

JENS JENSEN AND JOHNSON FAMILY STORIES

INTRODUCTION

These are the stories of the Jens Jensen (Johnson) and allied families. This book is based on the ancestors and descendants of Oliver Victor Johnson and Anne (Anna) Josephine Lawless. The intent is to preserve what is known about the family for future generations. All of Anne and Oliver's children are gone, but they left stories.

Our uncle, Victor Joseph Johnson, collected a lot of information on the genealogy of both families and this work compiles his research and builds on his excellent foundation. He contacted cousins on the Johnson and Lawless sides and tells their stories. He knew many of them personally because he lived with Oliver in Lyons Nebraska when he was a young teenager. Many of the older generation were still alive at the time.

Research and recording of family history was done by Victor Johnson (VJ), Lucille Johnson (Wife of Myron), Marian Johnson (Wife of Raymond), and Elvera Prochaska (descendant of Niels Johnson). Uncle Victor collected information from all these sources and did extensive research of his own. Betty Gibbs collected additional family stories from letters, old papers, photographs, and contacts with cousins. Robert Johnson did extensive genealogical research and discovered ancestors and census records.

Letters and papers were saved by the family and passed into Victor's keeping. When he traveled to visit relatives, he copied their pictures and letters. Victor was a prolific photographer who took still photos and movies of the family starting in the 1940s. Some photos from earlier years also survive, and the origin of some of the pictures is not known (except the studio photos). Pictures from the early 1900s were also preserved by Eugenia Lawless and saved by Anne and Victor Johnson. Hard copy documents are in the possession of Betty Gibbs. Much of the information has been compiled and entered into the Legacy genealogy software.

We come from a family of pack rats! Because of that tendency, we have letters and miscellaneous documents that have survived over 100 years. The letters sent from Eugene Lawless to his future bride Bessie DeCourcy are a treasure. A couple of the earliest are letters written to Anne by her mother when she was away at boarding school. We know something about Eileen Lawless, Anne's first cousin because of the letters that survive. Uncle Victor went to a camp when he was a child and wrote home. Most of the letters talk about everyday happenings and seldom have any momentous news. The most precious thing is knowing that our ancestors handled these papers and wrote those words.

As I have examined and organized the information about the families, I have come to more of an understanding of where we came from. Even more importantly, realizing that some of my personal characteristics are similar to those of my ancestors. That understanding has helped me improve some of the negative aspects and build on the positive. Maybe the insights into our ancestors' lives will help you gain a greater understanding of who you are.

Grandchildren of Oliver and Anne will know many of these stories. Some material revealed in letters and other documents are not so familiar. This family has not been all sweetness and light (what family is?), and some of the information may make some of us uncomfortable. However, it is our history and knowing at least some of what happened in the past can help us understand ourselves and where we came from. We are a product of our parents, grandparents, and others who came before. We can see some of the family characteristics in our behaviors, although we are not "slaves" to who our ancestors were. The best outcome of our lives is to keep the best part of our ancestors experience and DNA and develop better ways that we

can pass to later generations.

One of the goals in this compilation is to verify the family research already done, add to it where more information is available, and compile it into a story of the Jensen/Johnson family in the United States from the first immigration of Jens Jensen in 1869.

Any genealogy is always a work in progress. If you have additions or corrections, this account can be improved and continue to be expanded as the family expands. The story is on-going. More of the past still may be discovered. We write our own stories from this base.

Introduction to Census Data and Maps

Combining information from Census records, maps, and County ledger books containing entries about land transactions gives us a picture of the life of the Johnson families. The information comes from several family researchers, the Nebraska State Historical Society, county ledger land records, and numerous Internet resources such as Family Search (LDS), Ancestry.com, FindAGrave, and Newspapers.com.

The Internet is an amazing resource. Information Victor collected about the Jens Jensen family has been enhanced with census, church, marriage, and death records of members of the family. Maps are also available on line and are added to those collected by Victor. Some were photographed recently at the Nebraska Historical Society.

Victor's basic research included census records and land records from Sarpy and Burt County. Robert Johnson did extensive research and found census records that trace the Johnson families up to 1950 (the latest year released). Information about Jens Jensen's ancestors in Denmark is found in Danish church records which are available on the LDS FamilySearch Web site.

Not all information includes a source. Uncle Victor obtained some of the information from the Nebraska State Historical Society and the microfilm copies have identification. Betty obtained some of the information from a visit (or visits) to the Nebraska State Historical Society.

The main families covered are: Johnson, Lawless, Curley and several others who are descendants of Jens Jensen. The John Johnson family is featured because those are my ancestors. The information includes and follows the Curley and Lawless families because they married Johnsons. Parents of other Johnson relatives are noted where the information is available, but the ancestors and descendants of other families are followed based on Victor Johnson's records.

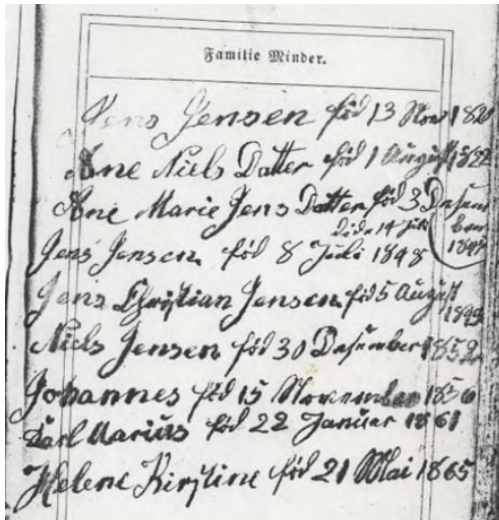
Betty Gibbs

NOTES: A complete genealogy includes proof of births and deaths. That information is not always available in Victor Johnson's documents. Some of it was collected from contacts with family members, so some inaccuracies can be expected because of different perceptions. Efforts were made to verify information and source notes are included when that has been done.

