avenue, girl.

To Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Kennedy, 84 N. 61st street, boy.

To Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Schneider, 31 N. 18th street, girl.

To Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Davis, 2055 S. 42nd street, girl.

To Mr. and Mrs. John Hodge, 3023 S. Bay avenue NW, boy.

To Mr. and Mrs. Ben Olsen, 2104 5th avenue W, girl.

To Mr. and Mrs. Charles Chitwood, 51 N. 14th street, boy.

To Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Troyer, 221 22nd avenue W, boy.

To Mr. and Mrs. John Guy, 766 N. 7th street, boy.

To Mr. and Mrs. Wilford Miller, 2499 W. Galer street, boy.

To Mr. and Mrs. Odessa Beaudin, boy.

To Mr. and Mrs. Allen Hawley, 1149 S. 12nd street, girl.

To Mr. and Mrs. William Butt, 6251 25th avenue NE, girl.

To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bately, 1742 S. 5th street, boy.

To Mr. and Mrs. Francis Huntley, Bethel, girl.

To Mr. and Mrs. William Williams E. 402 W. 5th street, boy.

To Mr. and Mrs. Frank Normand, 141 Market street, boy.

**MARRIAGE LICENSES**

Wesley from Leo J. Mall, cruelty.

Ruth Wright from Harry Venard, desertion.

Jessie B. from Adrian S. Brown, incompatibility.

Gene from Frank D. Godfrey, desertion.

Sarah K. from Hiram H. Nelson, desertion.

Kathryn from Edwin L. McCorkle, cruelty.

W. R. from Helen Swinton, cruelty.

F. M. from Bell Marks, incompatibility.

James from Nathan Albright, cruelty.

James T. from Odessa M. Whyte, cruelty.

Leroy Scott from Bessie Shafer, desertion.

Blanche from William Pugsley, cruelty.

George from Gladys Sargeant, desertion.

**DIVORCES GRANTED**

Wesley E. from Olive M. Lemon.

Dorothy from Adolph Thornquist.

Celia from Thomas E. Heneberry.

Susan T. from Warren J. Mattinson.

May from Dominic Franz.

Nannie M. from William J. Crocker.

Eunice Barry from Fred H. Barry.

Marie A. Richards from Floyd Richards.

Mary E. Guettel from Edgar F. Guettel.

Anna A. McKirdy from John McKirdy.

Dorothy Kilgallon from Andrew J. Kilgallon.

Laura Lee Hall from Frank E. Hall.

Alice Gates from Robert L. Gates.

Ida Evans from Frank Evans.

Julia Murray from Arthur S. Murray.

Lyla Lucile Fox from M. W. Fox.

Ella Tomlinson from Frank Tomlinson.

Grace Ball from Robert O. Ball.

Carl Burman from Naomi Mattson Burman.

Josephine M. Bartz from Herman J. Bartz.

Beatrice Neville from J. R. Neville.

**DEATHS**

Batter, Daniel, 71; Vancouver, B. C., Jan. 1.

Grant, Fred, 29; Stetson hotel, Jan. 1.

Bledsoe, Emma, 79; 414 E. Roy street, Jan. 1.

(b) Seattle Star, Jan 8, 1927

Figure 4.6: Birth announcements for Wally and Bob

530	Kennett, Wallace E. Loren Walter	Duglas Edna May E. Lenhart	6-21-26 M	41 W
530	Kennedy, Wallace Henry Wallace Henry, Jr.	Seattle Mable Georgia Lang	8-11-25 M	5469 W
530	Kennedy, Wallace Henry Robert Aldrich	Seattle Mabel George Lang	12-30-26 M	4804 W
530	Kennedy, Wallace Henry Grant Maurice	Seattle Mabel Georgia Lang	6-9-28 M	2042 W
530	Kennedy, Wallace Henry Loren Roger	Seattle Mabel Georgia Lang	6-9-28 M	2042 W
530	Kennedy, Wallace Henry William Gordon	Seattle Mable Georgia Lang	6-15-29 M	2371 W
550	Kennedy, Walter Marvin Walter Marvin	Tacoma Iola Marie Wilson	1-29-20 M	168 W

Figure 4.7: Fictitious entry for Grant Maurice in the King County birth register. They couldn't decide between Lorne and Grant on the birth certificate and confused the clerk.



Figure 4.8: The 4 Kennedy boys, ca. 1930

### 4.3 Wallace Becomes a Dentist

In 1926 Wallace passes the state board to become a dentist in Washington. According to the newspaper, he was one of 20 Seattle dentists to pass the exam.

In 1920 he was still working for City-Lighting, according to the census. His application says he spent 4 1/2 years in dental school. So he must have enrolled around 1921 or 1922.

At the time there was no dental school in all of Washington. The UW School of Dentistry wasn't established until 1945. The closest dental school was "North Pacific College" in Portland. In 1945 it merged into University of Oregon Medical School.



Figure 4.9: North Pacific College Dental School in Portland, ca. 1911



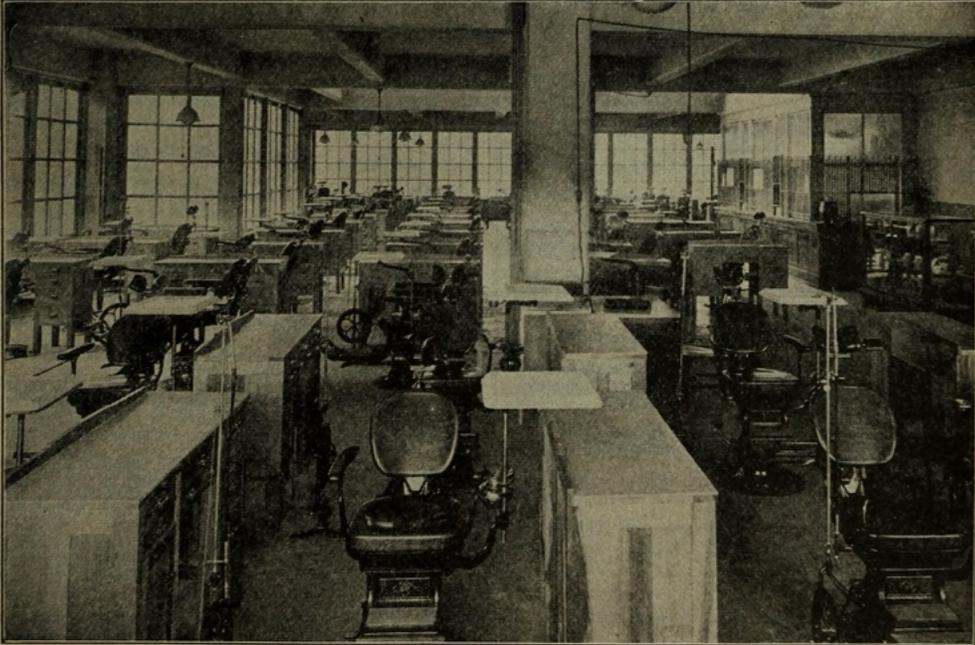
Figure 4.10: Wallace passes the state board exam, Seattle Union Record June 30, 1926

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# NORTH PACIFIC COLLEGE—SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY



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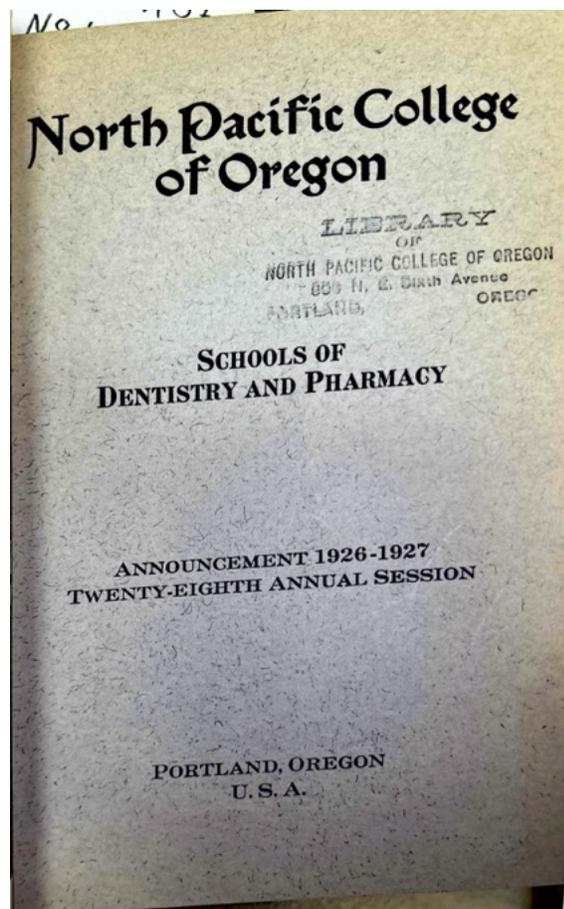


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Figure 4.11: North Pacific College 1914 from Wikipedia



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GRADUATES—Continued

Johnson, Walter R.....	1923	Landiggin, Jose F. Ph.C.....	1925
Johnson, William Aubrey.....	1918	Langlois, Rodney R.....	1925
Johnston, Fred Donaldson.....	1919	Larus, Bart G.....	1923
Johnston, Leslie Elwood.....	1926	Larkin, George.....	1902
Jones, A. Treve.....	1907	Larson, Walter John.....	1913
Jones, Clarence Albert.....	1919	Lasber, J. Orlan.....	1914
Jones, Edward Melrion.....	1923	Latimer, Ira D.....	1913
Jones, Francis C.....	1915	Laughlin, Marion A.....	1923
Jones, Fred Franklin.....	1923	Lavery, Wilfrid Gerard.....	1923
Jones, James Clarence.....	1923	Lawrence, Albert Ernest.....	1917
Jones, Ray Boyd.....	1926	Laws, Charles Allen.....	1919
Jones, Robert Louis.....	1912	Laws, Edward Clinton, Ph.G.....	1912
Jordan, Bert True.....	1919	Laws, Raymond Arthur.....	1923
Kademan, Robert Sidney.....	1909	Lawson, George Grover.....	1925
Kading, Lee Floyd.....	1924	Learner, Joseph, Ph.G.....	1918
Kamph, Sam Albert.....	1925	Leavell, Otto Ray.....	1918
Kane, John Francis.....	1924	Leavitt, Leo Bernard.....	1918
Karnath, William Edward.....	1926	Leavitt, Noel McKee.....	1924
Katsau, Rondo Mori.....	1917	Levitt, Samuel Jerome.....	1924
Kayser, Harry William.....	1924	Lebow, William Ernest.....	1918
Keene, Alfred William.....	1911	Ledingham, Earl Harvey.....	1922
Keene, Frank G.....	1914	Ledingham, William Gordon.....	1925
Keepings, Ernest Albert.....	1906	Lee, Wright B.....	1907
Keliber, Lewis James.....	1918	Leser, Roy Niles.....	1909
Keller, Joseph Duns, Ph.D.....	1916	Leininger, Arthur Benjamin.....	1917
Keller, William Harold.....	1917	Lesley, Burton E.....	1909
Kellog, Barry B.....	1921	Lennox, Edward H.....	1898
Kelly, Harry J.....	1915	Leonard, Harold Norman.....	1923
Kelly, William Matthew.....	1924	Leonig, Agnes C. Ph.G.....	1921
Kelsay, Cornelius Silvey.....	1905	LeRoy, Raymond, Ph.G.....	1921
Kelly, Harvey E. M.D.....	1902	Letts, John Julian.....	1926
Kemano, John Albert.....	1925	Lewis, George Elmer.....	1924
Kemp, Phineas A.....	1926	Lewis, Paul Donovan.....	1919
Keneck, Allen R.....	1923	Liddle, Frederick William.....	1919
Kennedy, Michael Edward.....	1924	Lightly, John Richard.....	1918
Kennedy, Wallace Henry.....	1926	Lindberg, Charles Edward.....	1911
Kennedy, Will.....	1925	Lindley, Cecil Franklin.....	1917
Kenyon, Ernest M.....	1915	Lienemann, Edmund Paul.....	1919
Kenyon, James Otis.....	1911	Lill, Charles Thomas.....	1925
Kerr, David Trainer.....	1906	Lindblad, Gordon Martin.....	1926
Kerchem, David F.....	1901	Lindblad, Harry William.....	1925
Ketchum, Walter Claire.....	1907	Lindley, Ross Cronje.....	1925
Kibler, William Henry.....	1924	Lipsky, Percival Alexander.....	1922
Kiefer, John Brown, Jr.....	1925	List, Byron Miles.....	1924
Kiesendahl, Earl J.....	1914	Lister, Arthur W.....	1904
Kincaid, Cecil Russell.....	1926	Locklin, John Hewitt.....	1926
Kinder, Otto Ernest.....	1913	Lodmell, Anton Merriam.....	1926
King, Earl John.....	1924	Loe, Phillip A.....	1925
King, Lester.....	1924	Loftren, Carl Roy.....	1918
King, Willard M.....	1908	Logan, Emerson Edward.....	1925
Kinney, Albert William.....	1905	Long, Coalby Smith.....	1908
Kirshman, Albert F.....	1903	Long, Marion M. Ph.G.....	1921
Kisky, Christian Herman.....	1924	Loomis, Byron Edward.....	1904
Kloster, Dwight Avery.....	1925	Lovelace, Claude M.....	1915
Knapp, Cullen Burke.....	1916	Lowe, Forrest Adrian.....	1918
Knapp, Jay Benjamin.....	1924	Lowe, Harold.....	1924
Knappe, J. B. Dutton.....	1925	Lowe, William Henry.....	1920
Knight, Irl.....	1916	Lowman, Anna Mae.....	1914
Knoder, Lyle Eugene.....	1924	Lovry, Vernon Dale.....	1925
Koester, Alpha Max.....	1918	Loy, Dallas.....	1912
*Komiya, Takeo.....	1912	Lucas, Marshall Young.....	1908
Kondo, Yo Taro.....	1906	Luthien, Harry Victor.....	1903
Kramer, Harold Maurice.....	1926	Lurie, John.....	1922
Krassig, William.....	1909	Lursen, Walter Herman.....	1924
Kuki, Matsusaburo.....	1919	Luther, Clarence V.....	1910
Kunkel, Paul Worth.....	1924	Lutz, Frank Vernon.....	1925
Kuss, Charles Edward.....	1926	Lynch, Mrs. Jeannie E. J.....	1903
Kurattil, John, Jr.....	1919	MacDonald, Arthur C.....	1913
Kurlander, Joseph Albert.....	1917	MacDonald, Arthur S.....	1924
Kyle, Robert Silbert.....	1923	MacDonald, James Clement.....	1911
Kynoch, Walter Morrison Catto.....	1926	MacDougall, Alexander.....	1905
Labby, Harry Abraham.....	1914	MacEachern, David Alexander.....	1918
Lagsson, Burt Lyle.....	1923	MacKenzie, Roderick Murray.....	1924
Lake, Arthur John.....	1919	MacMillan, Arthur Truscott.....	1908
Lake, Melvin Henry.....	1911	MacNaughton, Charles Magrave.....	1909
Lamkin, Charles A.....	1918	MacNay, John Collin.....	1924

\* Deceased. Ph.G.—Graduate in Pharmacy. Ph.C.—Pharmaceutical Chemistry.

(b) Page with entry for Wallace

Figure 4.12: North Pacific College Announcements of Graduates 1926-1927

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## DEPARTMENT OF LICENSES OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

### Application

(See page two for instructions and information)

I hereby make application for a license to practice Dentistry in the State of Washington.

In submitting this application, it is agreed by me that if any part of it be found false or fraudulent, I forfeit the right to a license.

1. Name Wallace Henry Kennedy  
(Name in full)

2. Address 2403 - Warren Ave, Seattle, Wn.

3. Date of birth April 4, 1897 Place of birth Cleardale, South Dak.

4. Are you a citizen of the United States? yes

(a) If of foreign birth, state nationality \_\_\_\_\_ (b) Naturalized when? \_\_\_\_\_

(c) If not a citizen, have you declared your intention to become a citizen? \_\_\_\_\_ (d) Color? White

5. Where have you resided for the past five years? In Seattle and Portland attending college in Portland at the North Pacific College. My home is in Seattle.

6. What common school did you attend? John Hay School, Seattle, Wn.

7. Of what high school are you a graduate? Queen Anne High School, Seattle,

8. If not a high school graduate, what equivalent education have you had? \_\_\_\_\_

9. Of what hospital training school, college, university or other institution are you a graduate? The North Pacific College of Dentistry, Portland, Ore.

(a) How many years did you attend? 4 1/2 years (b) How many months in each year? 8 mo.

(c) What degree or degrees did you receive? Doctor of Medical Dentistry.

(d) Was resident attendance required? No (e) Date of graduation Feb, 1926

10. If not a graduate, how many years collegiate training have you had? \_\_\_\_\_

11. What hospital or other training in care of the sick have you had? \_\_\_\_\_

12. How much time have you given to clinical practice? Two and one half years.

13. What practical experience have you had in your profession? In clinical at the college for two and one half years.

14. What collateral branches have you studied? None

15. Have you ever been examined for license in any other state? No

(a) If so, where and when? \_\_\_\_\_ (b) Result \_\_\_\_\_

16. Have you ever practiced in any other state? No

State of Washington } Wallace Henry Kennedy  
County of King } Wallace Henry Kennedy  
(Signature of Applicant)

I, Wallace Henry Kennedy, being first duly sworn upon oath, depose and say: that the answers to the foregoing questions and the statements made in the above application are true and correct; that I am the person named in the diploma accompanying this application; that I am the lawful holder thereof, and that the same was procured in the regular course of instruction and examination without fraud or misrepresentation.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 12 day May, 1926

[SEAL] W. H. Schuman  
Notary Public for the State of Washington  
Residing at Seattle

Figure 4.13: Wallace Dentist License Application, May 1926

# Chapter 5

## The 1910s - Seattle, WA

### 5.1 The 1910 Census

Here the census entry for Wallace and his parents. Interesting tidbits: William and Emma stated that they had been married for 35 years. It was his first, and her second marriage. William stated that he arrived in the US in 1873 and is a naturalized citizen. They owned the house without mortgage.

Table 5.1: 1910 Census for Seattle, WA. Taken April 15, 1910. Address was 113 Lynn. House was listed as “Owned” and “free” (without mortgage).

Name	Relation	Age	Occupation	In School
Kennedy, William	Head	58	Retired	
—, Emma	Wife	59	none	
—, Jean	Daughter	22	none	
—, Clarence	Son	20	none	Yes
—, Wallace	Son	13	none	Yes
Clark, Anna	Niece	16	none	Yes
—, Clarence	Nephew	13	none	Yes



Figure 5.1: William and Emma’s house at 113 Lynn in Seattle.

William’s oldest son Alex was already married and living nearby in a house of his own at 312 Lynn. That house was also owned without mortgage. Here is his census entry.

Table 5.2: 1910 Census for Seattle, WA. Taken April 19, 1910. Address was 312 Lynn. House was listed as “Owned” and “free” (without mortgage).

Name	Relation	Age	Occupation	Industry
Kennedy, Alexander	Head	34	Book keeper	Ice Co.
—, Anna G.	Wife	30	none	
—, William G.	Son	3	none	

William’s son George W. was also married and living in his own house nearby at 113 McGraw St. That house was also owned without mortgage. His occupation and industry match his brother Alex, so they must have both been working at the Seattle Ice Company. They did not have kids, instead there were 2 boarders living with them according to the census. Here is his census entry.

Table 5.3: 1910 Census for Seattle, WA. Taken April 15, 1910. Address was 113 McGraw. House was listed as “Owned” and “free” (without mortgage).

Name	Relation	Age	Occupation	Industry
Kennedy, George W.	Head	27	Book keeper	Ice Co.
—, Bertha	Wife	26	none	
Fouler, William	Boarder	9	none	
Hotchman, L.W.	Boarder	22	Laborer	Building

William’s house was built in 1907 according to Redfin and Alex’s and George’s houses each in 1909. So it is likely that all three were the original owners.

