

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative McDermid, Pierre Senator _____

Served from Adair County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 4 Dec 1875 Monteville, Iowa

2. Marriage (s) date place _____

Did not marry

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business Member of Adair County Medical Society; Iowa State Medical Society and American Medical Association

B. Civic responsibilities Mason; Eastern Star; Elks; Knights of Pythias; Drives

C. Profession Physician and surgeon; large scale work; raised livestock

4. Church membership Methodist

5. Sessions served 36th General assembly 1915-1916

6. Public Offices

A. Local _____

B. State _____

C. National _____

7. Death 23 Mar 1922 Monteville, Iowa, Buried in Monteville Cemetery Monteville, Iowa

8. Children No children

9. Names of parents Dr. Peter and Anna (Katherine) Mc Dermid

10. Education He was educated in schools of Monticello, graduating from Monticello, Iowa High School

11. Degrees Senior College, Anderson, Iowa; Drake University, Des Moines, Iowa graduate 1894; Rush Medical College graduate in 1898.

12. Other applicable information Democrat.

- He grew up in Monticello, Iowa where his father was also a physician
- After graduating from medical school in interned in St. Joseph's Hospital for one year in Chicago
- 1900 - went abroad, studying medicine in Edinburgh and London.
- Returned to Monticello and opened his medical practice.
- Military service - WWI - lieutenant in the Medical Corps, 56th Regt. of Joint Postal Base for 3 years, his health became faint and he returned home
- His father served in the 23rd General Assembly of the Iowa Legislature 1890.

DR. PIERRE McDERMID



The death of Dr. Pierre McDermid, whose critical illness was recorded in these columns last week, occurred at his home here Thursday afternoon, March 23, at 5:30, after a short illness of less than two days. On Tuesday he was about town as usual and that evening made a professional call in the country. At about one o'clock Wednesday morning he was taken suddenly ill and was unconscious from that time, with the exception of a few minutes at about five o'clock Wednesday morning. His death is thought to have been caused by a blood clot on the brain. Although his condition was considered hopeless from the first, everything possible was done for his relief. Dr. Daniel Glomset, of Des Moines, was called here in consultation with Dr. Stroupe, but could offer no hope for his recovery. His age at the time of his death was 46 years, 3 months and 19 days.

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State Medical Society and the American Medical Association.

Funeral services were held at the Methodist church Sunday afternoon at 2:30 and were in charge of the Masonic lodge, of which Dr. McDermid was a member for many years. The funeral sermon was delivered by Rev. John Yoeng, of Greenfield. An assembly of mourning friends of sufficient number to fill the church twice was in attendance to pay their last respects to the departed one, and included many from nearby towns. An unusually large and beautiful display of flowers gave silent testimony of the sincere grief of many friends. The body was laid to rest in the Fontanelle cemetery.

The relatives from a distance who attended the funeral are: Mrs. Laura H. McManigal, of Horton, Kansas; Miss Maggie McDermid, of Muscatine; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. B. Hetherington, of Creston; Mrs. Mary Martin, of Milwaukee, Wisconsin; Oscar Wall and daughter Marjorie, of Greenfield. Wm. A. Warrington, of Kansas City, a college friend of the doctor's was also here.

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MRS. G. B. MILLER DIED IN DES MOINES LAST NIGHT

Friends of Mrs. G. B. Miller were shocked this morning to hear of her death which occurred at the Congregational hospital in Des Moines at 3:20 this morning, after a short illness of pneumonia. The first news of her illness received here came yesterday morning, when Dr. G. R. Miller telephoned to M. M. Miller, saying his mother was critically ill, that she had been taken to the hospital and physicians offered no hope for her recovery. Monday relatives here received from Mrs. Miller a letter she had written Sunday, in which she mentioned having a cold, but it was not thought to be serious. Mr. and Mrs. Miller have been in Des Moines the past month visiting with their sons, Dr. G. R. Miller and M. Mayo Miller.

The body will be brought home tomorrow afternoon and the funeral will be held at the Congregational church Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

Mrs. C. F. Hulbert was in Des Moines several days last week.