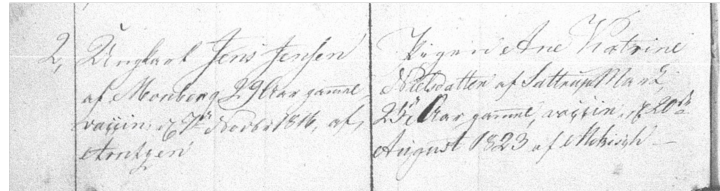
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THE JENS JENSEN FAMILY

Jens Jensen was born on 13 Nov 1820 in Denmark and died after 1899 in Millard NE. Buried in Voss-Mohr Cemetery or Springwell Cemetery. Other names for Jens were John Johnson and Jens Johnson. (Jens is a diminutive of Johannes.)



Jens married **Ane Nielsdr (Anna Nelson)**, daughter of Niels Nelson, on July 6, 1845 in Denmark.



Jens and Ane Nielsdatter Marriage Record:

The births of Jens Jensen (13 Nov 1820) and Ane Niels Datter (1 August 1822) are recorded in the family Bible in Danish. Their children are also recorded. The birth, christening, and confirmation records are also available from Danish church records.

The names are the original Danish spellings. Note the handwriting.

(The source of the bible is not known. A copy was obtained by Victor Johnson (VJ). Danish Bibles have been scanned and are available at FamilySearch.org)

The family immigrated to the United States about 1869 from Aarhus Denmark. In 1860, the family lived in Tårs, Børglum, Hjørring, in the northernmost part of Denmark. Aarhus is a seaport where they left on the boat. They brought five of their living children with them and had no others in the U.S.

They bought 320A in Sarpy City from the Union Pacific Railroad at \$10/A, but didn't pay much of it. He gave 80A to each boy and they finished paying for it or sold it. Jens was a farmer.

Jens and his wife Ane both died on the farm located in N 1/2 of Section 27, Richland Township, Chalco, Sarpy County, NE.

Children from this marriage were:

Andreas Jensen born 1839 and died 1849 in Denmark.

Ane Marie Jensen was born on 3 Dec 1845 in Denmark and did not emigrate with the family in 1869. She may have been married at the time they left Denmark.

Jens Jensen was born on 8 Jul 1848 in Denmark and died on 14 Jul 1848 in Denmark.

Jens Christian Jensen (James C. Johnson) was born on 5 Aug 1849 in Denmark and died in 1916 in Wausa NE at age 67. James C Johnson married Ane Elizabeth Johnson who was born in Norway. She died some time between 1881 and 1883. James married a second time to Sidse Marie. James had a total of 7 children. Other family surnames because of daughter marriages include: Robertson, Ross, Leapley, Casey, Allen, Crippen, Schroeder, Junk, and Pallkean.

Niels Jensen (Nels Johnson) was born on 30 Dec 1852 in Kolding Denmark, died on 5 Jan 1919 in St. Edwards at age 66, and was buried in Jan 1919 in Saint Ansgar Cemetery, Lindsay, Platte County NE. Niels/Nels Johnson married Semina Josephine Peterson Riis and had nine children. Family surnames from daughter marriages include: Haldeen, Peterson, Avers, Donoho, Tillman, Prochaska, Schwenske, Jensen, Tenopir, Reynolds, Langston, Carmody, Andrigh, Fillingrin.

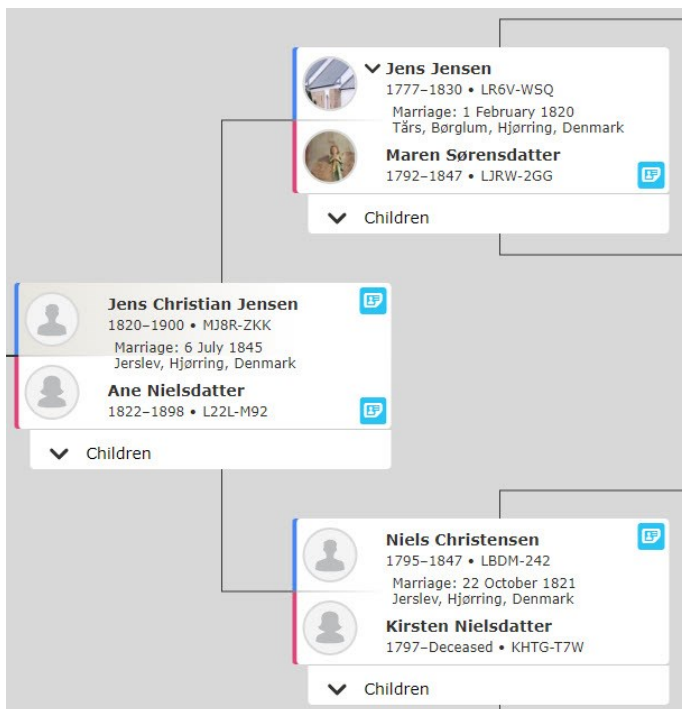
Johannes Jensen (John Johnson) was born on 15 Nov 1856 in Denmark, died on 10 May 1897 in Lyons NE at age 40, and was buried in Lyons Cemetery, Lyons NE. John Johnson married Margaret Curley and they had seven children. Margaret married David Denver Harris when John died and had

one more child (Bert Harris). Family names from daughter marriages (to the 4th generation only) include: Sharp, White, Senter, Wahlin, Speakman, Corrick/Gerrick, Lawless, Christiansen, Trowbridge, Lindgren, Gibbs, Hoffman, Gibson, Monson, Lichty, Renzi.