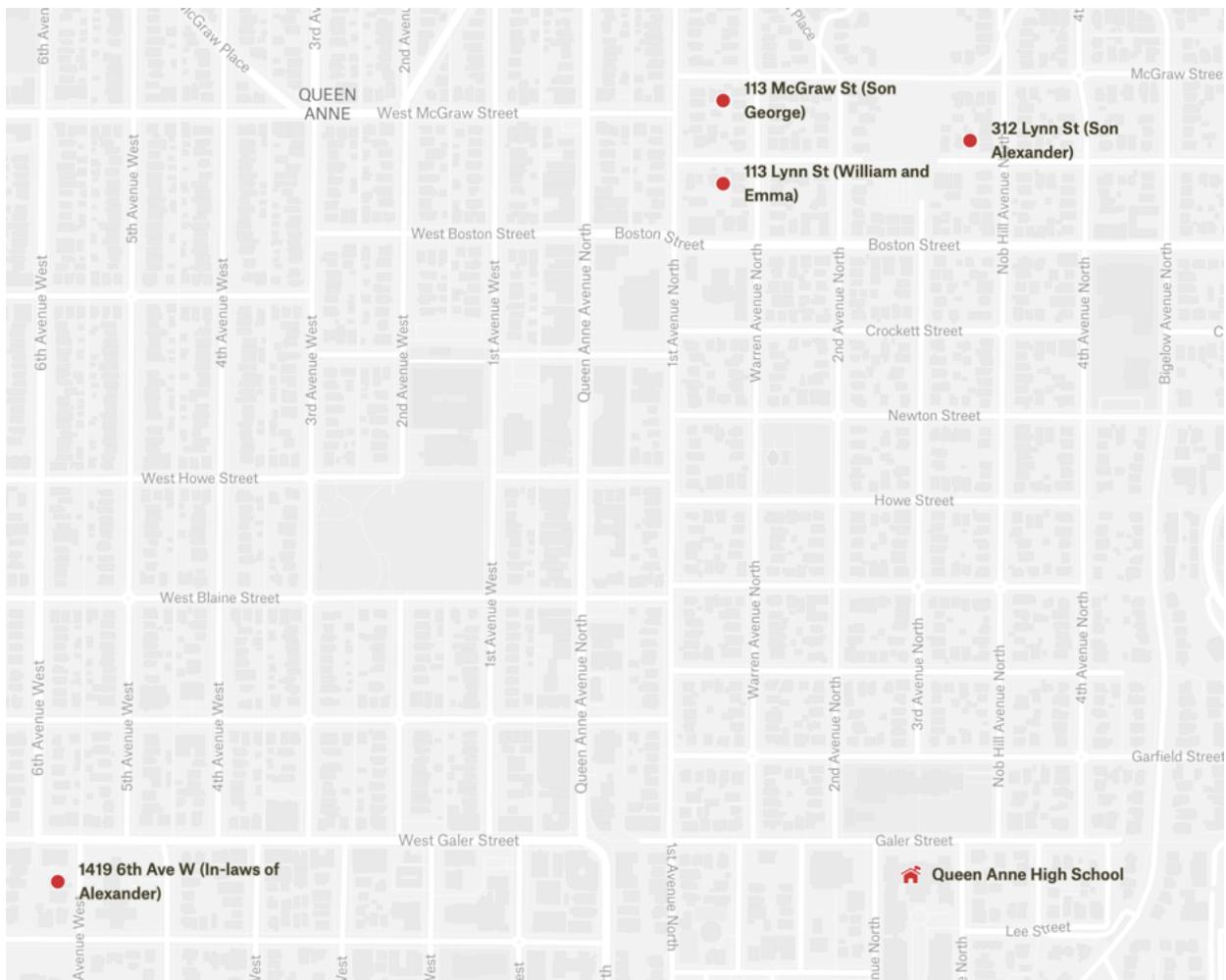


Figure 5.2: Map showing the 1910 locations in Queen Anne, Seattle

## 5.2 William and Emma's Children

The Kennedy family seems to have done very well in South Dakota and moved to Seattle between 1905 and 1910.

William, and his sons Alex (born 1875) and George (born 1883) own big houses in the Queen Anne neighborhood without mortgage, according to the census. Below a summary of their nine surviving children:

1. Alex (born 1875) had married Geraldine in South Dakota in 1902. In 1910 they own the house at 312 Lynn in Queen Anne. He died in Seattle in 1938.
2. William (born 1879) had not moved with Emma and William to Seattle. By 1910 he was married and had a daughter in Jerauld County South Dakota.
3. Herbert (born 1881) had also not moved with Emma and William to Seattle. He had already left the nest in 1900 and was "working for his board" in South Dakota. By 1910 he was married with two children in South Dakota. He also lived in Jerauld County South Dakota, close to William.
4. George (born 1883) had married Bertha Starkey in Jerauld County South Dakota in 1908. We might assume they were originally living near William and Herbert. Possibly they changed their mind about South Dakota and decided to follow William and Emma to Seattle. Sadly, Bertha died in 1927 and George moved to Hemet, CA.
5. Susan (born 1887) married Hunter Heath in Spokane in 1916. Her marriage certificate gives her occupation as "Nurse". They also moved to Hemet, CA.
6. John (born 1892) married Elvina Johnson in 1914. He died in 1957.
7. Jean (born 1888) married Charles Hoffer in 1910. They moved to Grants Pass, Oregon. She is the sister who Wallace would visit just before he passed away.
8. Clarence (born 1889) married Agnes Bayersdorff in 1921 in Mt. Vernon. Sadly he died in 1933.
9. Wallace (born 1897) was the youngest and would marry Mabel and live in Tacoma.

## 5.3 Emma's Grandchildren Anna and Clarence

From the 1910 census we see that Anna and Clarence Clark are living with William and Emma. These are Emma's grandchildren of her daughter Caroline from her first marriage.

At age 14 Emma had already gotten married to a James Glasscock in Missouri (in fact only 2 days after her 14th birthday). They had 2 children: Rebecca and Caroline. Caroline's children Anna and Clarence were living in 1900 with their widowed father Henry in South Dakota near Emma and William. It seems the father and 2 children moved with Emma and William to Seattle.

It is not clear why Henry is not listed on the 1910 census together with his children. Maybe he was boarding elsewhere in the city. He is listed as Clarence's nearest relative on his 1918 WWI draft

registration. And Clarence gives his father's address as 113 Lynn, which was William's house. So the father of Anna and Clarence must have remained close to Emma and William.

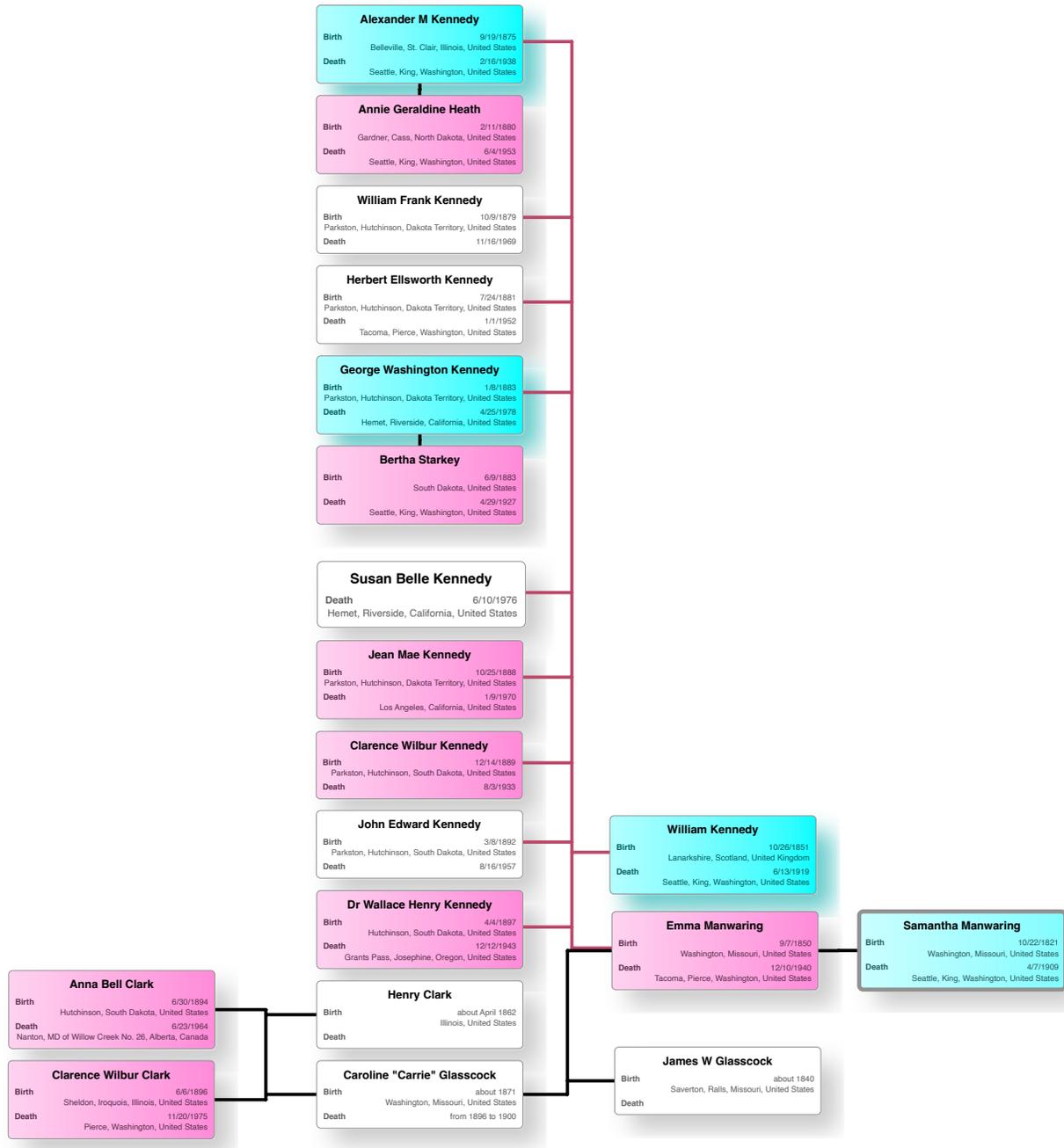


Figure 5.3: Family Tree of the Kennedy's in Seattle illustrating the 1910 census. Blue shows head of household, Pink shows members of a household. Persons in white are not living in Seattle and are shown only to highlight family relationships.

## 5.4 Seattle in 1910

Here we are in 1910 and Seattle is booming. The population almost doubled between 1900 and 1910. Seattle in 1910 looked very different from today: there were lots of hills downtown that were literally “washed away”. The Montlake cut, which connects Lake Washington with Lake Union and Puget Sound had not been built yet.



Figure 5.4: Image of the Denny Regrade in Seattle 1910. In the distance on the hill is Queen Anne high school where Wallace would graduate in 1917. Entire hills were washed away into Puget sound between 1908-1911.

## 5.5 Wallace at Queen Anne High School

Wallace attended Queen Anne High School and graduated in 1917. The school had only opened in 1908, so it was less than 10 years old when he graduated. From its location at the top of Queen Anne hill one has a marvelous view over the downtown area. In 1981 the school closed because of low enrollment and was converted to condos. Wallace’s picture can be found in the 1917 yearbook.

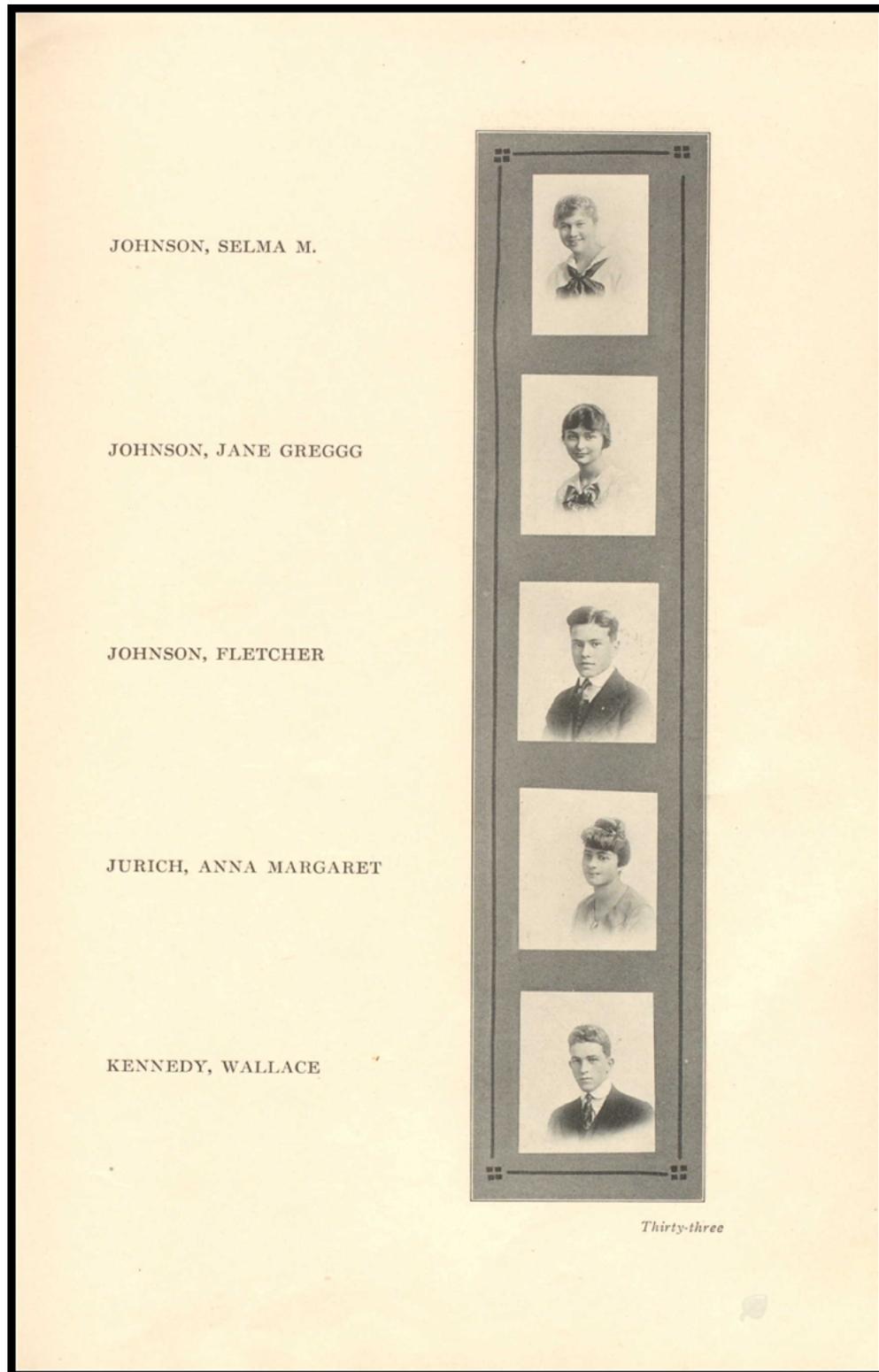


Figure 5.5: Wallace's Senior picture in Queen Anne yearbook 1917

## 5.6 World War I

Wallace was drafted for World War I on June 5, 1918 at age 21. It is unknown if he served in the military, but there are no records to be found on Fold3.

His registration card lists his employer as “City Light Department” and his place of employment as “City Hall”. He was still living at home with his parents at 113 Lynn St.

He gives his father’s birthplace as “Brocksburn Scotland, Gr. Br.”. This is a crucial detail that will help us link his father William to his family back in Scotland later.

The image shows two forms side-by-side. The left form is a 'REGISTRATION CARD' for Wallace Henry Kennedy, Serial No. 149, Registration No. 12. It contains the following information:

- 1 Name in full: Wallace Henry Kennedy, Age 21
- 2 Home address: 113 Lynn St, Seattle, Wash
- 3 Date of birth: April 4, 1897
- 4 Where born: Chardale, Scotland, U.S.
- 5 I am: (checkboxes for various categories)
- 6 If not a citizen, of what Nation are you a citizen or subject?
- 7 Father's birthplace: Brocksburn Scotland, Gr Br
- 8 Name of employer: City Light Dept, City Hall
- 9 Name of nearest relative: Wm Kennedy (Father)
- 10 Address of nearest relative: 113 Lynn St, Seattle, Wash

The right form is a 'REGISTRAR'S REPORT' for 46-1-13 B. It contains the following information:

- 1 (checkboxes for various categories)
- 2 Color of eyes: Blue, Color of hair: Dark brown
- 3 Has person lost arm, leg, hand, eye, or is he unable physically to do ordinary work? No
- Signature: Chris Johnson, 9/5/18
- Local Board for Division No. 4, City of Seattle, State of Washington, SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

Figure 5.6: Wallace’s draft registration for WWI (June 5, 1918)

Emma’s grandchild Clarence was drafted the same day, June 5, 1918, and also aged 21. (Clarence and Wallace were the same age. Clarence was Emma’s grandchild from her first marriage, while Wallace was her last child with William.)

Clarence’s employer is “Seattle Construction and Drydock Company”, a major ship builder on Elliot bay. He gives is father as his nearest relative, and his address as the house of Emma and William. We don’t know if Clarence’s father really lived there, or that just means that Emma would be able to locate him if needed.

Figure 5.7: Clarence Clark's draft registration for WWI (June 5, 1918)

We have a registration card for Wallace's brother William who was married in South Dakota. But his card does not have any information about his parents.

## 5.7 Death of William Kennedy (1919)

Wallace's father William passed away on June 13, 1919. Unfortunately his obituary is rather short and does not reveal anything about his life. According to his death certificate he died of stomach cancer. One can imagine that settlers must have eaten large quantities of smoked, cured or salted foods during the long winters on the prairie. That led to stomach cancer being the leading cause of cancer in the early 20th century.

William rests at Mount Pleasant cemetery together with his wife Emma and her mother Samantha.

**KENNEDY**—At the residence, 113 Lynn Street, June 13, 1919, William Kennedy, aged 67 years, beloved father of Alexander, William E., Herbert E., George W., Clarence W., John E. and Wallace H. Kennedy, and Mrs. Susie B. Heath and Mrs. Jean M. Hooper.  
Funeral services Sunday, June 15, at the residence, 113 Lynn Street, at 2 p. m. Interment at Mount Pleasant. Body at the private receiving room of the Home Undertaking Company, Ninth and Union.

Figure 5.8: William Kennedy's obituary - Seattle Daily Times, June 14, 1919

Deliver This Certificate to Your Local Registrar. Not to the State Board of Health.

PLACE OF DEATH **Washington State Board of Health** Record No. **1785**  
 County of **King** City or Town of **Seattle** CERTIFICATE OF DEATH Registered No. **1882**

1. If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give its name instead of street and number)  
 2. FULL NAME **William Kennedy**  
 (a) Residence No. **113 Lynn** (If nonresident give city or town and State)

Length of residence in Registration District **12** (Usual place of abode) yrs. mos. da. How long in U. S. if of foreign birth? yrs. mos. da.

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

3. Sex **Male** 4. Color or Race **White** 5. Single, Married, Widowed, or Divorced (write the word) **Married**

6. If married, widowed, or divorced (Name of husband or wife) **Emma Kennedy**

8. Date of Birth (month, day, and year) **Oct. 26, 1851**

7. Age Years Months Days **67 7 17** (If less than 1 day, — hrs. or — min.)

9. Occupation of Deceased (a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work **Rancher** (b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer) (c) Name of employer

10. Birthplace (city or town), (State or country) **Scotland**

11. Name of Father **Alex. Kennedy**

12. Birthplace of Father (city or town), (State or country) **Scotland**

13. Maiden name of Mother **Susan Neil**

14. Birthplace of Mother (city or town), (State or country) **Scotland**

15. Informant (Name) **Geo. W. Kennedy** (Address) **214 West Rockett** (Date) **JUN 15 1919** (Signature) **M. M. READ, M. D.** Registrar.

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16. Date of Death **June 13, 1919** (Month) (Day) (Year)

17. I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from **Jan. 16, 1919** to **June 13, 1919** that I last saw h. e. alive on **June 12, 1919** and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at **8 a. m.**

The CAUSE OF DEATH\* was as follows:  
**Carcinoma (Stomach)** 10

(duration) yrs. mos. da.

CONTRIBUTORY (secondary) (duration) yrs. mos. da.

18. Where was disease contracted if not at place of death?

Did an operation precede death? **Yes** Date of **Dec. 1919**

Was there an autopsy? **Exploratory Op.**

What test confirmed diagnosis? **Chas. E. Mooers** (Signed) (Address) **201-2 Lumber Exchange**

\* State the DISEASE CAUSING DEATH, or in deaths from VIOLENT CAUSES, state (1) MEANS AND NATURE OF INJURY, and (2) whether ACCIDENTAL, SUICIDAL, or HOMICIDAL. (See reverse side for additional space.)