Mrs. Fannie Bloomfield is quite sick with influenza.

Mrs. Ella B. Wood has been very sick the past ten days with influenza, but is now somewhat better.

Miss Carrie Mead, who has been music teacher in the schools here since the first of the year, resigned her position on account of ill health and went to Des Moines Monday evening. Another music teacher will be secured as soon as possible.

W. F. Elliott has purchased of Don Shannon the residence property in the northwest part of town which he recently bought of Mrs. O. C. Bartlett. Mr. Elliott and family are moving in this week. John Lee and family have moved to the house east of the home of Mrs. C. C. Evans north of town.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH Sunday, April 2nd

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In 1900 Dr. McDermid went abroad and continued his medical studies in Edinburgh and London. When his work was completed he returned home and began the practice of his profession, which he continued until shortly before his death.

Dr. McDermid was active politically, having been affiliated with the Democratic party. In 1914 he was elected to the State legislature, as representative from Adair county. When America entered the World War Dr. McDermid was one of the first in this community to offer services to his country and was commissioned a lieutenant in the medical corps. Upon entering the service, however, it was found that he was in poor health and he returned home.

He promptly began the fight to regain his old time vigor, consulting the best medical advice in the country and never once relaxing his fine spirit of optimism and carrying his good cheer to hundreds of homes in this community, where affliction had fallen.

Dr. McDermid was a Mason, as was his father, and was deeply attached to the order. He was a member of the Fontanelle lodge and of the Eastern Star. He belonged to St. John's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Bethany Commandery of the Knight's Templar, at Creston; Des Moines Consistory Scottish Rite Masons; Za-Ga-Zig Temple of the Mystic Shrine. He was also a member of the Elks and of the Knight's of Pythias.

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A Tribute of Love to Our Old School Mate and Physician.

To Dr. Pierre:
 Firm of step and high of purpose,
 We have seen thee in past years,
 Pressing on, without a waver,
 For the crown which knowledge wears.
 Having thus attained, we saw thee
 Justly wearing such a crown;
 In the realm of great physicians
 Thou didst gain a high renown.
 We have sought thee in the night time,
 With our "loved" on bed of pain;
 Thou hast given up thy comfort
 To restore to health again.
 Nor did any distance daunt thee,
 Thou didst come o'er hill and plain,
 If perchance thou mightst assist us
 One dear child to save from pain.
 At the zenith of thy service
 God hath called thee to thy home;
 Bid thee rest from all thy labors,
 Bid thee lay thine armor down.
 Silently we stand in homage,
 As with grief our hearts are riven;
 Trusting thy reward for service
 To the tender God of Heaven.
 —Gertrude Warner Kirin.

Mrs. Robt. Ewing, of Des Moines, was here to attend the funeral of Dr. P. McDermid.

W. A. Addison was happily surprised Tuesday evening when about twenty of his gentlemen friends gathered at his home to help him celebrate his birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Snair, who have been spending the winter with the family of their son at West Point, Arkansas, arrived home Tuesday evening. Mr. Snair's health has not been the best during the past year, but is greatly benefited by his sojourn in the south. —Creston Advertiser.

The W. R. C. will hold their regular meeting at the Odd Fellows hall on Saturday evening at 7:30. Let all the members be present.—Press Correspondent.

Mr. and Mrs. Gail Schrader announce the birth of a son, Robert Max, born Monday, March 27th, at the home of Mrs. Schrader's parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. G. Whaler, 800 West Montgomery street.—Creston Advertiser.

Mrs. C. E. Crow, wife of the editor of the Maasena Echo, went to a Des Moines hospital for a serious operation for an ailment of long standing. She was accompanied

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The work accomplished this week is only a forecast of what we will leave our differences behind and work unitedly on things that uplift the community. The same intelligent planning of Sunday School, and the same willingness to sacrifice to carry out plans and Canby can easily be the 100 per cent schools and the in quality of work done to any in this great state. With the unity and earnestness applied to church by the help of Jehovah is promised us, we may be in the neighborhood of Christians, right living is the rule, and "biting" reduced to a minimum. The cooperation of the parents in our town may be provided for and old that will not only gratify the sensual, but develop mental and the spiritual being of the fertile district, with brainy meeting together in Farm Bureau otherwise to discuss their problems should be worked that way our community the equal of the best. To reach this ideal let us best.

