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Dr. K.L. Klock

Walsenburg, Colo.—Dr. K. L. Klock, 57, killed himself to set free his 19-year-old wife, whom he married a year ago.

Doctor, Suicide for Young Wife, Buried
WALENSBURG, Colo., April 24 (by United Press.)—The body of Dr. K. L. Klock, 53, who killed himself to free his 19-year-old wife, who was his niece, was buried here today. Mrs. Katherine Klock, the widow, declared his ill health and fear that his advanced age would make her the family bread winner, drove him to take his life. Mrs. Klock will return to her parents in Kansas City, she declared.

I found the above article on Ancestry.com. Picked up by Associated Press the article was published in newspapers from New York to California.

"Who was this Dr. K.L. Klock. Was he 53 or 57? Why did he kill himself? Ever heard of Divorce? He married his niece who was only 17! I could see how that could cause some problems... How could her parents allow this to happen?... Where in the "Hills" did they come from? Was he a descendant of the Klocks of the Mohawk Valley? K.L. Klock; what was his first name? Several questions, but not much to go on...

After several hours of searching through newspaper clipping and census records I found some answers. The following article published

in The Greeley Daily Tribune and The Greeley Republican, Greeley County, Kansas on Friday April 23, 1920. This article answered some of my question.

FORMER LUPTON MAN KILLS SELF TO FREE BRIDE

Dr. L.L. Klock, 15 Years Weld Resident, Takes Poison To Leave Child Wife, His Niece, A Widow.

Fort Lupton, April 23--That Dr. K. L. Clock, who committed suicide at Walsenburg Thursday evening to "free" his 19-year old wife, was a confirmed agnostic and drug addict, was learned from intimate acquaintances of the physician here. Dr. Clock came to Weld county about 22 years ago, and lived here some 15 years until he was divorced by his first wife, Mrs. Julia Clock, who now resided here. Dr. Clock's drug habit was one of the grounds for the divorce. He engaged in general medical practice here, and owned a drug store.

A little more than a year ago Dr. Clock eloped with the 17-year old daughter of his brother, who was then living in Des Moines, Ill.

Dr. Clock came to this section 21 or 23 years ago. Mrs. Clock stated and engaged in general medical practice. Following the divorce of the couple, seven years ago, Dr. Clock went to California and returned a little more than a year ago to Des Moines, where the two daughters of his brother were living with their aunt, and his sister. Mrs. A.J. Cage. His elopement with Catherine Clock, whom

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she described as "medium in height, dark hair and eyes, and fair," followed.

In addition to Mrs. Cage, the only surviving relatives of Dr. Clock are his brother, A.L. Clock, who is described as a "roamer" a sister, Belle Clock of Winona, Minn., and Catherine Clock, a daughter by his first marriage, who lives with her mother in this city. Dr. Clock was born in Geneva, Iowa, and received his medical training at St. Louis, Mo.

Trinidad, April 23--That the home of Dr. K.L. Clock and his young wife had always seemed perfectly normal and unmarred by any unusual demeanor, and asserted last night by Dr. John R. Espey of Trinidad, chief surgeon of the Victor American Fuel company, a personal friend of Dr. Clocks and under whom the latter worked. "Dr. Clock had been in our employ about a year and a half.," Dr. Espey said tonight, "and during that time his work was of the highest order and eminently satisfactory. His records were kept in excellent shape and we had absolutely no occasion at all to find any fault with him or his work. I personally was acquainted with him and his wife. On a visit two or three months ago, their home life seemed perfectly normal and I was not aware that Dr. Clock's wife was not at Ravenwood at the present time.

(Associated Press)

Walsenburg, Colo., April 22--In order to set his 19-year old wife free, Dr. K.L. Clock, 57 years old, physician at the Victor-American mine at Ravenwood, three miles south of here, killed himself by taking chloroform. Dr. Clock explained his action in a note addressed to his wife who was attending a private boarding school in Pueblo. The note follows:

"Dearest Katherine:

"I promised you I would postpone this act but I am breaking it today as think it best for you. I am leaving check for the balance of my bank account after expenses of simple

burial. Please have no ceremony. You will understand as we have talked this matter over pertaining to your future. With my removal matters may be more readily solved. I am to blame for mismanagement of this affair and ask you forgiveness. I hope to meet you in Heaven."