19. Place of burial, cremation, or removal **Mt. Pleasant** Date of burial **June 15, 1919**

20. Undertaker **Home Und. Co.** Address **Seattle**

Figure 5.9: William's death certificate



Figure 5.10: Kennedy grave site at Mount Pleasant cemetery in the Queen Anne neighborhood of Seattle. Resting here are William, Emma and her mother Samantha.

## Chapter 6

### The 1900s - Wessington Springs, SD

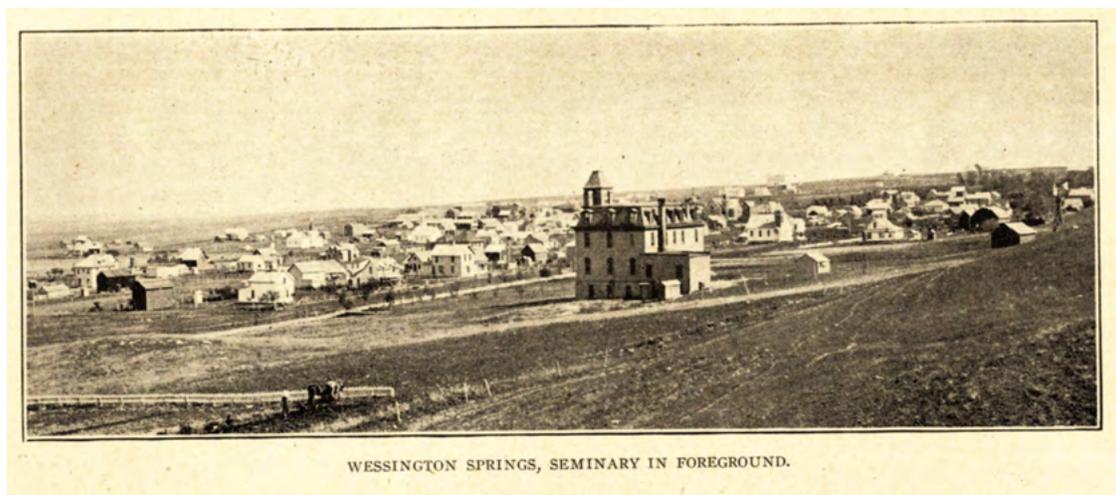


Figure 6.1: Wessington Springs around 1904. F. Peterson Historical Atlas of South Dakota 1904

#### 6.1 The 1905 South Dakota Census

We will deviate a little bit from our approach here. The Kennedys moved in the fall of 1900 to Wessington Springs, South Dakota. The 1900 census was taken just before they moved and showed them still at their previous location. So we will cover the 1900 census in the next chapter. We will dedicate this chapter to their time in Wessington Springs and the move to Seattle.

In 1905 there was a special census just in South Dakota. The government wanted to track how settlement of the west was progressing. It shows Emma and William's family living in Wessington Springs, South Dakota.

The census was taken on index cards. Here are their census responses combined into one table:

Table 6.1: 1905 South Dakota Census, Summary of Kennedy Family Index Cards

Name	Age	Occupation	Birth	Years in SD
Kennedy, William	54	Retired Farmer	Scotland	26
—, Emma	55	Housewife	MO	26
—, Alexander	27	Teacher	IL	25
—, Herbert	24	Cook	SD	24
—, George	22	Student	SD	22
—, Susan	18	Student	SD	18
—, Jean	16	Student	SD	16
—, Clarence	14	Student	SD	14
—, John	13	Student	SD	13
—, Wallace	8	Student	SD	8

All family members listed Wessington Springs, Jerauld County, South Dakota as their location.

Their 9th child, William, was living on his own farm already, although the exact location is hard to read.

Table 6.2: 1905 South Dakota Census, William Kennedy, son of Emma and William

Name	Age	Occupation	Birth	Years in SD
Kennedy, William	26	Farmer	SD	26

## 6.2 Retirement in Wessington Springs

Why did William and Emma leave their farm and retire in Wessington Springs? Possibly William and Emma were drawn to Wessington Springs because of education for their children. The Wessington Springs Seminary was founded there in 1887 and later renamed Wessington Springs Junior College. It was affiliated with the Free Methodist Church. The public schools at the time maybe only covered grades 1-8. Most of their children were old enough at the time that they might have been too old for the public school. So the seminary would have been ideal, because it offered a 4 year high school program as we know it today. Also, the time of their move seems to coincide with the railroad coming to Wessington Springs in 1903. Below is a description of Wessington Springs from 1904 which makes a compelling case for moving there.

Wessington Springs, the county seat, is one of the most beautifully located towns in the east half of the state. It nestles just above the foot of the hills with the ridge rising 300 feet behind, and affords a commanding view of the broad plain toward the east. Just back of town is a natural park with abundant shade, watered by the springs. The courthouse and school house are modest, but tasty buildings of wood. The Free Methodist society have a seminary here. Wessington Springs had, in 1900, a population of 320, and Alpena 153. These, with Lane, the new town on the Woonsocket extension of the Milwaukee railroad, constitute the towns of the county. G. W. A.

Figure 6.2: Description of Wessington Springs around 1904. F. Peterson Historical Atlas of South Dakota 1904

### 6.3 Buying the Hardware Store in Wessington Springs

In 1900 there are two sources reporting that William Kennedy purchased a hardware store from O. O. England. This also confirms that they moved to Wessington Springs from Parkston in the fall of 1900. Parkston, SD was the nearest town to their homestead.

But already in 1902 William sold the store again to W. H. Sutton. He bought it in November 1900 and sold it in January 1902. So he only had it a little over 1 year.

of Hardware, namely, stoves.  
 \ Wessington Springs, S. Dak.—O. O. England, who has been engaged in the Hardware business for the past eight years, has sold his stock of goods and store building to William Kennedy, who recently moved from Parkston.  
 West Rutland, Vt.—Charles M. Smith is

Figure 6.3: 1900: William Kennedy buys the Hardware store in Wessington Springs - Hardware, Dec 10. 1900 Page 44

About November 1st O. O. England sold his hardware store building and stock to Wm. Kennedy and son, Alexander.

Figure 6.4: 1900: William Kennedy buys the Hardware store in Wessington Springs - The History of Jerauld County

At Wessington Springs W. H. Sutton purchased the Kennedy hardware stock the latter part of January and later moved it into the Steere & Wallace building on the corner of Main and 2nd streets.

Figure 6.5: 1902: William Kennedy sells the Hardware store in Wessington Springs - The History of Jerauld County

## 6.4 Farming in Wessington Springs

Even after they moved to Wessington Springs William seems to have been active in either farming or dealing with farm land.

There is a newspaper report in 1905 that mentions a large flax field of 100 acres owned by William Kennedy. The expected harvest could be worth quite a bit of money. The size and value of the crop might be the reason why the newspaper decided to report on it.

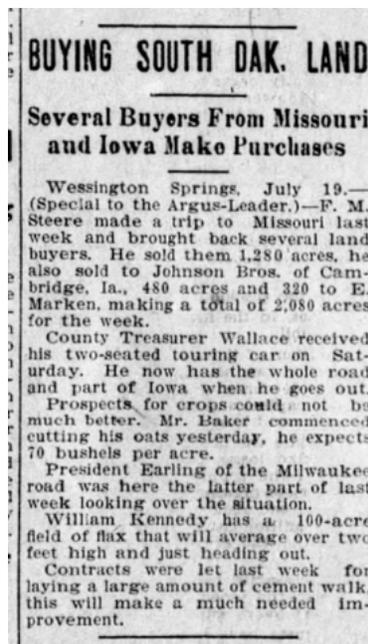


Figure 6.6: William Kennedy has a large flax field - Argus-Leader Jul 19, 1905

On May 10, 1904 we see an advertisement by William for a 600 acre farm and 320 acres of land. Possibly the 320 acres might refer to his original homestead in Hutchinson County which was two claims of 160 acres. This ad ran for multiple consecutive weeks.

By July 23 the text had been changed. Now his ad only listed 480 acres of land in Jerauld County. So maybe that means he sold his Hutchinson County land between May and July 1904?

man, Greenville, Illinois.  
**FOR SALE.**—A good farm of 600 acres; three-fourth mile from seminary; abundance of water; will sell at a bargain. Also a good 320 acres; price, \$3,000 if taken at once; good terms. Wm. KENNEDY, Wessington Springs, S. D.  
 GRANITE-TIN menders—just the things

Figure 6.7: William Kennedy advertising farm land for sale - The Free Methodist Chicago May 10, 1904

**FOR SALE.**—480 acres of good land in Jerauld county, South Dakota; \$10 per acre. Can sell all or part at the same price; good terms.  
 WILLIAM KENNEDY,  
 Wessington Springs, South Dakota.  
 ... would like to live in a mild cli-

Figure 6.8: William Kennedy advertising farm land for sale - The Free Methodist Chicago July 23, 1904

## 6.5 Running for State Auditor

William Kennedy ran for State Auditor of South Dakota in the 1904 election. He was a member of the Prohibition Party. Many newspapers in the state reported the list of candidates, including William Kennedy. His location is given as Wessington Springs so we can be reasonably sure it is him.

He did not get elected, the candidate of the Republican party won by a wide margin. Unfortunately he did not even carry his home county.

Total election results, William Kennedy came in 4th out of 5:

1. J. F. Halladay (Republican): 69,064
2. M. M. Bennet (Democrat): 23,539
3. John Clancy (Socialist): 2,932
4. William Kennedy (Prohibition): 2,865
5. Charley Lowe (People's): 1,121

Election results in Jerauld County (where William Kennedy lived), William Kennedy came in 3rd out of 5:

1. J. F. Halladay (Republican): 554
2. M. M. Bennet (Democrat): 148
3. William Kennedy (Prohibition): 37
4. John Clancy (Socialist): 25
5. Charley Lowe (People's): 62

It is also interesting to add up the total number of votes. In all of Jerauld County only 826 votes were cast.

PROHIBITION PARTY			
OFFICE	NAME	RESIDENCE	BUSINESS ADDRESS
For Presidential Elector.....	O. A. Harpel.....	Hyde County, S. D.....	Dunsmore, S. D.....
For Presidential Elector.....	A. H. Brehmer.....	Walworth County, S. D....	Hoven, S. D.....
For Presidential Elector.....	C. A. Kelley.....	Madison, S. D.....	Madison, S. D.....
For Presidential Elector.....	E. C. Pitcher.....	Sioux Falls, S. D.....	Sioux Falls, S. D.....
For Representative in Congress.....	A. Jamison.....	Beresford, S. D.....	Beresford, S. D.....
For Representative in Congress.....	C. K. Thompson.....	Spink County, S. D.....	Northville, S. D.....
For Governor.....	W. J. Edgar.....	Brookings County, S. D....	Bushnell, S. D.....
For Lieutenant Governor.....	George Secord.....	Wessington Springs, S. D..	Wessington Springs, S. D..
For Secretary of State.....	George H. Gunnison.....	Kingsbury County, S. D....	Bancroft, S. D.....
For State Auditor.....	William Kennedy.....	Wessington Springs, S. D..	Wessington Springs, S. D..
For Superintendent of Public Instruction.....	W. G. Jolly.....	Waubay, S. D.....	Waubay, S. D.....
For Commissioner of School and Public Lands.....	William Davidson.....	Brown County, S. D.....	Columbia, S. D.....
For Railroad Commissioner.....	Thomas Whaley.....	Moody County, S. D.....	Colman, S. D.....
For State Representative— Thirty-fourth District.....	Rasmus Sigdestad.....	Lynn Twp., Day Co.....	Lynn, S. D.....
For State Representative— Thirty-fourth District.....	J. W. Peterson.....	Lynn Twp., Day Co.....	Lynn, S. D.....
For State Representative— Thirty-fourth District.....	A. U. Granstrom.....	Raritan Twp., Day Co.....	Roslyn, S. D.....
For County Auditor.....	Martin Hanson.....	Pierpont, S. D.....	Pierpont, S. D.....
For Register of Deeds.....	George J. Crain.....	Webster, S. D.....	Webster, S. D.....
For Clerk of Courts.....	H. E. Roberts.....	Pierpont, S. D.....	Pierpont, S. D.....
For Sheriff.....	John G. Johnson.....	Liberty Twp., Day Co.....	Roslyn, S. D.....
For County Judge.....	A. C. Roberts.....	Pierpont, S. D.....	Pierpont, S. D.....
For Justice of the Peace.....	L. S. Philbrook.....	Webster Twp., Day Co.....	Webster, S. D.....
For Justice of the Peace.....	Rasmus Larson.....	Lynn Twp., Day Co.....	Lynn, S. D.....
For Justice of the Peace.....	Christer Helligso.....	Kidder Twp., Day Co.....	Bristol, S. D.....
For Justice of the Peace.....	John Durick.....	Andover Twp., Day Co.....	Andover, S. D.....
For County Constable.....	H. G. Hudson.....	Webster, Twp., Day Co.....	Webster, S. D.....
For County Constable.....	William N. Bury.....	Bristol Twp., Day Co.....	Bristol, S. D.....
For County Constable.....	Hans Likness.....	Homer Twp., Day Co.....	Langford, S. D.....
For County Constable.....	Herman Anderson.....	Andover Twp., Day Co.....	Pierpont, S. D.....
For County Coroner.....	A. D. Kellar.....	Lily, S. D.....	Lily, S. D.....
For County Commissioner— Third District.....	William H. Lemmon.....	Pierpont, S. D.....	Pierpont, S. D.....
For State Senator— Thirty-second District.....	H. C. Schusler.....	Kidder, S. D.....	Kidder, S. D.....
For State Senator— Thirty-second District.....	E. C. Edgar.....	Webster, S. D.....	Webster, S. D.....

Figure 6.9: William Kennedy (row 10) is the nominee for State Auditor for the Prohibition Party in 1904 - Reporter and Farmer Newspaper, October 27, 1904 Page 3

George H. Gunnison	Kingsbury County, S. D.	Andover, S. D.
<b>FOR STATE AUDITOR.</b>		
By the Republican Party.		
J. F. Halladay	Iroquois, S. D.	Iroquois, S. D.
By the Democratic Party.		
M. M. Bennett	Yankton, S. D.	Yankton, S. D.
By the Socialist Party.		
John Clancy	Central City, S. D.	Central City, S. D.
By the Peoples Party.		
Charley Lowe	Salem, S. D.	Salem, S. D.
By the Prohibition Party.		
William Kennedy	Wessington Springs, S. D.	Wessington Springs, S. D.
<b>FOR STATE TREASURER.</b>		

Figure 6.10: William Kennedy is the nominee for State Auditor for the Prohibition Party in 1904 - The Daily Deadwood Pioneer Nov 8, 1904, Page 7

## SOUTH DAKOTA ELECTIONS

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## OFFICIAL VOTE—Continued

November Election, 1904

Counties	Auditor				
	J. F. Halladay, Republican	M. M. Bennett, Democrat	John Clancy, Socialist	Charley Lowe, People's	William Kennedy, Prohibition
Aurora	605	451	8		35
Beadle	1,699	606	38	21	51
Bon Homme	1,507	912	19	8	28
Brookings	2,145	414	57	31	287
Brown	2,528	1,078	223	22	129
Brule	674	628	13	12	6
Buffalo	112	41	22	8	1
Butte	716	356	41	3	
Campbell	677	122	3		20
Charles Mix	1,711	809	83	6	24
Clark	1,372	280	99	19	99
Clay	1,600	398	69	23	33
Codington	1,595	606	22	7	54
Custer	481	271	24	11	2
Davison	1,574	521	13	114	100
Day	1,981	407	55	15	303
Deuel	1,287	323	6	4	35
Douglas	820	531	7	6	10
Edmunds	768	365	14	5	30
Fall River	700	312	29	3	17
Faulk	700	183	9	3	57
Grant	1,430	329	17	15	74
Gregory	662	297	26	4	6
Hamlin	1,163	331	14	5	48
Hand	880	174	6	284	33
Hanson	711	546	10	6	47
Hughes	923	335	19	3	9
Hutchinson	1,717	364	6	7	49
Hyde	404	95	15	3	28
Jerauld	554	148	25	37	62
Kingsbury	1,845	363	57	34	109
Lake	1,630	284	81	37	72
Lawrence	4,078	1,401	842	22	27
Lincoln	2,438	381	132	18	66
Lyman	916	348	18	14	9
Marshall	962	288	55	13	122
McCook	1,223	730	45	6	45
McPherson	722	145	6	4	5
Meads	705	300	41	44	10
Miner	847	514	35	5	35
Minnehaha	4,299	1,152	268	45	165
Moody	1,418	300	27	104	72
Pennington	1,056	454	64	15	8
Potter	502	302	9	5	10
Roberts	2,193	636	49	12	103
Sanborn	957	298	10	7	58
Spink	2,089	511	62	26	135
Stanley	543	360	8		9
Sully	388	54	19	6	6
Turner	2,331	548	23	5	72
Union	1,702	831	20	8	42
Walworth	636	192	18	1	7
Yankton	1,838	916	38	5	26
Total	69,064	23,539	2,932	1,121	2,865

Figure 6.11: Election Results for State Auditor South Dakota 1904, William Kennedy's results are in the left-most column, South Dakota Secretary of State sdsos.gov

## 6.6 Prohibition and Temperance

Both William and Emma seem to have been active in the Prohibition movement against alcohol. The fight for prohibition culminated in 1919 with ratification of the 18th Amendment. Prohibition was not repealed until 1933 with the 21st Amendment.

William was a member of the Prohibition Party and as we saw earlier ran for state wide office. We can also find a letter of his that was published in the Argus-Leader newspaper in 1903. William is described as “a real estate dealer of Wessington Springs”. His letter is in favor of the anti-canteen law, which prohibited the sale of alcohol on military posts. It was passed in 1901 and by 1903 there was criticism that too many soldiers were buying alcohol off-site.

This might be the only text we hope to find that was written by William Kennedy himself. The newspaper image is a little hard to read, so here is the full text.

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Mr. William Kennedy a real estate dealer of Wessington Springs, and, as judged by this letter a man of evident sincerity, and deep convictions writes the Argus-Leader in protest against the proposed repeal of the anti-canteen law. Mr. Kennedy writes:

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The Argus-Leader prints this letter because it is [sic] expresses in a very vigorous way the honest opinion of a man who has deep convictions and who though he does a great injustice to the Argus-Leader and all of those who believe the present anti-canteen law is a mistake, is yet entitled to be heard.

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Figure 6.12: A letter in favor of prohibition by William Kennedy - The Argus-Leader, Nov 11 1903  
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Emma appears to have been a member of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union (WCTU). The Mitchell newspaper reported that she attended a WCTU convention in Sioux Falls in 1905.

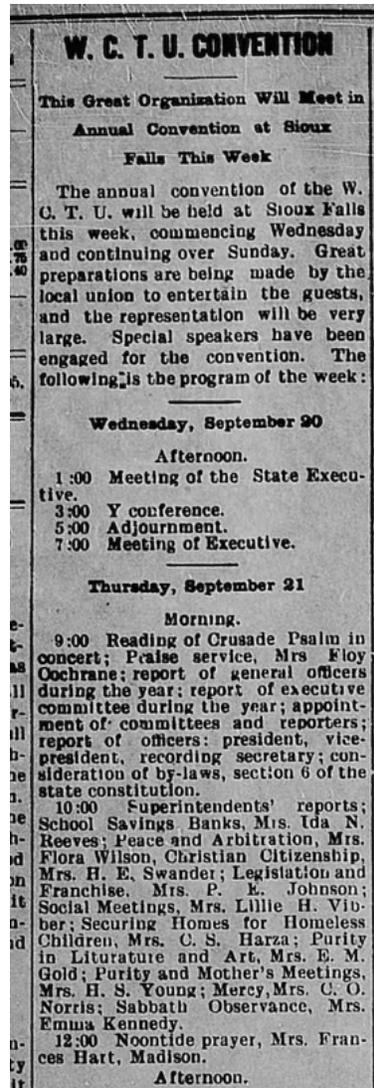


Figure 6.13: Emma Kennedy attending WCTU Convention in Sioux Falls 1905 - The Mitchell Capital Sept 22, 1905 Page 6

## 6.7 The Free Methodist Church

William was involved in the founding of the First Free Methodist church in Wessington Springs in 1901. The Argus-Leader reported that he was one of the trustees listed on the articles of incorporation. A book on the history of Jerauld County confirms this.

