

FULTON COUNTY, INDIANA

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C & D GREENHOUSE [Henry Township]

Located south of Athens at the corner of 650E and 350S near Millark.

Owned and operated by Carroll Hammond, Jr. and his wife, Doris Nicodemus Hammond since 1963.

C.K.R. CORPORATION [Akron, Indiana]

See Rittenhouse Manufacturing Company.

CAFFYN, CHARLES W. [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Downs Sawmill

Charles W. Caffyn. This man was born in Decatur County, Ind., November 12, 1842. He is the son of John and Sarah Caffyn, natives of Butler County, Ohio. He was born March 5, 1810, and she October 26, 1817. He was a carpenter by trade and followed this in connection with his farming. They came to Indiana February 19, 1836. He deceased September 22, 1856; his wife and the mother of the subject of this sketch still lives a resident of Rochester. Charles is the third of a family of five children. He was educated in the common schools, and also tended the Kokomo high schools for two years. He occupied his early years in laboring on the farm, and in 1856 he became a resident of Wabash County, where he stayed for two years, and came to Fulton County in 1858. He has not lived a very remarkable life, yet has been connected with the politics of the county for several years. But like all men, he had a place to fill and a mission to perform, and but for him there would be one phase of life undemonstrated, one place unfilled, one man unknown and the county history would be incomplete. On the 8th day of May, 1866, he was united in marriage to Josephine Elam, a native of this county, born February 14, 1843. She was the daughter of John and Elizabeth Elam, natives respectively of Indiana and Kentucky. This union has been blessed with the birth of one daughter--May, born September 18, 1873. Soon after marriage, Mr. Caffyn engaged in the dry goods business in Rochester, in which he continued for several years, and in the election of 1874, was chosen by his party Auditor of Fulton County, serving one term; he was returned to the position in 1878, and has just given over the office to his successor, after serving eight years a faithful officer of his people.

[T. B. Helm, *Fulton County Atlas*, A. L. Kingman, 1883, p. 22]

CAFFYN & CARTER [Rochester, Indiana]

LANDS BIG CONTRACT

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Charles W. Caffyn has just returned from Mobile, Alabama, where he secured a city contract for twelve miles of concrete curb and gutter for the firm of Caffyn & Carter. The contract runs into considerable money and will keep quite a force of men at work. Several other municipal jobs were given out at the same time and the letting attracted nearly a hundred bidders from different parts of the country. The local firm has already done construction work for the city of Mobile and understands conditions in the South better than the average northern firm that has had no previous experience with colored labor. Messrs Carter & Caffyn will leave for Mobile next week to commence work on the contract.

Fred Hoffman, of this city, who also submitted figures on different jobs, was not successful in securing a contract.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, May 20, 1909]

CAFFYN & DENISTON [Rochester, Indiana]

LOCAL NEWS - THURSDAY

The Rochester flouring mills, which for a number of years, have been under the proprietorship of John Whittenberger, have passed into other hands. The firm of Caffyn & Deniston has leased them and will take possession December 1st. Mr. Caffyn and Roy Deniston will be the managers and the force of workers now there will be retained. The lease is for a period of three years.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, November 21, 1902]

CALDWELL BROTHERS [Rochester, Indiana]

[Adv] We have leased the south room in Fromm's Block, for a term of years, and propose to stay with you and identify ourselves with you and your interests. Our stock will embrace at all times a complete line of STAPLE AND FANCY CROCERIES - - - Our goods will be sold Only For CASH or its equivalent - goods delivered promptly to any part of the city. - - - - CALDWELL BROTHERS.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, October 29, 1881]

[Adv] - - - - Dry Goods - Groceries - - - CALDWELL BROTHERS, in Commercial Block, Rochester, Indiana.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, April 15, 1882]

CALDWELL FURNACE CO. [Rochester, Indiana]

STOVES REPAIRED

All kinds of stoves repaired and put in first class condition. - - - Address or leave order at the Caldwell Furnace Co., opposite jail.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, December 6, 1904]

CALLAHAN, JOE [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Letter From Joe Callahan)

CALLIOPEAN SOCIETY [Rochester, Indiana]

Notice. The members of the Calleopean Society will meet at the New School House on Wednesday evening, Feb. 17, 1862.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, February 15, 1862]

There will be a meeting of the Calliopean Society, at the Court House, on Tuesday eve., Feb 25th, 1862. Question for discussion: "Resolved that capital punishment should be abolished."
... A. F. Smith, President.

