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Girard, Frank Arthur
1887/1888/1890 IL – 1949 CA



*Frank Arthur Girard – “Chicago Tribune” Saturday 9 Feb 1918 p 3 -
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GIRARD FRANK ARTHUR		C X06344926	
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Arthur Girrard	Son	M	Chicago, Cook, Illinois, United States ^
Name Arthur Girrard			
Sex Male			
Birth Date 16 Sep 1890			
Birthplace Chicago, Cook, Illinois, United States			
Race White			
Father's Name Frank Mc Henry Girrard			
Father's Sex Male			
Father's Age 30			
Father's Birth Year (Estimated) 1860			
Father's Birthplace Amherstburg			
Mother's Name Dor Leora Greenwood Girrard			
Mother's Sex Female			
Mother's Age 29			
Mother's Birth Year (Estimated) 1861			
Mother's Birthplace Mich			
Event Type Birth Registration			
Event Place Cook, Illinois, United States			
Event Place (Original) , Cook, Illinois			
Certificate Number 4923			

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Frank Mc Henry Girrard

in the Cook County, Illinois, U.S., Birth Certificates Index, 1871-1922



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Detail	Source
Name	Frank Mc Henry Girrard
Birth Date	Abt 1860
Birth Place	Amherstburg
Gender	Male
Age	30
Spouse	Dor Leora Greenwood Girrard
Child	Arthur Girrard
FHL Film Number	1287903

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INFORMATION FOR DEATH CERTIFICATE

FULL NAME Frank A. Girard

USUAL RESIDENCE 1695 Beach St. DATE OF DEATH 9/24/49 TIME OF DEATH 6:00 P.M.

PLACE OF DEATH St. Lukes Hospital ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~

IN THIS COMMUNITY 40 yrs. ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ CITIZEN OF WHAT COUNTRY U.S.A. ~~XXXXXX~~

VETERAN OF World War I SOCIAL SECURITY none

SEX Male COLOR White MARITAL STATUS Married

NAME OF HUSBAND OR WIFE Elsie M. Girard ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~

BIRTHDATE OF DECEASED Sept. 16, 1890 AGE 59 YRS. ~~MOSE~~ ~~RAVE~~

BIRTHPLACE Chicago, Ill.

OCCUPATION Cigar Mfg. INDUSTRY

FATHER'S NAME Frank H. Girard ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~

MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME Jessie Greenwood ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~

INFORMANT Mrs. Elsie M. Girard ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~

PLACE OF BURIAL Holy Cross Cemetery ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~

EX 2 CHRONICLE 2 FUNERAL NOTICE Cost

NAME Girard

in this city Sept. 24, 1949

Frank A. beloved husband of Elsie M. Girard, loving sister of Leone G. Fritz.

Native of : Chicago, Ill.

Tuesday Sept. 27, 1949

St. Josephs R.H.M. 10:00 P.M.

Int. Holy Cross

1949
1890
59-Sept 16

California, U.S., San Francisco Area Funeral Home Records, 1895-1985 for Frank A Girard

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Frank A Girard

in the California, U.S., Death Index, 1940-1997



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Detail Source

Name	Frank A Girard
Gender	Male
Birth Date	16 Sep 1890
Birth Place	Illinois
Death Date	24 Sep 1949
Death Place	San Francisco
Mother's Maiden Name	Greenwood
Father's Surname	Girard

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GIRARD—In this city, Sept. 24, 1949, Frank A., beloved husband of Elsie M. Girard, loving brother of Leore G. Fritz; a native of Chicago, Ill. Funeral will take place Tuesday, Sept. 27, at 9:30 a. m. from the Memorial Chapels of CAREW & ENGLISH, Masonic at Golden Gate-av, thence to St. Joseph's Church, Howard at 10th-st, where a requiem high mass will be offered for the repose of his soul, commencing at 10 o'clock. Interment, Holy Cross Cemetery.

The San Francisco News
Mon, Sep 26, 1949 · Page 19

" Eugene (Catherine) eng r 1170 Fulton
CHARLES FASHION GRILL
 (A and C Tollini) special Italian and French
 dinner daily, a la carte at reasonable prices
 243 O'Farrell tel Sutter 3873 and Kearny
 5723

San Francisco, California, city directory

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1695 Beach St., San Francisco CA



N° 1695 Beach Street

Built 1931

architect Richard R. Irvine

Marina District, San Francisco

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/sftrajan/8014510273/>

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Life

**MORE CHICAGO
BOYS WERE ON
THE TUSCANIA**

***Suspense Lasts While
List of Drowned
Is Lacking.***

Chicago Tribune
Sat, Feb 09, 1918 - Page 3

Goldstone, 8420 Glenwood avenue.

Others Await News.

Relatives are also waiting information regarding Private Edward Van Herke, detachment B, casuals, 527 West Twenty-eighth place; Corporal Raymond Groenler, One Hundred and Seventh supply train, 5708 South State street; Private Frank A. Girard, 3506 Pine Grove avenue; Lieut. Clinton W. Ball, One Hundred and Seventh engineers, whose cousin, L. E. Howard, lives at 4413 Oakenwald avenue; Albert H. Anderson, One Hundred and Seventh supply train; Charles A. Campbell of the One Hundred and Seventh engineers train, and Private Lawrence S. McCoy of the One Hundred and Seventh engineers train, whose brother, John E. McCoy, is a law student at Northwestern university.

Mrs. A. P. Melton, wife of Capt. A. P. Melton of Gen. Pershing's staff, said yesterday she believed her brother, Lieut. Milton A. Quilly, was aboard the Tuscania.

includes photograph (above)

News from Twelve.

News was received of the safe landing of twelve more men—Capt. Harry Letton of the engineers' reserve corps, whose wife is at the home of her sister, Mrs. Frank L. Britton, 4722 Sheridan road; Capt. Ralph A. Feldes, 1646 West One Hundred and Second street; Lieut. Herbert B. Bartholf, 535 Longwood avenue, Glencoe; Corporal Raymond Groenler, 5708 South State street, and Privates Joseph A. Capodice, 6637 Evans avenue; Joe Gail, 454½ West Twelfth street; Frank A. Girard, 3500 Pine Grove avenue; Joseph Lindstrom, 609 North Homan avenue; Edward Van Hecke, 527 West Twenty-eighth place; Alex Gronquist, 9900 Avenue H; Israel Levine, 1247 South Sawyer avenue, and Robert P. Leonard, 2103 Grace street.

Chicago Tribune
Sun, Feb 10, 1918 - Page 2

Police Arrest Trio As Bookie Suspects

Police today raided Monday's Cigar Store at 84 Ellis-st and arrested Frank Girard, 58, of 1695 Beach-st, and Sam Godstein, 62, of 441 Ellis-st, on charges of suspicion of violating the felony bookmaking law.

Officers Joseph Keene and Clement Doherty said they found run-down sheets and other racing paraphernalia, and while there took a telephone call with mutuel results.

At 1051 Sutter-st, Police Sergeant John Dyer arrested Harry Elsdon, 47, of 3068 Turk-st. Mr. Elsdon was booked on suspicion of bookmaking. Sergeant Dyer said he found betting paraphernalia on the premises.

The San Francisco News
Thu, Dec 14, 1944 · Page 1

Light Sentences Encourage Bookies to Reopen In Increasing Numbers, New Raids Show

San Francisco's race track bookmakers, reported to have numbered more than 500 before fear of prosecution under felony provisions of the State penal code drove them into tentative retirement, are reopening in increasing numbers, evidence uncovered by police indicated yesterday.

Two alleged bookie joints, one in the downtown district, the other in an apartment house district, were raided by police of the special service bureau.

At 84 Ellis Street, behind a "front" identified as Monday's Cigar Store, raiders found run-

down sheets and other bookmaking paraphernalia. When the phone rang, an officer took down the receiver and heard results of a Hollywood race being broadcast, together with the parimutuel payoffs.

Here, Frank Girard, of 1695 Beach Street, and Sam Godstein, of 441 Ellis Street, were arrested and charged with suspicion of violating the anti-bookmaking section of the penal code.

At 1051 Sutter Street, police arrested Harry Elsdon, of 3068 Turk Street, after seizing book-

making equipment and "taking" several bets over the telephone.

The raids substantiated reports that bookies, long closed, have found encouragement in light sentences being meted out to those found guilty and are reopening on the chance that if arrested they will escape with a short jail term and probation, instead of receiving the year's imprisonment provided by the penal code.

(Excerpts from probation reports urging leniency to bookies on page 3, column 5.)

Monday's Cigar Store at 84 Ellis St. (Frank's business address) was a front for parimutuel betting - Frank of 1695 Beach St., San Francisco CA arrested - "San Francisco Examiner"

15 Dec 1944 p 1

Alameda Man Dies of Asphyxiation Here

Accidental death by asphyxiation was the coroner's verdict after examining the body of Harry Hider, 58, 1192-B Park Ave., who was found dead in his room yesterday.

Hider, clean-up man and relief bartender at a tavern on Park St., was discovered by the owners of the tavern, Frank A. Girard, 36, 1301 Park St., and Matt Loftrom, 35, 1529 Verdi St. at 1:30 p. m. yesterday.

Becoming alarmed when the man didn't appear for work, the partners knocked on his door and finally broke a pane of glass and entered.

The tightly closed room was

filled with fumes, and an empty teakettle was setting over a high flame on a gas plate, according to Girard.

Hider was found lying on his bed, dressed in his underwear and a tan shirt. His face was bloated and purple, and drops of blood were on his lips and the pillow under his head, according to police reports.

He was last seen by neighbors, Ada and Edward E. Miller, 1192 Park Ave., who told police they noticed him entering his room around 4 p. m. Saturday. They said he appeared to have been drinking.

Alameda Times Star
Mon, Sep 02, 1946 - Page 1

Alameda CA

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF INTENDED SALE

Notice is hereby given that Matt Lofstrom and Frank A. Girard, intended vendors, whose address is 1529 Verdi Street, City of Alameda, County of Alameda, State of California, intends to sell, and Matt Lofstrom intended vendee, whose address is 1301 Park Street, City of Alameda, County of Alameda, State of California, intends to purchase that certain cafe and liquor store operated under the firm name and style of BUCKHORN CLUB AND LIQUOR STORE situated at 1301 Park Street, City of Alameda, County of Alameda, State of California, a general statement of the character of the merchandise or property intended to be sold being as follows: Stock, fixtures, equipment, lease, and good will of the business, and General Off-sale License, No. C-7192-C and General On-Sale License, No. P-4712-B. No consideration for the transfer of the above licenses.