His name throughout article was given as Klock and Clock. (not a mistype on my part anyway). Which was it Klock or Clock? Still no first name. But the article did give a lot of clues. He was born in Geneva, Iowa, His first marriage was to a Julia and they had a daughter. They divorced, so he did know there was such a thing..... His brother (and father-in-law) was A.L. Clock. Had a sister by the name of Belle. His sister married a Gage.

Looking in the 1870 Census records for a Klock/Clock that lived in Geneva, Iowa I found a Cive L. Klock that was born in 1863. Parents; Jervis Clock 41 and Nancy Clock 37; sister, Mary B Clock and brother Archer Clock 2. The 1880 for Geneva listed them again, but in this census his name was given as Kris L. Clock and his brother name was given as Archie and with a new sister by the name of Rose who was 7. The 1920 census for Ravenwood, Colorado gave his name as Kire L. Clock 56 and married to Catherine Clock 18. This was the right person, but was his name, Cive, Kris or Kire. So I figured I would go back and check out his father, Jervis (Jarvis) Clock. He was 41 in 1870, making him born about 1828. Checking my tree I had a Jarvis Clock born in 1828 who married a Nancy.. Jarvis died February 19, 1878 in Geneva, Iowa. Yup, it checked out. Jarvis Clock was the son of Ebenezer Jr. (Ebenezer, Peter, John, Albertus, Abraham Klock, who was born in 1625 who married Tryntie Alberts.)

I have often wondered if Abraham Klock who was born in 1625 could have been the father of Hendrick Klock born in 1663. His son Albertus, was born in 1660 and resided in Amsterdam, New York. Abraham lived to be almost 100 and Hendrick lived to be 97. That's a question that may never be answered. Oh, by the way, Dr. Klock name was Hezekiah LaClare Clock.

Sanford's Bible

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Dated May 14 189
To Mrs Fannie Shappie
Elmira

Monroe died Saturday last night
A. D. Klock

I recently purchased an 1818 Bible that once belonged to Sanford Klock (John Henry, Henrick Johannes, Johannes and Hendrick Klock) who married Millie A. Petrie. Sanford, a native of Herkimer county, New York, was born near Little Falls January 16, 1810. He was a veteran of the Civil War, having enlisted in the 10th Cavalry, Co. C, New York State Volunteers, with two of his sons, Monroe, and Peter S. Both he and his two sons received an honorable discharge at the close of the war. A biographical sketch appears of him in the History of Chemung County, written by Ausburn Towner, and published by D. Mason & Co., Syracuse N.Y. Sanford removed from the Mohawk valley to Chemung County in 1849, where he became active as a contractor and builder in and about the city of Elmira. He became a civil engineer and spent his life in land surveying and construction work, on the Erie Railroad. He served as alderman in the common council in the years 1870 and 1871. I have him as died February 15, 1888. Sanford and Millie had eight children, six sons and two daughters, viz.: George W., Nettie A., J. Monroe, Fannie J., Peter S., Jarvis L., Clinton D., and Thaddeus M.

The Bible I purchased through Ancestry. com. Janice Godfrey, who lives in Owego, New York purchased the Bible at an estate auction or yard sale. It has some genealogy information in it, but very hard to read as it was written in pencil. A few days later Janice sent me a letter and thanked me for purchasing the Bible and enclosed an old telegram; she said the telegram and letter also belonged to the Klock Family.

The telegram (above) was sent by Clinton D. Klock to his sister Fannie Shappie letting her know that their brother Monroe had died. Monroe died May 13, 1892 in Alpena, Michigan. He

married Margaret Spearman, who was born in Canada. Monroe was Mayor of Alpena, Michigan where he resided. He was also a Real Estate Dealer. His brother, Clinton lived in Cleveland, Ohio. Clinton married two Haycox girls Agnes and her half sister Mina. I have Mina and Agnes born in England. He married Mina on April 24, 1875. No children. They were divorced and then he married Agnes on May 06, 1880. Agnes and Clinton had three children. Clinton was Superintendent of Parks of Cleveland.

