

CARL STORJOHANN

May 27, 1877 – January 8, 1949

Carl Storjohann was born on 27 May 1877 in Langenfelde, Stellingen, Altona, Pinneberg Kreis, Germany, the son of **Johann Storjohann** and **Margaretha Caroline Stegelmann**

Bescheinigung über Aufnahme der Geburtsurkunde.

Die Urkunde über die Geburt des, von der *Margaretha Caroline*
Johann Stegelmann, Capitan des Mannes
Johann Storjohann
wohnhaft in *Langenfelde*, am *27^{ten} Mai* 1877
geborenen Kindes *unmündlichen* Geschlechts, mit Vornamen *Karl*

ist bei dem unterzeichneten Standesamte heute aufgenommen worden.

Altona, den *2^{ten} Juni* 1877



Der Standesbeamte.

H. Häselave

Altona, Germany circa 1860



Carl Storjohann circa 1895
Crawford County, Iowa

Chas (Carl) Storjahann (sic) was listed as a landowner in the 1908 Standard Atlas of Crawford County:

Last Name	First	Section	Township Name	Township Number	Range
Storjahann	Chas	32	Goodrich	84	39

In the 1910 federal census **Carl Storjohann** and family were living in Goodrich Township, Crawford County, Iowa. **Carl Storjohann** was a 32-year-old farmer born in Germany of German parents. He immigrated in 1882 and was naturalized. He spoke English and could read and write. He owned his farm but it was mortgaged. **Carl** and **Alma** were married for two years and had two children. **Alma** was 27 years old. She was born in Sweden of Swedish parents. She spoke English and could read and write. Daughter **Lillie** was one year old born in Iowa. Daughter **Isabelle** was two months old born in Iowa.

Carl Storjohann	Male	32	Married	German	1882
Alma	Female	27	Married	Swedish	1883
Lillie	Female	1	Single	Swedish	1909
Isabelle	Female	2	Single	Swedish	1910

The **Carl Storjohann** family was listed in the "Farmers Directory of Crawford County, 1920" Goodrich Township:

Storjohann, Carl. Wife Elvera [sic]; children Lillie, Isabel, Raymond, Julia, Elvera. P. O. Denison, Route 6., Owner 320 acres, section 32; Owner 20 acres, section 29 (39 years in the county) "Evergreen Grove Stock Farm"



In the 1920 federal census **Carl Storjohann** and family were living in Goodrich Township, Crawford County, Iowa:

Storjohann	Carl	42	
Storjohann	Alma	37	
Storjohann	Lillie	11	
Storjohann	Isabelle	10	
Storjohann	Ra(y)mond	8	
Storjohann	Julia	7	
Storjohann	Elvera	5	
Arnott	Claude	17	Hired Man

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Alma	Female	37	Married	Swedish	1883
Lillie	Female	11	Single	Swedish	1909
Isabelle	Female	10	Single	Swedish	1910
Raymond	Male	8	Single	Swedish	1912
Julia	Female	7	Single	Swedish	1913
Elvera	Female	5	Single	Swedish	1915
Claude Arnott	Male	17	Single	Swedish	1903

He was the subject of an article published in the Denison Bulletin newspaper on 1 October 1924:

CARL STORJOHANN MILKING ELEVEN HEAD OF CATTLE

Says Dairying Means Monthly Cash Income and That It Is a Big Help

That dairying has helped him to meet the present critical agricultural situation much better than he could otherwise have done is the opinion of Carl Storjohann, located on 340 acres of good Crawford county soil, three miles northwest of Denison, and which farm he has occupied for seventeen years. He has named his place "Evergreen Grove."

He has 100 acres in corn and 25 acres of oats, which were only fair this year, he says, owing to hail, which damaged them early in the season and reduced the yield.

Mr. Storjohann is a great believer in the food value of alfalfa and has 45 acres of it. He was one of the first farmers in Crawford county to grow this great crop, starting more than thirteen years ago. He used it for hay almost entirely.

He says he believes it is one of the greatest and most profitable crops that any farmer can grow and advocates it for every farm.

Dairying has proven a profitable enterprise on the Storjohann farm. Eleven cows, mixed grades, are being milked at present. The cream is being sold at Denison and the calves and pigs get the skimmed milk, with most beneficial results. "Dairying has been a profitable venture for us," said Mr. Storjohann, "in fact I might say that the monthly cash income from our cows has been one of the big things on our farm and has kept us going. It means a monthly cash revenue and that is a big thing now days on the farm."