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[Rochester *Mercury*, Thursday, February 20, 1862]

The Calliopeon literary society, it is said, has disbanded. Five cents in the treasury - present your claims as soon as possible, members.

[Rochester *Union-Spy*, Friday January 29, 1875]

CALLOWAY LIVERY & FEED BARN [Rochester, Indiana]

DICE LIVERY SOLD

The James H. Dice & Son livery barn has been sold, Ott Calloway, the well-known horse buyer being the purchaser.

Mr. Calloway has already taken possession and will devote his attention to the improvement of the business. The new owner will also run a sale barn in connection with the livery and will no doubt meet with success.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, September 2, 1910]

WILL OPEN BARN

Otto Calloway will open the old livery and feed barn back of the Arlington hotel this week. Mr. Calloway intends to put in a number of horses and several Ford touring cars to accommodate the trade. The barn is being repainted and remodeled throughout.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, August 16, 1915]

CALVERT, JESSE J. "BILL" [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Letter From Jesse J. Calvert)

See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Second Letter From Jesse J. Calvert)

See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Third Letter From Jesse J. Calvert)

See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Fourth Letter From Jesse J. Calvert)

See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Fifth Letter From Jesse J. Calvert)

CALVIN, I. B. [Kewanna, Indiana]

NEWS OF THE DAY

At the annual meeting of the Indiana State Dairy association held at Lafayette last week, I. B. Calvin of Kewanna, was re-elected president.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, January 15, 1912]

CALVIN, VERE S. [Rochester, Indiana]

See Calvin & Myers

CALVIN & MYERS HARDWARE [Rochester, Indiana]

VERE CALVIN, PAUL MYERS BUY MILLER HARDWARE

A business transaction of considerable import was consummated late Thursday afternoon whereby the R.L. Miller Hardware and Implement Store becomes the property of Vere S. Calvin and Paul Myers, both of Rochester. The new proprietors took immediate possession of the store.

The store, which will become Calvin & Myers Hardware, will carry a complete stock of general hardware, Oliver farming implements and household and farm appliances. The harness-making and repair department will be continued, the new owners stated in an interview today.

Mr. Calvin, senior member of the new firm, has resigned from his position with the McMahan Construction Co., and Paul Myers, who has been manager of the Farm Bureau in this city will tender his resignation within the next few days. Both men are well and most favorably

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known in the business field of this community and their new venture should prove a most successful one.

R. L. Miller, who has been engaged in the hardware business in this city for a long number of years, plans to retire from active duties. Mr. Miller has been in ill health for the past several months. An announcement advertisement of the hardware firm appears elsewhere in this issue.

[The News-Sentinel, Friday, April 2, 1937]

[Adv] Announcement to Public. We have purchased the R. L. Miller Hardware and Implement Store. - - - Vere Calvin & Paul Myers. 626 Main Street, Rochester, Indiana.

[The News-Sentinel, Friday, April 2, 1937]

CALVIN & MYERS BUY STORE IN PIERCETON

Vere Calvin and Paul Myers today took over the Pierceton Hardware store at Pierceton, Indiana. They will operate the store under the firm name of Calvin & Myers with Mr. Calvin in charge of the Pierceton store and Mr. Myers in charge of the local store.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, September 24, 1940]

Located in the Miller Building, W side of street, 626 Main.

Owned by Vere S. Calvin and Paul C. Myers, for 22 years, 1937-59.

Paul C. Myers sold his interest and purchased the Timely Hardware and Gift Store, 1819 Orangethorp Drive, Fullerton, Calif., in 1959.

[John Myers Family Arthur L. Myers, *Fulton Co Folks*, Vol. 2, Willard]

CAMBLIN, JOAN [Rochester, Indiana]

[Adv] JOAN CAMBLIN School of Dancing (over the Boston Store) Expert Instruction - TAP, TOE, BALLET, ACROBATIC, by graduate of the Carolyn Ensel School of Dancing.