The letter written by J.L. Klock (Jarvis) on January 12, 1885. He was writing to his Brother Jake. Jake was Jacob Shappie who married his sister, Fannie. Jacob also served in the Civil War. Jacob V. Shappie was born in the town of Horseheads, March 8, 1840, was educated in the public schools, and in early life was a farmer. September 14, 1864, he enlisted in a detached company of the Eighty-fifth Infantry New York State Volunteers and was honorably discharged. Also in the Bible was a membership card to the G.A.R. Baldwin Post #6 that undoubtedly belonged to Jacob. After the war he engaged in the life insurance business." After the death of Sanford Klock, Millie lived with her daughter and son-in-law on the family farm.

Jarvis Klock, who wrote the letter removed to Antigo, Wisconsin. I will put the letter on the next page of the newsletter.

The following information comes from a small booklet titled; "Industrial Review of Antigo, Wisconsin by Alman J. Lord" which was published in 1898.

"J.L. Klock. Mr. Klock is one of the city's representative men who always lends a helping hand to all moves of a progressive and public spirited nature. He has resided here since 1886. Mr. Klock is engaged in the general merchandise trade, an occupation he has followed for the past four years and gives corresponding satisfaction to his trade. He deals in the many articles constituting a general stock and offers his trade every advantage known to the purchasing public. Mr. Klock is at present a member of the city council and represents his ward in an intelligent and able manner. He belongs to that class of men which Antigo needs to administer her affairs and I claim it is the duty of every citizen to support men who are capable and of modern inclinations."

Jarvis was also a policeman. He was married twice. His first wife was

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Watertown Daily Times
Watertown, New York
Thursday, 17 October 1889.

A Sad Accident at Orleans. A painful accident occurred at the residence of Levi Klock, about two miles from Orleans Corners, yesterday afternoon (16 October 1889). A young man by the name of Jason House, the eldest son of John House, of Theresa, was assisting in threshing. He was engaged in passing the bundles which were thrown on to the top of the cleaner, to Jordan Klock, who was feeding the machine, and when bending over to pick up a bundle his foot slipped on the top of the cleaner, on which he was standing, on to the table, and in so doing the toe of the boot was caught in the cylinder, while it was revolving at a rapid rate, and drew the foot and leg in about half way between the ankle and knee. Had not Mr. Klock quickly thrown in a bundle of unbound grass which stopped the momentum of the cylinder, the young man doubtless would have lost his life. The leg was so tightly drawn in that it required the use of a crowbar to extricate it. It was only a mangled mass. Dr. Santway, of Theresa, was sent for, and with the assistance of Dr. Daley, of LaFargeville, amputated the leg below the knee. The unfortunate boy is as comfortable as possible under the circumstances. -----



Jason and Mable Foster House

The above photo was taken in 1950 at the home of Adelbert Davis and Georgianna House Davis, Orleans, New York. I found the photo on

Ancestry. com on the family trees of Thomas LaClair, D. House Family Tree and Robertson/Schalk/Dirby/Davis family tree. The photo was generously given by Janice Davis of Theresa.

Additional Information: Jason House was the eldest son of John H. House and Mary Hunt. John and Mary Hunt House had eight children in all. His Grandfather was Ephraim House who married Delila M. Klock (Henry, Adam Johannes, Col. Jacob Klock and Hendrick Klock).

Jason was born March 24, 1874 in a log house at the North End of the English Settlement Road. at. he married Ruby Mabel Foster, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chauncey Foster. She was born July 19, 1886 near Red Lake in the Town of Theresa, New York. They were married November 30, 1902 in Plessis, New York and on their wedding day rode a covered buggy to the ceremony. They had two sons, Lyman and Leeman, Lyman died at age nine and Leeman at seven weeks. Jason followed the occupation of farmer nearly all his life. Jason died in September of 1954 and Ruby passed away 21 years later at the House of the Good Samaritan hospital January 11, 1975, where she had lived the last 2 ½ years of her life.

Jason was assisting in threshing wheat at the farm of Levi Klock (Jacob Adam, Adam, Adam Johannes, Jacob Klock and Hendrick Klock. Levi married Peggy Ann Zeller. They had five children, including Jordan who's quick thinking and fast action saved the life of his cousin, Jason.