There are 120 head of cattle on the farm, mostly Herefords. Mr. Storjohann has been an extensive cattle feeder in the past and likes it. He is not sure that he will feed this year. The 120 head now on the farm are all young stuff, among them thirty spring calves, all on pasture, 135 acres. He talked of feeding out a part of these this winter.

The farm is supplied with electric light from an individual plant. Mr. Storjohann says he has found this plant very convenient and very little trouble. He believes in a tractor under certain conditions for farm work, such as belt work, etc. He has a machine and uses it for a number of purposes, principally, however, for road work, he having charge of six miles of road near his farm.

He is also an advocate of the farm truck and says that if he could not get another he would not take any sum for the one he owns.

Mr. Storjohann does most of his own work on the farm.



The Carl Storjohann farm ("Evergreen Grove Stock Farm") was located in the "V" formed by the intersection of Routes 141 and 59 about three miles northwest of Dennison.

In the 1930 federal census the **Carl Storjohann** family comprised:

Storjohann, Carl	52	Married at age 29	Born in Germany of German parents	Immigrated in 1882
Storjohann, Alma	47	Married at age 24	Born in Sweden of Swedish parents	Immigrated in 1891
Storjohann, Lillie	21			
Storjohann, Isabel	20			
Storjohann, Julia	17			
Storjohann, Elvera	14			
Martin Ahart	42	Born in Switzerland	Immigrated in 1891	Hired Man

114	114	Storjohann, Carl	Head.	0		R	Y	M	W	52	M	29	No	Y	Germany	Germany
		Alma	wife	47		X	F	W	47	M	24	No	Y	Sweden	Sweden	
		Lillie	daughter	21		X	F	W	21	S		No	Y	Switzerland	Germany	
		Isabel	daughter	20		X	F	W	20	S		No	Y	Switzerland	Germany	
		Julia	daughter	17		X	F	W	17	S		Y	Y	Switzerland	Germany	
		Elvera	daughter	14		X	F	W	14	S		Y	Y	Switzerland	Germany	
		Ahart Martin	Hired man.	42		X	M	W	42	S		No	Y	Switzerland	Switzerland	
Germany	German	13	13	V	1882	NA	Y	10	Farmer	General Farm	UUUU	E	Y	No	112	8
Sweden	Swedish	04	06	V	1891	NA	Y	10	None							6
Sweden		65	13	0			Y	10	None							6
Sweden		65	13	0			Y	10	None							6
Sweden		65	13	0			Y	10	None							6
Sweden		65	13	0			Y	10	None							6
Switzerland	Swiss	13	11	V	1891	NA	Y	10	Farmer	General Farm	UUUU	W	Y	No		6

The Denison Review newspaper noted his 50 years in America in a 16 June 1932 article:

Carl Storjohann Celebrated 50th Year in Vicinity

Well Known Resident of Goodrich Township Came to This Vicinity on June 11, 1882

Has Lived Here Continuously

Successful Farmer Has Always Been Prominent and a Leader in Farmers Union Circles

Carl Storjohann, well known farmer of Goodrich township, celebrated the fiftieth year of his residence in this community Sunday and a family gathering was enjoyed at his home.

It was June 11, 1882 he came to Goodrich township from Germany with his parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. Johann Storjohann, both of whom died in 1912. Carl was one of three children, having a brother John, now deceased, and a sister, Mrs. Caroline Drepper of Bloomfield, Neb. He also had three half-brothers, namely, Wm. Harm of Bloomfield, August Harm of Denison and Christ Harm, now deceased.

When Mr. Storjohann came here he was but five years of age. His boyhood was spent here and he herded cattle in the vicinity where he now lives. He was married to Miss Alma Olson on February 26, 1908, at Denison and they located on their present farm in Goodrich township, farming 340 acres. He also owns property in Denison. By consistent effort and good management in good times and bad Mr. Storjohann and his wife have been successful in

their chosen work and have probably amassed more than the average amount of worldly goods. They have always been leaders in the Farmers Union organization and in all worthwhile projects they have given their cooperation.

They were blessed with five children, one of whom, C. Raymond, is now deceased. Those living are Lillie Caroline, Isabel Mathilda who is now Mrs. Carl Beymer, Julia Marguerite and Elvera Eleanor.

Among Mr. Storjohann's prized possessions are two pieces which have been in the family for many years. He has a cedar chest which was made in 1805 by his grandfather in Germany and it is in as good condition as when first made. He also has a tobacco box which was made the same year in Germany which has been a unique keepsake.

We extend congratulations to Mr. Storjohann upon the completion of his fiftieth year in this community and trust that he will always see fit to make this his home.