[The News-Sentinel, Wednesday, Dec. 16, 1936]

CAMCAR CORPORATION [Fulton County]

See Indiana Metal Products

CAMERER, JACOB [Rochester Township]

BIOGRAPHY

Jacob Camerer, one of the representative farmers of Fulton county, is a native of Clermont county, Ohio, born Feb. 5, 1824, and is a son of Daniel and Mary (Hill) Camerer, natives respectively of Feming county, Ky., and Westmoreland county, Pa. The father was born in 1797 and died in Rush county, Ind., in 1887. The mother was born in 1800 and died in the same Indiana county in 1889. The Camerer family left Kentucky in 1807 and settled in Clermont county, Ohio, and in 1812 the Hill family proceeded from the old Pennsylvania commonwealth by way of the Ohio river, upon a flatboat to Clermont county, and here the parents of Jacob Camerer were united in marriage. In 1826 they emigrated to Rush county, Ind., and it can be truthfully stated that representatives of the Camerer family have been pioneers of Kentucky, Ohio and Indiana. Jacob Camerer, of this review, is of German descent, and the third in a family of nine children, of whom five are at this date (1896) living. He was raised upon the farm in Rush county, Ind., where he obtained a common school education. He carried on farming in that county until 1857, when he came to Fulton county and took up his residence, where he now lives, four miles southeast of Rochester. His farm at that time was almost an unbroken forest, but now it is a finely cultivated piece of land. In his neighborhood he at one time owned 350 acres, but he has given to

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his children so much that now he has only reserved eighty acres. Mr. Camerer was united in marriage in 1852 to Mrs. Olive (Green) Priest, a native of Franklin county, Ind. To this marriage are these four [sic] children, viz.: Henry E., Omer G. and Ada M. Politically Mr. Camerer is a democrat, and cast his first presidential vote for Gen. Cass. His views upon finance are to have both a gold and silver standard, and have both metals as legal tenders in paying all debts, and upon the question of the tariff, a revenue sufficient to meet the needs of the government, if those needs are economically administered to. He and wife are members of the M. E. church. Through a residence of nearly forty years in Fulton county, Jacob Camerer has been known as an honorable man and true citizen.

[Elia W. Peattie, *Fulton County History*, National Publishing Co., Chicago 1896, p. 52]

CAMERER BLACKSMITH SHOP [Rochester, Indiana]

Blacksmithing . . . Christian Camerer . . . Shop on Jefferson Street, two doors north of Culver's Wagon Shop, Rochester, March 1, 1860.

[Rochester *Mercury*, Thursday, March 1, 1860]

See: Kamerer Blacksmith Shop

[NOTE: Christian KAMMERER, d. Aug. 29, 1885, ae 59y-2m-27d, bur Rochester I.O.O.F. cemetery. -- WCT]

CAMP, C. A., DR. [Rochester, Indiana]

[Adv] Dr. C. A. CAMP, Osteopath. Over Holman's Shoe store. Consultation and examination free.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, June 25, 1907]

CAMP CALLAHAN [Fletchers Lake]

See Boy Scout Camp Callahan

CAMP GINGER [Lake Manitou]

Peru Journal.

Camp Ginger, the property of Barney, Lou and Sam Baer, of this city, which during the summer months has been the talk of Lake Manitou, was closed Friday afternoon and the paraphernalia brought to Peru for the winter. The camp had been going all summer, some one of the Baer boys having charge of it all the time. Many visitors from Peru visited the camp during the summer, and were well pleased with its make-up.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, September 7, 1908]

CAMP SHOHOLA [Newcastle Township]

Located N side of Tippecanoe river, just E of Sheward Bridge.

CAMP WRIGHT

See Boy Scout Camp Wright

CAMPBELL, A. A., PROF. [Leiters Ford, Indiana]

PROF. CAMPBELL RESIGNS

Prof. A. A. Campbell, who has been superintendent of the public schools of the city for the past several years, has tendered his resignation to the school board, the same taking effect at once, says the Peru Chronicle. Mr. Campbell's two years' contract expired with the close of the

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late school term, and he had the intention of discontinuing school work, under advisement, for the past few months.

Mr. Campbell will in the future devote his attention to commercial business interests at Leiters, Fulton county, where his brothers and farming, conducting an elevator and operating a department store. It is with regret to citizens of the city schools that Prof. Campbell is to leave the work.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, June 8, 1908]

NEWS OF THE DAY

Peru Chronicle.