The purchase price or consideration will be paid at the hour of 10:00 o'clock A. M. on Friday the 10th day of October, 1947, at 1301 Park Street, Alameda, California.

Dated at Oakland, California, October 2, 1947.

MATT LOFSTROM,
FRANK A. GIRARD,
Intended Vendors.

Publish Oct. 4, 1947. 475044

Alameda Times Star
Sat, Oct 04, 1947 -Page 8

Alameda CA

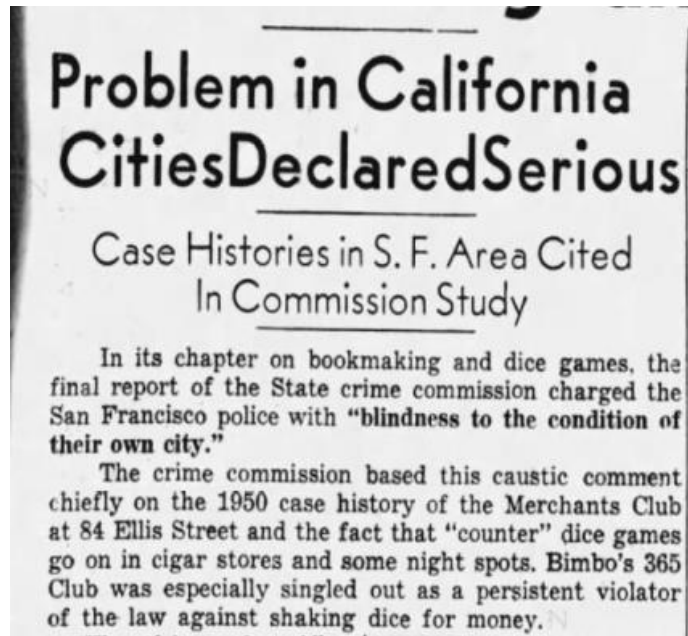
Probate Filings

CANNON—Stephen F., on petition of Nellie A. Cannon, value unknown.

GIRARD—Frank A., on petition of Leore G. Fritz, value unknown.

STAGNARO—Antonio, probate of will.

San Francisco Chronicle
Fri, Sep 30, 1949 -Page 19



Gambling at 84 Ellis Street Merchants Club - "San Francisco Examiner" 11 May 1953 p 19



"San Francisco Examiner" 15 Jun 1950 p 9 - \$135,000 is worth about \$1.8 million in purchasing power in 2026

Girard Estate Valued at \$134,713

Value of the estate left by Frank A. Girard, cigar salesman who died last September 24 at the age of 55, was valued at \$134,713 in an appraisal filed yesterday in Superior Court here.

He owned a one-third interest in Charles Fashion Grill, 243 O'Farrell street. Sole heir is the widow, Elsie May Girard, 1695 Beach street.

San Francisco Chronicle
Thu, Jun 15, 1950 · Page 11

Wife

Elsie M Secor

in the California, U.S., County Birth, Marriage, and Death Records, 1849-1980



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Detail Source

Name	Elsie M Secor
Gender	Female
Event Type	Marriage
Marriage Date	23 Feb 1922
Marriage Place	Santa Rosa, California, USA
Spouse	Frank A Girard



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CORONER'S REGISTER
CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO
RECORD OF DEATH

Of Elsie May Girard
Residence of deceased 1695 Beach at #102 Place where death occurred 1695 Beach at #102
Date of death or date found April 10-1951 Time of death or time found 1:45 PM
Date reported 4-10-51 Time reported 1:57 PM Name of person reporting case Anna Casey Homicide notified yes
Police notified Time 2:25 PM Date 4-10-51 Through Officer E. Miskel of Northern Station. Police Officer at scene yes
Personal information received from Anna Casey (friend)
Sex Female Color or Race White Single, Married, Etc. (Write the word) Widow
Religion _____ Name of Husband or Wife _____
Date of Birth—Month _____ Day _____ Year _____
Age 50 Yr. Mo. Days. If less than one day _____ Hrs. Min.
Occupation—Trade, profession or kind of work done as at home
Employer—Name and Address _____
Birthplace (city or town) _____ State or Country Iowa
Relatives notified yes Date 4-10-51 By Telegram
Letter sent relative _____
Union checked—Dependents _____ Date _____
Body received at Morgue yes Time 3:40 PM M. Temp. of body _____
Body removed—Time 10:30 PM Date 4-10-51 By W. H. Dale Asst. Funeral Director
Funeral Director Carum & English Inc. Address 380 Mission
Order signed by Viola Kellup Relationship Sister
Body delivered by _____ Deputy _____
Body permitted to go to _____ Funeral Directors _____
Request of _____ Relationship _____
Public Administrator notified yes Date 4/10/51 Time 9:30 AM
Public Administrator reported for body Date _____ Time _____ M.
Room sealed yes Date 4-10-51 Seal released _____
Personal effects at or released to at C.O.
Photo taken No Date _____ By _____ Mask taken _____
Fingerprints taken yes Forwarded U. S. Veterans' Bureau _____ Neg.—Pos. _____
Police Record, Local _____ Neg.—Pos. _____ Cal. _____ Neg.—Pos. _____ F. B. I. _____ Neg.—Pos. _____
Body placed in cold storage—Date and compartment—A B C D E _____ No. _____
IN CASE OF ACCIDENT, SUICIDE, ETC.
Date and Time 4-10-51 1:45 PM Place 1695 Beach at #102
Nature of supposed accident or suicide possible overdose sleeping pills

HISTORY OF CASE (supposed facts to be proven at inquest):
The deceased resided alone at 1695 Beach St. On 4-10-51, about 1:45 PM Anna Casey and Minnie Figone, friends, went to the dec.'s residence. Mrs. Casey, an old friend, had a key to the dec.'s residence which is apt. #102 and upon entering, they found the dec. dressed in a nightgown, lying in bed on her back, dead and Mrs. Casey reported the case to this office at 1:57 PM 4-10-51. Examination of the dec. who had apparently been dead over 12 hours when found, disclosed no evidence of any external trauma. In a bedside drawer was found 6 yellow capsules, two white capsules and 26 white tablets. In a prescription bottle in the medicine cabinet in the bathroom was found 6 red and blue capsules. There were no notes found. According to Mrs. Casey, the dec. had been drinking to excess and had been somewhat despondent due to the death of her late husband. On 4-9-51, Dr. Emmett Allen saw the dec. at home for the first time and advised the dec. to be hospitalized. However, she refused hospitalization. There is no history of any other recent medical attention.

Scars, Birth marks, other distinguishing marks _____
Height 5'5" Weight 125 Eyes Brown Color of Hair Gray
Color of A. Vase Driver Deputy
WITNESSES
Name Address Remarks
Viola Kellup 910 1/2 Clay at bedda falls Iowa Sister
Joanna Kellup 115 1/2 Grove at Oak Park Ill niece
Anna Casey 2854 Beach at or 3-4962 friend found the
Minnie Figone 1235 Filbert St. 4-3814 friend at scene
P.D. E. Miskel Northern Sta at scene report
Mr. E. Allen 709 Hyde at Saw her since 4-9-51

Despondent as husband Frank died recently & she is drinking excessively, Elsie Secor Girard is found dead at 1695 Beach St. on 10 Apr 1951; "possible overdose sleeping pills" – CA, San Francisco County Records, 1824-1997 -

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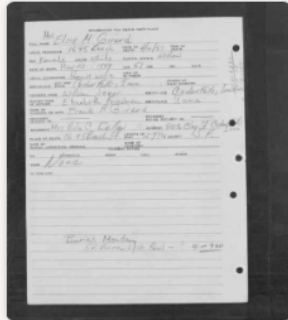
Full text of coroner's report:

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The report notes that Mrs. Anna Casey, age 50, was a widow. The San Francisco police officer who came to the scene was E. Miskel of the Northern Station. Relatives were notified 10 Apr 1951 by telegram. Her sister, Viola Kellup, authorized the funeral director.

Mrs Elsie M Girard

in the California, U.S., San Francisco Area Funeral Home Records, 1895-1985



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Detail Source

Name	Mrs Elsie M Girard
Gender	Female
Race	Caucasian (White)
Birth Date	23 May 1899
Birth Place	Cedar Falls, Iowa
Age	51
Death Date	10 Apr 1951
Spouse	Frank A Girard
Father	William Secor
Mother	Elizabeth Friedman
Funeral Home	Carew and English

INFORMATION FOR DEATH CERTIFICATE

Mrs. Elsie M. Girard

FULL NAME Mrs. Elsie M. Girard

USUAL RESIDENCE 1695 Beach DATE OF DEATH 4/10/51 TIME OF DEATH

SEX Female COLOR White MARITAL STATUS Widow

DATE OF BIRTH May 23 - 1899 AGE 51 YRS. MO. DAYS

USUAL OCCUPATION House wife KIND OF BUSINESS

BIRTHPLACE CITY AND STATE Cedar Falls, Iowa CITIZEN OF WHAT COUNTRY

FATHER'S NAME William Secor BIRTHPLACE Cedar Falls, Iowa

MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Elizabeth Friedman BIRTHPLACE Iowa

NAME OF HUSBAND OR WIFE Frank A. Girard

DECEASED VETERAN OF DECEASED SOCIAL SECURITY NO.

INFORMANT Mrs. Viola C. Keller ADDRESS 910 1/2 Clay St. Cedar Falls, Iowa

PLACE OF DEATH 1695 Beach St. LENGTH OF STAY 2 7/8 COUNTY S. F.