Carl and Alma retired from their farm in February 1939 and moved to 1924 Broadway, Denison, Iowa, the former home of **Alma's** parents **Chris and Mathilda Olson**.



Carl and Alma Storjohann circa 1946 – 1924 Broadway, Denison, Iowa

The Denison Bulletin of 10 October 1940 reported that **Carl and Alma** together with their daughters **Julia** and **Elvera** visited his cousin, Henry (born Johannes Heinrich Diedrich) Storjohann, and his family at Gladbrook, Iowa. A year later Henry, his wife Alvina and son Alvin visited **Carl and Alma** at Denison. Many Storjohanns emigrated from Schleswig-Holstein, Germany, in the mid- to late-1800s to Grundy and Tama Counties of Iowa. Several families remain to reside there.

Carl and Alma also traveled to O'Neill, Nebraska, during the 1940s to visit Herman Storjohann, a store merchant, and his family. Herman may well have been a cousin, too.

The ancestral links to establish the family relationships of **Carl** and Henry as well as **Carl** and Herman haven't as yet been discovered.

Johann Storjohann
June 11, 1831 – January 4, 1912

Margaretha Caroline Stegelmann
February 23, 1832 – April 22, 1912

Johann Storjohann was born on 11 June 1831 in Germany the son of **Jochim Storjohann** and **Anna Elsabe Langmann**.

Johann and Caroline Storjohann; Chr(is), Aug(ust), and Wilh(elm) Harm; and John, Caroline, and Karl Storjohann departed Liverpool, England, aboard the ship **Dominion** belonging to the Dominion Line on 25 May 1882 and arrived at the city of Quebec, Canada, on 7 June 1882. They arrived at Denison, Iowa, on 11 June 1882 probably by train.

DOMINION LINE
SCHEDULE B. *No 26*
FORM OF PASSENGER LIST.

SHIP'S NAME	MASTER'S NAME	TONS PER REGISTER	APPROXIMATE DEPARTURE	TOTAL NUMBER OF PASSENGERS	ADULTS, REFERENCE OF PASSENGERS, OTHER THAN CHILDREN, WHICH THE SHIP CAN LEGITIMATELY CARRY	WHERE BORN
<i>Dominion</i>	<i>A. Reid</i>	<i>2031</i>	<i>7159</i>	<i>0.88</i>		<i>Quebec</i>

I hereby Certify that the Provisions actually taken on Board this Ship are sufficient, according to the requirements of the Passengers' Acts, for *300* Seafaring Adults, for a voyage of *32* days.
Date *25 May 1882* *Arthur Reid* Master

NAMES AND DESCRIPTIONS OF PASSENGERS.
N.B.—Children Passengers must also be included in this Schedule, after the other Passengers. See 6 of 26 and 27 First, Chap. 51.

No.	Name	Sex	Age of each	Profession
<i>217</i>	<i>Johann Storjohann</i>	<i>M</i>		
<i>218</i>	<i>Caroline</i>	<i>F</i>		<i>Wife</i>
	<i>Chr Harm</i>	<i>M</i>		<i>Son</i>
	<i>Aug</i>	<i>M</i>		
	<i>Wilh</i>	<i>M</i>		
	<i>John Storjohann</i>	<i>M</i>		<i>Son</i>
	<i>Caroline</i>	<i>F</i>		<i>Child</i>
	<i>Karl</i>	<i>M</i>		

Christian, August and Wilhelm Harm were sons of **Margaretha Caroline Stegelmann** and her first husband, **Claus Hinrich Harms**.

The 1885 Iowa State Census recorded **John (Johann)**, farmer, and his wife **Caroline**, housekeeper, **Storzohon (Storjohann)** in Goodrich Township, Crawford County, Iowa, with their children **John, Caroline** and **Carl**. **John (Johan)** was 53, **Caroline** 50, son **John** 15, daughter **Caroline** 9 and **Carl** 7.

They were neighbors to **Johann's** sister, **Christina** and her husband **Hans Henry (Hans Hinrich) Saggau** and their children John and Martin. Other neighbors included Henry (Jochim Heinrich) Poggensee and his wife Mary and their children Edwin, William, Anna and Gustav as well as Claus (Claus Friedrich) Poggensee and his wife Mary and son Fredrick. (Jochim Heinrich and Claus Friedrich Poggensee were Christina's sons from her first marriage.)

Johann Storjohann purchased his farm in Denison Township, Crawford County, Iowa on 27 October 1890, and he (“Johann Storg”) was shown to be a farmer at Denison, Crawford County, in the “Crawford Farmers Directory of 1892.”