Prof A. A. Campbell, who recently resigned as city school superintendent, is moving his household goods today from East Fifth street to his former home at Leiters, Fulton county, where he will shortly embark in business and become associated with his brothers. The family will leave tomorrow for Leiters to reside. Prof. Campbell has been in Peru for the past nine years, seven years of which he served as superintendent of the city schools and the previous two years as instructor in the Latin department of the high school.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, June 10, 1908]

NEWS OF THE DAY

Peru Chronicle.

Prof. A. A. Campbell of Leiters, formerly instructor of Latin, later principal of the High school and afterwards city school superintendent, was in the city today to attend the funeral of the late John M. Whittenberger, which occurred this morning at 10:30 o'clock. Mr. Campbell, since leaving Peru, has been associated with his brother in the grain business at Leiters, and has also been in charge of the public schools there during the winter months.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, September 28, 1910]

CAMPBELL, CHARLES C. [Rochester, Indiana]

LOCAL NEWS

The many Fulton county friends of Prof. A. C. Campbell will be pleased to learn that he has been promoted to the superintendency of the Peru schools. Prof. Campbell is a son of ex-Commissioner, Chris. Campbell and a brother of Attorney Chas. Campbell, of this city, and one of the most active and popular educators Fulton county has produced.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, May 24, 1901]

CAMPBELL, CHRISTOPHER [Aubbeenaubbee Township]

BIOGRAPHY

Christopher Campbell, of Aubbeenaubbee township, was born in Baltimore, Md., May 20, 1831. His parents were John and Clara (Barcher) Campbell. The father was born in Scotland in 1797, and died in White county, Ill., when nearly ninety years of age. He came to America when eighteen years of age. About two years later his parents and two brothers (Angus and Donald) and two sisters (Jeanette and Isabella) came to this country. The parents located in Pittsburgh, Pa., where their deaths occurred. In Baltimore John Campbell married Clara Barcher, who was born in Amsterdam, Holland, in 1809. She died in White county, Ill., at the age of seventy-seven years. After the marriage of John and Clara Campbell they removed to Sandusky county, Ohio, where they lived nineteen years, and then (1853) came to Fulton county and settled in Aubbeenaubbee township, where they lived about six years. They then moved to southern Illinois, where the remainder of their days was spent. They were members of the Presbyterian church, and pioneers of sterling qualities. They had the following children: Daniel, deceased; Christopher, Angus, John, Edward, deceased; Clara, Jeanette, Nancy, deceased; Sarah and Isabella. The subject of this personal mention is the only one of the family now residing in Fulton county. He was about five years of age when his parents went to Ohio, in which state he grew to

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manhood, receiving a fair education in the old log school house. His youth was spent in aiding his father on the farm, and from boyhood he has followed farming. Along with his parents he came to this county in 1853, and under the parental roof he remained till he was married at the age of twenty-four years. Mr. Campbell has been married three times. In 1855 he married Angeline Sutley, who bore him a daughter (Angeline, now the wife of O. P. Lanner, of White county, Ill.) Mr. Campbell's second wife was Jeanette Gilcrist, who bore him these children: John, deceased; James, and John. In 1867 Mr. Campbell married Rebecca Zuck, and unto this marriage the following children have been born: Charles C., Sarah, Albert, Clara, Barch and Lucretia. Mr. and Mrs. Campbell are members of the Presbyterian church, and he is a member of the I.O.O.F. and is a demitted member of the Masonic fraternity. Politically Mr. Campbell is a staunch republican. He cast his first presidential vote for John C. Fremont. He has never aspired to political office, but has, however, served the county one term as county commissioner.

[Elia W. Peattie, *Fulton County History*, National Publishing Co., Chicago 1896, p. 53]

CAMPBELL, J. B. [Leiters Ford, Indiana]

BINDER TWINE

Farmers! Before you buy your Binder Twine don't fail to see the undersigned, at Leiters Ford. I have the best pure Standard and Sissal at 6-1/2 cents and Manilla at 7 cents. Every pound warranted good, new twine and full weight. Prices guaranteed. J. B. CAMPBELL, Leiters Ford, Ind.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, June 5, 1896]

CAMPBELL, JAMES G. [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Churches - Methodist Church [Rochester, Indiana]

CAMPBELL ELEVATOR [Leiters Ford, Indiana]

My father, A. A. Campbell, was the principal of the combined grammar and high school there and also owned the grain elevator. My uncle, Barch Campbell, was hired to run the elevator.