DATE OF BURIAL - CREMATION - REMOVAL NAME OF CEMETERY

EX CHRONICLE NEWS CALL OTHER

NAME None

IN THIS CITY

<https://www.ancestry.com/search/collections/2118/records/387779?tid=6578706&pid=222376266222&queryId=c16a448b-3c7f-4514-bc9c-eab0dd5d83cb&phsrc=iKj5599&phstart=successSource>

Elsie May Girard

in the California, U.S., Death Index, 1940-1997



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Detail Source

Name	Elsie May Girard [Elsie May Secor]
Gender	Female
Birth Date	23 May 1899
Birth Place	Iowa
Death Date	10 Apr 1951
Death Place	San Francisco
Mother's Maiden Name	Friedman
Father's Surname	Secor

<https://www.ancestry.com/search/collections/5180/records/2696581>

— Miss Elsie May Secor returned the latter part of the week from a visit with her cousin Frank Ray at Allison.

Cedar Falls Gazette
Tue, Sep 01, 1908 · Page 5

Cedar Falls IA

WILL ASK FOR RETURN OF TRIO HELD UNDER ARREST IN ARIZONA

Application for requisition papers for D. T. O'Brien, Charles Hansen and Sam Thompson, under arrest at Phoenix, Ark., was being prepared this afternoon by Walter R. French, assistant county attorney.

At the instruction of Sheriff D. B. Henderson the trio named above, together with Elsie Secor, E. J. Hoy, Mrs. Hoy and Lucile Jay, were arrested by the sheriff at Phoenix. A wire was received by Sheriff Henderson at 5 p. m. yesterday, stating the sextet was in custody and asking instruction as to how long they should be held.

A telegram was sent this noon instructing the sheriff to release Thompson and Mrs. Hoy. Decision was to be made this afternoon, after Mr. French had had an opportunity to talk with a witness from Reinbeck, as to what course to pursue regarding Mrs. Jay and Mrs. Secor. Mr. French stated at noon a requisition might be asked for them on a charge of prostitution.

O'Brien, Hoy and Hansen are wanted on a larceny charge. It is alleged by the state that they stole tires, tools and automobile acces-

sories worth \$42 from a car that was disabled and left on the La Porte road Aug. 24. There are also several civil suits in court here in which the individuals are involved.

The Courier
Wed, Oct 08, 1919 - Page 11

Waterloo IA

GAY AUTO PARTY STOPPED BY LAW

Orgies of D. T. O'Brien and Companions Terminate at Phoenix, Ariz.; Two Indicted.

A gay party traveling overland to the west coast in an automobile was interrupted en route and at least two of its members were indicted by the federal grand jury on a white slave charge at Phoenix, Ariz., yesterday afternoon.

News of this development in a case which has engrossed the interest of state and federal officers came this morning to Sheriff D. B. Henderson. It shows impressively that Uncle Sam wastes no time in bringing to book the violators of his laws.

Left Waterloo Six Weeks Ago.

Six persons left Waterloo in an automobile five weeks ago. They were D. T. O'Brien, formerly proprietor of a taxicab line; Elsie Secor, C. A. Hanson, Lucille Jay and Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Hoy.

All the men in the party had been employees of the same taxicab line. The women in the party are young—Mrs. Jay about 19, Elsie Secor about 20 and Mrs. Hoy about 24. O'Brien is 26. Sam W. Thompson joined the party en route and all were arrested at Phoenix on orders from Sheriff D. B. Henderson, but Mrs. Hoy was released. The other two girls were charged with prostitution and three of the men were accused of larceny of auto tires, tools and accessories in this county in August.

Under Assumed Names.

A dispatch from the Arizona Gazette to the Courier and Reporter,

received last evening, gives the allegations of the federal officials as follows:

"D. T. O'Brien, a chauffeur for a taxicab line in Waterloo, Ia., married, left Waterloo for Los Angeles, Cal., with Elsie Secor, in an automobile, accompanied by C. A. Hanson, a mechanic, Mr. and Mrs. Hoy and Lucille Jay, all of Waterloo.

"O'Brien and Elsie Secor registered as Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Montgomery at numerous hotels. Hanson took the alias of C. A. Grueber, and Mr. and Mrs. Hoy changed their names to Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Joliet.

"A Kansas City Mrs. Jay telephoned Sam Thompson at Wray, Colo., who met the party at Lamar, Colo., and accompanied them to Phoenix. He registered at hotels with Lucille as Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Thompson. The party registered under assumed names at the Hotel Vendome in Phoenix. They were arrested by the police on a white slave charge which was brought by federal officials here. The federal grand jury is now in session."

It appears that no charge is preferred against Mr. and Mrs. Hoy. Mrs. Hoy is a Mason City girl, about 23 years of age. Mr. Hoy came here from Minneapolis.

Mrs. Jay is divorced. She was born here and comes from a highly respected family. Thompson, while not a resident of Waterloo, has visited here.

Confessions on File.

The county attorney and sheriff have confessions of two girls who are acquainted with some of the members of the automobile party that left on the transcontinental tour. One is 18, who has been held to the grand jury on a disorderly charge, and the other is 19.

One of the girls in her confession, tells the sad story of her introduction to the life of a scarlet woman and of her recent experiences. One paragraph tells of orgies held in a country home near Waterloo and of her escape while the other members of the party were

in a drunken stupor. She ran out of the house into the road and walked to Waterloo, arriving here at 2 a. m.

Use of automobiles for joy rides and halts along country lanes are featured in the girl's confession. She tells of trips to Cedar Falls, Iowa Falls and other towns for im-

moral purposes.

The grand jury, which is to sit next Thursday, probably will probe into the case of these two girls and others who are accused of having lived a shady life; also of alleged disorderly houses.

IOWA MOTOR PARTY IS HALTED IN PHOENIX BY WHITE SLAVE CHARGE

Two men of a group of seven men and women who are alleged to have motored to Arizona from Iowa were indicted by the federal grand jury yesterday on a white slave charge. The other members of the party are being held in the county and city jails as witnesses in the case which will come up for trial during the present term of court, it having been set by Judge Sawtelle for October 24.

The men indicted are D. T. O'Brien, operator of the Yellow Hood Taxi line, who is alleged to have brought Elsie Secor here from Waterloo, Iowa, and Sam Thompson, who, it is claimed, joined the party in Lamar, Colo., and traveled the remainder of the distance with them, posing as the husband of Lucille Joy, one of the women who left Iowa with the original party.

It is understood that the last lap of the journey was anything but happy for the diet of the seven from Payson to Phoenix consisted of nothing but apples. On their arrival here they registered at a West Washington street hotel where they were arrested by the city police early Monday morning when their case was transferred to the federal authorities. The officers became suspicious when an attempt was made to dispose of the seven-passenger Paige car in which the overland trip was made. The Iowa officials were advised of the situation by Chief of Police Brisbois, who received a reply from D. D. Henderson, sheriff at Waterloo, who replied that the Iowa people under arrest here had bad reputations in the community in which they lived.

After the matter was taken up by

the special agents of the department of justice, the men and women were called to testify before the grand jury. As a result, the two true bills were returned against O'Brien and Thompson, while their companions are being held in jail as material witnesses.

According to those who investigated the case, O'Brien, who is said to be a married man, left Waterloo, Iowa, with Elsie Secor, the couple traveling under the names of Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Montgomery. They were accompanied by a Mr. and Mrs. Hoy, C. A. Hansen and Lucille Joy. It is alleged that the Joy woman made arrangements to "meet a friend" en route, and that in Colorado she was joined by Thompson, with whom she came the remainder of the way as wife.

The original plan, it is said, was to go to the coast, but lack of funds necessitated the stopover in Phoenix, which ended in arrest for alleged violation of the Mann act.

O'Brien and Thompson entered pleas of not guilty before Judge Sawtelle, who placed their bond at \$2000 each. The defendants will be represented by Leyhe and Bursh when their case is tried the latter part of the month.

FIVE IOWANS UNDER ARREST AT PHOENIX

(Evening Tribune Special.)

WATERLOO, Ia., Oct. 11.—Five Iowans are held at Phoenix, Ariz., by the federal authorities.

Presumably they are held under the Mann white slave act, but no definite information is contained in the dispatch to Sheriff Henderson.

They are D. T. O'Brien, Charles Hansen, Samuel Thompson, Elsie Secor, and Lucille Jay.

Sheriff Henderson ordered their arrest on charges filed here—the men being charged with automobile accessory thefts amounting to \$40, and the women being wanted on charges of prostitution.

When it was discovered that it would cost \$1,000 to bring the quintet back, the sheriff wired to release them.

Then came the wire from the sheriff at Phoenix that they are held by the department of justice.

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Des Moines IA

ARRESTED FOR VIOLATION OF MANN WHITE SLAVE ACT

PHOENIX, Oct. 14.—D. T. O'Brien and Sam Thompson have been indicted by the federal grand jury for violation of the white slave act, and Elsie Secor and Lucile Jay, who accompanied them from Waterloo, Ia., are being held as material witnesses. These four, with Mr. and Mrs. Hoy and C. A. Hanson of Waterloo, were passengers in a seven-passenger automobile on the cross-country trip. Thompson joined the party at Lamar, Colo., having been summoned by Lucile Jay, who telephoned to him when the party reached Wray.

The Phoenix police arrested the entire party when it was registered at the Vendome hotel under assumed names, O'Brien and Elsie Secor passing under the alleged aliases of Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Montgomery, Mr. and Mrs. Hoy calling themselves Mr. and Mrs. Joist, Hanson registering as C. A. Cruber, and Thompson and Lucile Jay as Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Thompson. The suspicions of the police were directed to the party when they attempted to dispose of the car after their arrival here. The arrests were made last Monday morning.

Members of the party state that the original intention on leaving Iowa was to go to Los Angeles after striking Arizona, but they ran out of money after striking Arizona, and had nothing but apples to eat on the last lap of the journey. So they decided to stop in Phoenix and sell the car, making the rest of the trip by train. They registered at hotels all along the way, stopping at Kansas city, Lamar, Colo., Raton, N. M., and a number of other places.

TRAIL OF 'WHITE SLAVE PARTY' WAS BESET BY TRIALS

**T. O'Brien, et al, on Way to
Los Angeles, Out of Funds,
Subsisted on Apples.**

The long trail from Waterloo to Phoenix, Ariz., was anything but a bed of roses, at least part of the way, to seven Waterloo people who left Sept. 21 in an automobile, and part of whom are being held in prison at Phoenix on a white slave charge or as material government witnesses, according to news that has just been received here.