Filed for record the 29th day of October A. D. 1890, at 3:30 P. M. to the Recorder, Deputy

NOT FOR LEGAL PURPOSES

Geo. E. Russell & wife
 to
 Johann Storjohann

Know all Men by these Presents:
 That George E. Russell and Abbie A. Russell his wife

of Crawford County, State of Iowa, in consideration of the sum of Fourteen Hundred Forty and no/100 Dollars, in hand paid by Johann Storjohann of Crawford County, State of Iowa, do hereby **SELL AND CONVEY** unto the said Johann Storjohann and to his heirs and assigns, the following described premises, situated in the County of Crawford and State of Iowa, to-wit:

The North West quarter of the South West quarter of Section Twenty one the North East quarter of the South East quarter of Section Twenty seven Township Eight four Range Third - Range 27th 87th East 20th North 16th West 19th 20th 84th R 39 Crawford County Iowa containing eight acres according to Government Survey and in full part part agreed to give to party of the second part sufficient ground for a road 16 feet wide across the N. E. 1/4 of the S. E. 1/4 of the 19-84-39 leading to the ridge road and part of the second part agreed to give to party of the first part sufficient ground for a road across the N. E. 1/4 of the S. E. 1/4 of the 19-84-39

NOT FOR LEGAL PURPOSES

And we do hereby covenant with the said Johann Storjohann that they are free from incumbrance, excepting a Mortgage of Fourty five hundred dollars against the S. E. 1/4 of the N. E. 1/4 of the 19-84-39 of the 27th 87th East 20th North 16th West 19th 20th 84th R 39 of the State of Iowa, and we do hereby covenant to WARRANT AND DEFEND the said premises against the lawful claims of all persons whomsoever, except as stated above

And the grantor aforesaid hereby relinquish all contingent rights, including right of dower, which had in and to the said described premises.

Dated the 27 day of October A. D. 1890

NOT FOR LEGAL PURPOSES

State of Iowa } ss.
 Crawford County, Iowa }
 On this 27th day of October A. D. 1890, before me, J. H. Boynton, a Justice of the Peace in and for said County, personally came George E. Russell and Abbie A. Russell, his wife, to me personally known to be the identical persons whose names are affixed to the above Deed as grantors and acknowledged the



“Dad’s Folks”

In the 1900 federal census **Johann** and **Carolina Storj(o)hann** were living in Denison Township, Crawford County, Iowa. **Johann** was born in June 1831 in Germany of German parents and was 68 years old. He was a farmer. **Carolina** was born in February 1835 in Germany of German parents and was 65 years old. **Johann** and **Carolina** were married 41 years. **Johann** and **Carolina** immigrated in 1882 and had been in the U.S. for 18 years. **Johann** was naturalized. **Johann** and **Carolina** could read and write but could not speak English. **Johann** owned his farm but it was mortgaged. The census indicates incorrectly that **Carolina** had 10 children and there were 10 living children. **Carolina** had 6 children – three by her first marriage and three with **Johann**. **Johann** had four children by his first marriage to make 10. Thus there was probably a misinterpretation regarding the number of children borne by **Carolina**. The term of their marriage was also misrepresented. Married in 1868 it would have been 31 years.

677707	Johann	Male	W	M	June 1831	68	M	41	Germany
211721	Carolina	Female	W	F	Feb 1835	65	M	41	Germany
Germany	Germany	1868	18	Ja	Germany	6	1/2	4	10
Germany	Germany	1868	18				1/2	4	10

Johann Storjohann
 married
Margaretha
Caroline
Stegelmann on 25
 August 1868 in
 Germany.

12.25.37
 Aug. 36

Witwer Johann Storjohann, Käthner u. Mauermann
 in Kisdorf im Wohld, ehelicher Sohn des Käthners
 Jochim Storjohann zu Sievershütten und der Anna
 geb. Langmann, geboren 1831, 11 Juny, mit Witwe
 Margaretha Caroline Harms, geborene Stegelmann
 zu Kisdorf im Wohld, hinterlassene Ehefrau des
 Arbeitmannes Claus Hinrich Harms zu Stukenborn
 und einer ehelichen Tochter des Hufners Claus
 Hinrich Stegelmann zu Vinzier und der in
 Stukenborn lebenden Anna, geb. Stegelmann,
 alt 36 Jahre.

