

KORNS, Jacob, youngest of ten children of Wm. and Eliz: (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.

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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 melodicon, 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 1018 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. McIlrath, 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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