Sunday School will meet at usual places at 10 A. M. next. Preaching at 11:00 A. M. at P. M. at the parsonage. Bernard Raper and A. H. I were appointed delegates to the city Sunday School convention held April 5th and 6th at Bridgeton, Mo. Let us get the inspiration of a convention.

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 Outline of Personal History of *Pierre Mc Dermid,*
 Rep. 29 D. RESIDENCE *Fontanelle, Ia.*

Kindly furnish on this sheet the necessary data for a personal sketch and return at your early convenience. Every question is important.

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EDGAR R. HARLAN, CURATOR

The Historical Department of Iowa
 DES MOINES, IOWA

(This form is for use in collecting data on deceased as well as living persons. Appropriate alterations may be made in matter below.)

1. Name in full (all names) *Pierre Mc Dermid*
2. Chief occupation or profession *Phys & Surgeon*
3. Former occupation or profession *None*
4. Date and place of beginning each *March 1899 - Fontanelle Ia*
5. Present residence address *Fontanelle Iowa*
6. Present business address *Fontanelle Ia*
7. Date of birth *Dec - 4 - 1875*
8. Place of birth *Fontanelle Ia*
9. If born abroad, where *—*
10. Emigrated to America, when *—*
11. First migrated to what state and county, whether born abroad or in America *—*
12. Emigrated the second time to what state or county *—*
13. Further emigration, if any *—*
14. Education. Give name and location of rural, high, business or technical school, college or university *Fontanelle High School - Simpson Academy*
15. Date of graduation and degree if any *May - 1898 - Rush Medical*

- 16. Place of death.....
- 17. Date of death.....
- 18. Place of burial.....
- 19. Name of father in full (all names)..... *Peter Mc Dermid*
- 20. Occupation of father..... *Physician & Surgeon*
- 21. Full Maiden name of mother (all names)..... *Annie Hetherington*
- 22. Residence when married..... *Fonjanelle Iowa*
- 23. Military service, if any (exact dates)..... *Summer 1899-1890 as Hosp
Steward 56th Reg I. N. G. - as 1st Lieut Aug. 1890
1893-56th Reg I. N. G.*
- 24. Political offices, (from the smallest to the largest, with dates).....
None
- 25. Director or trustee of financial, religious and educational institutions.....
- 26. Politics..... *Democratic*
- 27. Religious denomination if any.....
- 28. Religious preference if non-affiliated with a denomination..... *Presbyterian*
- 29. Member of what societies or associations of learning.....
- 30. Member of what secret organizations, with honors or offices held, with dates..... *Masonic - 32nd
K.P. B.P.O.E*
- 31. Member of what clubs if any.....
- 32. Belonged to what firms (give names in full and dates if possible).....
- 33. Officer or director in any corporation.....
- 34. Enclose business card if possible..... *McDermid*
- 35. Enclose photograph and autograph.....

36. *Author of books or pamphlets, with titles and publishers in full and dates of publication*.....

37. *Miscellaneous*.....



FAMILY HISTORY

1. *To whom married*.....

2. *Date of marriage*.....

3. *Place of marriage*.....

4. *Date of his or her birth*.....

5. *Place of his or her birth*.....

6. *Religious denomination*.....

7. *Date of his or her death*.....

8. *Place of his or her death*.....

9. *Place of his or her burial*.....

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11. *Born where and when*.....

12. *Occupation of his or her father*.....

13. *His or her mother's full name*.....

14. *Born when and where*.....

15. *Parents' residence at time of their marriage*.....

16. *Miscellaneous remarks on their family*.....

1. *To whom married second time*.....
2. *Date of marriage*.....
3. *Place of marriage*.....
4. *Date of his or her birth*.....
5. *Place of his or her birth*.....
6. *Religious denomination*.....
7. *Date of his or her death*.....
8. *Place of his or her death*.....