[Leiters Ford Memories 1908-12 Mary Campbell Gynther, *Fulton Co Folks*, Vol. 2 Willard]

CAMPBELL'S RESTAURANT [Fulton, Indiana]

Hugh Campbell lived most of his life in Leiters Ford, with the exception of 15 years (1930's - 1940's) in the town of Fulton, where he owned and operated Campbell's restaurant and gas station on the southeast corner of Dunn and Main streets.

[Campbell Family, Mary Campbell Gynther, *Fulton Co Folks*, Vol. 2, Willard]

CAMPBELL & EMMONS [Rochester, Indiana]

CAMPBELL AND EMMONS NEW LOCAL LAW FIRM

The second new law firm to be formed in Rochester within a few days was announced Thursday. The members are Charles C. Campbell and Charles E. Emmons, and the new firm will be known as Campbell & Emmons.

Mr. Emmons, formerly was a junior partner in the firm of Myers and Emmons, Enoch Myers retiring from active practice because of advancing age and ill health. The office of the firm will be in the Masonic building, in the room occupied formerly by Myers and Emmons.

Mr. Campbell is a graduate of the law school of the University of Michigan, having attended the Ann Arbor school eight years. He has been in the practice of law in Rochester since 1896, and is a former deputy prosecutor and a former city attorney. He has successfully handled many important cases.

Mr. Emmons is a graduate of the local high school and the Rochester Normal University, and has been practicing law 15 years. He, likewise has won a number of major suits.

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Ed. Mohler, who has shared an office with Mr. Campbell over the Carter Book store, will remain there.

The immediately preceding law firm organization here was Brown, Chipman & Hosman.
[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, December 31, 1925]

CANADAY THE FURNISHER [Rochester, Indiana]

[Adv] Hats and Shirts Given Away! To introduce to your favor our fine line of Hats and Shirts, we will give away every tenth hat or shirt. - - - CANADAY, The furnisher. Fieser blk.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, February 16, 1903]

NEWS OF THE DAY

A balcony is being built in Canadays store to make room for a grocery, boot and shoe department.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, July 5, 1904]

CANADAY'S STORE CLOSED

Negotiations were closed yesterday wherein the Canaday Department Store was sold to Mr. W. H. Dayton of Danville, Ill., who has already taken possession and placed a Mr. Penville in charge until he can come and take charge of his business himself. The Canadays will go within two weeks to Andersonville, N.C., where they will reside, for a time at least, in hope of restoring the health of their little son, Hobart, who is seriously afflicted with asthma.

Mr. and Mrs. Canaday have been in business in Rochester for about four years and built up quite a large business and made many friends.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, August 31, 1905]

CANAL CONSIDERED THROUGH COUNTY [Fulton County]

See: Toledo, Fort Wayne and Chicago Barge Canal

CANALOT CANNING CLUB [Newcastle Twp]

NEWCASTLE TOWNSHIP GIRLS' CLUB ELECTS

The Newcastle Township Girls' Canning Club held its second meeting at the home of Mrs. Ferd Byrer at Talma on Tuesday, May 6. At this meeting the following officers were elected:

Helen Rathfon, President; Winifred Warren, Secretary; B. Belle Byrer, Press Agent; Dorothy Deamer, Song and Yell Leader.

This club was organized by County Agent Roy S. Landin, in April and consists of 25 girls living in Newcastle township. These girls will can by the cold pack process, putting up at least 30 quartes of fruits and vegetables. Other methods of canning may be used for additional cans. Each contestant is to do all the work connected with the project herself except that assistance may be given in heavy lifting.

Each contestant keeps a record of labor, dates of canning, amount canned, cost in terms of market value of foods canned, value of product, and profits. In addition each contestant shall write a story of not less than 300 words of her canning work. Finally each contestant agrees to exhibit at the club show 5 quarts of fruit and 5 quarts of vegetables. This show will probably be held at the Lake Manitou Fair next August so that other townships in Fulton county can learn about the work.