Karl Marius Jensen (Charles M. Johnson) was born on 22 Jan 1861 in Denmark and died on 16 Oct 1921. He was buried in Springwell Cemetery (Omaha, Douglas County, Nebraska) at age 60. Other names for Charles were Carl M Jensen, Charles Jensen. Charles M Johnson married Kristine (Christena M.) Lund in Chalco NE on April 18, 1894. Kristine was age 30 and born in Denmark (another source shows she was born in Norway). Kristina's parents were Jacob Jacobson Lund and Anna D. Staal. They had two children. One child survived to adulthood and he may not have married.

Helene Kristine Jensen was born on 21 May 1865 in Denmark. Helene married Louis Anderson and little is known about their descendants.

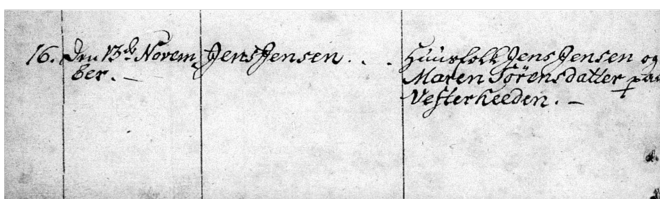
**Ane Katrine Nielsdatter
Anna Nelson**



Jens and Ane Parents (Source: Family Search.org)



Jens Jensen's birth is recorded in Denmark Church Records, 1484-1941. He was born at Tårs, Hjørring, Denmark on 13 Nov 1820. His Father's Name was Jens Jensen and his Mother's Name was Maren Sorensdatter. The birth is recorded in Volume 10 (1814-1831), Page 27 of Danmark Kirkebøger, 1484-1941

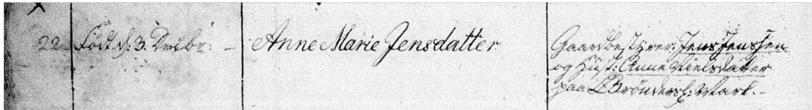


The Jens Jensen Family in Denmark.

The first note about 'our' Jens Jensen family is that there are a lot of Jens Jensen families in Denmark from early times to the present. Robert Johnson identified 'our' Jens Jensen at least in part because of his birth date and that he married Ane Nielsdatter.

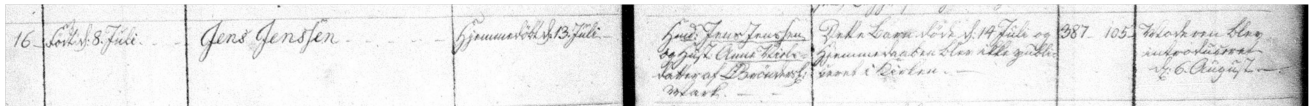
Danish Church Records have been indexed and many are available at Family Search. The records are often blurry and difficult to read, besides being in Danish. We are fortunate that someone has made the effort to index the church records as well as census records. Following are the birth, christening, and several confirmation records for the Jens and Ane children. The records usually have more information than is shown in some of the records. Other information was not indexed and it is difficult to read the Danish script.

First Child—Anne Marie Jensdatter.



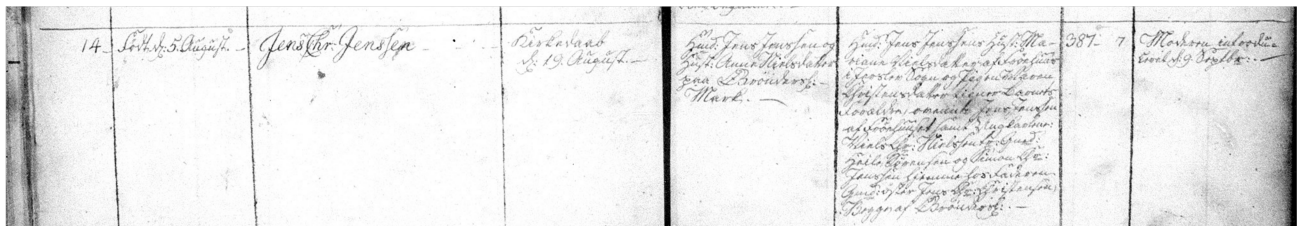
Birth Record of Anne Marie Jensdatter. Page date: 1845. Birth date: December 3. Name: Anne Marie Jensdatter. Parents: Jens Jensen, Anna Nielsdatter. Place: Tårs, Børglum. More information is included about sponsors (godparents), all in Danish. She was confirmed in 1860 at age 15.

Second Child—Jens Jensen.



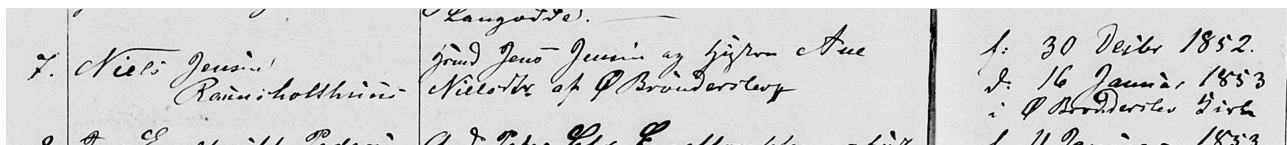
Birth Record of Jens Jensen—b 8 July died 14 July 1848. Born in Øster Brønderslev, Hjørring, Denmark. His death date appears in a column on the right. Writing is in Danish.