13.30.28
 Aug. 21

...von ihm : Abfindungs - Bescheinigung 4 unmündigen Kinder erster Ehe,
 Kaltenkirchen 13. August 1868, Königliches Amtsgericht, Pfaff
 von ihr : Abfindungs - Bescheinigung ihrer 3 Kinder erster Ehe d.d. 13.
 August 1868, Kaltenkirchen im Amtsgericht, Pfaff, und privat
 Bescheinigung d.d. Sülfeld 23. August 1868 B.?..... ?

Copulationsregister 1868
 25 August 37 / 36

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Johann & Margaretha Caroline
 circa 1910



CERTIFICATE OF DEATH STATE OF IOWA—Department of Vital Statistics 24-00215

1. County of Crawford [If death occurred in a Hospital or Institution, give its NAME instead of street and number.]

2. Township of Denison

3. City or Town of Denison (No. _____ St. _____ Ward _____)

4. FULL NAME Johann Storzhan

5. SEX Male & COLOR White

6. DATE OF BIRTH Jan 4 1831 (Month) (Day) (Year)

7. DATE OF BIRTH June 11 1831 (Month) (Day) (Year)

8. AGE 80 (Years) 6 (Months) 23 (Days)

9. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED OR DIVORCED Married

10. BIRTHPLACE (State or Country) Germany

11. NAME OF FATHER Jochim Storzhan

12. BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (State or Country) Germany

13. MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER do not know

14. BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (State or Country) Germany

15. OCCUPATION Retired Farmer

16. THE ABOVE STATED PERSONAL PARTICULARS ARE TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF (Informant) Carl Storzhan (Address) Denison Ia

17. HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from Jan 4 1912 to Jan 5 1912 that I last saw her alive on _____ and that death occurred on the date stated above, at _____

18. P. M. The CAUSE OF DEATH was as follows: I was called but deceased died before I arrived from heart failure following a long history of all indications of Contributory (79) (Duration) 62 Days

19. (Signed) J. J. Meckel M.D. (Address) Denison Ia

20. SPECIAL INFORMATION only for Hospitals, Institutions, Transients or Recent Residents. Former or Usual Residence _____ How long at Place of Death? _____ Days

Where was disease contracted, if not at place of death? _____

21. PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL Oakland 22. DATE OF BURIAL 1/7 1912

23. UNDERTAKER Paul Johnson 24. ADDRESS Denison

Johann died on 4 January 1912 in Denison Township, Crawford County, Iowa.



Margaretha Caroline Stegelmann was born on 23 February 1832 in Vinzier, Germany, the daughter of **Claus Hinrich Stegelmann** and **Anna**.

She died on 22 April 1912 in Denison Township, Crawford County, Iowa.



CERTIFICATE OF DEATH STATE OF IOWA—Department of Vital Statistics 24-00260

1. County of Crawford [If death occurred in a Hospital or Institution, give its NAME instead of street and number.]

2. Township of Denison

3. City or Town of Denison (No. _____ St. _____ Ward _____)

4. FULL NAME Carolina Storzhan

5. SEX Female & COLOR White

6. DATE OF BIRTH Feb 23 1832 (Month) (Day) (Year)

7. DATE OF BIRTH Feb 23 1832 (Month) (Day) (Year)

8. AGE 77 (Years) 2 (Months) 30 (Days)

9. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED OR DIVORCED Widow

10. BIRTHPLACE (State or Country) Germany

11. NAME OF FATHER Jochim Stegelmann

12. BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (State or Country) Germany

13. MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER do not know

14. BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (State or Country) Germany

15. OCCUPATION Retired

16. THE ABOVE STATED PERSONAL PARTICULARS ARE TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF (Informant) Carl Storzhan (Address) Denison

17. HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from Mar 1 1912 to Apr 22 1912 that I last saw her alive on Apr 21 1912 and that death occurred on the date stated above, at _____

18. P. M. The CAUSE OF DEATH was as follows: Acute nephritis (Duration) 60 Days

19. (Signed) J. J. Meckel M.D. (Address) Denison Ia

20. SPECIAL INFORMATION only for Hospitals, Institutions, Transients or Recent Residents. Former or Usual Residence _____ How long at Place of Death? _____ Days

Where was disease contracted, if not at place of death? _____

21. PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL Oakland 22. DATE OF BURIAL 4/24 1912

23. UNDERTAKER Paul Johnson 24. ADDRESS Denison

Johann Storjohann and Margaretha Caroline Stegelmann had the following children:

- i. **Johann (John) Hinrich Friederich Storjohann**
- ii. **Johanna Caroline (Lena) Storjohann**
- iii. **Carl Storjohann**

**Rear: Johann (John) and Carl
Front: Johann, Lena, Caroline**