The trip originally had Los Angeles as its objective, but the caravan was compelled to stop, limping and, as it were, at Phoenix because funds had become exhausted. It is understood that the last lap of the journey was anything but joyous and happy, for contentment was one requisite factor a full stomach and an appetite that has been appeased. These argonauts traveled from Payson to Phoenix,

rt., on a diet that consisted solely of apples.

A Phoenix paper states that on arrival there the members of the party registered at the West Washington hotel, where they were arrested by the police Oct. 8. Later their cases were transferred to the federal authorities and D. T. O'Brien and Samuel Thompson were indicted on white slave charges. Elsie Secor and Mrs. Lull Jay are held in jail also as government witnesses. E. J. Hoyls gave testimony before the grand jury, as did C. A. Hanson.

Walked Across State Line?

It is reported that the women members of the party, when the automobile approached a state line, climbed out of the car and walked a mile or two across the border. If this was done, it is surmised, to protect any members of the party from being charged with violation of the Mann act.

The hearing of the cases of O'Brien and Thompson will come this week, probably Oct. 22 or 23.

Mrs. O'Brien has gone to Phoenix and should arrive today or tomorrow.

It is hoped that the federal charges may be dismissed by the reconciliation of Mr. and Mrs. O'Brien and the marriage of Mrs. Jay and Mr. Thompson.

How Trip Was Arranged.

Evidence before the grand jury, it is said, was about as follows by Elsie Secor: She said she, O'Brien

and another party were together a certain evening in Waterloo and the two gentlemen suggested that they were soon to start on an automobile trip to Los Angeles. Miss Secor suggested that she was going with them, but Mr. O'Brien rejoined that he would take no one unless he or she should pay the full fare for transportation. It is said Miss Secor replied that she had \$70 or \$80 to pay him for transportation. She declared that on the next day she gave O'Brien \$26, which he invested and in some manner two days later the investment yielded \$52. On the evening before the departure on the long trip Miss Secor gave O'Brien \$60 more, she said, which made a total of \$112, for the transportation of

herself and her baggage. The federal authorities, however, it is said, have the information that O'Brien and Miss Secor occupied the same room at different hotels en route and that they were in the same room at the Phoenix hotel at the time of the arrest.

Corroboration by Mrs. Jay?

It is reported that Mrs. Jay in her evidence corroborated Miss Secor as to the payment of transportation fees. She said she saw Miss Secor and they had talked about going to the coast, but that Miss Secor had informed her she could not go without paying her transportation costs. Mrs. Jay stated that she gathered together \$85, which she paid to O'Brien. It is said Mrs. Jay wrote to Thompson at

Wray, Colo., asking him to meet the party at Lamar, Colo., and accompany them to Los Angeles. He replied he would go if he could rake together enough money. When the automobile party finally reached Lamar, it is reported Thompson had only \$50 which he procured from his father, and \$20 of it was consumed in paying his car fare and other expenses from his home to Lamar. Thereupon, it is said, Mrs. Jay gave to him the remainder of her funds. This balance, plus the \$30 that Thompson had left, it is said, was turned over to O'Brien.

Appealed for Funds.

It is reported that the members

of the party made appeals to relatives and friends for funds for attorney's fees and for fruit and other delicacies which the members in jail wanted as a variation to prison fare. Little effort, it is said, was made to procure the bonds necessary for the accused persons and those held as material witnesses to secure their liberty.

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Waterloo IA

YOUNG WOMAN TELLS OF MOTOR TRIP HERE IN COMPANION'S CAR

That she left Waterloo, Iowa, with Daniel O'Brien and his party and occupied a room with him wherever they chanced to stop en route to Phoenix, was the testimony offered yesterday by Elsie Secor, young and pretty, in the white slave case in which O'Brien is the defendant.

A few feet from the witness stand sat Mrs. O'Brien, also young and attractive, who came west Tuesday to stand by her 22-year-old husband, whom she declares she has forgiven. Not once did Mrs. O'Brien look at the witness as the latter testified to the effect that she and O'Brien had come west together.

The Secor girl is not the woman in the case, and neither is O'Brien the only man, for leaving with them for the tour was Mrs. Lucile Jay, a divorcee, who was joined in Lamar, Colorado, by Sampel Thompson, the other defendant in the case which is now on trial before Judge Neterer. The remaining members of the party were Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Hoy and Charles Hansen, who are witnesses.

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Both young women testified that they paid their own way west. Miss Secor said that she had been employed in a garage as stenographer and there met O'Brien who had a car for service business in Waterloo.

In a low voice that could scarcely be heard by the jurors the girl told her story. Frequently she was asked to speak a little louder. Miss Secor stated that O'Brien, after a few weeks' acquaintance, said he intended going to the coast, and she asked him if she could go along. "He told me that," she said, "if I had enough money to pay my own fare I might go with the party."

The witness said the first stop was at Kansas City where she occupied a room with O'Brien. The same program was carried out at all stops between the starting point until their arrival in Phoenix. They registered at the Vendome hotel and there, too, they had a room together.

The girl said that she had \$112 when she left Waterloo which she gave to

O'Brien to pay her expenses. O'Brien, it appeared, acted as common banker, for Mrs. Jay gave him her funds, amounting to \$115 on leaving the east. She said she was joined in Colorado by Thompson and that the only reason they were not married there was because of the objections of relatives. They planned to be married on their arrival in Los Angeles. In the meantime she admitted that she had occupied a room with Thompson.

Mrs. Hoy testified that both girls paid their own expenses. She said that the entire party was en route to Los Angeles in O'Brien's seven-passenger Paige car which he intended to place in taxi service there. The stop in Phoenix was made when the funds gave out.

The case will be continued at 9:30 o'clock this morning and it is believed will be placed in the hands of the jury before noon. Leyhe and Burch are defending O'Brien and Thompson, and the government's case is being cared for by J. H. Langston and J. M. Holub, assistant United States attorneys.

The Arizona Republic
Fri, Oct 24, 1919 - Page 17

Phoenix AZ

AUTO TOURISTS ARE FOUND GUILTY OF WHITE SLAVE ACT

Found guilty of violation of the Mann act, D. T. O'Brien and Sam Thompson will be sentenced at 9:30 o'clock this morning by Judge Neterer of the federal court. The jury, in returning its verdict at 5 o'clock last evening after six hours' deliberation, made a recommendation for leniency.

The sentence of the court will be the climax of the motor tour from Iowa to Phoenix, which resulted in the arrest of the two defendants and the five other members of the party who were held as material witnesses in the case. An eighth person joined the party in this city Tuesday with the arrival of Mrs. O'Brien from Waterloo, who declares she has forgiven her husband for coming here with Elsie Secor. On the witness stand yesterday the young wife said that she did not know that her husband was leaving town when he left their home with another woman.

The testimony given Thursday was to the effect that O'Brien and Miss Secor occupied the same room when stops were made en route to Arizona. Mrs. Lucille Jay, a pretty divorcee, was on the trip and was joined in Colorado by Thompson, the two having the same apartment at hotels where they registered. Other members of the party were Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Hoy and Charles Hansen.

The Arizona Republic
Sat, Oct 25, 1919 -Page 7

Phoenix AZ

MOTOR TOUR FROM IOWA ENDS IN JAIL FOR TWO OF PARTY

Ninety days in the Yavapai county jail was the sentence imposed by Judge Neterer on Daniel O'Brien and Samuel Thompson, who were found guilty by a jury in the federal court of violation of the Mann act.

The defendants, who were members of an automobile cross-country trip, were brought into court at 9:30 o'clock yesterday morning when Judge Neterer followed the recommendation of the jury for leniency.

The 18-year-old wife of O'Brien who brought Elsie Secor here from Waterloo, Iowa, made a plea for her young husband, but her words to the court could not be heard, as between sobs she urged the court for mercy for the man who deserted her for another woman.

"I ask for leniency for my wife's sake," said O'Brien when the court asked the defendant the customary question as to whether he had anything to say.

"The sentiment expressed by you, 'leniency for my wife's sake,' is what you should have thought of when you started on the trip. The wife is the one who suffers—the one to whom all human sympathy goes. If you lived to be as old as Methuselah, you could not live to atone for the harm and injury you have done her," the court replied.

The court then inquired into O'Brien's past, his education, his business and his associates. At the conclusion of the examination he declared that he believed the women had as much to do with the trip as the men.

Judge Neterer then turned to Thompson and stated that he did not believe his story or that of Lucille Jay relative to their proposed marriage. He then remanded the prisoners to the custody of the marshal, and they will shortly leave for Prescott to serve time.

The Arizona Republic
Sun, Oct 26, 1919 - Page 8

Phoenix AZ

IOWANS JAILED ON WHITE SLAVE CHARGE

(Evening Tribune Special.)

WATERLOO, Ia., Oct. 27.—D. T. O'Brien and Samuel Thompson are serving a term of ninety days in jail at Phoenix, Ariz., on conviction under the Mann white slave act.

There were two of a party of seven that started from Waterloo for California by automobile.

O'Brien and Thompson were indicted in federal court at Phoenix and were convicted with difficulty. The jury recommended leniency.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Hoy, Charles Hanson, Miss Elsie Secor and Mrs. Lucille Jay were the other members of the party. All live in Waterloo except Thompson, who joined the party in Colorado.

The party, out of funds, lived on apples for several days before arriving at Phoenix.

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Mon, Oct 27, 1919 - Page 14

Des Moines IA

TWO MEN GUILTY OF WHITE SLAVERY

O'Brien and Thompson Are Sentenced to 90 Days in County Jail at Phoenix, Ariz.

Ninety days each in the county jail at Prescott, Ariz., was the sentence imposed by a federal judge at Phoenix Saturday upon D. T. O'Brien and Samuel Thompson of Waterloo.

The sentence followed a two days' trial in federal court, before a jury, on a white slave charge, according to a press telegram received today. Attorneys Leyhe & Burch, who defended the accused, made the most of the witnesses at their disposal and succeeded in preventing a penitentiary sentence. The jury, after disagreeing for hours, finally united in a verdict of guilty, but recommended leniency.