**NEW CORPORATIONS**

**Companies That Will do Business in the State Hereafter.**

Articles of incorporation have been filed with the secretary of state as follows: First Free Methodist church of Wessington Springs; trustees, Lester Knight, Benjamin F. Hubbard, William Kennedy.

The Electrical Inspection and Maintenance Company at Pierre with a capital of \$250,000; incorporators, J. N. Tomlinson, J. J. Post, Henry E. Leavitt, P. J. Knight, L. Taylor and L. C. Smith.

The Save Finnish Creamery Company at Frederick, Brown county, with a capital of \$10,000; incorporators, Kustad Hukari, Herman Hukari, Absalom West, D. T. Wagner, Paul Goreman.

The Ramona Camp Modern Wood-

Figure 6.14: William Kennedy listed in the incorporation of the First Free Methodist church in Wessington Springs - The Argus-Leader March 13, 1901 Page 7

In the fall of 1887, J. B. Freeland was appointed to the Wessington Springs circuit, which included Wessington Springs and Lyndale. In 1901 the Articles of Incorporation were signed by the Wessington Springs Society and B. F. Hubbard, Lester Knight and William Kennedy were elected as trustees. In 1902, J. B. Freeland, G. H. Burritt and B. F. Hubbard were elected as a committee to make plans for the location and erection of a church and parsonage. They found that the southeast corner of the Seminary campus would be made available for the church when the time came to build. J. H. Flower and W. W. Smith were added to the committee. The Committee submitted two plans, one building 30x50, the other 30x40 with a wing 16x24. The second plan was adopted. The estimated cost was \$1,700.

Figure 6.15: William Kennedy helped found the First Free Methodist church in Wessington Springs - The History of Jerauld County 1909-1963

Emma was a member of the Free Methodist Church's Woman's Foreign Missionary Society (WFMS). According to the weekly "Free Methodist Chicago" newspaper she was elected district president in 1904.

**WESSINGTON SPRINGS**

The district W. F. M. S. met on the campground and organized for this year. Sister Coffee, conference president, in the chair. Sister Emma Kennedy was elected district president; Sister Augusta Jensen, vice-president and Sister Anna Weast, secretary and treasurer. We held a public service on Friday afternoon. Brother J. S. M'Geary preached a grand sermon. The collection amounted to \$12 42.

MRS. ANNA H. WEAST, Cor. Sec.

Figure 6.16: Emma Kennedy elected district president of the WFMS in 1904 - The Free Methodist Chicago July 26, 1904

## 6.8 The Wessington Springs Seminary

We have records of several of William and Emma's children graduating from Wessington Springs Seminary.

- Alex: June 12, 1901 (and also his future wife Geraldine Heath)
- George: June 6, 1906
- Susan: June 6, 1907

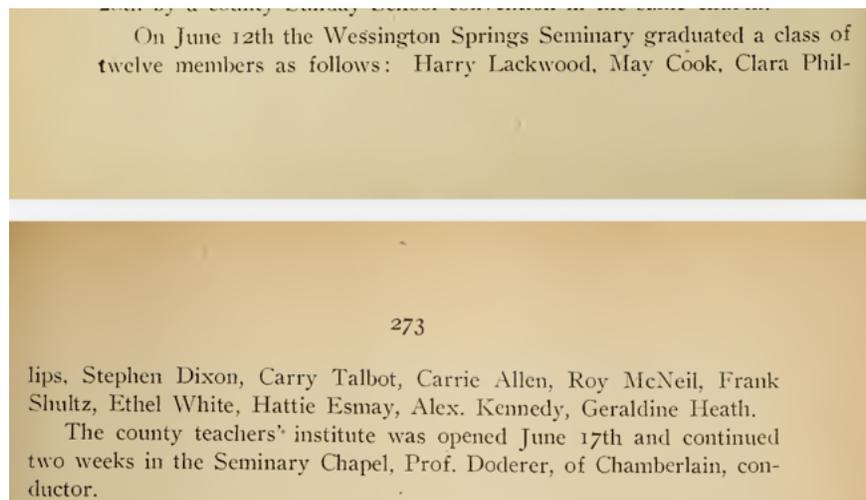


Figure 6.17: Alex's Wessington Springs Seminary Graduation 1901 - The History of Jerauld County

At the commencement exercises on June 6th the seminary granted diplomas to Amy A. Cook, Ethel V. Ford, George Hubbard, Sylvia McClellan, Geo. Kennedy, May Cook and Alice Vennard.

Figure 6.18: George's Wessington Springs Seminary Graduation 1906 - The History of Jerauld County

At the Seminary commencement exercises held on June 11th the graduating class were, Susie B. Kennedy, Mamie A. Reid, Eva G. Gillfillan, and Minnie C. Donaghue.

Figure 6.19: Susan's Wessington Springs Seminary Graduation 1907 - The History of Jerauld County

## 6.9 Wessington Springs Public Schools

According to Alex's biography from 1927 he was principal of the public school from 1900 to 1905.

There is also a newspaper article from 1904 about his wife possibly as a substitute teacher in the public school.

**KENNEDY, Alex Manwaring**, ice and cold storage distributor, 2200 1st Ave. S., Seattle; **b.** Belleville, Ill., Sept. 19, 1875; **s.** William and Emma (Manwaring) Kennedy; **m.** Anna Geraldine Heath of Gardner, N. D., Dec. 24, 1902; three children, William Gerald, Frances June and Alberta Jean; Wessington Springs Coll., S. D. (junior) 1900; came to Wash. 1904; school principal of Wessington Springs public schools, S. D., 1900-05; city clerk Wessington Springs, S. D., (elected) 1900-05; pres. Nanton Alberta U. F. A. (elected) six years; with Standard Ice Co., Seattle, 1905-17; farmed 1917-23; mgr. and sec. Seattle Ice Co., 1923—; trustee of Seattle Pacific Coll.; trustee of Queen Anne Y.M.C.A. **Lodge:** F. & A. M. **Clubs:** Lions, Natl. Executives; Republican; Baptist; rec. golf; res., 2403 Warren Ave.

Figure 6.20: Alex Kennedy in Who's Who in Washington State, Vol.1 1927

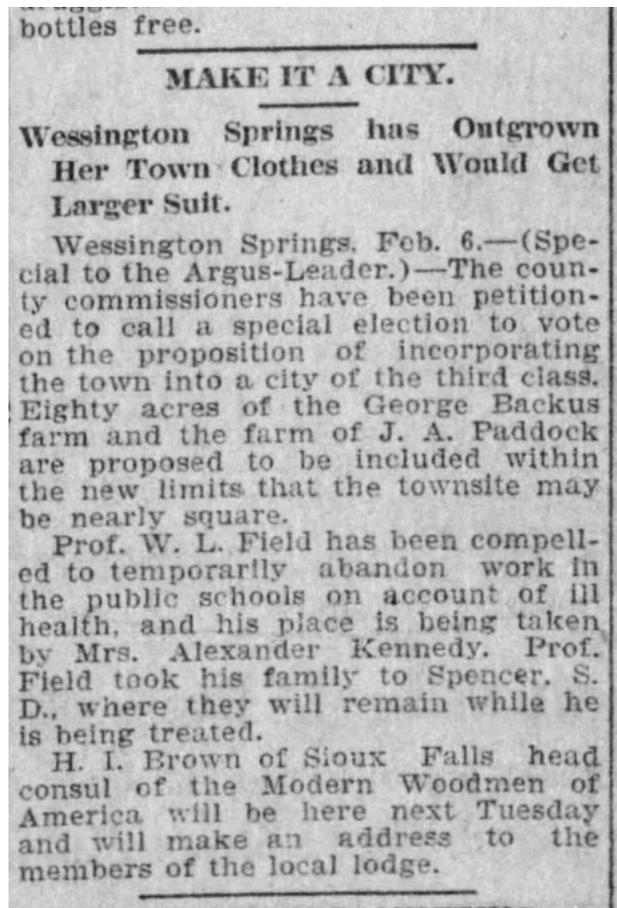


Figure 6.21: Alexander's wife a substitute teacher - The Daily Argus-Leader, Saturday, February 06, 1904

## 6.10 Moving to Seattle

In 1908 William Kennedy obtained the deed to his house in Seattle. And in 1907 Susan graduated from the Seminary. So we might assume they moved between 1907 and 1908 from Wessington Springs to Seattle.

We can only speculate why they came to Seattle. Alexander had married Geraldine Heath. Her parents had already moved from North Dakota to Seattle's Queen Anne neighborhood. Maybe Geraldine wanted to be close to her parents and convinced Alex and his family to move.

Or maybe the quest for education for their children brought them to Seattle. Queen Anne high school opened in 1908. Emma and William had 4 more kids to put through High School. Maybe the free, new, big, beautiful 4-year public High School appealed to them.

The climate might also have been a factor. At this point they had endured over 25 South Dakota winters. The mild weather of the Pacific Northwest would have been a welcome change.

Below we see an image of the deed for 113 Lynn Street in Seattle. It is dated April 1st, 1908. The seller was David Foote. Below is a transcription of the deed:

David Foote

to

William Kennedy

State of Washington

Statute Forms

The Grantor David Foote a bachelor of the City of Seattle, King County, State of Washington For and in consideration of sixty eight hundred Dollars (\$6800) in hand paid conveys and warrants to William Kennedy of the same place the following described Real Estate situated in the County of King State of Washington

The West forty (40) feet of Lots six (6) and seven (7) in Block forty eight (48) Bigelow's Addition to the City of Seattle King County. State of Washington.

Dated this First day of April 1908.

David Foote (seal)

State of Washington

County of King

I, F. J. Foster a Notary Public do hereby certify that on this First day of April 1908 personally appeared before me David Foote a bachelor to me known to be the individual described in and who executed the within instrument and acknowledged that they signed and sealed the same as his free and voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein mentioned.

Given under my hand and official seal this 1st day of April A. D. 1908.

F. J. Foster

Notary Public in and for the state of Washington Residing at Seattle.

Filed for record at request of Robert A. Devers Apr 3, 1908 at 31 min past 8 AM.

County Auditory

The description in the deed matches the modern legal description of 113 Lynn at the King County Department of Assessments: "BIGELOW'S ADD W 40 FT, PLat Block: 48, Plat Lot: 6-7".

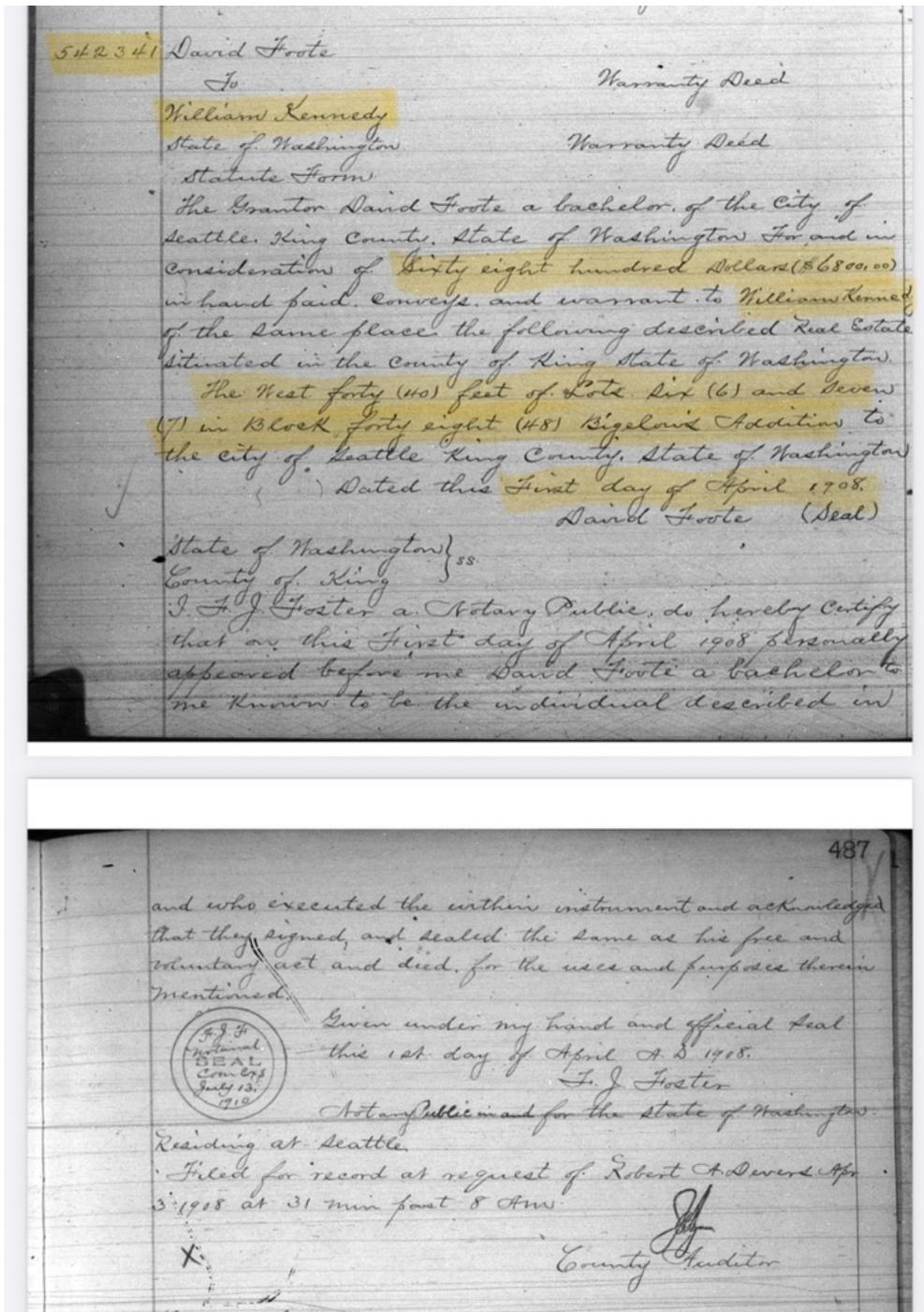


Figure 6.22: Deed for 113 Lynn Street, Seattle - Transferred to William Kennedy on April 1, 1908

## 6.11 Death of Emma's mother Samantha (1909)

Emma's mother Samantha passed away on April 7, 1909 in Seattle at age 87. The address is given as 113 Lynn, which was William and Emma's house. So we can assume that Samantha eventually joined them in Seattle after living in South Dakota. But we don't know if she lived there permanently

of was just visiting.

She rests in Mount Pleasant cemetery in Seattle, together with Emma and William.

MARGIN RESERVED FOR BINDING

WHITE PLAINLY, WITH UNFADEING INK—THIS IS A PERMANENT RECORD. Every item of information should be carefully supplied. Age should be stated exactly. Physicians should state cause of death in plain terms, but it may be properly classified. The "Special Information" for persons dying away from home should be given in every instance.

V. S.—No. 1.

**WASHINGTON STATE BOARD OF HEALTH**  
**BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS**  
**CERTIFICATE OF DEATH**

Record No. **596**  
File No. **2767**  
Registered No. **596**

PLACE OF DEATH **KING**  
County of **KING**  
Town of \_\_\_\_\_  
or \_\_\_\_\_  
City of **SEATTLE** (No. **113** Lynn St St.; Ward.) (If death occurred in a Hospital or Institution give its NAME instead of street and number.)

Full Name **Samantha L. Manwarring** 565

SEX **Female** COLOR **White**

DATE OF BIRTH **10 22 1821**  
(Month) (Day) (Year)

AGE **87** years, **5** months, **16** days

SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED **Widow**

BIRTHPLACE (State or country) **Mo.**

NAME OF FATHER **Whaley**

BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (State or country) **Kentucky**

MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER **Whaley**

BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (State or Country) **Mo.**

OCCUPATION **Housewife**

THE ABOVE STATED PERSONAL PARTICULARS ARE TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF

(Informant) **William Kennedy**  
(Address) **113 Lynn St**

Filed **4/10/09** Registrar.

DATE OF DEATH **April 7th 1909**  
(Month) (Day) (Year)

I HEREBY CERTIFY That I attended deceased from **April 6th 1909** to **April 7th 1909** that I last saw her alive on **April 7th 1909** and that death occurred, on the date above, at **ten** P. M. The CAUSE OF DEATH was as follows:  
**Lobar Pneumonia**

(Duration) **5** Days  
Contributory **Oedema of Lungs** (Duration) \_\_\_\_\_ Days

(Signed) **G. Closson,** M. D.  
**4/9/09** (Address) **Seattle**

SPECIAL INFORMATION only for Hospitals, Institutions, Transients or Hotel Residents.  
Former or Usual Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
How Long at Place of Death? \_\_\_\_\_  
Where was Disease Contracted? \_\_\_\_\_

PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL **Mount Pleasant** DATE OF BURIAL \_\_\_\_\_  
UNDERTAKER **Fremont Undertaking Co.** ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

Figure 6.23: Death of Emma's Mother Samantha Manwaring April 7, 1909, age 87



Figure 6.24: Kennedy grave site at Mount Pleasant cemetery in the Queen Anne neighborhood of Seattle. Resting here are William, Emma and her mother Samantha.

# Chapter 7

## The 1890s - Hutchinson County, SD

### 7.1 Homesteading

At this point in our story we are jumping to the homesteading world of rural South Dakota. William and Emma and their extended family were homesteading land here in the 1880s and 1890s.

What is homesteading? Homesteading was a government program to help settle the American West. Anyone over the age of 21 who was head of a household could make a claim for 160 acres of land. They had to live on the land for 5 years, dig a well, build a house and cultivate at least 20 acres. It was a modern program: even single women, formerly enslaved people and immigrants could participate (but not native Americans unfortunately). After 5 years, if their neighbors confirmed that they did these things, then they would own the land free and clear. They would be granted a “Land Patent”. The Bureau of Land Management has a website where anyone can easily look up these land patents. Later we will see images of William Kennedy’s land patents.

It all sounds romantic, but it was really brutally difficult. Only about half succeeded. There were many droughts, fires, grasshopper plagues and extreme winters. There were very few trees so lumber was very expensive. In the beginning most families had to make do with extremely primitive dwellings called “sod houses”. Or if they had a little hill they could dig into the hill and live in a “dug out”.

Also, even though the land was “free”, farmers needed to make substantial investments. They had to buy a special plow to break open the tough prairie soil. And they needed a team of oxen to pull the plow. Any supplies they needed had to be shipped in by railroad from the east. They had the land, and they had the sky - everything in between they had to provide. It is a way of life that we can’t even imagine today.

As we will see in our story, it did get easier when families teamed up. By living on adjacent homesteads families could share equipment and animals. It also helped with the isolation of living alone on 160 acres. This is what Emma and William did.