Third Child: Jens Christian Jensen (James C. Johnson)



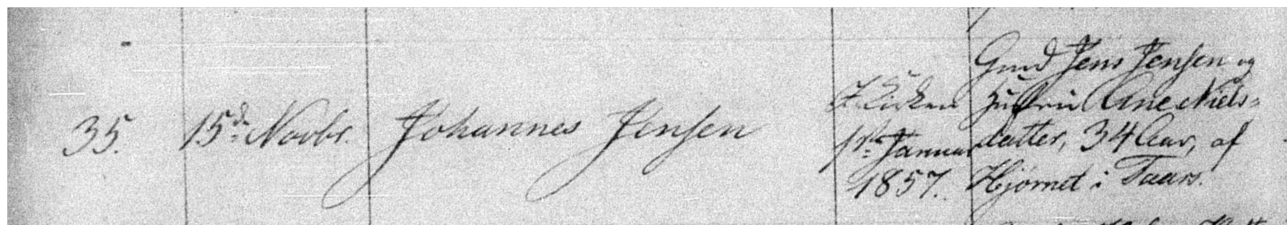
Birth Record of Jens Chr Jensen—b 5 Aug 1849 in Øster Brønderslev, Hjørring, Denmark. He was confirmed on 4 Oct 1863 in Ugilt, Hjørring, Denmark

Fourth Child: Niels Jensen (Nels/Niels Johnson)



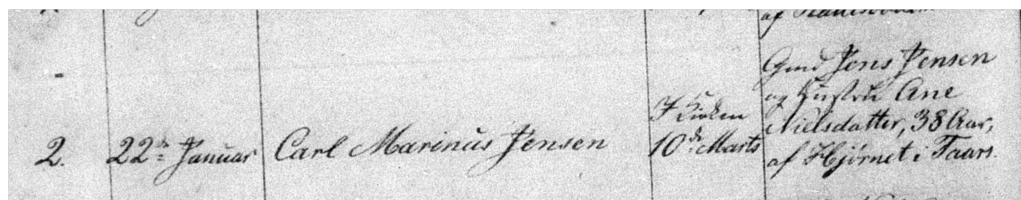
Confirmation Record of Niels Jensen—Confirmed on 14 Apr 1867 in Torslev-Lendum, Hjørring, Denmark. Birth Date: 30 Dec 1852. Baptism date: 16 Jan 1853.

Fifth Child: Johannes Jensen (John Johnson) .



Birth Record of Johannes Jensen: Birth Date: 15 Nov 1856. Birthplace: Tårs, Hjørring, Denmark.
Birthplace (Original): Ugilt Tårs, Hjørring. Christened on 1 Jan 1857.

Sixth Child: Karl Marius Jensen (Charles M. Johnson)



Birth Record of Carl Marinus Jensen was Christened at Ugilt Tårs, Hjørring, Denmark on March 10. Birth Date: 22 Jan 1861

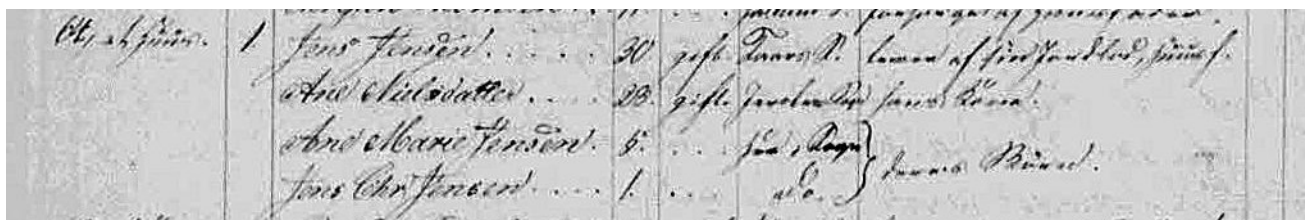
Seventh Child: Helene Kristine Jensen

Birth Record of Helene Kirstine Jensen. Birth Date: 21 May 1865. Christening Date: 25 Jun 1865 at Torslev, Dronninglund, Hjørring, Denmark.

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Danish Census Records

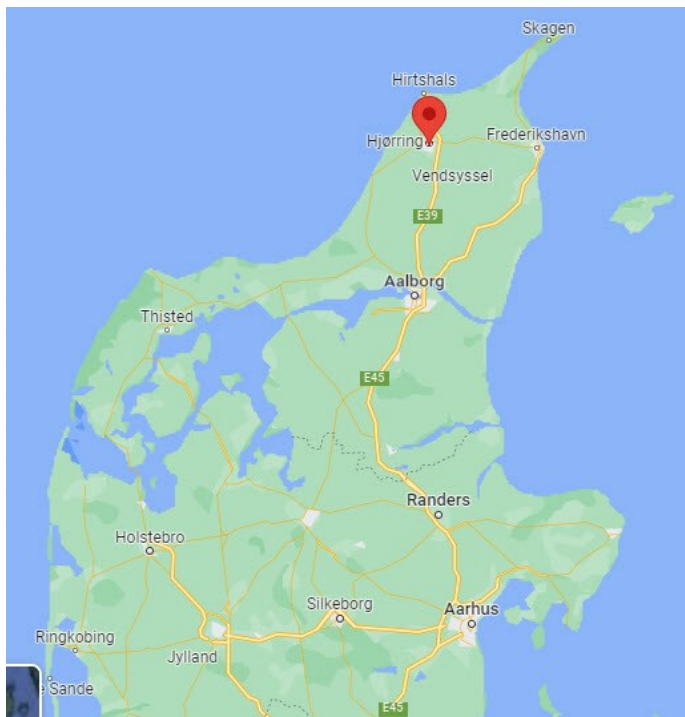
The Jens and Ane family were recorded in the 1850 and 1860 census records in Denmark. Following are the Danish Census records for 1850 and 1860.



The **1850 Census** shows Jens Jensen, age 30, head of household; Ane Nielsdatter, Age 28, wife; Ane Marie, Age 5; and Jens Christian, Age 1. The census took place at Øster Brønderslev, Børglum, Hjørring, Denmark.