9. *Place of his or her burial*.....
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SIGNATURE

Pierre Mc Dermid

DATE

Oct 26-1914

Biographical Index—Early Iowa Physicians

This is a photocopy of the biographical index file from the State Medical Library of Iowa regarding early Iowa physicians. The index cards include references to biographies, Iowa medical histories, and Iowa medical journals that contain obituaries and biographical information on Iowa physicians. The information was collected over a number of years and information may be limited or more detailed depending on the prominence of the physician.

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McDavitt, Bertha ^{Schenck} Stecker (1878-1959) Burlington

Iowa M. J., XIX: Jan., 1913, p. 366.
Iowa M.J. 16: 16, Sept. 1909 (foll p 144)
J.Ia. St. M.Soc., 26:60, Jan. 1936, (member
St. Soc. Iowa M. Women 1911)

Married 1. Henry Freeman Stecker, Ph.D.
2. James Notley McDavitt

Data in reprints: Iowa-St.Soc.Ia.M.Women
Obit. JAMA Jan. 30, 1960, 471
Grad. St.Univ. Iowa. Med. Dept. 1907

Iowa-Doctors

McDermid, Peter (1836- Fontanelle,
Adair Co.
History Adair & Guthrie Co, Ia.
Continental Hist. Co., Springfield, Ill.
1884, 864.

Iowa-Doctors

McDermid, Pierre - Fontanelle Adair Co.
(1875-1922)
J. Ia. St. M. Soc., XII:242, June, 1922 (death)

See: One Hundred Years of Iowa Medicine
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AND ITS PEOPLE

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Dr. Tinsman was married in 1907, the lady of his choice being Miss Clara M. Johnson, the wedding ceremony being performed on the 12th of June. Her father, R. L. Johnson, is a retired farmer residing in Orient. Mrs. Tinsman is a graduate of Drake University and after her graduation was appointed state trainer of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. She is a member of the Congregational church. Dr. Tinsman belongs to Cypress Lodge, No. 539, A. F. & A. M., and adheres closely to the teachings of the craft, having ample opportunity in his practice to exemplify its purposes as founded upon a recognition of the brotherhood of mankind. Along strictly professional lines he is connected with the Adair County Medical Society, which honored him with its presidency in 1911, 1912 and 1913; the Southwestern Iowa Medical Society; the Iowa State Medical Society; and the American Medical Association. He is one of the foremost citizens of Orient, both professionally and otherwise and wherever known he is held in high esteem.

HON. PIERRE McDERMID, M. D.

Hon. Pierre McDermit, M. D., of Fontanelle, is a member of the present state legislature of Iowa and has gained high standing in his profession, being recognized as one of the leading physicians and surgeons of Adair county. His birth occurred in Fontanelle, Iowa, on the 4th of December, 1876, a son of Dr. Peter McDermid, who was born in Ontario, Canada, where he was reared and educated. He received liberal educational opportunities, completing a classical course in the University of Toronto, following which he began the study of medicine, graduating with the class of 1866 from the medical department of that university. Following his graduation he went to Edinburgh, Scotland, where he became a student in the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons, from which he was graduated. He then came to the United States and decided to locate at Omaha but prior to beginning his practice there he determined to revisit his old home in Canada and on his journey he got off of the train at each stop and when he did so at Casey he met old Dr. Warren, who told him that Fontanelle was an excellent location for a physician and surgeon. Dr. McDermid was a man of quick decision and at once made up his mind to begin his practice here. He took his baggage from the train and discontinued his journey to Canada, making his way directly to Fontanelle, where he opened an office. He arrived in this city in 1869 and for three decades, or until his death, which occurred in 1899, he followed his profession here, gaining a wide reputation throughout the surrounding country. An able practitioner and a skilled surgeon, he built up a large and lucrative practice. He was a member of the twenty-third general assembly, and in community affairs took a deep and helpful interest. He married Miss Anna Hetherington, a native of Pennsylvania, her birth having occurred in Pottsville, September 27, 1855. She became the wife of Dr. McDermid, November 5, 1874, and passed away July 31, 1910. At the time of her demise it was written of her:

"In the death of Mrs. McDermid the community loses one who has been a distinguished and worthy character in every avenue of human endeavor from her childhood to maturity and her departure is mourned with sincere and universal sorrow. In her younger years she was the animation of every social occasion, her



DR. PIERRE McDERMID

power of initiative and enthusiasm permeating all gatherings. Her versatile talents in music and literature were always in demand and, coupled with her talent for diplomacy, made her a valuable quantity in every phase of social life. In the church and Sunday school entertainments, in school exhibitions, on patriotic occasions, she was always interested and active with her large talents and willingness. In the later years she has left this to others and devoted herself to study and research of the problems which impress themselves upon mature years. She investigated various beliefs studiously and intelligently and in them all found something good, something to broaden her views. Her ultimate belief was in a supreme power who rules by goodness and love and she was sustained and inspired to good deeds by an abiding faith. The greatest charm of her character was in her spirit of all comprehending sympathy and the charity that thinks no evil. When trouble or affliction came to the homes of those about her, there she entered with a helping hand and a sorrowing heart to share, if might be, the burden. She lightened many sorrows. In her views of others she was generous and charitable, preferring to have faith and confidence in her neighbors and friends which only overt acts could dislodge. The people of Fontanelle and those who have gone out and away from it, will cherish the memory of Annie Hetherington McDermid and by that memory be inspired to the deeds of broader charity, courtesy and neighborly kindness. Her radiant smile that endured to the evening of the last day, her genial hand-clasp, her sympathy in sorrow, her generosity to the needy or delinquent, her versatile talents that graced so many occasions, were characteristics that made the community in which she lived better and will radiate as the sunbeams when the day is done."

Another wrote: "She spent the better part of her life in search of the true nature of conditions surrounding life, and when she was convinced of a truth she held fast to it and discarded the dross. She recognized that 'love' was the greatest force for good in the world and she carried it with her through life and dispensed it under all conditions where it was the most needed. No matter where she went she carried a smile and helped to bear the burdens of those most heavily laden with cares and misfortunes. She was a noble example of advanced womanhood and the death of such a one is a great loss, not only to the community where she lived and administered, but to the whole world."

Hon. Pierre McDermid was reared at home and received his general education in the Fontanelle public and high schools and at Simpson Academy of Indianola, Iowa. In the fall of 1894, when about eighteen years of age, he began preparation for the study of medicine, entering the medical department of Drake University at Des Moines, where he remained for a year. In 1895 he matriculated in Rush Medical College of Chicago, from which he was graduated with the class of 1898. He then served a year's internship in St. Joseph's Hospital at Chicago, where he was associated with the famous Dr. Nicholas Senn, under whom he received much valuable training. At the end of the year he returned to Fontanelle and in the spring his father's death occurred. In 1900 Dr. McDermid took a year's work in Edinburgh and London, thus further increasing his professional knowledge and his efficiency. He succeeded to his father's practice and has built up an enviable reputation as a physician and surgeon. He has a large and representative patronage and his opinion is listened to with respect by his colleagues. He also owns three excellent farms, upon which he raises stock, feeding many head annually.

Dr. McDermid is a consistent democrat and has taken an active part in political affairs. In the election of November, 1914, he was chosen to represent his district in the thirty-sixth general assembly, and his course as a member of that body has proven that the confidence which his fellow citizens repose in him is not misplaced. Fraternally he belongs to Fontanelle Lodge, No. 138, A. F. & A. M.; St. John's Chapter, No. 23, R. A. M.; Bethany Commandery, No. 29, K. T., of Creston; Des Moines Consistory, No. 3, A. & A. S. R.; Za-Ga-Zig Temple of the Mystic Shrine of Des Moines; Des Moines Lodge, No. 98, B. P. O. E.; and to the Knights of Pythias at Des Moines. Along strictly professional lines he belongs to the Adair County Medical Society, the Iowa State Medical Society and the American Medical Association and derives much benefit from the discussion of professional problems with other progressive physicians and surgeons. He is a man of much mental vigor and of great energy and has accomplished a great deal not only in his profession but also in the field of public affairs.

HERMANN TIEDEMANN.

