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HAINES, HERBERT

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Herbert Haines, a pioneer of Paynesville, was born in Kankakee county, Illinois, on May 24, 1864, a son of James C. and Harriet (Starkey) Haines.

James C. Haines was born in Canada, November 5, 1840. It was there that he received his education and early training. When but a young man of twenty-two years of age, he moved with his parents to Kankakee County, Illinois, where they made their home. James C. met Harriet Starkey during their stay there and on August 13, 1863 they were united in marriage.

Harriet (Starkey) Haines was born in Yellowhead, now called Kankakee, in Kankakee county, Illinois, on April 2, 1844 and she received her education and grew to womanhood there.

After their marriage, James and Harriet (Starkey) Haines continued to make their home at Kankakee until 1868. During the summer of 1867 James made a trip westward to Minnesota to try to find a new home. He settled down at Paynesville where he rented a sawmill which he operated for several years. The following spring his family came to join him in company with W. P. Bugbee. The trip was made with ox team and covered wagons. On the way they encountered many hardships. After James left the sawmill, he purchased a hardware store which business he operated until 1866, when he sold it. It was during the year 1866 that the Soo Line and Great Northern Railways were being constructed through this community. The Soo Line right of way passed through some of James Haines property so he, being a business man, platted the village of New Paynesville, the Paynesville of today.

In 1888 he constructed a new building in Paynesville and started in the hardware business again. He remained in this business for some years before selling out. Later he moved to Los Angeles, California, to live.

There were five children in the James Haines' family, they were: Herbert, born May 28, 1864; Clement W., born December 6, 1865, and died January 4, 1936, at Mendon, Illinois; Luella L., born in 1868 and died in 1871; Clarence A., born December 7, 1878, and died in 1880 at Kansas; and Angus R., who was born 1872 and died in 1873. Luella and Angus were laid to rest in the Paynesville cemetery.

Harriet (Starkey) Haines passed away at her home in Paynesville on December 1, 1881. Burial was made in the family lot in Paynesville Cemetery.

In 1883, James Haines was married to Augusta Rein. They had two children, Alice and Estella.

James C. Haines passed away at his home in Los Angeles, California, in 1908. His remains were buried there.

Herbert Haines, more often called "Hub," came to Paynesville with his mother and brother in the spring of 1868. It was in this community where he went to school and grew to manhood.

On December 19, 1886, he was united in marriage to Patience M. Sheldon, daughter of Harry and Charlotte Sheldon, the pioneers. The wedding took place in the Paynesville Congregational Church, with the Reverend E. E. Rogers, pastor, in charge.

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For a number of years, they lived on a farm in Section 15 of Paynesville township, but during the winter months they moved into the village of Paynesville to live.

"Hub" Haines was known throughout the community as a carpenter. He helped construct a great number of buildings in this community including the first wooden water tank in 1899. In later years he became interested in the boat building industry and he worked at that business until the year 1934 when he was forced to retire on account of poor health. His boats were popular throughout Minnesota and the neighboring states.

Herbert and Patience M. (Sheldon) Haines were the parents of five children, they are: Bessie M., Ina L., Ethel; Harold L., and Mildred.

Bessie M. Haines was born in Paynesville township on December 25 or 26 1887. She received her education in the village school and also attended the local high school for a time. On June 8, 1908, Bessie was married to Gustave H. Anderson, at St. Cloud, Minnesota. They made their home near Minneapolis and this was where their only daughter, Harriet C. was born. After a few years, Bessie and Gustave Anderson separated, and she continued living with her daughter until April 11, 1935 when she was married to Clifford Lissard. Harriet is married to Ralph Mixer. They are the parents of two sons and are living in Minneapolis.

Ina L. Haines was born in Paynesville township on January 11, 1890. She passed away February 7, 1890 and was laid to rest in the Paynesville Cemetery.

Ethel Haines was born in the village of Paynesville on May 1, 1891. She received her education in the local grade and High school. On September 1, 1918, she was united in marriage to Samuel T. Leversee at Austin, Minnesota, by the Reverend F. A. Scott. Samuel Leversee was born at Cedar Falls, Iowa, on April 19, 1877. At the time of his marriage, he was an instructor of Mechanics at the college at Austin, Minnesota. All during his lifetime, he followed the mechanical trade, spending several years in Florida. On January 18, 1937, he passed away at his home in Paynesville. His remains were taken to Cedar Falls, Iowa, for burial. Ethel is continuing to make her home in Paynesville. At the present time, she is living at her lake cottage on the northeast shore of Lake Koronis.

Harold L. Haines was born in Paynesville township on July 24, 1894. He received his education in the local schools. As a boy, he was much interested in mechanical machinery and in 1910 he built his own automobile which ran under its own power. He enlisted during the World war on November 18, 1917 and was stationed at Camp Guster/ in Michigan where he served during the war; He became First Sargeant in Co. B. and was an instructor in Mechanics. After his discharge, he made his home at Battle Creek, Michigan where he went into the garage business. Later he took a position there with the Gulf Refining Company. In 1920, Harold Haines was married to Lylla (Bowen) Olson at Battle Creek. They have one son, Herbert, who was born September 10, 1926.

Mildred Haines, was born in Paynesville township on August 7, 1897.

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She was but a small child when she passed away on April 19, 1900. She was laid to rest beside her sister in the Paynesville cemetery.

On April 15, 1926, Patience M. (Sheldon) Haines passed away at her home in Paynesville. The funeral services were conducted from the house with the Reverend Haggans of the Methodist Church officiating. Burial was made in the Paynesville cemetery.

After the death of his wife, Patience, Herbert Haines lived with his son-in-law and daughter, Samuel and Ethel (Haines) Leversee, in Florida. The following year, they returned to Paynesville where they built a new home.

On October 6, 1932, Herbert Haines was united in marriage to Aggie (Carlock) Burt at Spicer, Minnesota. Herbert has retired from active work and is living at his home in Paynesville.

Interviewed: Ethel (Haines) Leversee
Date: July 8, 1938
By: Clarence Chisholm

HAINES, HUBERT (ADDITION)

Hubert Haines a pioneer of this vicinity passed away at his home here in Paynesville on November 24, 1938. He was laid to rest in the family lot besides his wife and two children in the Paynesville cemetery.

Interviewed: Ethel (Haines) Laverse
Date: November 28, 1938
By: Clarence Chisholm