Byernes eller Stedernes Navne med Anførelse af Gaarde, Huse o. s. v.	Samtlige Personers fulde Navn.	Egner Personens Alder, da tabende Alders-Aar tilregnes.	Ugift, gift, Enkelmand, Enke, eller Kraftigt.	Fødestedet, nemlig Kjøbstadens eller Sognets og Amtets Naam, og for de i Blandene og i Colonterne fødte samt for Ublønbinge Landet, hvor de ere fødte.	Personernes Stilling i Familien, Titel, Embede, Forretning, Næringsvei eller af hvilket Erhverv de leve, eller om de forses af Fattigvæsenet.	Trosskikkelsen.	Af disse ere:				
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	Ane Marie Jensen	15	uigift	for: Niels Nielsens hustru	Lulfrua						
	Jens Christian Jensen	11	Ja	Ja	Lulfrua						
	Niels Jensen	8	Ja	Ja	Lulfrua						
	Johannes Jensen	4	Ja	for: Regnet	Lulfrua						

1860 Danish Census. Jens Jensen, Head of household, age 40; Ane Nielsdatter, Wife, Age 38; Ane Marie Jensen, Age 15, Jens Christian Jensen, Age 11, Niels Jensen, Age 8; Johannes Jensen, Age 4. The census was taken at Tårs, Børglum, Hjørring, Denmark



Hjørring, city, northern Jutland, Denmark. The ancient capital of the Vendsyssel region, Hjørring was chartered in 1243 and remains the commercial centre of the district. The Church of St. Catharinæ dates from about 1250; the churches of St. Hans and St. Olai date from the 12th century. Local industries include food processing and metal and machinery works.

(Source: <https://www.britannica.com/place/Hjorring>)

Location of the town of Hjørring in the northern part of Denmark. The family travelled to Aarhus to board a ship to emigrate to the United States in 1869.

(Source: Google Maps)

Jens Jensen/John Johnson Family in Nebraska

Jens Jensen immigrated from Aarhus Denmark in 1869 with his family of five children, probably on Cunard Lines. One child died in Denmark. The oldest daughter did not immigrate with the family, but it is not known if she died before the family left or was already married. A U.S. census record from 1900 states that the family immigrated from Denmark in 1869. The immigration date is repeated in several census records. The children who came with the family were: James C (20), Nels (17), John (15), Charles M (8), and Helene Kristine (4).

Jens Jensen settled and started farming first in Sarpy County, west of Omaha Nebraska. This is where the rest of the story starts. No more children were born to them there.

Information has not been found about where the Jensen family lived before 1880. They are not found in the 1870 Nebraska Census. Land records from Sarpy County found by VJ start in 1880.

The area in Section 27 (Richland Census Township) where they lived in 1880 was originally owned by the Union Pacific Railroad. The UP owned every other odd-numbered section along the route. (*See the General Information Appendix for a short history of the railroads in Nebraska.*)

Where They Lived

When we know where our ancestors lived, they come to life and we begin to see them as real people. We may not know much about what kind of people they were, but we can surmise some of it by the types of work they did and where they lived. Many of the Johnson descendants were farmers in Eastern Nebraska through the late 1800s. After 1900, most of the families moved to other places. Some stayed in Eastern Nebraska in small towns as well as in Lincoln and Omaha.

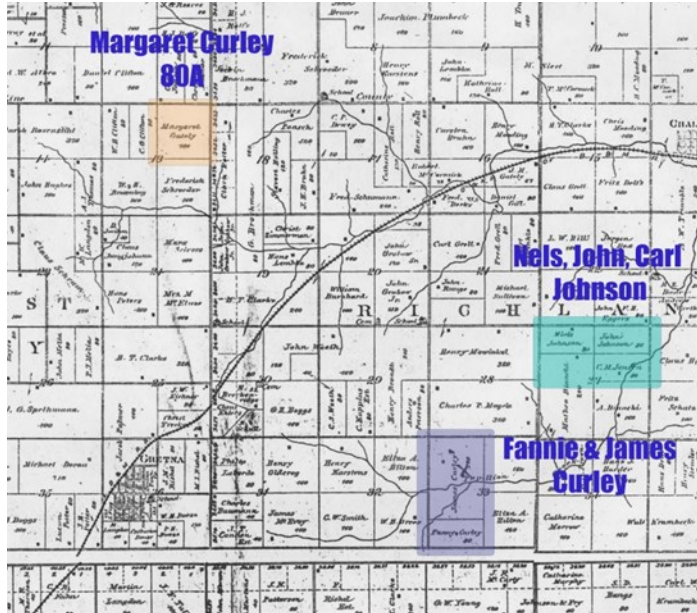
The Where They Lived section is compiled from census records, county land records, and maps showing property ownership. Sources include research done by Victor Johnson (VJ), Bob Johnson, and Betty Gibbs. Most of the records locate the families in Nebraska. We know where some moved to outside the eastern Nebraska area and those locations are noted.

The Jensen/Johnson families lived mainly in the Richland Census Township, Section 27. At that time, people did not usually travel very far to find spouses. The maps that show where the Johnsons lived also show where some of the other families lived who were the source of husbands and wives.

Curley families lived in Richland and Forest City Census townships. The Curley properties are noted in the maps because John Johnson married Margaret Curley. The Curleys were neighbors of the Jensen/Johnson families. It is likely that the other male Johnsons married women from the surrounding areas, but these origins are not tracked in this publication.

The Jensen/Johnson Family Property – Sarpy County, Nebraska

The map below shows the area in Sarpy County where the Jensen/Johnson families originally settled. The Johnsons and Curleys are in Richland Census township and Margaret Curley's property is in the Forest City Census township. The 1889 map date fits with the dates of mortgages and property transfers in the Sarpy County Ledger property transfer records. (Details of the transfers are in the Appendix.)