An S. O. S. call has been wigwagged to friends here for funds for Elsie Secor and Mrs. Lucille Jay, who were held as material witnesses by the government and who, now that they are released, are without money on which to subsist or to pay their transportation back to Iowa.

On Cross Continent Trip.

O'Brien and Thompson were members of an automobile party that left Waterloo in September for Los Angeles. Thompson joined the company in Colorado. The other members of the party were Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Hoy and Charles Hanson. Government agents made an investigation and O'Brien and Thompson were indicted. Miss Secor and Mrs. Jay were held as witnesses.

The tourists were unable to proceed farther than Phoenix because their funds gave out. On the last lap of their journey, it is said, they subsisted only upon apples.

Men Were Taxi Drivers.

O'Brien is a married man and his wife went to Phoenix to aid in his acquittal. He and the other men of the party formerly drove taxicabs in Waterloo.

The car that O'Brien drove would have been attached if he had not driven out of the state. Sheriff D. B. Henderson held a writ for the car. A charge of larceny was preferred against three men of the party, but after their arrest the officers here decided the expense would be too heavy to bring them back for trial. The property alleged to have been stolen was valued at about \$45.

90-DAY SENTENCES GIVEN VIOLATORS OF MANN ACT.

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Bisbee Daily Review
Sun, Nov 02, 1919 -Page 2

Bisbee AZ

O'BRIEN WRITES HE IS DOING TIME FOR WOMAN

Daniel T. O'Brien, former taxi line owner in this city, is doing time in the Arizona state prison for Elsie Secor, as well as himself, according to a letter which he has written to Sheriff D. B. Henderson. He and Samuel Thompson were sentenced upon white slavery charges, following a trip across country from here. "I want the people to know," he writes, "that I am not all to blame for what has happened. She was the cause of my downfall and has cost me a lot in every way."

O'Brien asks the sheriff to secure a watch and three rings held here, that he may show his wife that he is honest.

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Waterloo IA

GIRDARD-SECOR

Frank A. Girard, clerk, and Miss Elsie M. Secor were married at noon today by Police Judge C. N. Collins. Both parties are residents of San Francisco, where they will make their home.

Santa Rosa Republican
Thu, Feb 23, 1922 -Page 4

Santa Rosa CA

Marriage to Frank Arthur Girard

Elizabeth Secor, Cedar Falls, Dies; Services Friday

(Courier Special Service)

Cedar Falls, Ia.—Mrs. Elizabeth Secor, 70, died Wednesday at 1:00 a. m. at her home, 1222 College street, after several weeks declining health.

Elizabeth Friedman was born June 19, 1863, at Dubuque and when a young girl came to Cedar Falls where she had lived since. She was married 39 years ago to William Secor who died about 27 years ago.

Mrs. Secor was employed at the local postoffice from 1919 until three years ago.

Surviving are two sons and two daughters, Frank, Cedar Falls; Charles, Rockford, Ill., Mrs. Viola Kelly, Cedar Falls and Mrs. P. A. Girard, San Francisco.

There are also two sisters and two brothers Mrs. Frank LeValley, Cedar Falls; Mrs. Susan Allday, Ponca City, Okla.; Ernest Friedman, Caloway, Minn., and Joe Friedman, Massillon, O.

Funeral services will be held Friday at 9:30 a. m. at St. Patrick's Catholic church with Rev. Father J. C. Wieneke officiating. Interment will be in St. Bernard cemetery.

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Waterloo IA

Father:

FRANK C. GIRARD, INVENTOR, IS DEAD

Death today claimed Frank C. Girard, inventor, at his summer home at Lakewood Point at Paw Paw lake early this morning. For the past eight years the former Chicago resident has been spending his summers at the popular resort lake. For the past two winters the inventor has been living at his home.

Surviving the former inventor is one son, Frank C., Jr., of California and one daughter, Miss Leore of Chicago.

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Thu, Dec 06, 1928 · Page 1

Benton Harbor MI

BIRTHS AND DEATHS RUN CLOSE RACE IN COLOMA IN YEAR 1928

One 'More Death Than Birth Is Recorded; Girl Infants Beat Boy Babies

(Special to The News-Palladium)

COLOMA, Jan. 1.—There was a close race in the village and township of Coloma, during the year 1928, between the death list and the number of births, there being one more death than birth. The total number of deaths was 27, all but three of those who passed away being over the age of 50 years. There was but one accidental death, that of William R. Doran of Chicago, who was drowned in Paw Paw lake on August 19. The oldest was John F. Kramer. In the village of Coloma there were nine girl babies and one boy born. In the township of Colo-

ma there were 11 girl babies and five boys. The deaths in the village included Sephena L. Brant, 72; Lena D. Blackman, 84; Carl A. Johnson, 64; Ann Bloomingdale, 89; Sarah Ann Guy, 90; Merlin Arent Kremer, 18; Libbie Carter, 72; Rasmus Peterson, 79; James Carrothers, 84; Elizabeth Ann Wakefield, 56; John August Schultz, 75; and John F. Kremer, 91.

The deaths in the township of Coloma included Mrs. Mary Hodges, 85; Frank H. Niver, 76; Lettie Warman, 44; Adolph Johnson, 64; Beverley C. Pitcher, 64; Riley N. Doolittle, 74; Nellie Hudson, 63; Eva Grace Kinyon, 55; Paulina Johnston, 79; John Washington Boran, 56; William R. Doran, 6; Clark S. Emerson, 80; Patrick Lynch, 70; Frank Girard, 68; and Alfred A. Walters, 61.

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GIRARD RITES ON SATURDAY

WATERVLIET, Dec. 7 (Special). —

Funeral services for Frank C. Girard, inventor, who died at his home at Lakewood Point, Paw Paw lake, will be held tomorrow morning at the Watervliet Catholic church at 8 o'clock.

The Rev. Fr. Murphy will officiate and the body will be taken to Chicago for burial in the All-Saints cemetery.

Girard died early yesterday morning after an illness of six weeks. Girard came to this community about eight years ago from Chicago to spend his summers at his home. For the past two years, the former Chicago resident has stayed year round at the lake.

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Saint Joseph MI

1 PLACE OF DEATH		MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH	
County <u>Berrien</u>		Division of Vital Statistics	
Township <u>Caloma</u>		CERTIFICATE OF DEATH	
Village		Register No. <u>11 3325</u>	
City <u>Caloma</u>		Ward	
2 FULL NAME <u>Frank Girard</u>		(If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give its NAME instead of street and number)	
a) Residence No. <u>Caloma</u>		St. Ward	
Length of residence in city or town where death occurred		How long in U. S., if of foreign birth?	
PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS		MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH	
3 SEX <u>Male</u>	4 Color or Race <u>White</u>	16 DATE OF DEATH (Month, day and year) <u>Dec 5 - 1925</u>	
5 Single, Married, Widowed or Divorced (Write the word) <u>Widowed</u>		17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from <u>Dec 4</u> , 19 <u>25</u> to <u>Dec 5</u> , 19 <u>25</u> that I last saw him live on <u>Dec 4</u> , 19 <u>25</u> and that death occurred on the date stated above at <u>Caloma</u> M. The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows: <u>Uremia</u>	
6 DATE OF BIRTH (Month, day and year) <u>April 9 - 1860</u>		CONTRIBUTORY (Secondary) <u>Chronic Nephritis</u> (duration) <u>2</u> yrs. <u>12</u> mos. <u>9</u> ds.	
7 AGE Years <u>65</u> Months <u>7</u> Days <u>16</u> If LESS than 1 day... hrs. OR ... min.		18 State was disease contracted If not at place of death? <u>No</u> Did an operation precede death? <u>No</u> Date of <u>Dec 4</u> Was there an autopsy? <u>No</u> What test confirmed diagnosis? <u>Clinical</u>	
8 OCCUPATION OF DECEASED (a) Trade, profession or particular kind of work <u>Inventory</u> (b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer) (c) Name of employer.		(Signed) <u>Dr. J. H. Martin</u> 12/6/25, Address <u>Benton Harbor Mich.</u>	
9 BIRTHPLACE (city or town) (state or country) <u>Ammeshurstburg Ontario</u>		*State the Disease Causing Death, or in deaths from Violent Causes, state (1) Means and Nature of Injury, and (2) whether Accidental, Suicidal, or Homicidal. (See reverse side for further instructions.)	
10 NAME OF FATHER <u>Daniel Girard</u>		19 PLACE OF BURIAL, CREMATION, OR REMOVAL <u>All Saints Cemetery Chicago Ill</u>	
11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (city or town) (state or country) <u>France</u>		Date of Burial <u>Dec 8 1925</u>	
12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER <u>Margaret Heider</u>		Address <u>Benton Harbor Mich.</u>	
13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (city or town) (state or country) <u>Ireland</u>		20 UNDERTAKER <u>J. H. Martin</u>	
14 Informant <u>Miss Leone Girard</u> (Address) <u>Chicago Ill</u>			
15 Filed <u>12/14</u> 19 <u>25</u> <u>B. H. Smith</u>			

Ask \$1,250 In Suit.

A suit to collect a \$1,000 promissory note was filed in the Berrien county circuit court today by Dora Girard, Frank A. Girard and Lena M. Girard, of Coloma, against Richard Peterson and Mary Peterson. The note, dated November 14, 1926, was given the late Frank Girard by the Petersons. The heirs are suing to collect the principal and interest and ask a judgment in the sum of \$1,250. Attorney Clarence Butler represents the plaintiffs.

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Saint Joseph MI

COLOMA SUMMER RESIDENTS SUED

Richard and Mary Peterson, Coloma summer residents, today were sued for \$1,250 on a promissory note by Dora Girard, Frank A. Girard Lena M. Girard, also summer residents of Paw Paw lake.

The plaintiffs claim the note was issued November 14, 1926 to the late Frank H. Girard and are suing to recover for the estate.

The suit was filed through Attorney Clarence Butler.