Hermann Tiedemann, devoting his attention to general agricultural pursuits with excellent results, is the owner of a well improved farm comprising one hundred and twenty acres on section 2, Jackson township. He was born in Germany on the 11th of July, 1878, and was reared by a grandmother to the age of ten years. At this period of his boyhood he was adopted by his uncle, Michael Tiedemann, who had emigrated to the United States some years previously and had taken up his abode among the pioneer settlers of Adair county, Iowa. Here our subject joined him on the farm which is now in his possession, finding a good home and loving foster parents under whose wise direction and kind care he grew into worthy manhood. Subsequently, however, the uncle returned to Germany, passing away in the country of his birth. In 1903 Hermann Tiedemann purchased the home farm of one hundred twenty acres from his uncle and has since successfully operated the place, the well cultivated fields being given the careful supervision which results in abundant and profitable harvests.

In December, 1901, Mr. Tiedemann was united in marriage to Miss Frieda Buckholtz, a daughter of Fred Buckholtz, of Washington township. To them have been born three children, namely: Fritz, Helen and Gertrude. Mr. Tiedemann gives his political allegiance to the republican party and is widely recognized as a substantial agriculturist and esteemed citizen of the county in which he has now resided for more than a quarter of a century.

W. L. JEFFRYES.

W. L. Jeffryes, a representative citizen and progressive agriculturist of Adair county, is the owner of an excellent farm of one hundred and twenty acres on section 32, Lee township, and in its operation is meeting with well merited success. His birth occurred in Jackson township, this county, on the 12th of December, 1876,

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A RECENT FONTANELLE DOCTOR

David C. McKnight was born in Oakdale, Illinois May 4, 1925, the son of Rev. Cassius G. and Mary Buck McKnight. He has two brothers, Charles Neil and Roger Kent. He is a chiropractor. He married Marilyn Willis McKnight on August 15, 1946, in St. Louis, Mo.

Marilyn Willis McKnight was born August 23, 1926 in Terre Haute, Indiana, the daughter of Dr. E. J. and Sara Simpson Willis. She has two sisters, Anne and Janet. She met and married David while both were students at Logan Basic College of Chiropractic in St. Louis, Mo. They have three children:

Cheryl Jean, born August 29, 1947, in St. Louis County. She graduated from Garfield High School in Terre Haute, Indiana. She married Harry A. Perry of Rockville, Indiana, September 9, 1967. They have three children: Eric, Heather and Jennifer. They reside in Cedar City, Utah.

Larry Don, born July 11, 1949, in Spencer, Iowa. He graduated from Garfield High School, Terre Haute, Indiana. He is single and resides in the Washington, D. C., area, where he is a writer.

Kathi Diane, born April 2, 1957, in Terre Haute, Indiana. She graduated from B-F High School, Fontanelle, and is at present a student at Iowa State University.

Dr. and Mrs. McKnight moved to Camp Eo-Wa-Ta in January, 1974. Dr. Dave always called Traer, Iowa, "home", since he spent a number of years there, where his father was minister of the United Presbyterian Church.