Also, Emma’s extended family started early, in 1879. This meant relatively good land in eastern South Dakota was still available. By 1900 it was much harder to find good land, and people had to

Starr Township was known as Starr Township in 1889

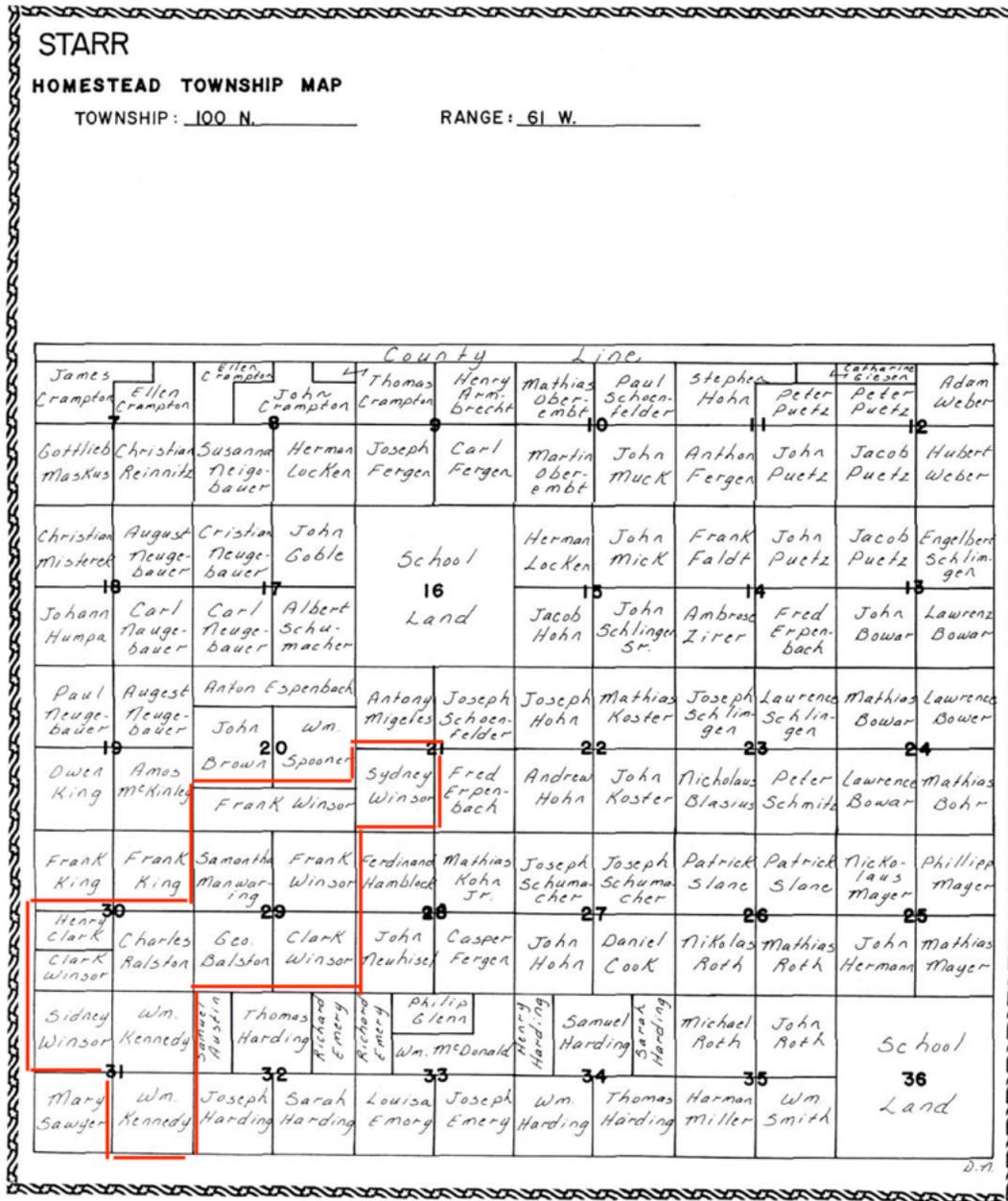


Figure 7.1: Land ownership in Starr Township, Hutchinson County, 1889. Highlighted in red is land owned by the extended family of William and Emma. Each square is 160 acres. “1989 Centennial Atlas of Hutchinson County”.

keep claiming less ideal land further and further west and north. This could be another reason why William and Emma appear to have been successful.

Finally, Emma and William were fortunate enough that their first four children were boys and survived to adulthood. That gave them extra manpower to improve the land.

## 7.2 Starr Township

Emma and William lived in what was called “Starr” township, in Hutchinson County. A township is a 6 mile by 6 mile square area. It is further subdivided into 36 smaller squares called “Sections”, each with an area of 1 mile by 1 mile. Finally, a Section is divided again into 4 squares labeled NE, SE, SW, NW. So we typically see their location described as “Hutchinson County, Starr township, Section 31 NE and SE”. Each such quarter section is 160 acres.

In Figure 7.1 we see a beautiful summary of the homestead map in Starr township of Hutchinson County. We see the sections, and each section divided into 4 quarter. Starr township was at the northern most edge of Hutchinson County, so the last 6 sections are cut off by the County line.

## 7.3 The Extended Family of William and Emma in Starr Township

Now look in section 31 and see “Wm. Kennedy”: yes that is our William Kennedy. By 1889 he owned two quarters of a section, or 320 acres.

Now see adjacent to him are homesteads owned by the Winsor, Ralston, Clark, and Manwaring families. They were all related: Samantha Manwaring was Emma’s mother. Her daughters married Kennedys, Ralstons and Clarks, and the Ralston girls married Winsors. Between them they owned some or all of sections 31, 30, 29, 20 and 21. We can count about 11 quarter sections belonging to the extended family.

And on top of that, at the left edge of the map would be section 25 of the next township over and Samantha’s granddaughter’s husband had 2 quarter sections there. That brings us to a total of 13 quarter sections at 160 acres each, or 2080 acres!

## 7.4 The 1900 census

Sadly, the 1890 census was lost in a fire in the 1920s. So we’ll jump to the 1900 census instead. In the spring of 1900 William and Emma were still living on their homestead in Starr Township, Hutchinson County, so this should be a good enough approximation for the 1890s.

Table 7.1: 1900 Census for South Dakota, Hutchinson County, Starr Township. Taken June 1, 1900.

Name	Relation	Age	Years Married	Occupation
Kennedy, William	Head	49	25	Farmer
—, Emma	Wife	49	25	
—, Alexander	Son	23		Farm Laborer
—, Herbert	Son	19		Farm Laborer
—, George	Son	17		Farm Laborer
—, Susan	Son	13		At school
—, Jean	Daughter	12		At school
—, Clarence	Son	10		
—, John	Son	8		At school
—, Wallace	Son	3		

William's immigration year is still listed as 1873.

William and Emma are living with 8 of their children. Their son William had already moved out and was working in Jerauld County South Dakota.

## 7.5 Emma's Daughters From Her First Marriage

From her first marriage Emma had two daughters: Rebecca Ann (born 1866) and Caroline (born 1871). Keep in mind that Emma herself was only born in 1850.

Both of them had moved with William and Emma to South Dakota and were living with them in 1880. The older daughter, Rebecca Ann, married around 1882 and had 7 children. By 1900 the family had moved back to Illinois. Sadly Rebecca would die there in 1908.

As for the younger daughter, Caroline, she had 2 children with Henry Clark in South Dakota: Anna and Clarence. Sadly, Caroline herself died in 1900.

Below is the 1900 census entry for Caroline's husband Henry Clark and their 2 small children in nearby Mitchell. These are the same Anna and Clarence that are listed on the 1910 census as living with Emma and William in Seattle. Maybe Emma and William watched the two kids while he was working for the railroad.

Table 7.2: 1900 Census for the husband and children of Emma's sister Caroline. South Dakota, Davison County, City of Mitchell. Taken June 2, 1900.

Name	Relation	Age	Years Married	Occupation
Clark, Henry	Head	38	Widowed	Rail Road Laborer
—, Anna	Daughter	6		
—, Clarence	Son	3		

## 7.6 Death of Emma's Sister Rebecca (1898)

Emma's younger sister, Rebecca (not to be confused with Emma's daughter Rebecca Ann), had married George Washington Ralston in Missouri in 1874. They had 14 children, 8 of whom survived. Tragically, Rebecca died in South Dakota in 1898, leaving behind 8 children between the ages of 4 and 22. Her obituary mentions "consumption", which was another word for Tuberculosis.



Figure 7.2: Obituary for Emma's sister, Rebecca Ralston nee Manwaring - The Mitchell Capital, June 3 1898

At the time of Rebecca's death her oldest child, age 22 then, was Samantha. In 1900 Samantha married Ray Martz and the couple took in Samantha's 7 siblings (the children of Rebecca). Below is the census entry from 1900, listing husband and wife Ray and Samantha Martz, and all 7 of Samantha's younger siblings. These were not Ray's biological children, so they are listed as "Brother in law" and "Sister in Law".

Table 7.3: 1900 Census for Ray and Samantha Martz and her 7 siblings after their mother Rebecca died. South Dakota, Davison County, City of Mitchell. Taken June 2, 1900.

Name	Relation	Age	Years Married	Occupation
Martz, Ray	Head	22	0	Rail Road Laborer
—, Samantha	Wife	24	0	
Ralston, Emma	Sr. in Law	18		Servant
—, George	Br. in Law	14		Farm Laborer
—, Olive	Sr. in Law	16		Servant
—, Carrie	Sr. in Law	15		At School
—, Charles	Br. in Law	13		At School
—, Hulda	Sr. in Law	12		At School
—, John	Br. in Law	10		At School
—, Jesse	Br. in Law	5		At School

Ray and Samantha would later move to Seattle, have 3 children of their own, and then go on to San Francisco. Samantha Martz died in 1940 and rests in Colma.

Samantha's father, George Washington Ralston, also moved to Seattle, remarried and took in his youngest child Jesse.

## 7.7 Emma's Niece Downey Bell

Downey Bell was Emma's Niece, she was the daughter of Emma's sister Eliza. Downey's family homesteaded just to the west of William and Emma, across the county line in Douglas County. They moved there after the 1880 census, and the 1885 census for Douglas County was lost. So the 1900 census is the first time we have a record of them. She was married to Robert Sawyer. Note that at age 33 she had already been married for 18 years and her oldest child was 17 years old.

Downey's maiden name is Glascock, just like Emma's first husband. This is because Emma and her sister Eliza married two brothers, James Glascock and Downing Glascock.

Name	Relation	Age	Years Married	Occupation
Sawyer, Robert	Head	49	18	Farmer
—, Bell	Wife	33	18	
—, Louisa	Daughter	17		
—, Roy	Son	15		Farm laborer
—, Winnie	Daughter	13		
—, Edward	Son	9		
—, Dakota	Daughter	6		

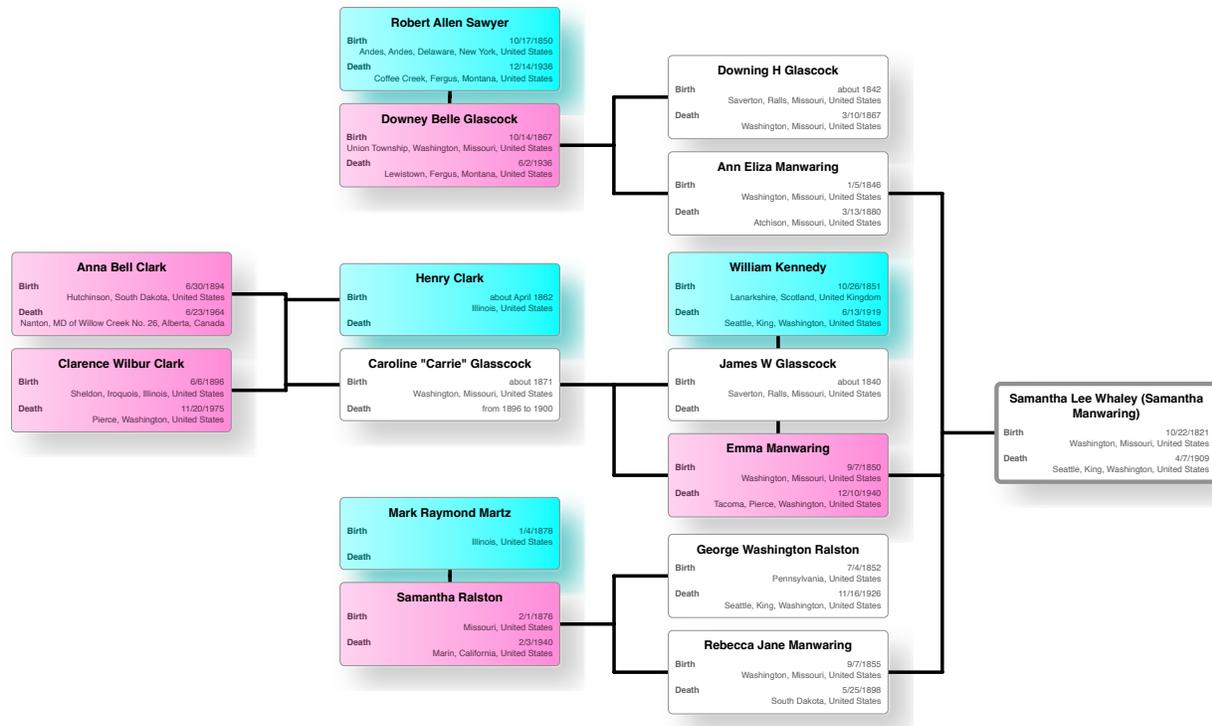


Figure 7.3: Family Tree of the homesteaders in the 1900 census. James and Downing Glascock were brothers, but that is not shown here to keep the tree simple. Blue shows head of household, Pink shows members of a household. Persons in white are not homesteaders and are shown only to highlight family relationships.

## 7.8 Emma's Mother Samantha

Emma's mother Samantha seems to have been living in Hutchinson County near her daughters Emma and Rebecca. In 1898 Rebecca died, and in 1900 Emma moved to Wessington Springs. So in 1900 Samantha moved to Spearfish, South Dakota (also called the "Queen City") where two of her sons lived. Remember that Samantha was born in 1821, so she was already 79 years old at the time.

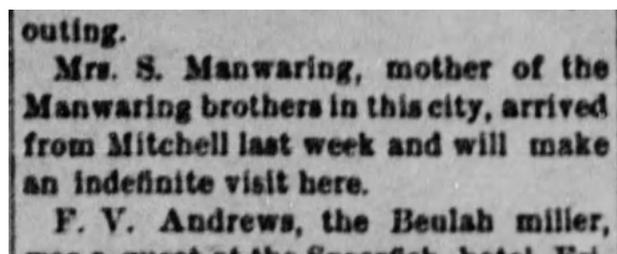


Figure 7.4: Samantha has moved to Spearfish - The Queen City Mail, July 7 1900

In 1901 she spent the summer back in Hutchinson County. Several mentions of this appear in the newspaper. First, in June 1901 the Hutchinson County reports that Samantha has arrived for a visit

to Mrs. R. A. Sawyer. This is Downey Glascock, daughter of Samantha's daughter Eliza. Flensburg was a small town in Douglas County that doesn't exist anymore.

well as in the eastern states.

**FLENSBURG.**

FLENSBURG, June 18.—Fred Bidwell is at home on a short visit.

John Hautka is building a new house.

Mrs. Samantha Manwaring is visiting her granddaughter, Mrs. R. A. Sawyer.

Miss Ludiweka Bertram has returned from Mitchell.

Figure 7.5: Samantha has arrived for a visit in Flensburg - The Mitchell Capital, June 21 1901

In September 1901 the same paper reports that she is leaving to return to Spearfish. She is accompanied by her granddaughter Martz. This would be Samantha, Rebecca's daughter. But her husband was M. R. Martz, so maybe A. E. Martz was a misprint.

fit, \$100.00 cash. D. G. KNIGHT.

Mrs. Samatha Manwaring departed Tuesday morning for Spearfish, S. D., and was accompanied as far as Sioux City by her granddaughter, Mrs. A. E. Martz.

H. G. Nichols went to Yankton Tuesday morning to attend the state fair.

Figure 7.6: Samantha has concluded her visit in Flensburg - The Mitchell Capital, September 13 1901

Shortly thereafter the Spearfish paper reported that she has indeed returned from her visit. It is wonderful how these small town newspapers kept track of people's coming and going like that.

the guests of Mrs. A. W. Doan.

Mrs. Samantha Manwaring returned last week from a summer's visit with friends at Mitchell, S. D.

Miss Alice Louthan is visiting tem-

Figure 7.7: Samantha has returned to Spearfish from her visit - The Queen City Mail, September 18 1901

# Chapter 8

## The 1880s - Hutchinson County, SD

### 8.1 The 1880 Census

The 1880 census is a treasure because we can see the original 3 households: The Kennedys, the Ralstons and the Manwarings all living side by side. The census taker walked house to house, as can be seen in the dwelling numbers.

Table 8.1: 1880 Federal Census for South Dakota, Hutchinson County, Starr Township. June 11, 1880.

Dwelling	Name	Relation	Age	Occupation
124	Ralston, George W.		27	Farmer
	—, Rebecca	Wife	24	Keeping House
	—, Samantha	Daughter	4	At Home
	—, Sidney	Son	1	At Home
	Manwaring, Samantha	Mother in Law	52	Homesteader
	—, John	Son	21	Homesteader
125	Manwaring, James		35	Farmer
	—, Rosella	Daughter	6	At Home
	—, Rosa	Daughter	6	At Home
	—, James	Son	4	At Home
	—, Rebecca	Daughter	6	At Home
126	Kennedy, William	2nd Husband	28	Farmer
	—, Emma	Wife	30	Keeping House
	—, Annie	Step Daughter	13	At Home
	—, Carrie	Step Daughter	9	At Home
	—, Alexander	Son	5	At Home
	—, William	Son	7/12	At Home

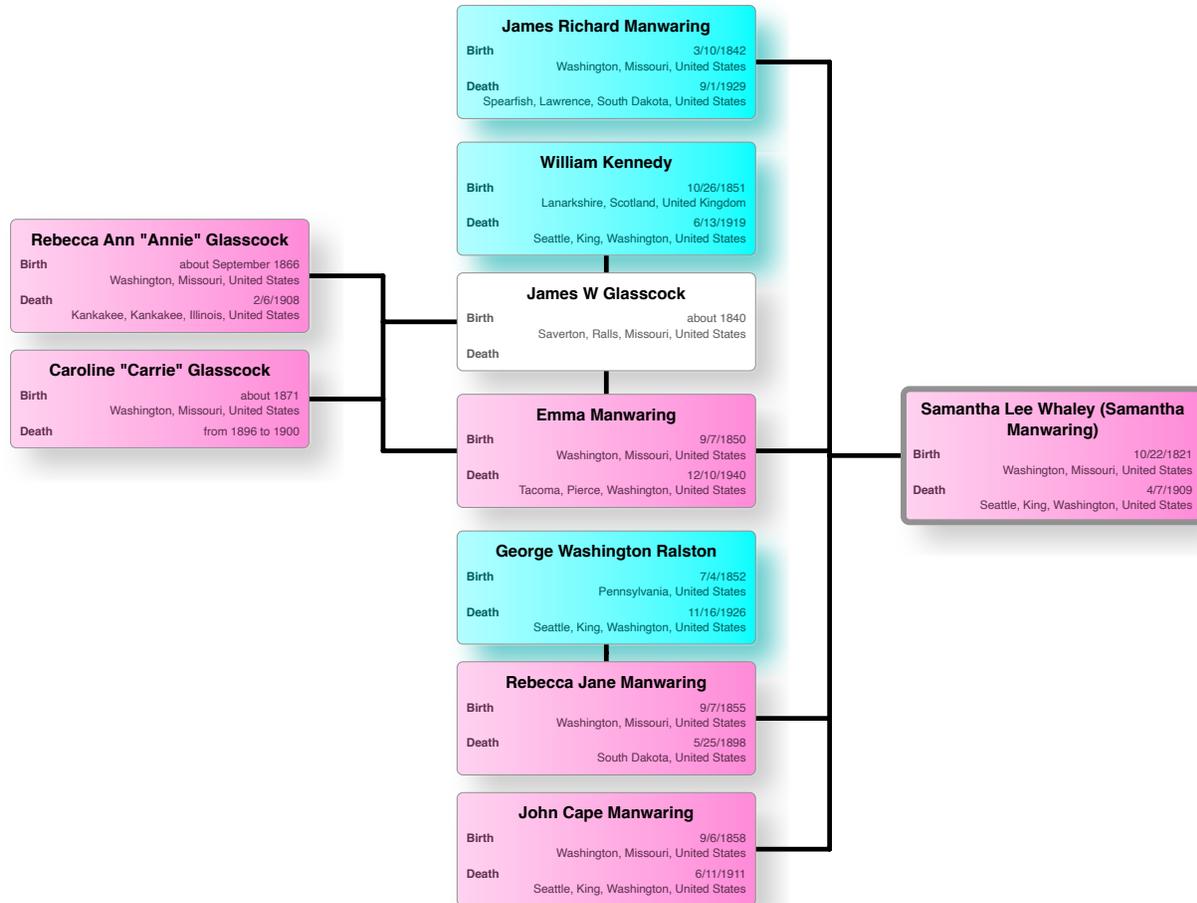


Figure 8.1: Family Tree of the homesteaders in the 1880 census. Blue shows head of household, Pink shows members of a household. Persons in white are not homesteaders and are shown only to highlight family relationships.

We can see Samantha in 1880 homesteading together with 4 of her children:

- James (born 1842): His wife had died in 1879. He would later remarry and move to Spearfish, SD.
- Emma (born 1850): Married to William Kennedy
- Rebecca (born 1855): Married to George Ralston.
- John (born 1858): He married in 1892 and moved to Spearfish.

Also of note, Emma's two daughters from her first marriage are living with her and William. Annie, whose real name was Rebecca Ann, would later start a family of her own in South Dakota and then move to Illinois. The other daughter, Carrie, or Caroline, would die in 1900 and William and Emma would bring her children Anna and Clarence to Seattle with them.