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Benton Harbor MI

Mother



Dora Boisvert Greenwood
LeBlanc Family Tree

Spouse Frank L Girard
 Father Alexander Boisvert Greenwood
 Mother Jane Genevieve Lafond
 Children Mary L
 Birth 1862 Sault Sainte Marie,
 Chippewa, Michigan, USA
 Death 8 Mar 1934 Essex, Essex,
 Ontario, Canada
 Residence 1930 Coloma, Berrien, Michigan,
 USA

https://www.ancestry.com/search/?name=dora_greenwood+girard&birth=1853_michigan&death=1934_canada_3243&residence=_illinois&searchMode=advanced&spouse=frank_girard

Dora Greenwood

in the Indiana, U.S., Marriage Certificates, 1960-2012



Detail	Source
Name	Dora Greenwood
Gender	Female
Spouse	Frank Girard

<https://www.ancestry.com/search/collections/61009/records/186570228?tid=3396027&pid=24903583251&queryId=57345aee-5eb2-45be-9bb1-b078b1315035&phsrc=iKj5636&phstart=successSource>

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FORM 6
PROVINCE OF ONTARIO
CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION OF DEATH 014192

1. PLACE OF DEATH County of Essex Township of Windsor
If in City, Town or Village Windsor Street Brant House No. 821
(Name) (Name)
If in hospital or institution, give name.

2. NAME OF DECEASED Girard Dora
(Surname) (Given name or names)
Residence 821 Brant st. (Usual place of abode)

3. Sex F 4. Racial origin French 5. Single, Married, Widowed or Divorced (Write the word) widow

6. BIRTHPLACE Sancti Spiritus, Missouri (Previous or country)

7. DATE OF BIRTH Sept 22 1861
(Month) (Day) (Year)

8. AGE OF DECEASED 72 Years 8 Months 14 Days If less than one day old hrs. or min.

9. OCCUPATION OF DECEASED—
(a) Revised Lady (Trade or occupation or kind of work)
(b) widow of late Frank Girard (Kind of industry)

10. LENGTH OF RESIDENCE (in years and months)
(a) At place of death 4 7/100 (b) In province 18 yrs
(c) In Canada (if an immigrant) 18 7/100

11. Name of father Alphonse Girard
12. Birthplace of father Sancti Spiritus, Missouri (Previous or country)
13. Maiden name of mother Genevieve Larive
14. Birthplace of mother Sancti Spiritus, Missouri (Previous or country)
15. Name of Informant Mrs. Mary Leves
Address Colon a Mich
Relation to Deceased Daughter

16. DATE OF DEATH Mar 8 1934
(Month) (Day) (Year)

17. I HEREBY CERTIFY that I attended deceased from Feb 17 1934 to March 7 1934
and last saw him alive on March 7 1934

THE CAUSE OF DEATH was as follows:
Ataxia Locomotor
(duration of) 3 yrs. 0 mos. 0 days
CONTRIBUTORY CAUSE Intox
(Secondary)
(duration of) 17 yrs. 0 mos. 0 days

18. Where was disease contracted if not at place of death?

Did an operation precede death? None Date of —
Reason for operation —
Was there an autopsy? Yes
(Signed) Prof. J. J. Leves M.D.
Address 834 W. Main St. E. Windsor
Date March 8 1934
(Month) (Day) (Year)
State the Disease causing death, or in death from Violent Causes, state (1) Manner and Nature of Injury, (2) whether Accidental, Suspected or Homicidal. In case of stillbirth write "born dead".

19. Place of Burial St. Alphonsus Cemetery Date of Burial Mar 10 1934
20. Name of Undertaker Alphonse Girard Address Windsor Ont.

Filed at Windsor on this 9 day of March 1934 Ma. Dickenson
(Name) (Month) (Year) (Division Registrar)

BURIAL PERMIT was issued by—
Name Ma. Dickenson Address Windsor, Ont. Date Mar 9 / 34

THIS FORM MUST BE FILED FORTHWITH WITH THE DIVISION REGISTRAR OF THE DIVISION IN WHICH THE DEATH OCCURRED BEFORE A BURIAL PERMIT CAN BE ISSUED.
WRITE PLAINLY WITH UNFADING INK. THIS IS A PERMANENT RECORD.
Every item of information should be carefully supplied.
AGE should be stated EXACTLY. PHYSICIANS should STATE CAUSE OF DEATH in plain terms, so that it may be properly classified. Exact statement of OCCUPATION is very important. RACIAL ORIGIN will be described by stating whether English, Irish, Scotch, French, German, etc. The term "American" or "Canadian" should not be used, as they express citizenship but not a race or people.

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Ontario, Canada, death certificate

Mrs. Dora Girard

MR. DORA GIRARD, 73 years old, died this morning at her home, 821 Brant street, following a short illness.

Mrs. Girard was born in Sault Ste. Marie and lived in Coloma, Mich., prior to returning to this country 18 years ago. She had lived in the Border Cities several years. She was the widow of the late Frank Girard.

Surviving are a son and a daughter, Frank A., of San Francisco, Cal., and Mrs. E. T. Fritz of Coloma.

Funeral services will be held Saturday morning in the home at 8:30 and Immaculate Conception Church at 9 o'clock. Interment will be in St. Alphonsus Cemetery.

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Windsor, Ontario, Canada - <https://www.newspapers.com/image/501161416/>

**LOST—Canadian passport No. 128686.
Finder please return to Dora Marie
Girard, 234 Cameron ave., Windsor, Ont.**

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Sibling:

Former Coloma resident celebrates 100th birthday



LEORE FRITZ

COLOMA — Mrs. Leore G. Fritz, a former Coloma resident, celebrated her 100th birthday Sept. 18 at Martin Luther Memorial Home, South Haven, where she resides.

Mrs. Fritz was honored on her birthday with a cake and 100 roses during a party held at the nursing home.

She was born Sept. 18, 1887, in Chicago and resided in Coloma for 60 years — first on Lakewood Point on Paw Paw Lake and since the early 1950s, on Center Street.

According to Mrs. John Oakley, a family friend, Mrs. Fritz is remembered by local residents as a young woman driving her Pierce Arrow from Chicago to her lake house on Lakewood Point and as an avid bridge player, playing into her 90s.

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Sister Leore Girard Nevins Fritz (1887-1987)

FLORIN

FUNERAL SERVICE

Leore Fritz
Monday 11 a.m.
St. Joseph Catholic
Church, Watervliet
Visitation Sunday
7 to 9 p.m. with
Rosary 8 p.m.
Davidson Chapel
Coloma

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Fritz Rites

COLOMA — The time the rosary will be recited for Mrs. Leore (Girard) Fritz, 100, a former Coloma resident, who died Friday at Martin Luther Memorial Home, South Haven, has been changed from 8 p.m. to to 7:30 p.m. Sunday at the Davidson Chapel, Coloma, of Florin Funeral Service.

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Death claims Mrs. Leore Fritz at age of 100

COLOMA — Mrs. Leore (Girard) Fritz, 100, formerly of Coloma, died this morning at Martin Luther Memorial Home, South Haven.

Funeral Mass will be celebrated Monday at 11 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Watervliet, of which she was a member. Burial will be in Riverside Cemetery, Kalamazoo. Friends may call at the Davidson Chapel, Florin Funeral Service, from 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday where rosary will be recited at 8 p.m. Sunday. Memorials may be made to the Coloma Emergency Ambulance Service.

Mrs. Fritz was born Sept. 18, 1887, in Chicago. She was formerly employed at the New York Life Insurance Co., Chicago.

Her husband, Elmer, preceded her in death. Her only survivors include two nieces — Mrs. Claire (Marilyn) Bruce of Cedar Falls, Iowa, and Mrs. William (Joanne) Englehart of Wheaton, Ill., and one nephew, George Kelley of Texas.

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Name	Mary Leora Girard
Sex	Female
Race	White
Father's Name	Frank Henry Mark Girard
Father's Sex	Male
Father's Age	27
Father's Birthplace	Cana
Mother's Name	...ora Greenwood
Mother's Sex	Female
Mother's Birthplace	Am
Event Date	18 Sep 1887
Event Place	Chicago, Cook, Illinois
Event Place (Original)	Chicago, Cook, Illinois
Source Details	v 16 p 78
Microfilm Number	1287732
Indexing Batch	C05172-3

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:N7W9-997?lang=en>

Mary Leora Girard

in the Cook County, Illinois, U.S., Birth Certificates Index, 1871-1922



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Detail Source

Name	Mary Leora Girard
Birth Date	18 Sep 1887
Birth Place	Chicago, Cook, Illinois
Ethnicity	American
Gender	Female
Race	White
Father	Fran Henry Mark Girard
Mother	Leora Greenwood Girard
FHL Film Number	1287871

https://www.ancestry.com/search/collections/2545/records/393949?tid=&pid=&queryId=dc5d8d72-3703-4634-b2bb-50cd27dbe122&_phsrc=iKj5650&_phstart=successSource

Spouse's Name	Leore M Girard
Spouse's Residence Place	Coloma, Mich
Spouse's Birth Date	18 September 1890
Spouse's Birthplace	Chicago, Ills
Spouse's Race	White
Spouse's Previous Marriage Number	1
Spouse's Father's Name	Frank Girard
Spouse's Father's Sex	Male
Spouse's Mother's Name	Dora Greenwood
Spouse's Mother's Sex	Female
Certifier's Name	Frank N Nevins
Event Type	Marriage
Event Date	2 July 1931
Event Place	St. Joseph, Indiana, United States
Event Place (Original)	St Joseph, Indiana, United States

Leore is listed as marrying Frank N. Nevins on 2 Jul 1931 BUT see next record -

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:DLZP-36PZ?lang=en>

Leore M. Girard

in the Indiana, U.S., Marriage Certificates, 1960-2012



Detail

Source

Name	Leore M. Girard
Marriage Date	3 Jul 1931
Marriage Place	Indiana, USA
Spouse	Elmer T. Fritz

And as marry Elmer T. Fritz on 3 Jul 1931 in IN -

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Leore G Fritz

in the U.S., Social Security Applications and Claims Index, 1936-2007



Detail

Source

Name	Leore G Fritz
Birth Date	18 Sep 1887
Birth Place	Chicago, Illinois
Death Date	9 Oct 1987
Claim Date	1 Oct 1952
SSN	380200558
Death Certificate Number	0000000000000000000063873

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COLOMA CLUB IS RECIPIENT OF TWO GIFTS OF BOOKS

COLOMA, Aug. 17—The Self-Culture club library has received two very splendid gifts of books during the summer. Jessie Fremont Niccolls of Chicago presented 75 volumes of fiction and non-fiction. She is a great lover of books and has collect-

ed, a large library, Miss Niccolls is a relative of Mark Twain.