AN EARLY FONTANELLE DOCTOR

DR. PIERRE McDERMID

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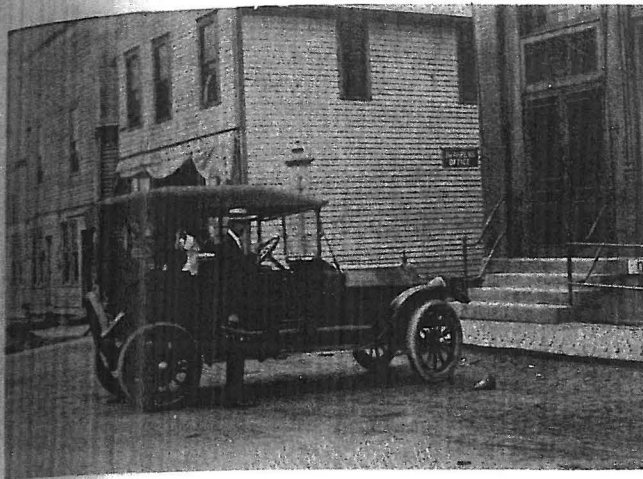
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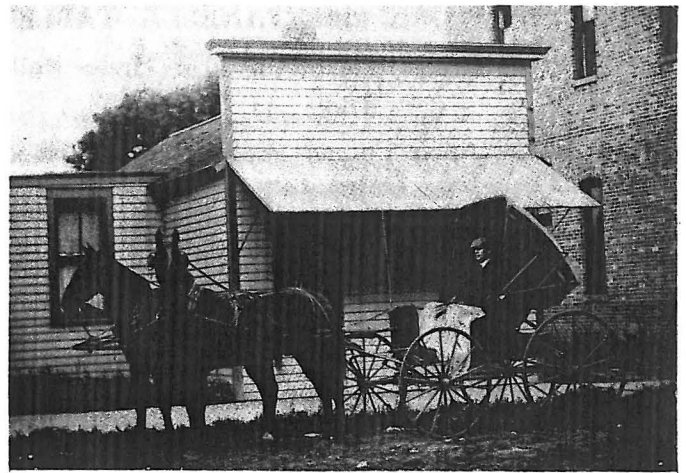
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The McDermid home



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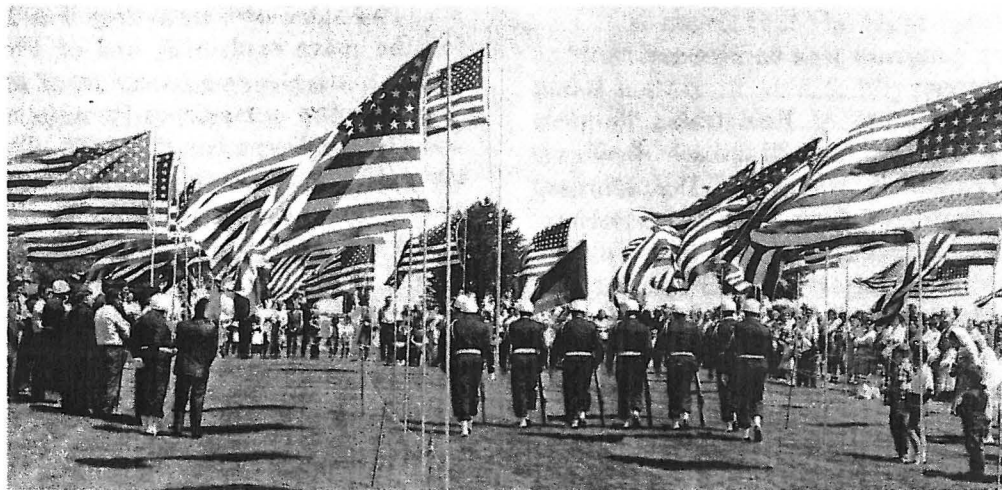
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CARLSON POST DRILL TEAM



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The crack Carlson Post Drill Team of 1966 had the distinction of being selected as the official Color Guard of the State Convention of the American Legion held in Des Moines August 2 and 3.

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That same year, they were invited by the State

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Pierre McDermid

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Name: **Pierre Mcdermid**
 Birth Year: **abt 1876**
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 Race: **White**
 Marital Status: **Single**
 Census Date: **1915**
 Residence state: **Iowa**
 Residence County: **Adair**
 Locality: **Fontanelle**
 Mother's Birthplace: **Pennsylvania**
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Pierre Mcdermid	39

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Name: **Pierre McDermid**
Birth Date: **1876**
Birth Place: **Fontanelle, IA**
Death Date: **29 Mar 1922**
Death Place: **Fontanelle, IA**
Type Practice: **Allopath**
Practice: **Fontanelle, IA, Jul 5, 1910**
Specialities:
Licenses: **CO, 1910, NE, 1911, CA, 1914, IL, LA, 1898**
Practice Dates: **Fontanelle, IA, Jul 5, 1910**
Places:
Medical School: **Rush Medical College, Chicago, 1898, (G)**
Education: **High school**
JAMA Citation: **78:1217; (M)**

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