Land ownership map of Sarpy County. From an 1889 plat produced by Anderson Publishing in Omaha.

Jens Jensen bought property (as shown in the above map) from the Union Pacific Railway Co. in Section 27 (T14N, R11E). It is likely that he bought the properties in 1875. In 1881 Jens transferred the three properties to Niels, John and Carl and they took over the Union Pacific mortgages.

80A, from Peter Hendrickson & Wife in 1881. He deeded/sold the property to his son James in 1884, with a mortgage of \$450 (January 14, 1884). James sold the property to Anthony Bianchi and Jens released the Deed. Anthony Bianchi bought the North ½ of the SE ¼ from the United States in 1887 and at that time owned all of the SE ¼ of Section 27. The 1889 map shows the whole SE ¼ owned by Bianchi. Jens' three other sons still owned property in Section 27 in 1889.

In a separate transaction, Jens Jensen bought the South ½ of the SE ¼, Section 27,

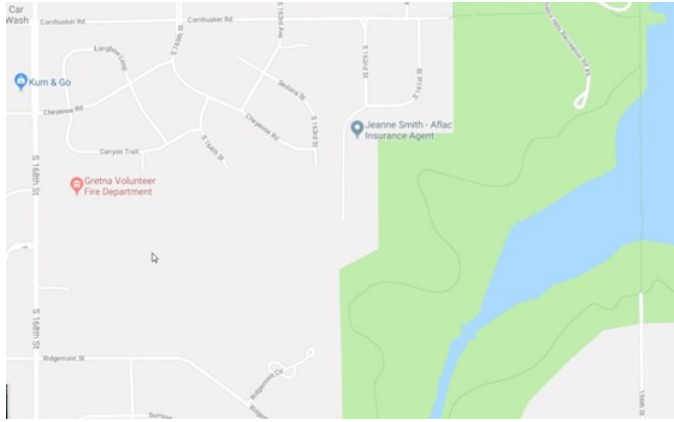
Jens deeded the three properties in the north half of Section 27 to his sons and did not own property in 1889. He was 79, retired and living with his son Nels. (1890 Census) The sons paid off the mortgages on the properties.

The James C. Johnson family moved somewhere else in Nebraska after 1885. James died in 1916 in Wausa, Knox County NE. Wausa is about 20 miles North of Norfolk.

Charles M Johnson (aka, Carl M Jensen, Charles Jensen, Karl Marius Jensen) bought the South ½ of the NE ¼ from The Union Pacific Railroad in 1883. He was 22. He married Kristine Lund in 1884 and probably lived in the area the rest of his life. Charles died in 1921 and was buried in Springwell Cemetery near Omaha.

Niels Johnson bought the North ½ of the NW ¼ from the Union Pacific Railroad in 1888. Niels sold the property to Isaac R. Carpenter in 1902. Niels sold in 1902 and moved to near Lindsay Nebraska.

John Johnson bought the North ½ of the NE ¼ from the Union Pacific Railroad in 1889. John Johnson family children are listed in an 1892 Sarpy County school census. John sold the property to Rasina Dendendorf in 1894, and moved the family to near Lyons Nebraska. Oliver was 3 in 1894. Margaret Curley Johnson owned the Northeast Quarter of Section 19 in the adjacent township. It is not known when she sold that property.



Probable area of Johnson property in 2018. The approximate area is South of Cornhusker Road northeast of Gretna Nebraska.

The lake shown in the map was a stream or river in 1889. It crossed the Charles Johnson property. Upscale subdivisions now occupy the area. The green area is a state park. (Source Google Maps)

Census records

Census records are partially indexed and can be found on the Internet. Many of the records came from FamilySearch.org, the extensive repository of the Latter Day Saints. Sometimes the handwriting in Census records is hard to read. Even though the Census takers were required to be literate, mistakes were sometimes made in the spelling of names, leading to some errors. The most correct spellings and names are assumed to be correct in Victor’s research notes as well as others. Spelling variations can be resolved by comparing the names and ages of the household members. E.g. In one census, the Lawless family is shown as Lawler.

It can be difficult to connect the census record with exactly where the family lived because the census takers went from house to house. When the houses were logged in sequence, it can be assumed that the properties were likely adjacent because they were usually done on a single day. Some maps were found that show where the families owned properties. Most of the properties can be located on Google Maps, and those pictures are included for some of the farmsteads. Explanations are given about how the present day locations were identified.

1880 Census

The Jens Jensen family emigrated to the U.S. in 1869, but no 1870 census record was found. The location of the two Johnson households in 1880 is not clear because the Land records found start in 1881. It is possible that the Jensen household was located on land in the S ½ of the SE ¼ of Section 27 because that is the property they purchased in 1881. The James Johnson household may have been on the same property. As noted, Jens sold the property to James in 1884 who then sold to Anthony Bianchi.

Sarpy County, Richland Precinct—ED6 (page number cut off), date: 11-12 June, 1880. ED6, Sheet 5, Line 14.

House location 42,45 (order of visitation): John Johnson (Jens Jensen) 60; wife Anna, 58; Charles, 19; Henina (Helene Kristine), 15;

A separate household 43,46: James C Johnson, 29; His wife Anna E, 30; John A, 9; Andrew, 3; Nelse, 27; John, 24. Nelse and John are sons of Jens and Anna. Nels married in 1881 on the John Johnson (Jens Jensen) farm. John A was Anna’s son by a previous marriage. (VJ notes)

42.45	John Johnson	w 60		1	Farmer		Danmark
	" Anna	w 58	Wife	1	Washing house		"
	" Charles	w 19	Son	1			"
	" Henina	w 15	Daughter	1			"
43.46	" James C.	w 29		1	Farmer		"
	" Anna E.	w 30	Wife	1	Washing house		Norway
	" John A.	w 9	Son	1	at School		Nels
	" Andrew	w 3		1			"
	" Nelse	w 27		1			Danmark
	" John	w 24		1			"

1885 Census

By 1885, the three Johnson sons each had 80 Acre parcels in the north part of Section 27. By 1885, James had moved further north – probably to around Randolph or Wausa NE. He possibly died in Wausa and one of his sons lived in or near Randolph.