Cemetery List



Information for this cemetery list comes from several different sources and therefore may not be completely reliable. If you have additions or Corrections, please let me know.

**Sanford Corners Cemetery
Town of LeRay
Jefferson County, New York**

Also known as **Jewett Corners Burial Ground
and Calcium Cemetery**

Klock, Ina M. 1904- 1996, maiden name Keller, wife of Glenn Klock. Additional Information: Ina M. Keller married Glen Klock. Glen was the son of James Klock (George, Jacob Adam, Adam, Adam Johannes, Adam, Col. Jacob Klock and Hendrick Klock) and Cora M. Crook. Ina and Glen had four children.

Klock, Kenneth R. b. Sept 29, 1924, d. Sept. 11, 1995, married Nov. 10, 1946 WW-2 Vet. Additional Information: Kenneth R. was the son of Glen Klock (James, George, Jacob Adam, Adam, Adam Johannes, Adam, Col. Jacob Klock and Hendrick Klock) and Ina M. Keller.

Klock, Virginia I., 1922- 1976. Additional Information: I have a Virginia Irene Klock 1922-1976, daughter of Glen Klock and Ina that married Dennis Morra. I have them with five children... Maybe they divorced and Virginia took her maiden name?

**Smithville Cemetery Old and New
Town of Henderson
Jefferson County, New York**

Kennedy, Ida B. (Klock) 1904-1972. Additional Information: Ida was married twice, Elmer Edison Klock and William Kennedy. She had six children with Elmer Klock and four with William Kennedy.

Kennedy, Donald W. 1926- son of Ida B. Additional Information: Donald was the son of Ida and William Kennedy.

Klock, Edna (Trowbridge) 1894-1965, wife of Marva A. Klock. Additional Information: Edna Trowbridge married Marva Klock (See line below). I have Edna and Marva with a son Seth Alfred Klock who married Jennie Scofield. She was born July 24, 1894 and died in 1965. Edna Trowbridge was the daughter of Seth and Minnie "Thomas" Trowbrige.

Klock, Henry D. b. April 10, 1865 d. Nov. 7, 1940 married Nov. 26, 1885 (no stone). Henry D. Klock was the son of Adam Klock and Martha A. Clock. He married Margaret Hegan. Henry and Margaret had two children; Marva and Elmer Edison Klock. See line under Marva below.

Klock, Henry E. b. March 26, 1946, d. Dec. 28, 2000, son of Elmer & Ida. Additional Information: Henry was the son of Elmer Klock and Ida B. Ward.

Klock, Margaret (Hegan) b. Aug. 12, 1870, d. Oct 21, 1939, wife of Henry D. Klock, (no stone). Additional Information: Margaret Hegan married Henry D. Klock.

Klock, Marva A. 1891-1945. Marva was the son of Henry D. Klock and Margaret Hagen. Henry was the son of Adam Klock (Jacob Adam, Adam, Adam Johannes, Adam, Col. Jacob Klock and Hendrick Klock) who married Martha A. Clock, (Jacob, Henry, Adam Johannes, Adam, Col. Jacob Klock and Hendrick Klock)

**Oakwood Cemetery
Town of Theresa
Jefferson County, New York**

Hatch, Florence F. (Klock) b. April 7, 1919, d. April 30, 1992, wife of Walter. Additional Information: Florence Klock was the daughter of Charles E. Klock (Martin, Levi, Jacob Adam, Adam, Adam Johannes, Adam, Col. Jacob Klock and Hendrick Klock) and Melissa Bartlett. She married Walter J. Hatch.

Hatch, Walter J. b. March 10, 1913, d. April 21, 2003, married May 3, 1940, U.S. Army. Additional Information: Walter Hatch married Florence Klock above.

Haynes, Fred W. 1884-1951. Additional Information: Fred W. Haynes died October 17, 1951. He married Ina Klock below.

Haynes, Ina (Klock) 1887-1961, wife of Fred W. Additional Information: Ina Klock was the daughter of Martin Klock (Levi, Jacob Adam, Adam, Adam Johannes, Adam, Col. Jacob Klock and Hendrick Klock) and Sally House.