Household No.	Name	Age	Sex	Relationship	Occupation	Place of Birth	Marital Status
24/50	Alister Leo R	17	M	son	Farmer	Scotland	Married
	Alison	15	F	wife	Keeping house	Scotland	Married
	Becca	14	F	daughter	at home	Scotland	Single
	James	11	M	son	at home	Scotland	Single
	William	5	M	brother	at home	Scotland	Single
25/51	Manwaring James	25	M	son	Farmer	Scotland	Married
	Becca	16	F	daughter	at home	Scotland	Single
	John	14	M	son	at home	Scotland	Single
	Becca	12	F	daughter	at home	Scotland	Single
26/52	Kennedy William	28	M	son	Farmer	Scotland	Married
	Ann	20	F	wife	Keeping house	Scotland	Married
	James	13	M	son	at home	Scotland	Single
	Carrie	9	F	daughter	at home	Scotland	Single
	Alexander	5	M	son	at home	Scotland	Single
	Melissa	7	F	daughter	at home	Scotland	Single

Figure 8.2: Bottom half of the 1880 Census page showing the Ralston, Manwaring and Kennedy families living side by side

## 8.2 The 1885 Census

In 1885 there was a special Dakota Territory census. It shows us the largest extent of Emma and William's extended family in the area. Below is a summary table of the 1885 census. If the dwelling number is consecutive then we can assume they are neighbors.

Table 8.2: 1885 Census for South Dakota, Hutchinson County, Starr Township.

Dwelling	Name	Relation	Age	Occupation
111	Manwaring, James		43	Farmer
	—, Rosella	Daughter	10	At Home
	—, Rosa	Daughter	10	At Home
	—, James	Son	8	At Home
	—, Rebecca	Daughter	7	At Home
73	Kennedy, William	Head	34	Farmer
	—, Emma	Wife	35	Landlady
	—, Carrie	Daughter	13	
	—, Alexander	Son	10	
	—, William	Son	6	
	—, Herbert	Son	4	
	—, George	Son	2	
74	Ralston, George W.	Head	32	Farmer
	—, Rebecca	Wife	29	Landlady
	—, Samantha	Daughter	9	
	—, George	Son	5	
	—, Emma	Daughter	3	
	—, Olive	Daughter	2	
	—, Cara	Daughter	4/12	
	Manwaring, Samantha	Mother in Law	63	Landlady
84	Winsor, Clark	Head	65	Farmer
	—, Frank	Son	28	Farmer
	—, Leah	Daughter in Law	28	Landlady
	—, May	Grand Daughter	4	
	—, Clark	Grand Son	2	
	85	Winsor, Sidney A.	Head	30
—, Ella May		Wife	26	Landlady
—, Lora		Daughter	8	
—, Ruth J.		Daughter	3	
—, Theodore		Son	1	

We see that the Winsors have joined the homesteaders, and Samantha’s son John had already moved away to Spearfish, SD. Sidney Winsor married Ella May Ralston, the sister of George Ralston. His father Clark Winsor and his brother Frank Winsor are also homesteaders.

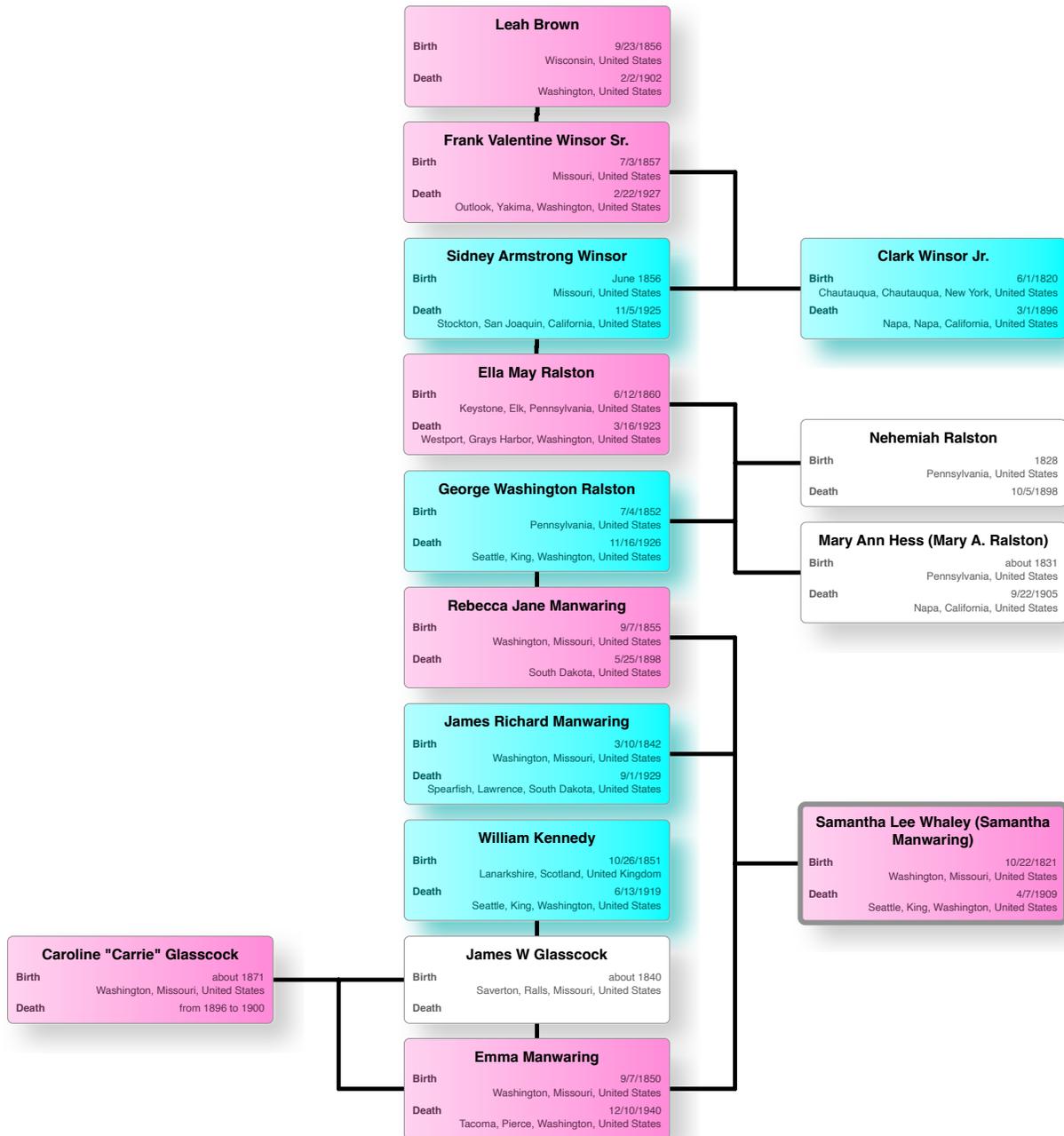


Figure 8.3: Family Tree of the homesteaders in the 1885 census. Blue shows head of household, Pink shows members of a household. Persons in white are not homesteaders and are shown only to highlight family relationships.

### 8.3 William's First Land Patent

On January 26, 1887 William Kennedy was officially granted his first 160 acres by the government. He had followed all the rules and met all the requirements. The government issued a "Land Patent" which granted him full ownership over the land.

Here is a transcription of the text:

Whereas, There has been deposited in the General Land Office of the United States a Certificate of the Register of the Land Office at Yankton Dakota Territory, whereby it appears that, pursuant to the Act of Congress approved 20th May, 1862, "To secure Homesteads to actual Settlers on the Public Domain," and the acts supplemental thereto, the claim of William Kennedy has been established and duly consummated in conformity to law, for the south east quarter of section thirty one, in township one hundred north of range sixty one west of the Fifth Principal Meridian in Dakota Territory containing one hundred and sixty acres.

This is a traditional homestead grant. William and Emma lived on the land for 5 years, planted crops, dug a well and built a house.

Also of note, the year is 1887, before South Dakota became a state. That is why they refer to the "Dakota Territory".

If you look back at the map of Starr township in Figure 7.1, you see section 31 in the lower left corner. There are two quarters labelled "Wm Kennedy". His first land patent was for the "south east quarter", so that would be the lower one. Next we will see the land patent for the upper quarter.

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The United States of America,

To all to whom these Presents shall come, Greeting:

Homestead Certificate No. 3614  
Application 1685

Whereas, There has been deposited in the General Land Office of the United States a Certificate of the Register of the Land Office at *Yankton Dakota Territory*, whereby it appears that, pursuant to the Act of Congress approved 20th May, 1862, "To secure Homesteads to actual Settlers on the Public Domain," and the acts supplemental thereto, the claim of *William Kennedy* has been established and duly consummated, in conformity to law, for the *south east quarter of section thirty one, in township one hundred north of range sixty one west of the Fifth Principal Meridian in Dakota Territory containing one hundred and sixty acres*

according to the Official Plat of the Survey of said Land, returned to the General Land Office by the Surveyor General.

Now know ye that there is, therefore, granted by the United States unto the said *William Kennedy* the tract of Land above described: To have and to hold the said tract of Land, with the appurtenances thereof, unto the said *William Kennedy* and to his heirs and assigns forever; subject to any vested and accrued water rights for mining, agricultural, manufacturing, or other purposes, and rights to ditches and reservoirs used in connection with such water rights as may be recognized and acknowledged by the local customs, laws, and decisions of courts, and also subject to the right of the proprietor of a vein or lode to extract and remove his ore therefrom, should the same be found to penetrate or intersect the premises hereby granted, as provided by law.

In testimony whereof, *J. Grover Cleveland*, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, have caused these letters to be made Patent, and the Seal of the General Land Office to be hereunto affixed.



Given under my hand, at the City of Washington, the *Twenty sixth* day of *January*, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and *eighty seven*, and of the Independence of the United States the *one hundred and eleventh*

By the President: *Grover Cleveland*  
By *M. M. Keam*, Secretary.  
*Robt W. Ross*, Recorder of the General Land Office.

Figure 8.4: William Kennedy's First Land Patent, issue January 26, 1887

## 8.4 William's Second Land Patent

On December 13, 1889 William Kennedy was officially granted his second 160 acres by the government. This one was slightly different, it was based on a different law. It was a "timber grant", where the homesteader had to plant a certain number of trees.

Originally the requirement was for 40 acres of trees. But in 1878 that was lowered to 10 acres of trees, because 40 acres turned out to be too hard. Even so, after 8 years settlers had to prove that they had 675 trees per acre. At 10 acres, that comes out to 6,750 trees. We can only admire the hard work and luck it took to keep those trees alive.

Another twist is that a tree claim did not require residency. I think this was a common strategy: A settler would claim 160 acres for a homestead and live on it, as required. Then they would claim another 160 acres nearby as a tree claim. They could live on the homestead and work both claims. If everything went well they would own the homestead after 5 years and the tree claim after 8 years. Apparently this is what William and Emma did, and the plan worked. They claimed in 1879, and by 1887 they owned 320 acres free and clear.

Here is a transcription:

Whereas there has been deposited in the General Land Office of the United States a CERTIFICATE of the Land Office at Yankton, Dakota Territory, whereby it appears that, pursuant to the Acts of Congress approved March 3, 1873, March 13m 1874 and June 14, 1878, "to encourage the growth of timber on the western plains," the claim of William Kennedy has been established and duly consummated in conformity to law for the North East quarter of Section thirty one in Township one hundred North of Range sixty one West of the Fifth Principal Meridian in Dakota Territory, containing one hundred and sixty acres.

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

To all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting:

Timber-Culture Certificate No. 337 }
Application... 1171 }
Whereas there has been deposited in the General Land Office of the United States a CERTIFICATE of the Register of the Land Office at Hankton, Dakota Territory, whereby it appears that, pursuant to the Acts of Congress approved March 3, 1873, March 13, 1874, and June 14, 1878, "to encourage the growth of timber on the Western Prairies," the claim of William Kennedy has been established and duly consummated in conformity to law for the North East quarter of Section thirty one in Township one hundred North, of Range sixty one West, of the Sixth Principal Meridian in Dakota Territory, containing one hundred and sixty acres.

according to the Official Plat of the Survey of the said Land returned to the General Land Office by the Surveyor General.

Now know ye, that there is therefore granted by the UNITED STATES unto the said William Kennedy the tract of Land above described: TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said tract of Land, with the appurtenances thereof, unto the said William Kennedy and to his heirs and assigns forever; subject to any vested and decreed water rights for mining, agricultural, manufacturing, or other purposes, and rights to ditches and reservoirs used in connection with such water rights as may be recognized and acknowledged by the local customs, laws, and decisions of courts, and also subject to the right of the proprietor of a vein or lode to extract and remove his ore therefrom, should the same be found to penetrate or intersect the premises hereby granted, as provided by law.

In testimony whereof J. Benjamin Harrison, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. have caused these letters to be made Patent, and the seal of the General Land Office to be hereunto affixed.

Given under my hand, at the CITY OF WASHINGTON, the thirteenth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty nine, and of the Independence of the United States the one hundred and fourteenth



By the President: Benjamin Harrison
J. B. Conwell, Recorder of the General Land Office.

ad interim

Figure 8.5: William Kennedy's Second Land Patent, issue December 13, 1889

## 8.5 William's Entries in the Tract Book

The government kept detailed records of all homestead and tree claims in so called "Tract Books". There is a line for each claim. When a claim failed, it was crossed out and the next homestead attempt was recorded below it.

Below is a picture of the tract book covering William Kennedy's claims. Both of his claims are in the same Section, so they are very close to each other, on the same page.

This table summarizes the entries for Section 31:

Table 8.3: Tract book entries for Section 31, Township 100, Range 61, Dakota Territory

Type	Part	Acres	Price	Name	Date	Final Certificate
Tree	NE	160	\$10	William Kennedy	4/17/1879	#537, 8/28/1887
Home	NW	160	\$10	Joseph Furber	6/16/1882	Relinquished
Home	NW	149.93	\$10	Sidney A. Winsor	6/23/1883	#5368, 9/19/1888
Home	SE	160	\$10	William Kennedy	4/17/1879	#3614, 3/12/1885
Pre.41	SW	149.17	\$186.46	Mary E Sawyer	10/29/1883	-

We can see a number of interesting facts:

- William was the first to arrive at this section and made the first claim. He made both of his claims the same day, April 17, 1879. It wasn't until 1882 that someone made another claim. Both of William's claims succeeded. His are the only entries for the NE and SE quarters. The homestead (SE) was officially his on March 12, 1885 and the tree claim (NE) was his on August 28, 1887. The certificate numbers in the tract book match the number on the land patents we saw earlier. The government had a long backlog in issuing land patents. That explains the delay of the certificate date listed in the tract book and when the final land patent was issued.
- The NW quarter was first claimed in 1882 by Joseph Furber, but the claim failed. The homestead went back to the government and was claimed by Sidney Winsor in 1883. Sidney Winsor was a relative of Emma. Their homestead succeeded and they were issued a final certificate in 1888.
- The SW quarter was actually not a homestead but a direct purchase. This is indicated by "Pre.41" or "Pre-emption act of 1841". One could directly buy the land from the government, for \$1.25 per acre. Section 31 was a little narrow because of the county line, so the SW quarter is only 149.17 acres. At \$1.25 per acre this brings the total cost to \$186.46. This matches the amount recorded in the tract book. There is no certificate issued, because there was no need to prove anything. They owned the land outright. The other 3 quarters were claimed for \$10, and then "proved up" by following the rules of homesteading and tree claims.



## 8.6 Samantha's Entries in the Tract Book

Emma's mother Samantha was also a homesteader in Hutchinson County. According to the tract book, she made a tree claim in January 1882. Later, she made a homestead claim in December 1882. The final certificate was issued less than 3 years later, in June 1893. This is faster than the 5 year minimum, so we can assume they decided to pay for the land in cash rather than risk not being able to prove the homesteading requirements.

By 1883 she had relinquished the tree claim and it went to Theodore Emery. It took them another 10 years to prove up the claim and get the certificate.

Table 8.4: Tract book entries Section 3, Township 99, Range 62

Type	Part	Acres	Price	Name	Date	Final Certificate
Tree	NE	161.24	\$10	Samantha Manwaring	1/13/1882	Relinquished
Tree	NE	161.24	\$10	Theodore Emery	7/19/1883	#1735, 6/20/1893

Table 8.5: Tract book entries Section 29 Township 100, Range 61

Type	Part	Acres	Price	Name	Date	Final Certificate
Home	NW	160	\$10	Samantha Manwaring	12/18/1882	#3945, 11/16/1885

## 8.7 Comparison to Laura Ingalls Wilder

The story of William and Emma is surprisingly similar to that of Laura Ingalls Wilder of the popular "Little House on the Prairie" books. All three, Laura's father, her future husband Almanzo, and William Kennedy started homesteading in South Dakota in 1879.

Almanzo and William both made two claims for adjacent quarter sections: one claim for a 160 acre homestead; and another claim for a 160 acre timber claim.

For unknown reasons William had more luck with his claims than Almanzo. William's trees seemed to make it, so he was able to prove his tree claim and get the land for free. Almanzo's tree claim failed and he had to pay \$200 for the land outright. Laura Ingalls Wilder's book "The first 4 Years" includes details on their tree claim.

Below is a map of the De Smet area of South Dakota highlighting the homestead and tree claims of Almanzo Wilder. This is less than 100 miles north of William Kennedy's homestead!

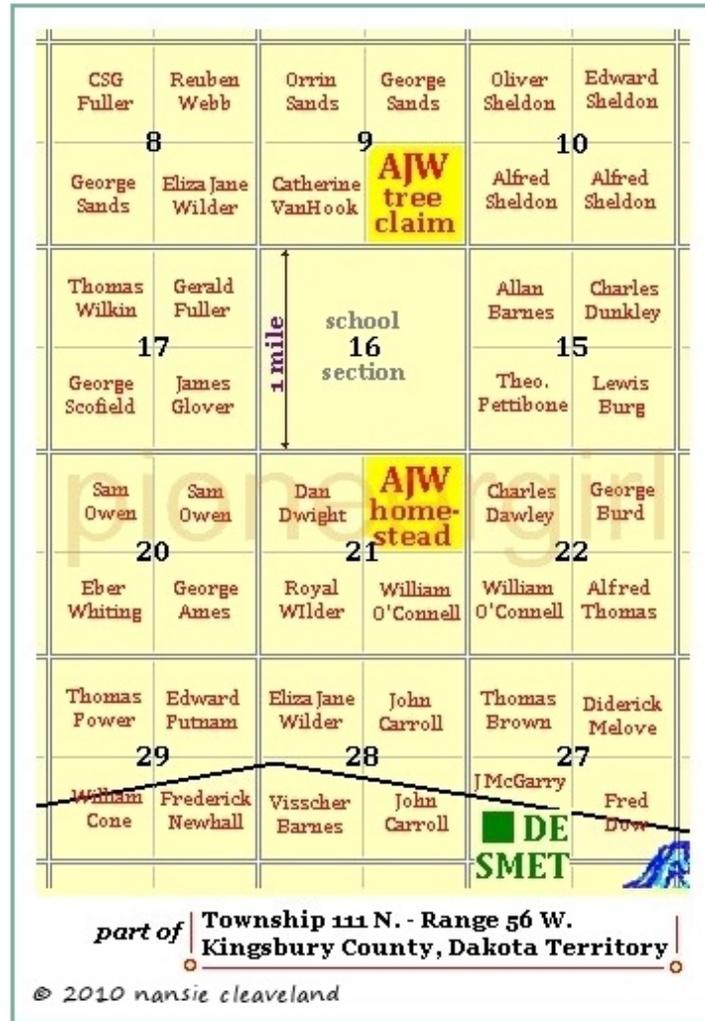


Figure 8.7: Map of Homestead and Tree claim by Almanzo Wilder, only about 100 miles north of William and Emma's Homestead



# Chapter 9

## The 1870s - Belleville, IL and Scotland

### 9.1 The 1870 Census in the US

Unfortunately we have not been able to find Emma in the 1870 census yet. We only have the entry of her mother and sister living as neighbors in Union Township Missouri.

Table 9.1: 1870 Census, Union Township, Missouri. Taken July 27, 1870.

