

KORNS, Jacob, youngest of ten children of Wm. and Elis: (Hoyman) Korn, was b. in Holmes county, Ohio, Apr. 29, 1845, where he lived until he was a young man, then came west and settled on one of the farms purchased from the government by his father in 1854. Jacob served in the Civil war, enlisting in the 46th Vol. at Brooklyn. Many of this company were college students from Iowa college at Grinnell. They were sent to Memphis and experienced some hard service. After his return home he engaged in teaching school, working his farm in the summer. In the fall of 1868 he returned to Fulton Co., O., where he engaged in the mercantile business, and there made the acquaintance of Emma Jacobs, who had come from Norwalk to visit her sisters.

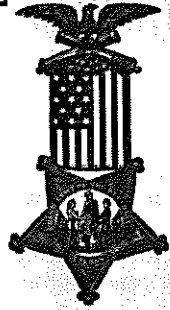
in 1871 they were married and came to Iowa and settled on the farm. This young couple were a great help to the community in those pioneer days. Both were musicians. Many winters he conducted singing schools and she taught music to the children and young people, having brought with her from the old home a melodeon, one of the finest of that day.

They also conducted a Sunday School in the community in school houses until they could build a church, and the church was built on a corner of their farm and was the center of community life until the railroad came through and the little town of Hartwick was founded. Then the church was moved to town.

In 1894 they left the farm and moved to Brooklyn to be near high school and in 1900 came to Grinnell so that the daughters might attend college. In 1919 they came into town to 1618 Park street, and there the mother still resides, the father having died March 25, 1930. The six daughters are: Mrs. F. R. Porter, Mrs. J. L. McHrath, Mrs. Clark Dayton of Brooklyn, Mrs. Jean Stickle of Des Moines, Miss Harriet Korn and Mrs. Ralph Manny of Fort Madison.

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JACOB C. KORNS

2015 will mark the 150th anniversary of the end of America's Civil War. Grinnell Historical Museum volunteers Karen Groves, Ann Igoe, Julie Young and Shane Estes have created biographies of men who were participants in a local project just after World War I to photograph Civil War veterans. The Nina Wayne Grau Studio photographed the Grinnell veterans in 1922. Over 200 Civil War veterans are buried in Hazelwood Cemetery, including most of the veterans photographed in 1922. Here is one of those portraits and biographies:

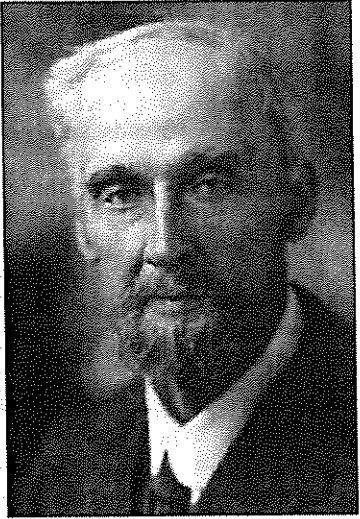
Jacob Korn, the son of William and Eliza Hoyman Korn, was born in Holmes County, Ohio, on April 29, 1845. He was the youngest of 11 children. William Korn purchased several farms in Iowa in 1854, and Jacob came west in 1864 to settle on one of those farms.

Korn enlisted in Company B of the 46th Iowa Infantry on May 16, 1864. Grinnell College Professor L. F. Parker was second lieutenant of this company which included 22 Grinnell College students. Korn was discharged for poor health on Sept. 23, 1864. The 46th Infantry Regiment was one of the

regiments formed with men who enlisted for 100 days of service, created to perform guard and garrison duty so that more experienced units could be put into battle with Generals Grant and Sherman. In an article from the Grinnell Herald

on April 10, 1925, Korn recalled singing with the College Glee Club in their camp at Memphis, Tenn.

Jacob Korn and Emma Jacobs of Ohio were married on Dec. 14, 1871, and became the parents of six daughters. Korn continued to develop the native prairie into their farm near Hartwick.



The Korn gave land for the Hartwick church and helped with its construction in 1875. Both Korn were active in the life of the church. Jacob Korn was a strong singer and taught classes in vocal music for aspiring singers of all ages.

The family moved to Brooklyn in 1894 and to Grinnell in 1901 so the children could attend Grinnell College. They lived at 1018 Park St. in Grinnell.

Jacob Korn died on March 25, 1930, and is buried in Hazelwood Cemetery.