

**THEY CAME TO AMERICA
TO ESCAPE HARDSHIP AND POVERTY, MOST FOUND WHAT
THEY WERE SEEKING AND STAYED.
THEY ESTABLISHED GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCHES
IN THEIR COMMUNITIES AND PASSED ON
A LEGACY OF HELLENIC FAITH AND CULTURE.**



"Candy Pete", a Greek sailor, was lured to Wichita, Kansas, for railroad work in 1883. But Pete became ill and the railroad crew left him behind when they moved on. Without railroad work to pay his way, Pete turned to candy-making in 1885. Cero's handmade candies became popular with Wichitans, and Pete's business grew.

1885

Παναγιωτς Ν. Τσιρος, Πορος, Ελλας
Peter N. Cero, Wichita, KS

1902

Αναστασιος Ι. Τσιρος, Πορος, Ελλας
Edward J. Cero, Wichita, KS

1908

Ελενη Ε. Αναστασοπουλον, Αθηραι, Ελλας
Ellen E. Anastasopoulou Cero, Wichita, KS



1908

Μαρινα Μπεζεναη, Πορος, Ελλας
Marina Bezenari Anastasopoulos, Wichita, KS



1911

Ιοαννης Α. Τσιρος
John E. Cero, Wichita, KS



1937
Marriage

1916

Ευθαλια Κ. Λαγγα, Kansas City, MO
Ethel Lagas Cero, Wichita, KS



1899

Κωνσταντινος Ι. Λαγγας, Λεωνιδιον, Ελλας
Constantine (Gus) Lagas, Kansas City, MO



1914

Βασω Α. Προβατακη, Τριπολη, Ελλας
Bessie Provas Lagas, Kansas City, MO



1914

Αθανασιος Π. Προβατακις Τριπολη, Ελλας
Tom P. Provas, Kansas City, MO

1914

Φωτεινη Α. Μαγλαρα, Τριπολη, Ελλας
Foteini A. Maglara, Kansas City, MO

1904

Gus Lagas
Naturalizaion Cert.



1915 Cero
Family



The Wedding of Bessie Provas and Gus Lagas
Kansas City, Missouri
January 25, 1915

1962

Κωνσταντινος Τσιρος, Wichita, KS



1999 Dean Cero
Las Vegas Nevada