Dwelling	Name	Age	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
104	Manwaring Samantha	47	Farms	\$2000
	—, Frank	17	Works Farm	
	—, Rebecka	14		
	—, John	11		
105	Magee, Thomas	28	Farmer	-
	—, Eliza	28	Keeps Home	
	—, Leroy	4		
	—, Downy	3		
	Manwaring Charles	21	Works Farm	

Emma's father Charles had already passed away in 1860. Emma's mother Samantha is living alone with her 3 youngest children. Tragically, her son Frank would die later that year at age 17. Her youngest children Rebecca and John would move to South Dakota with her. Her older children, James and Emma had already moved out. The value of the farm is listed as \$2000, a substantial sum.

Next door to Samantha live her daughter Eliza, Emma's older sister, and her son Charles, Emma's older brother. Eliza and Emma had married two brothers: Eliza had married Downing Glascock, and Emma had married James Glascock. Sadly, both brothers passed away young. So here Eliza is living with her second husband Thomas. Her daughter Downy was 3 at the time and would later marry Robert Sawyer and homestead close to William and Emma in South Dakota.

We don't know where Emma lived in 1870. Her husband James Glascock was the oldest son. So maybe he worked on his father's farm in Ralls County, Missouri. We know his brother Downing served in the Missouri Militia during the Civil war. He was discharged, so he did not die in the war itself. We have not been able to find anything about James serving in the civil war.

## 9.2 The 1871 Census in Scotland

In 1871 William was 19 years old and working in the mines as an Engine Keeper. He was the oldest son of Alexander and Susan Kennedy and living in Broxburn.

Table 9.2: Scotland 1871 Census, Broxburn, Uphall, West Lothian

Name	Age	Relation	Occupation
Alexander Kennedy	43	Husband	Under ground manager
Susan Neil	42	Wife	
William Kennedy	19	Son	Engine Keeper
John Kennedy	17	Son	Miner
Susan Kennedy	13	Daughter	
Elizabeth Kennedy	6	Daughter	
Janet Kennedy	4	Daughter	

## 9.3 William's Parents in Scotland

In multiple census documents William listed his date of arrival in the US as 1873. In the census he lists his birthplace as Scotland on multiple occasions. In his son Wallace's WWI draft card it lists his father's birthplace as Broxburn, Scotland. William's death certificate states that his father was Alexander Kennedy and his mother Susan Neil, both from Scotland.

In his mother's death notice it is mentioned that his father Alexander was a mine manager.

KENNEDY.—At Rosebank, Broxburn, on the 17th inst. Susan Neil, in her seventy-first year, beloved wife of Alexander Kennedy, mine manager.—Funeral to Uphall Cemetery to-day (Friday), at 3 o'clock.—Friends, please accept this (the only) intimation and invitation.

Figure 9.1: Death Notice for William's Mother Susan, Glasgow Herald, Jan 19, 1900

William's father died on September 7, 1906 at age 79. His obituary mentions his career as a mine manager. He was an important man, because the obituary contains his picture. It also mentions that the stores in town closed for his funeral procession.

**The Late Mr Alex. Kennedy,  
Broxburn.**

**A VETERAN MINE MANAGER.**



Mr Alexander Kennedy, retired mine manager, Broxburn, whose portrait we give passed away at his residence at Rosebank Cottage, Station Road, last Friday morning after a very short illness. The deceased, who was manager of the local shale mines throughout their extensive development and the rapid growth of the Broxburn oil works during the past thirty or forty years, retired from the position fully a year ago, when a sketch of his career was published in the columns of the "Courier." He enjoyed fairly good health since his retirement, and during the past month (August) was holidaying at Rothesay, Ayr, and Kilmarnock. His concluding journey was a visit to a daughter in Bothwell from Monday till Wednesday of last week, and he returned home on the Wednesday evening by the 9.30 train. On his arrival here he complained of having felt a little indisposed while in the train, and he gradually became worse during the night, with the result that Dr Scott was called in. The doctor held out little hope for his recovery, and after two nights and one day's illness, Mr Kennedy passed peacefully away at seven o'clock on Friday morning. The funeral took place to Uphall Cemetery on Monday afternoon, and was one of the largest that has been seen in the district. The deceased was well known and highly respected, and as the cortege wended its way to the cemetery all the shops on the route were closed and many other tokens of respect shown. The local mines had been closed at mid-day, and among the mourners were several of the directors of Broxburn Oil Company, a large number of the miners, and the heads of other departments. The remains, encased in a beautiful oak coffin supplied by Mr M. McGavin, undertaker, were conveyed to their last resting-place in Mr G. Grant's coffin-car. A short service was conducted at the grave by Mr William Allan, of the Ebenezer Hall religious body, with which the deceased was identified. Mr Kennedy, who was in his 79th year, was predeceased by his wife seven or eight years ago, and leaves a family of two sons and five daughters, all married, of whom one daughter (Mrs Towe) resided with him at Rosebank Cottage, while one of the sons (Mr John Kennedy, a successful local merchant) resides in the neighbouring villa of Jessieville.

The deceased belonged to the west, and received his early training with Messrs Robert Addie & Sons, of Rosehall, at coal and ironstone mining. He was manager of that firm's ironstone pit at Airdrie immediately before he came to Broxburn forty years ago as mining manager to the late Mr Robert Bell, of Clifton Hall, the pioneer of shale mining in Broxburn. When the Broxburn Oil Company, Limited, took over the local oilworks from Mr Bell, upwards of twenty-eight years ago, they retained Mr Kennedy's services, and in the management of their extensive shalefield he has been most successful. When he first came to Broxburn the only source of supply was what was known as No. 2 Pit, the shaft of which was near Old Stewartfield Rows. Shortly thereafter, however, the very valuable "Broxburn shale" was discovered, and it was wrought by a system of open casting at North Greendykes, between Broxburn and Niddry. The opening up of other mines round the district followed, and the daily output of shale for Broxburn oilworks during Mr Kennedy's tenure of service increased from 200 to 1600 tons, while the products extended from only crude oil, as it was originally, to sulphate of ammonia, wax, crude, and various refined oils, all extracted from the shale. No doubt, in such a responsible position, with latterly something like 800 men under him in the different sections of so many mines, Mr Kennedy in his long period of management saw something of the disputes that are inevitable between employer and employee, the most outstanding being the great struggle of 1887, "the big strike" as it is called, which was a bitter experience for both the men and the employers. Since then the disputing factions have generally been willing to discuss matters of difference with a view to amicable settlement, and Mr Kennedy's frankness at these discussions has usually been the cause of the absence of local disputes of any magnitude between the company and their miners. The deceased during his residence in Broxburn also saw the village extend from a little hamlet of between 500 and 800 inhabitants to the large industrial community it now is with nearly 9000 of a population.

Figure 9.2: Obituary for William's Father Alexander, Lothian Courier, Sep 14, 1906

According to the probate record the final estate was valued at £1323. According to the internet, one British pound was about \$4.85 in 1906. So the estate in dollars would have been around \$6,400. This is about the amount William paid for his Seattle house in 1908. Of course we don't know how much, if anything, of the estate went to William.

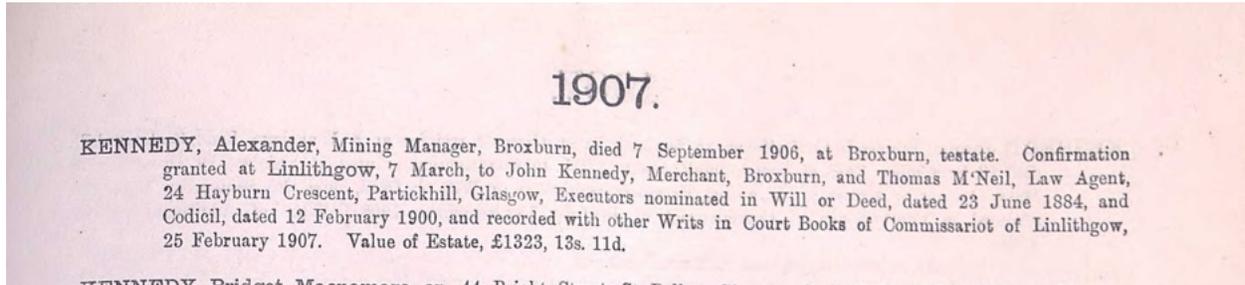


Figure 9.3: Probate entry for William's Father Alexander Kennedy

The obituary lists the residence of William's parent as "Rosebank Cottage, Station Road". This could be the house at address 22 Station Road, which has "Rosebank Cottage" engraved on its entry way pillars. Below is a Streetview image and a zoomed in view of the entry pillars.



Figure 9.4: Streetview image of 22 Station Road, Broxburn



Figure 9.5: Entry way of 22 Station Road, Broxburn reading “ROSEBANK COTTAGE”

## 9.4 Farewell Dinner for William: An Important Situation

On July 19, 1873 the local Broxburn newspaper reported on a farewell dinner for William Kennedy. Seated next to him was Alex. Kennedy, manager (presumably his father). It lists William as working for Boghall Works, which was a local competitor to the firm where Alexander Kennedy worked. And a few years later the two companies would merge. We can't know for sure, but there is a good chance that this dinner was for our William Kennedy. If he did in fact leave Scotland that summer, at age 22, then he would arrive in the US in 1873 like he had stated on the census.

The article doesn't give a reason for his leaving, only this: “on the occasion of his leaving Boghall Works to fill an important situation in America”.

Will we ever find out what that important situation was? In 1873 he left and in 1875 he would marry a widow named Emma Glascock in Belleville, IL. But what happened between then?

Below is the full text of the article on the farewell dinner:

SUPPER AND PRESENTATION. — On Friday evening last upwards of thirty friends of Mr Wiliam Kennedy met in Boghall School for the purpose of entertaining him to supper on the occasion of his leaving Boghall Works to fill an important situation in America. The chair was occupied by Mr Peter Mungall, Boghall Store, supported on the right by the guest and Mr Alex. Kennedy, manager; on the left by Messrs Jenkins, Uphall, and Hagerty. Mr Robert Heaps discharged the duties of croupier: After enjoying a substantial supper, the cloth being cleared, the usual loyal toasts were duly honored. The Chairman then rose to propose the health of the guest of the evening, Mr Wm. Kennedy, and in the course of his remarks stated that they were all sorry at the loss of such an esteemed friend as Mr Kennedy, He is a young man that endears himself to all around him. I need say almost nothing as I am sure everyone present knows him thoroughly and can bear testimony to him being a young man of sobriety, energy, and perseverance, and his straight-forward and obliging disposition has made to him many intimate and dear friends, and we beg to assure him that he carries with him to his new sphere of labour our best wishes. I am also proud to see so many of his friends here to night to bid him farewell and to hope that there is a future before him of honorable toil

where the sterling qualities of his head and heart are sure to be appreciated. Turning to him he said—It is my sincere wish and that of the whole company's that your life will be long and prosperous, and in the name of the employees of Boghall works and a few friends, allow me to present you with this purse which is well filled with soveiseigns [sic] as a mark of our respect. Mr Kennedy feelingly replied in appropriate terms and thanked his fellow workmen for the high compliment they had paid him and also their handsome present which was quite unlooked for on his part. Afterwards a few songs, &c., were indulged in by the company, dancing followed, and was kept up with great spirit till an early hour. The meeting was altogether of the most harmonious nature.

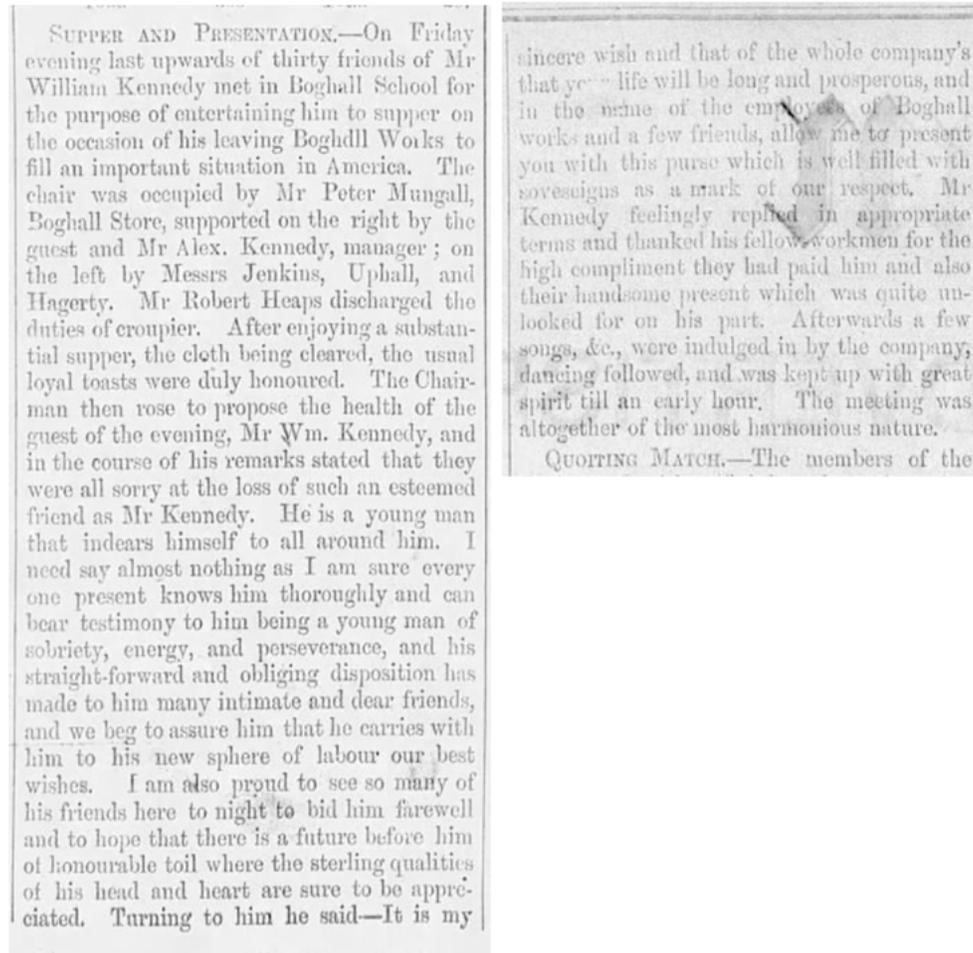


Figure 9.6: Farewell Dinner for William Kennedy, Lothian Courier, Scotland, Jul 19, 1873

## 9.5 Marriage of William and Emma (1874)

William and Emma were married in West Belleville, Illinois, which is just across the state line from St. Louis, MO. West Belleville was a separate city from Belleville at the time, they were combined in 1882.

The date was October 22, 1874.

He was 23 years old, she was 24 years old.

It was her second marriage. So she is listed as Emaline Glascock in the marriage record. She had been married to James Glascock in 1864. So far I have not been able to find any documents about his death. From that first marriage she had two daughters: Rebecca Ann (born 1866) and Caroline (born 1871).

We know Belleville, IL was a major center for mining. By 1874 over 100 shaft mines were in operation. So it makes sense that William Kennedy, with his background in mining, would come here.



Figure 9.7: Belleville 1867

## 9.6 Marriage of William Kennedy's Parents

For completeness we want to include the record for the marriage of William's parents. Alexander Kennedy and Susan Neil married on December 4, 1848 in Bothwell parish, a village outside Glasgow.

The wedding entry is a little sparse. It only mentions "Both of this parish". And "3 days", which means the wedding plans were announced on 3 Sundays in a row in case anybody wanted to raise



wedding for sure.



Figure 9.9: Bothwell Parish Church where Alexander Kennedy and Susan Neil were married in 1848

## 9.7 Birth of William's Father Alexander Kennedy

We did find a beautiful entry in the Glasgow church books for William's father. It is from the christening book of the Glasgow Old Parish Registers.

The entry on the page titled 1827 reads:

Kennedy: William Kennedy, Collier, & Marion Gaul, a law: Son Alexander, bo: 8th March, Wit: John Kennedy, & Alexander Williamson

The parents of Alexander Kennedy were William Kennedy and Marion Gaul. His father's job is listed as Collier, another word for coal miner. The statement "a law:" means the church considered the birth "lawful", i.e. the parents were married. "Wit:" stands for Witnesses.

1827 KENNEDY, ALEXANDER (Old Parish Registers Births 644/ 1 Glasgow) Page 253 of 716  
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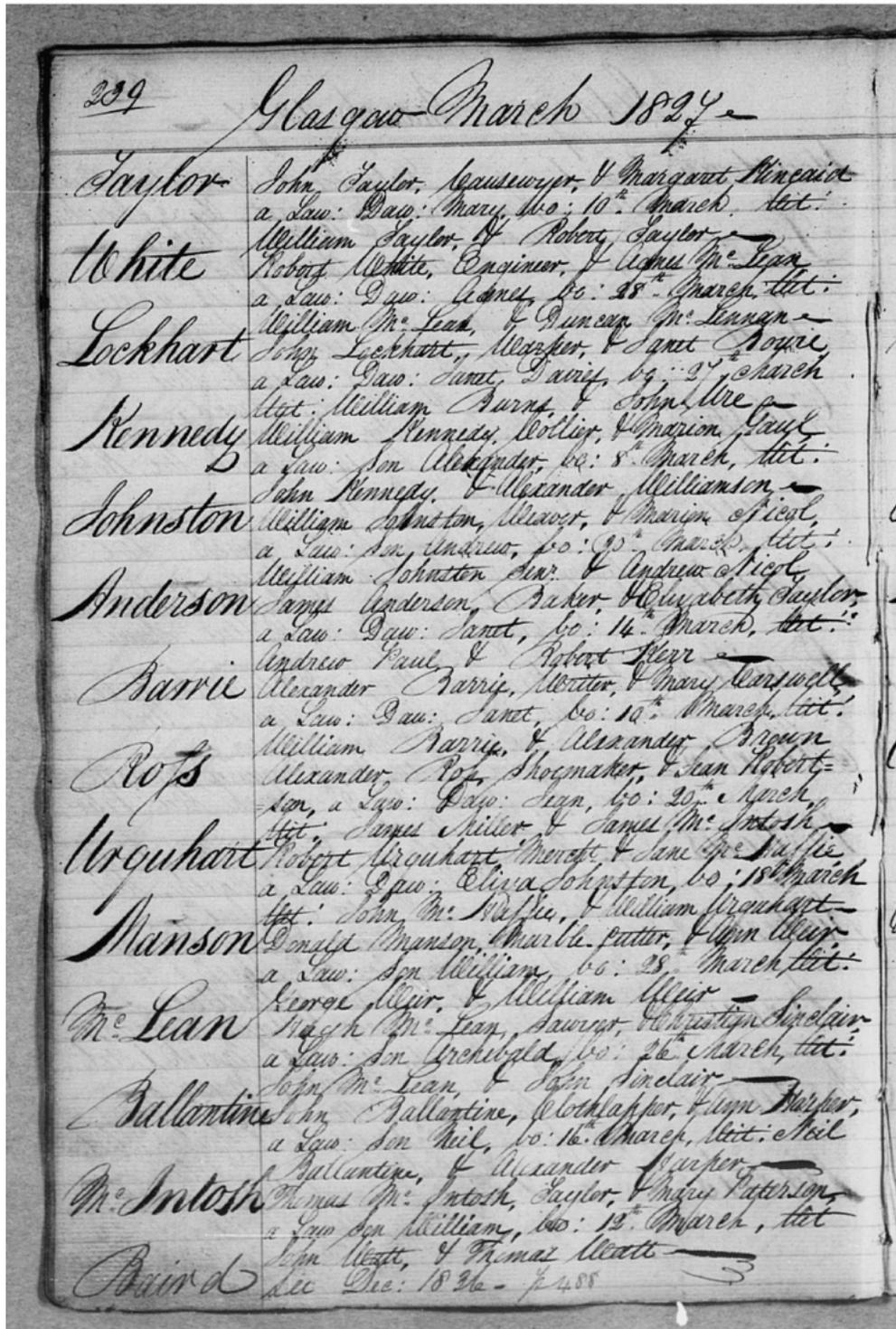


Figure 9.10: Christening of Alexander Kennedy 1827 (Fourth entry from top) - Glasgow Old Parish Registers

# Chapter 10

## The 1860s - Missouri and Scotland

### 10.1 The 1860 Census in the US

Here is the 1860 census in Missouri. Emma was 10 at the time.

Table 10.1: 1860 census, Union Township, Washington County, Missouri. July 9th, 1860.