Richland Precinct, Sarpy County—ED 713. p. 11, 12-16 June 1885. (Frame 0171, Line 29)

Household 91: N(els) Johnson, 32; Semina, 25; Anna, 1; Girl Baby 2 months, born March (Gensena).

Household 93: John Johnson, 28; Margaret, 19; Laura, 2; Mary, 3 months, born Feb. John and Margaret were married in 1882.

Household 94: Chas Johnson, 23; Anna Johnson, 62, mother (Wife of Jens, possibly divorced at this time); H C Anderson, 20, sister (Not sure whose sister she is). Charles married in 1894 so had no wife or children at this time.

The image shows three rows of handwritten census data on a grid. Each row corresponds to a household:

- Household 91:** Johnson, N(els) 32, Farmer, Keeping house. Family members: Semina 25 (Wife), Anna 1 (Daughter), Baby 2 months (Born March).
- Household 93:** Johnson, John 28, Farmer, Keeping house. Family members: Margaret 19 (Wife), Laura 2 (Daughter), Mary 3 months (Born Feb).
- Household 94:** Johnson, Chas 23, Farmer, Keeping house. Family members: Anna 62 (Mother), H C Anderson 20 (Sister).

1890 Census

The 1890 census was mostly burned in a fire. A few census areas survived, but none from Nebraska.

Census records are collected in Washington DC at the National Archives. No other copies of the 1890 census were kept. An article published by the National Archives describes the fire and how the 1890 census records were the first to be destroyed. (See References)

Some states did a census in 1885 and 1895.

1892 Sarpy County School Census by Sylvia Nimo (VJ notes)

James Curley Family; James Curley 18, Frank 16, Rachel 14.

Nels Johnson Family; Anna 8, Gensina 7, Peter 5.

John Johnson family: Laura 9, Mary 7, Jimmie 5.

1900 Census

Nels Johnson Family -

Richland Precinct, Sarpy County, Nebraska

The Census record from Richland Precinct, Sarpy County, Nebraska was recorded June 15, 1900. Supervisor's District Number 2, Enumeration District No. 122, Sheet 7.

Jens Jensen, age 79, was living with his son Nels in Richland Precinct, Sarpy County. The location listed is 110. This would be on the N ½ of the NW ¼ of Section 27. Nels and family lived there until 1902 when the property was sold.

References

Tree Image for Jens Jensen, parents, and children. <https://www.familysearch.org/tree/pedigree/landscape/MJ8R-ZKK>. The tree links to details for each child including birth and marriage records.

Death records for most of the family can be found on FindAGrave.

Jens Jensen (1820) Birth Record: "Danmark Kirkebøger, 1484-1941", database with images, FamilySearch (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:QG86-JYP1> : 17 August 2021), Jens Jensen, 1820.

Ane Marie Jensen Birth Record: Denmark Church Records, 1484-1941 Hjørring Børghlum Øster Brønderslev 5 (1834-1846) Fødte, Konf...g afgangslister, Register Volume Note: 1834 - 1846. Page Number Reference: 96 <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:QG8D-JM94>

Jens Jensen (1848) Birth/Death Record: "Danmark Kirkebøger, 1484-1941", database with images, FamilySearch (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:QG88-PX11> : 10 March 2021), Jens Jensen in entry for Jens Jensen, 1848.

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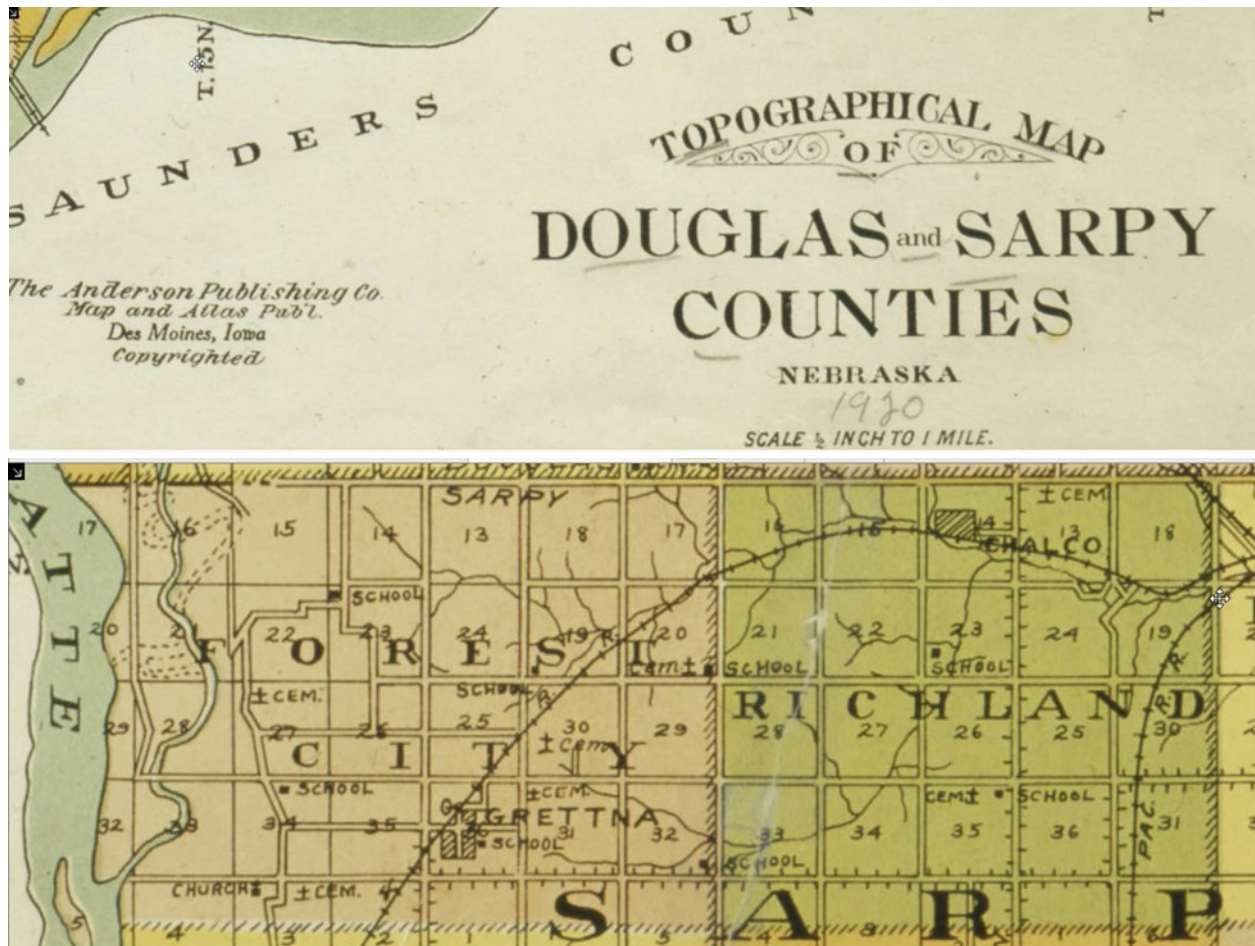
1880 Census, Richland Precinct, Sarpy County NE.