Mrs. Leore Girard Fritz, a friend of Miss Niccolls brought the books from Chicago and the club ladies are very grateful to both ladies for their gift.

Mr. and Mrs. George Bird also presented a nice collection of books to the library and the club ladies appreciate their gift.

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PLAN THIRD OF CHURCH PARTIES NEXT THURSDAY

WATERVLIET, July 21—The St. Joseph's Catholic church will serve a chicken dinner from 5:30 until 7 o'clock Thursday evening to its parishioners, summer resorters and friends at the church basement. Tickets may be obtained at the rectory in Watervliet or at the door July 26.

Members from Coloma, Paw Paw Lake, Hartford, Bainbridge and Watervliet named on committees for the dinner benefit are: Mrs. Leo Hosbein, Mrs. Emma Berkey, Mrs. Thomas Healy, Mrs. Stella Bonkowski, Mrs. Frank Long, Mrs. Andrew Bonski, Mrs. Victorine Lorenz, Mrs. Augusta Cavanaugh, Mrs. McMullen, Mrs. John Dwyer, Mrs. Lester Nower, Mrs. John Caswick, Miss Dolly Walter, Mrs. Ben Willming, Mrs. Louis Kling, Mrs. Robert Koshar, Barbara Thill, Mrs. John Withers, Mrs. Ross Hicks, Mrs. Lucy Briedinger, Mrs. Mary Frain, Mrs. August Frick, Mrs. Emma Ware, Mary Frick, Mrs. Elmer Fritz, Mrs. Robert Kibler, Mrs. James Kibler, Mrs. Henry Kibler, Mrs. Ted Scheld, Miss Catherine Quinlan, Mrs. Henry Heller, Mrs. Bert Elgus, Mrs. John Preston, Catherine Steffel, Miss Nigroe, Mrs. Joseph Sieber, Mary and Catherine Daly, Audrey Pflugradt, Mrs. Oscar Myrick, and Mrs. F. Sweeney.

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HOLY COMMUNION AT WATERVLIET

WATERVLIET, July 6.—A class of 32 received their First Holy Communion at St. Joseph's Catholic church in Watervliet Monday morning at 9 o'clock. The services consisted of a high mass of which the Rev. Sylvester Ley, C. C. P. was celebrant. The choir under the direction of the organist sang the mass of St. Aloysius, patron saint of the youth. The procession was led by Master Thomas Yore as cross bearer; Gordon Selters and Joseph Ance, the latter of Loyola high school, as acolites. Misses Mary and Helen Emerson of Oak Park, Ill., Jenette Lewis and Angeline Morsaw as guardian angels led the girls of the class; Thomas Mosew led the boys.

Miss Virginia Alexander, Shela McNicholas and Jean McNicholas, students of Rosary high school and college assisted with the class work during the past week, also Mrs. Mame MacOwen and Leore Berard Fritz. The Rev. J. Francis Murphy, the pastor, was in charge assisted by the Rev. Sylvester Ley of College City, Ind. Special attention was given to the hymnal work, chart, Bible history and grade courses of religious readings.

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Elmer Fritz

in the Illinois, U.S., Deaths and Stillbirths Index, 1916-1947

Name	Elmer Fritz
Birth Date	30 Sep 1896
Birth Place	Chicago, Illinois
Death Date	4 Mar 1937
Death Place	Chicago, Cook, Illinois
Burial Date	6 Mar 1937
Burial Place	Forest Park, Cook, Illinois
Cemetery Name	Forest Home
Death Age	40
Occupation	Insurance Salesman
Race	White
Marital Status	M
Gender	Male
Residence	Coloma, Berrien, Michigan
Father Name	Fred M. Fritz
Father Birth Place	St. Paul, Minnesota
Mother Name	Emma Hoch
Mother Birth Place	Chicago, Illinois
Spouse Name	Leore Fritz
FHL Film Number	1952629

https://www.ancestry.com/search/collections/2542/records/1351250?tid=&pid=&queryld=7be91d80-3ded-4429-a2f8-77cf94c72f9d&_phsrc=iKj5656&_phstart=successSource

COLOMA—E. T Fritz has qualified for membership in the 1936 Top club of the New York Life Insurance company. He is one of the 200 crack agents among the firm's 9,000 who produced large volume for his company in the past year.

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Abbreviations:

b = born

d = died

F: = Find A Grave (www.findagrave.org)

NOK = next-of-kin

Name: Frank Arthur Girard

Name variations: Girrard – birthname: Arthur

Military:

On Tuscania: 20th Eng. 17th/Co. E - private

Serial number: 250,518

Entered service from: Chicago, Cook IL

Sailed on "Tuscania" as: Frank A. Girard

Next-of-kin on "Tuscania": father Frank H. Girard, 3500 Pine Grove Ave., Chicago IL

Returned from war on: "Minnesotan" Jul 1919

Sailed on return ship as: Frank A. Girard

Next-of-kin on return ship & rank: father Frank A. Girard, 3500 Pine Grove Ave., Chicago IL
(pvt, 17th Co., 20th Engrs)

National Tuscania Survivors Association 1939 roster: as Frank A. GERARD, 808 Ferdinand Ave., Forest Park IL

World War I draft registration (1917): as Frank Arthur Girard - b. 16 Sep 1888 Chicago IL (age 28);
res: 174 Ellis, San Francisco CA. Single. Clerk <hotel> at Hotel Ramona, 174 Ellis St., San Francisco CA. Medium height & build.World War II draft registration (1942): as Frank Author Girard - b. 16 Sep 1890 Chicago IL; res:
1695 Beach St., San Francisco CA, mailing address 84 Ellis St., San Francisco CA. NOK
Elsie Girard, same address. Self-employed at 84 Ellis St. Height: 5'7" – 145 lbs. Registered
25 Apr 1942.

Veterans Administration Military Index:

Enlisted 9 Dec 1917

Discharged 6 Aug 1919

Address: 425 Hyde St., San Francisco CA

Rank/unit: private, 17th Co., 20th Engineers**Birth & death:**Born: 16 Sep 1887 (Veterans Administration Military Index) or 16 Sep 1888 (WWI draft card)
or 16 Sep 1890 (WWII & CA Deaths & IL birth record) Chicago, Cook IL

Died: 24 Sep 1949 San Francisco CA (mother's unmarried name Greenwood)

Find A Grave record: 105574394, presence on Tuscania noted in flower, asked contributor to
add text

Burial location: Colma, San Mateo CA

Cemetery: Holy Cross Catholic

Tombstone:

Father: Frank C. (obituary) or Frank Henry Mark (his children's IL birth records) Girard, 9 Apr 1860 (Apr 1852 in 1900 census) Amherstburg, Essex Co., Ontario, Canada - 5 Dec 1928 Coloma, Berrien MI.

Son of Daniel Girard (born in France) & Margaret Leader (born in Ireland).

His obituary names him as Frank C. Girard, an inventor. His MI death record lists him as Frank Girard, an inventor. He died at his summer home on Lakewood Point on Paw Paw Lake. For the past 8 years, the former Chicago resident had spent summers at the lake. He was survived by son Frank C. Girard Jr. of California & daughter Miss Leore Girard of Chicago.

His obituary does not mention his surviving wife.

Died of uremia; had chronic nephritis.

The informant on his death certificate was Miss Leore Girard of Chicago IL.

His MI death record and his obituary indicated burial in All Saints Catholic Cemetery & Mausoleum, Des Plaines, Cook IL. His tombstone lists him as "Frank H. Girard."

Find A Grave: 282428391

Mother: Dora Boisvert Greenwood Girard, 22 Sep 1861 (Ontario death certificate) or 1862 (or Sep 1853 in the 1900 census) Sault Ste. Marie, Chippewa MI – 8 Mar 1934 Essex Co., Ontario, Canada (at her home, 821 Brant St., Windsor, Ontario, Canada).

Daughter of Alexander Boisvert Greenwood & Jane Genevieve Lafond (1827-1913).

Might this be her?

1880 census Marquette, Marquette MI – conducted 15 Jun 1880

Jane Greenwood, 52 Ontario, parents b. Quebec, keeping lodging house

Maria Ewing, 22 MI, keeping lodging house [daughter]

Adora Greenwood, 18 MI [daughter]

Dora's obituary reports she lived in Coloma, Berrien MI until 18 years prior to her death, which computes to 1916. Her husband Frank Girard was deceased; her survivors were children Frank A. Girard of San Francisco CA & Mrs. E.T. Fritz of Coloma MI.

Her husband's obituary in Dec 1928 does not mention Dora's surviving him.

Buried in Saint Alphonsus Cemetery, Windsor, Essex, Ontario, Canada.

Find A Grave: 291599889 (created 14 Jan 2026)

Parents' marriage: ca. 1880 (married 20 years in 1900 census & 30 years in 1910 census)

Spouse: Elsie May Secor Girard, 23 May 1899 Cedar Falls, Black Hawk IA - 10 Apr 1951 in San Francisco, San Francisco CA at her home (1695 Beach, likely suicide).

Daughter of William R. Secor (1870-1907, F: 6089529) & Elizabeth (Lizzie) Friedman (1862-1934, F: 6089532). CA Death Index lists father as Secor, mother as Friedman.

Her father's obituary: "Marshalltown (IA) Evening Times-Republican" 11 Oct 1907 p 3 – William R. Secor, 37, died at his family home of consumption. A highly respected citizen of Cedar Falls.

Employed at Harris & Cole Bros. factory which closed the day of his funeral in his honor. Member of the Woodmen Lodge & the fire department.