Name	Age	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Manwaring Charles	39	Farmer	\$600
—, Samantha	38		
—, James	19		
—, Thomas	17		
—, Ann	14		
—, Charles	12		
—, Emiline	10		
—, Frank	8		
—, Rebecca	5		
—, John	1		

The census was taken when Emma's father Charles Manwaring was still alive. Tragically, he would die shortly thereafter in December of 1860. His youngest son, William Manwaring would not be born until January 1861. As far as we know, Emma's mother would never remarry.

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**SCHEDULE 1—Free Inhabitants in Union Township in the County of Washington State of Missouri enumerated by me, on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of July 1860. Jacob Matthews Ass't Marshal  
Post Office Old Mines Mo.**

1	2	3	DESCRIPTION.			7	VALUE OF ESTATE OWNED.		10	11	12	13	14
			Age	Sex	Whether Able to read, write, color, or speak		Value of Real Estate	Value of Personal Estate					
		John Boyer	11	M					Missouri				
		Sylvia Boyer	6	F					"				
		Lobby Boy	22	M		Miner			"				
460	460	Nicholas Hegewia	50	M		Miner			"			/	
		Mary Hegewia	50	F					"			/	
		Mary Hegewia	20	F					"			/	
		Nicholas Hegewia	22	M					"			/	
461	461	Charles Manwaring	39	M		Farmer	600	700	"				
		Samantha Manwaring	28	F					"				
		Jane Manwaring	19	M					"			/	
		Geo. Manwaring	17	M					"			/	
		Ann Manwaring	14	F					"			/	
		Chas. Manwaring	12	M					"			/	
		Evilung Manwaring	10	F					"			/	
		Frank Manwaring	8	M					"			/	
		Rebecca Manwaring	5	F					"				
		John Manwaring	1	M					"				
462	462	Wm. Wooster	30	M		School Teacher			New York				
		Maria Wooster	28	F					"				
		Elizabeth Wooster	7	F					Penn.			/	
		Margary Wooster	4	F					Missouri				
		Wm. H. Wooster	32	M					"				
463	463	Richard Matthews	31	M		Farmer	800	2000	Alabama				
		Mary Matthews	35	F					Missouri				
		Ellis Matthews	13	F					"				
		Eliza Matthews	11	F					"				
		Geo. Matthews	6	M					"				
		Ann Matthews	4	F					"				
		Elizabeth Matthews	2	F					"				
		Susan Matthews	1	F					"				
464	464	Mary Polle	38	F		Farmer	1000	200	"			/	
		Madie Polle	26	M		Farmer			"				
		Acra Polle	25	M		Farmer			"				
		Ed. Polle	24	M		Farmer			"				
		Jane Polle	21	M		Farmer			"				
		David Polle	16	M		Farmer			"				
		Acra Polle	15	F					"				
465	465	Augustus Boyer	27	M		Miner			"			/	
		Margaret Boyer	26	F					"			/	
		Mary Boyer	5	F					"				

2400 8100

No. white males, 28 No. colored males, \_\_\_\_\_ No. foreign born, \_\_\_\_\_ No. blind, \_\_\_\_\_  
 No. white females, 30 No. colored females, \_\_\_\_\_ No. deaf and dumb, \_\_\_\_\_ No. insane, \_\_\_\_\_  
 No. idiots, \_\_\_\_\_ No. paupers, \_\_\_\_\_ No. convicts, \_\_\_\_\_

Figure 10.1: 1860 Census page for Union Township, Missouri listing Emaline (Emma) Manwaring, 10 years old and her family

## 10.2 The 1861 Census in Scotland

In 1861 William was 9 years old. His sisters Helen and Marion were still living at home then, by 1871 they had moved out.

We see that William had a baby brother Alexander, but we have no record of his surviving. By the 1871 census he was no longer listed.

Table 10.2: Scotland 1871 Census, Old Monkland, Lanarkshire, Scotland

Name	Age	Relation	Occupation
Alexander Kennedy	33	Husband	Coal Mine Overseer
Susan Neil	32	Wife	
Helen Kennedy	11	Daughter	Scholar
William Kennedy	9	Son	Scholar
John Kennedy	7	Son	Scholar
Marion Kennedy	5	Daughter	
Susan Kennedy	3	Daughter	
Alexander Kennedy	1	Son	



# **Appendix A**

## **Retirement of William's Father**

Here is a very nice article that was published in the Lothian Courier on the occasion of William's father's retirement. He had a long history working for the local mines and rose to manager with 800 workers under him.

### Retiral of a Veteran Mine Manager.

MR ALEXANDER KENNEDY,  
BROXBURN.



The above is a portrait of Mr Alexander Kennedy, of Rosebank Cottage, Station Road, Broxburn, who has managed the shale mines owned by the Broxburn Oil Company since their infancy, and has now, at the advanced age of 77 years, practically retired from active management. It is 38 years passed the 2nd of November since Mr Kennedy came to Broxburn as mining manager to the late Mr Robert Bell, of Clifton Hall, who was the first proprietor of Broxburn Oil Works. At that time the works were very small, practically the only product was crude oil; several smaller firms being engaged with the retorting process and manufacturing on the site of the now extensive Broxburn Oil Works, and all supplied with the shale by Mr Bell. The only source of supply was what was known as No. 2 Pit, the shaft of which was near Old Stewartfield Rews. The success of Broxburn as a shale mining centre was about to commence, however. The North Greendykes Mine, between Broxburn and Niddry, was opened about that time, and in this mine was discovered a shale of considerable value. It was known as

#### THE "BROXBURN SHALE."

and was undoubtedly the making of the Broxburn Works, being, as well as the most valuable shale yet discovered, particularly easy to work in the North Greendykes Mine, where it was found almost on the surface of the ground. It was got by a system of "open casting," a number of navvies being engaged digging away the clay off the top and baring the shale, which was then lifted out along the seam without the expense of "sinking" having had to be incurred. Young's Oil Company are presently working the same seam at Glen-devon, and the Broxburn Company are also working the "Broxburn Shale" again at Loaning Hill, a pit recently opened near Unhall, in connection with their Roman Camp Works. As yet there has been no other shale of such great value found in the district. Other mines gradually opened round about after the success of the North Greendykes venture, and the extent of the progress made in shale mining at Broxburn may be known by the fact that at that time the output per day from these two mines—at Old Stewartfield and North Greendykes—was about 200 tons, while now there are 1600 tons of shale brought up for consumption per day from the company's various mines, and the products now include sulphate of ammonia, crude oil, wax, and various refined oils, all extracted from the shale. When Mr Kennedy came here, 38 years ago, there was

ONLY ONE SLATED HOUSE IN BROX-

#### ONLY ONE SLATED HOUSE IN BROXBURN

—a little cottage where the Cardross Hotel now stands in Greendykes Road. All the other houses were thatched or red tiled, and what is now a large industrial community of nearly 9000 of a population, was then a little hamlet of between 500 and 800 inhabitants. Mr Kennedy originally belonged to the West, and received most of his training with Messrs Robert Addie & Sons, of Rosehall, at coal and ironstone mining. He was manager of that firm's ironstone pit at Aurdie immediately before he came to Broxburn. With the opening up of the additional mines we have referred to after he came to this district, Mr Kennedy gained a valuable experience of shale mining, and when the Broxburn Oil Company, Limited, took over the local oil-works from Mr Bell, upwards of 27 years ago, they retained his services as mine manager for the whole of the mines under their charge. It is safe to affirm that no shale mines in the history of the oil trade in Scotland have, on the whole, been better managed than those of the Broxburn Oil Company, under the able and experienced direction of Mr Kennedy. The Broxburn Company has undoubtedly been

#### THE MOST PROSPEROUS

in the history of the oil trade, and it has been one of the most prosperous industrial concerns in the world. The credit of this happy state of matters, of course, has various sources, and only last week we quoted a eulogy in favour of Mr N. M. Henderson, of The Lodge, Broxburn, to whom the Broxburn Company are under heavy obligations for the excellent way he has managed the works since the formation of the company, and for his retort patent, which has been adopted with eminently satisfactory results. The purpose of the present article, however, is to deal principally with the company's underground work under the management of Mr Kennedy, but it is necessary to make passing reference to the accompanying development of the works and retorts for the consumption of the increased quantity of shale brought from the bowels of the earth, and it has to be mentioned that about fifteen years ago the company, finding their mining operations extending at such a rate, opened additional works at Roman Camp for the working of the shale brought from their mines in the Drumshoredale district, the most valuable product from that shale being sulphate of ammonia. All these mines have also been under the supervision of Mr Kennedy, who carries with him into his retirement the good wishes of the general body of the shale miners throughout the district. No doubt, in such a responsible position, with something like 800 men under him in the different sections of so many mines, he has in that long period of management seen several of the disputes that are inevitable between employer and employee, and

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will be remembered throughout the shale area, and beyond it. That was undoubtedly the fiercest battle that has raged in the shale field between workmen and employers, and to this day it is spoken of in the district with a shudder as "the big strike." The men who remained from their work and resided in the company's houses were, with their wives and children, turned out of home and shelter, and they had wooden huts and tents erected at Old Stewartfield and lived there, preferring the cold and hunger to a return to work on the masters' terms. The strike lasted for twenty-two weeks, and it was a bitter experience, both for the men and their employers. That both the disputing factions benefited from the experience may be admitted, and since then the company and the Shale Association have generally been willing to discuss matters of difference with a view to amicable settlement. Mr Kennedy's frankness at these discussions has usually been the cause of the absence of local disputes between the company and their miners, and although a lock-out threatened the district about eighteen months ago, a repetition of "the big strike" was happily averted by the parties agreeing to refer the dispute to arbitration. Mr Kennedy still enjoys fair health, considering his age, and we are sure all our readers will cordially wish him a long continuance of it in his well-earned retirement.

Figure A.1: Alexander Kennedy retires in 1905, Lothian Courier June 9, 1905

## Appendix B

### Alex M. Kennedy (1875-1938)

Alex Kennedy was the oldest son of William and Emma, and the older brother of Wallace by 22 years. He was married in 1902 to Geraldine Heath of North Dakota. They were married there on Christmas Day 1902 before the Kennedy family moved to Seattle.

He appears to have been very successful in Seattle. He rose to be manager of the Seattle Ice Company and a trustee of Seattle Pacific College (now called Seattle Pacific University).

Alex and Geraldine are resting at Mount Pleasant cemetery in Seattle's Queen Anne neighborhood. The grave is close to that of his brother Wallace, and just a few rows away from the headstone of his parents.



Figure B.1: Wedding of Alex and Geraldine, December 25, 1902

I assume Alex and Geraldine met in High School at Wessington Springs Seminary. They are listed

as graduating in the same class in 1901:

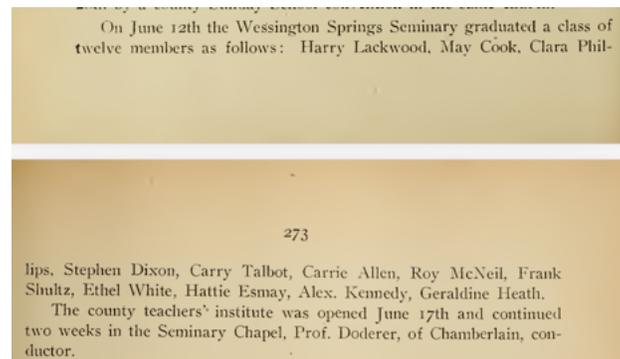


Figure B.2: Wessington Springs Seminary, Graduation 1901 - History of Jerauld County

**KENNEDY, Alex Manwaring**, ice and cold storage distributor, 2200 1st Ave. S., Seattle; **b.** Belleville, Ill., Sept. 19, 1875; **s.** William and Emma (Manwaring) Kennedy; **m.** Anna Geraldine Heath of Gardner, N. D., Dec. 24, 1902; three children, William Gerald, Frances June and Alberta Jean; Wessington Springs Coll., S. D. (junior) 1900; came to Wash. 1904; school principal of Wessington Springs public schools, S. D., 1900-05; city clerk Wessington Springs, S. D., (elected) 1900-05; pres. Nanton Alberta U. F. A. (elected) six years; with Standard Ice Co., Seattle, 1905-17; farmed 1917-23; mgr. and sec. Seattle Ice Co., 1923—; trustee of Seattle Pacific Coll.; trustee of Queen Anne Y.M.C.A. **Lodge:** F. & A. M. **Clubs:** Lions, Natl. Executives; Republican; Baptist; rec. golf; res., 2403 Warren Ave.

Figure B.3: An entry in Who's Who in Washington State, Vol.1 1927

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Figure B.4: One of many advertisements for Seattle Ice Company listing him as manager

SEATTLE PACIFIC COLLEGE		7
Mar. 17	Friday, 8:00 P. M. (Seniors in charge)	All-College Night
Apr. 3	Monday, 8:00 A. M.	Fourth Term Begins
Apr. 6 to Apr. 16	(Movable)	Spring Evangelistic Services
Apr. 17	Monday, 9:45 A. M.	Investiture Program
May 5	Friday (Afternoon)	Field Day
May 12	Friday, 8:00 P. M. (Freshmen in charge)	All-College Night
May 23	Tuesday, 8:00 P. M.	Final Student Service
May 25	Thursday, 8:00 P. M.	Annual Music Recital
May 26	Friday, 6:00 P. M.	Annual Alumni Dinner
May 28	Sunday, 3:00 P. M.	Baccalaureate Service
May 29	Monday, 10:00 A. M.	40th Annual Commencement

#### SUMMER SESSION 1933

June 13	Tuesday, 9:00 to 3:30	Registration
June 14	Wednesday, 8:00 A. M.	Instruction Begins
July 4	Tuesday, Vacation	Independence Day
July 24	Monday, 8:00 A. M.	Second Term Begins
Aug. 24	Thursday, 3:30 P. M.	Instruction Ends

#### BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Accession		Expiration
1908	Charles S. McKinley, Sunnyside, Wash.....	1932
1915	Wells Gwinn, Seattle, Wash.....	1932
1916	Wilbur N. Coffee, <i>President</i> , Salem, Ore.....	1933
1916	Clayton E. Gibson, <i>Secretary</i> , Seattle, Wn.....	1934
1924	Alex M. Kennedy, Seattle, Wash.....	1934
1924	Harry O. Mickey, Wenatchee, Wash.....	1933
1924	Silas M. Smith, Penawawa, Wash.....	1932
1926	A. J. Marston, Seattle, Wash.....	1932
1926	Ray Trullinger, Woodburn, Ore.....	1932
1930	N. C. Morton, Seattle, Wash.....	1933
1930	W. H. Wilson, <i>Treasurer</i> , Seattle, Wash.....	1933
1930	J. Franklin Fisher, Spokane, Wash.....	1932
1931	W. W. Dexter, Bellingham, Wash.....	1934

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Wells Gwinn, <i>President</i>	C. E. Gibson, <i>Secretary</i>
A. J. Marston	Alex M. Kennedy
	W. H. Wilson

Figure B.5: He served as trustee of Seattle Pacific College from 1924-1934

## TWO TRUSTEES ARE INJURED IN AUTO ACCIDENT

The faculty and student body, together with many other friends, were greatly distressed recently in learning about the automobile accident in which Mr. Wells Gwinn and Mr. Alex Kennedy were seriously injured.

They were on their way to Eastern Washington for a few days after the fall board meeting. It seems that some mechanical defect developed which locked one of the wheels of Mr. Gwinn's car. This threw his car into the path of a large car coming at high speed in the opposite direction.

Those who have observed the wreckage feel that it was only providential that their lives were saved. They and their families have our deepest sympathy.

(a) October 21, 1931

## Auto Victims Making Rapid Recoveries

Messrs. Gwinn and Kennedy are making satisfactory progress toward recovery. Both trustees of the college were in an auto accident four weeks ago.

They wish to express their sincere appreciation to the students and faculty members for their kindness and interest in them.

Last week Mr. Kennedy left for San Antonio, Texas, to attend a convention. While there he intends to visit Miss Miriam Marston, a former student of S.P.C.

(b) November 18, 1931

Figure B.6: Car accident in 1931 reported in the Seattle Pacific College Newspaper

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1938.

# OBITUARIES

## A. M. KENNEDY PASSES AWAY

Alexander M. Kennedy, 62 years old, retired ice company executive, died yesterday at Seattle General Hospital after a brief illness.

Mr. Kennedy was born in Bellevue, Ill. He had resided in Seattle thirty-four years and was manager of the Seattle Ice Company. Fourteen years. He retired last November. He was also president of the Northwest Ice Association.

Mr. Kennedy was a member of the Masons, a life member of and past president of the Lions and a trustee of Seattle Pacific College.

Surviving are his widow, Geraldine, a son Gerald; and two daughters, Alberta Kennedy and Mrs. Frances Anderson, all of Seattle; his mother, Mrs. Emma Kennedy; Seattle; two sisters, Mrs. Sue Heath, Alberta, Canada, and Mrs. Jean Hoffer, Grant's Pass, Or.; and five brothers, William F. Kennedy, Okaton, S. D., Herbert E. and Dr. Wallace Kennedy, both of Tacoma, and George W. Kennedy, Santa Monica, Calif.

Figure B.7: Obituary for Alex Kennedy 1938



Figure B.8: Grave site of Alex and Geraldine Kennedy at Mount Pleasant cemetery in Seattle

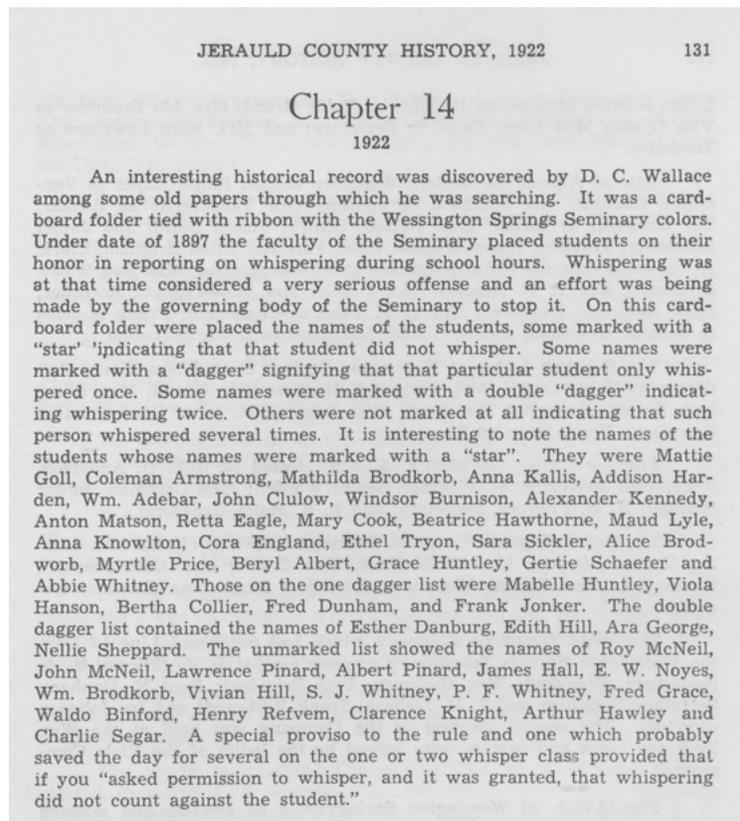


Figure B.9: Amusing anecdote from The History of Jerauld County 1909-1963 about whispering in school



for Townships you need to know if they are South or North, and for Ranges you need to know if they are East or West, but in South Dakota all Townships are North and all Ranges are West so we will ignore that detail.)

This was not fine-grain enough, they needed to divide it up further. A 6 mile by 6 mile area covers 36 square miles. So they called each 1 mile by 1 mile square a “Section”. The sections are numbered from 1 to 36. So if someone gives you their Township, Range and Section then you know where they are to within 1 mile.

The standard homestead claim was for a quarter of a section, which is 160 acres. So each 1 mile by 1 mile section would be divided into 4 homesteads. To identify each quarter of a section they used the compass directions: NE, SE, SW and NW.

For example, looking at Figure C.1 we see an example of Township 2S, Range 3W, Section 14 NE. In the upper right is the Township/Range grid. In the center we zoom into the grid of 36 Sections. And in the lower left we see how a section was divided up into quarters and even finer than that. The upper right part of section 14 shows a traditional homestead of a quarter section, here Section 14 NE. In the upper left we see a quarter section further subdivided four times, into 40 acres each. And other subdivisions were also possible.

Coming now back to Emma and William, their homestead was in Township 100, Range 61, Section 31, NE and SE. This tells us already that they were successful enough to claim not just one but two homesteads.