About the 1890 Census: <https://www.archives.gov/publications/prologue/1996/spring/1890-census-1.html>

1990 Census

APPENDIX

Public Lands Survey System



This map from 1920 shows the locations of the Richland and Forest City Census townships. The Census townships do not follow the Public Land Survey System (PLSS) townships.

<http://memories.nebraska.gov/cdm/fullbrowser/collection/opl/id/1000/rv/compoundobject/cpd/1054>

Nebraska lands are identified using the Public Land Survey System (PLSS) of Township, Range, and Section. The system makes it relatively easy to identify present day locations of lands owned by the Johnsons. Some of the land in the eastern part of Sarpy County has been absorbed into Omaha suburbia, but some of the properties are still obviously farm land.

Census townships were defined so that a Census taker could travel to all the houses in an area within the time allotted to take the Census. The Census takers in this area of Nebraska were probably Danish and their handwriting is similar. They would probably need to be Danish speakers because some of the Danish residents did not speak English.

Johnson Property Transfer Details from the Sarpy County Ledger

Section 27, T14N, R11E, p. 144-145 in Numerical Index.

Area: S ½ of the SE ¼, 80 Acres;

- Peter Hendrickson to Jens Jensen, Warranty deed. Recorded in Warranty Deed book, p 29. March 22, 1881; Instrument dated Jan 31, 1881.
- Jens Jensen to Peter Hendrickson, Mortgage. Recorded in Mortgages book, Page 237. Filed February 1, 1881, Instrument dated Jan 31, 1881. Released Book H Page 516.
- Jens Jensen & Wife to James C Johnson, Warranty Deed. Book P, Page 16. Filed Jan 18, 1884; Instrument dated Jan 14 1884. Subject to Mortgage.
- James C Johnson & Wife to Jens Jensen, Mortgage. Book F Mortgages, Page 490. Filed Jan 29, 1884; Instrument Jan 14, 1884. Subject to first mortgage; Released. See G Mortgages, Page 363.
 - A Warranty Deed dated January 14, 1884 shows the mortgage between James and Jens was \$450.
- James C Johnson & Wife to Anthony Bianchi, S. Warranty Deed, Book WD(?), p 15. Filed: Oct 21, 1885; Instrument: Oct 17, 1885. Subject to Mortgage.
- Jens Jensen to James C Johnson, Release of Mortgage, Land Entry, p. 92. Filed: Feb 13, 1888; Instrument: Oct 12, 1887; Date of Entry

The James C. Johnson family moved somewhere else in Nebraska. He died in 1916 in Wausa, Knox County NE. Wausa is about 20 miles North of Norfolk.

Area: S ½ of the NE ¼, 80 Acres

- United States to Union Pacific Railway Co, Patent, North ½ of Section 27, Book PD, p 191. Filed: June 30, 1884; Instrument: March 26, 1875.
- Union Pacific Railway Co to Carl M Jensen, Warranty Deed, Book PD, p 134, Filed: June 7, 1884; Instrument Aug 15 1883.

Area: N ½ of the NE ¼, 80 Acres

- Union Pacific Railway Co to John Johnson, Warranty Deed, Book U Deeds, p 489. Filed: May 13, 1889; Instrument Jan 22, 1889.
- John Johnson & Wife to Rosina Attendorf, Warranty Deed, 28 Deeds, p 142. Filed: April 28, 1894; Instrument Feb 3, 1894.

John Johnson family probably moved to Lyons area in 1894. Oliver was 3 in that year.

Area: N ½ of the NW ¼, 80 Acres

- Union Pacific Railway Co to Niels Johnson, Warranty Deed, Book T Deeds, p 200. Filed May 31, 1888; Instrument Jan 30, 1888.
- Niels Johnson & wife to Isaac R Carpenter, Warranty Deed, Book 34, p 625. Filed: Feb 8, 1902; Instrument: Nov 11, 1901.

Niels sold his property in 1901 and moved to Lindsay, Platte County, NE.