Her mother's obituary: "Waterloo (IA) Courier" 14 Feb 1934 p 2 – Elizabeth Secor of Cedar Falls, age 70, died 14 Feb 1934 at her home at 1222 College St. She was ill for several weeks with declining health. Born Elizabeth Friedman on 19 Jun 1863 in Dubuque IA. She came to Cedar Falls

as a young girl & has lived in the area since. Married 39 years ago to William Secor who died about 27 years ago. Was employed at the local post office from 1919 to 3 years ago. Survived by 2 sons: Frank Secor (Cedar Falls) & Charles Secor (Rockford IL) & 2 daughters: Mrs. Viola Kelly (Cedar Falls) & Mrs. F.A. Girard (San Francisco), also 2 sisters & 2 brothers. Funeral at St. Patrick's Catholic Church on 16 Feb 1934 with interment at St. Bernard Cemetery.

Believe she is the Elsie Secor of Waterloo IA (as area is known as Cedar Falls/Waterloo) who made the headlines in Iowa & Arizona in 1919. This would explain how she comes to be in CA in 1922 when she marries Frank.

In 1919, Elsie Secor & 4 or 5 other women set off by car with Daniel T. O'Brien, who operated the Yellow Hood Taxi line in Waterloo IA & picked up another man along the way.

Along the way, O'Brien & Elsie registered at hotels as Mr. & Mrs. D.T. Montgomery. The group ran out of funds & survived only on apples. When they got to AZ, they tried to sell the 7-seat car which made officials suspicious.

The two men were arrested & sentenced leniently to 90 days in the Phoenix jail on charges of violating the Mann Act for "white slavery" (transporting females across state lines for immoral purposes, including prostitution). In one article Elsie is charged with prostitution. The group is described as known to their local law officials as having bad reputations.

At one point, the women ran across a state line to avoid possible charges. Once incarcerated, O'Brien wrote to Sheriff Henderson in Waterloo and said about Elsie, "I am not at all to blame. She was the cause of my downfall and has cost me a lot in every way."

Numerous articles including

"Des Moines Tribune" 11 Oct 1919 p 10 –

"Arizona Republic" (Phoenix AZ) 11 Oct 1919 p 16

"Bisbee (AZ) Daily Review" 15 Oct 1919 p 4 –

"Waterloo (IA) Courier" 20 Oct 1919 p 5 -

"Des Moines (IA) Tribune" 27 Oct 1919 p 14 –

"Waterloo (IA) Courier" 17 Jan 1920 p 5 –

& more.

The San Francisco CA coroner's report (copied above) said Elsie was found dead at her residence, 1695 Beach St., #102, San Francisco by friend Anna Casey at 1:45 p.m. on 10 Apr 1951. The police were called at 2:30 p.m. She was a widow, age 50, b. IA. Relatives were notified 10 Apr 1951 by telegram. Died of a possible overdose of sleeping pills.

Buried in Holy Cross Catholic Cemetery, Colma, San Mateo CA.

Spouse Find A Grave: 107716307

Marriage: 23 Feb 1922 Santa Rosa, Sonoma Co. CA. Married by C.N. Collins.

Children:

- **Joan Girard. ca. 1928 IA. Listed** with surname Girard in the 1940 census with Frank & Elsie Girard in San Francisco, San Francisco CA, age 12. Not listed with the couple in 1930 (when she was presumably 2 years old). Could not trace.

Siblings: In 1900 census, his mother says she has given birth to 2 children, 2 of whom are living (Leore & Frank). In the 1910 census, his mother reports she has given birth to 7 children, 2 of whom are living (Leora & Frank). Leore is older than Frank.

- **Leore M. Girard Fritz**, 18 Sep 1887 Chicago, Cook IL (Find A Grave: 1882) – 9 Oct 1987 South Habor, Van Buren Co. MI (in the Martin Luther Memorial Home). - Wife of Elmer Theodore Fritz (30 Sep 1896 Chicago, Cook IL – 4 Mar 1937 Chicago, Cook IL), the son of Fred M. Fritz (b. St. Paul MN) & Emma M. Hoch (b. Chicago IL). Elmer is buried in Forest Home Cemetery, Forest Park, Cook IL, F: 157151348. In the 1930 census, Elmer T. Fritz, 33 IL, divorced, is a lodger with Griffith & Lola Lloyd. – Indiana marriage records indicate she married Frank N. Nevins on 2 Jul 1931 in St. Joseph Co. IN and then Elmer T. Fritz on 3 Jul 1931 in Indiana. The original documents are not online; it is conceivable that someone “read the wrong line” and wrote down Nevins instead of Fritz on the 2 Jul 1931 entry. – In the 1950 census of Paw Paw Lake, Berrien Co. MI, Leore G. Fritz, 62 IL, widow, lived on Lakewood Drive; she had no occupation. - On her 100th birthday: “Saint Joseph (MI) Herald-Palladium” 30 Sep 1987 p 5 – Mrs. Leore G. Fritz, formerly of Coloma, celebrated her 100th birthday on 18 Sep 1987 at Martin Luther Memorial Home in South Haven where she resides. Born 18 Sep 1887 in Chicago; resident of Coloma for 60 years. - Obituary: “Saint Joseph (MI) Herald-Palladium” 9 Oct 1987 p 12 – Mary Leore (Girard) Fritz, age 100, from Coloma, died 9 Oct 1987 at the Martin Luther Memorial Home in South Haven. Funeral Mass on 12 Oct, with burial in Riverside Cemetery at Kalamazoo. Born 18 Sep 1887 in Chicago IL. Former employee of NY Life Insurance Co. in Chicago. Preceded in death by her husband Elmer. Survived by 2 nieces & a nephew. - Buried in Riverside Cemetery, Kalamazoo, Kalamazoo MI. F: 25813186

Pre-war:

“Cedar Falls (IA) Gazette” 1 Sep 1908 p 5 – Miss Elsie May Secor returned the latter part of the week from a visit with Frank Ray at Allison.

Wartime:

"Chicago Tribune" 9 Feb 1918 p 3 – photo – relatives are awaiting information on several men, among them Frank A. Girard of 3506 Pine Grove Ave.

“Chicago Tribune” 10 Feb 1918 p 2 – news that 12 more men were safely landed, among them Frank A. Girard, 3500 Pine Grove Ave.

Post-war:

There are numerous articles on Newspapers.com in 1927 & 1929 about a “Frank Girard” accused of burglary & assault with intent to commit murder – but it is unclear if it is the right Frank.

“San Francisco Examiner” 25 Sep 1937 p 7 – Among the real estate leases: E.M. Bernstein & F.A. Girard, cigars, 80 Ellis St., 5 years, \$40,000.

In 1942 on his WWII draft card, Frank says he is “self-employed” at 84 Ellis St. in San Francisco CA. He is arrested there in 1949 for running an illegal betting operation.

Obituary:

Social Security Number: could not locate in Social Security Death Index

Censuses:

1900 Cicero, Cook IL – Aurora Ave. - conducted 5 Jun 1900

Found at:

https://www.ancestry.com/search/collections/7602/records/11747419?tid=6578706&pid=222376266413&queryId=002cf65c-9b02-4b22-b5af-5774eb7976b9&_phsrc=iKj5620&_phstart=successSource

Frank Girard, 48 Canada (French), Apr 1852, parents b. Canada (French), married 20 years, emigrated 1860, in the US for 40 years, naturalized, commercial salesman

Dora, 47 MI, Sep 1853, parents b. France, gave birth to 2 children, 2 are living

Leora, 12 IL, Sep 1887, at school

Frank, 9 IL, Sep 1890

1900 Cedar Falls, Black Hawk IA – 1222 Julian St. - his future wife Elsie Secor – conducted 25 Jun 1900

William Secor, 32 IA, Dec 1867, father b. NY, mother b. OH, married 5 years, machinist

Lizzie M., 34 IA, Jun 1866, parents b. Germany, gave birth to 3 children, 3 are living

Charles A., 3 IA, Oct 1896

Frank W., 2 IA, Sep 1897

Elsie M., 1 IA, May 1899

1905 Cedar Falls, Black Hawk Co. IA - conducted

Elsie May Secor is age 5, b. Cedar Falls IA, parents b. IA, was in school 4 months of 1905

1910 Chicago, Cook IL – 172 Millard Ave. – conducted

Found at: <https://www.ancestry.com/search/collections/7884/records/108004128>

Frank L. Girard, 50 Canada (French), father b. Canada (French), mother b. Canada (English), in 1st marriage, married 30 years, emigrated 1880, merchant, brushes, etc.

Dora, 48 MI, father b. MI, mother b. Canada (French), in 1st marriage, gave birth to 7 children, 2 are living

Leora, 22 IL, stenographer, steam (?) factory

Frank, 19 IL, clerk, dry goods

Daniel, 82 Canada (French), parents b. Canada (French), widowed, emigrated 1880, no occupation [father]

1910 Cedar Falls, Black Hawk IA – his future wife Elsie – conducted 20 Apr 1910

Lizzie Secor, 45 IA, parents b. Germany, widow, own income

Charles, 13 IA

Frank W., 12 IA

Elsie M., 10 IA

Viola C., 9 IA

[for the children: both parents b. IA]

1920 Chicago, Cook IL – 3535 Broadway – conducted 25 Apr 1920 – line 25

Found at:

https://www.ancestry.com/search/collections/6061/records/102028170?tid=6578706&pid=222376266413&queryId=448417fe-a942-4432-b2ca-ce6d1587dc71&_phsrc=iKj5618&_phstart=successSource

Frank Girard, 29 IL, single, father b. Canada, mother b. France, clerk, washing machines, lodger with:

George & Maud Neff, another male lodger & a female servant

1930 San Francisco, San Francisco CA – 1610 Clipper St. – conducted 7 Apr 1930

Frank GERARD, 35 US, parents b. US, clerk, cigar store, WWI veteran

Elsie, 30 US, parents b. US

Is this Frank's mother? – EXCEPT no data that Frank had a sister Mary

1930 Coloma, Berrien MI – 282 Lakewood – 29 Apr 1930

Dora Girard, 69 MI, parents b. MI, widow

Mary L., 41 IL, father b. Canada (French), mother b. MI, single

1940 San Francisco, San Francisco CA – 1695 Beach St. – same house in 1935 – conducted 9 Apr 1940

Frank Girard, 50 IL, proprietor, retail cigar store

Elsie, 39 IA

Joan, 12 IA [daughter] [where was she in 1930?]

1950 Frank is dead