The next meeting of the canning club will be held at the home of Miss Helen Rathfon in Newcastle township on May 21st, at 7:30 p.m.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, May 12, 1924]

"CANALOT" CLUB OF NEWCASTLE TOWNSHIP

The Girls' Canning Club of Newcastle Township will hereafter be known as the "Canalot" Canning Club of Newcastle Township. This name was selected by the girls at an

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interesting meeting held last Wednesday evening, May 21st. The Canning Club is a standard club. It holds regular meetings bi-monthly. Twenty-five girls in Newcastle township from 10 to 19 years of age are members of it. They will can fruits and vegetables throughout the summer, using the cold pack method of canning. Each girl will also exhibit ten quarts of fruits and vegetables canned by her at the Club Show which will be held at the Lake Manitou Fair in August. The fourth meeting of this club will be held on Wednesday evening, June 4th, at 7:30, at the home of Beulah and Rosella Busenberg.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, May 28, 1924]

GIRLS' CANNING CLUB PLANS FAIR EXHIBIT

The Canalot Canning Club of Newcastle Township which is the only Girls' Canning Club in Fulton county, will hold their exhibit at the Lake Manitou Fair next week. Each girl in this club will exhibit ten quarts of fruits and vegetables that she has canned. Eight of these ten quarts must be of different varieties of fruits and vegetables. All ten quarts are canned by the cold pack process.

Each girl in this club will can at least thirty quarts before the project is completed. The names of the girls who will exhibit at the fair are as follows - Miss Helen Alber, Miss Doris Adamson, Miss Beulah Busenburg, Miss Rosella Busenburg, Miss Belle Byrer, Miss Dorothy Deamer, Miss Aline Emmons, Miss Geraldine Haimbaugh, Miss Dorothy Horn, Miss Emmeline Metzler, Miss Helen Rathfon, Miss Velma Swihart, Miss Winnifred Warren, Miss Lavern Walters and Miss Celeta Williams.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, August 9, 1924]

CANALS [Fulton County]

See: Erie & Michigan Canal

See: Toledo, Fort Wayne & Chicago Barge Canal

CANNON BALL REAL ESTATE AGENCY [Rochester, Indiana]

The CANNON BALL Real Estate Agency wishes to say to the public that they are prepared to buy, sell or exchange Real Estate of any kind, in any locality with greater success and on more reasonable terms than any firm in Northern Indiana. Western Lands Made a Specialty. They are also prepared to write insurance - - - Office South of Public Square.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, June 26, 1889]

CAPLE, ANDREW [Union Township]

BIOGRAPHY

Andrew Caple was born in Maryland December 10, 1822, and is a son of Samuel and Mary Caple. Mr. Caple, Sr., died in 1869, at the age of eighty-seven, and his mother died in 1838, aged fifty. Mr. Caple has fifteen brothers and sisters, of whom six are living. He was married to Magdalena Crane, January, 1846. She was born in 1827, her parents being natives of Germany, and had nine children born to them, of whom only three are living. Ten children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Caple, seven of them are still living, viz.: Alfred, Otto, William, Ella, Mary, Edward and Elizabeth. Henry, their eldest son, enlisted May 1, 1864, in the One Hundred and Thirty-eighth Regiment Indiana Volunteers, and was discharged January 26, 1865, dying October 26, 1868, from sickness contracted while in service. Mr. Caple came to Indiana in 1850, and settled in Peru, where he remained until 1877, when he came to Fulton County and purchased 160 acres in the northern part of Union Township. Since residing in this township he has been engaged in farming and milling. In politics he is a Republican, and cast his first vote for Harrison for President. Mr. and Mrs. Caple are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church and are respected by all their neighbors as intelligent and social members of society. May they enjoy a long and happy life, is the wish of the writer.

[T. B. Helm, *Fulton County Atlas*, A. L. Kingman, 1883, p. 56]

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CAPLE, OTTO [Rochester, Indiana]

[Adv] - - - Headquarters for B. P. Rocks of the noted Hawkins strain of good layers. The place to get eggs for breeding fine birds. Eggs \$1.00 per 15. LONG ACRES FRUIT & POULTRY FARM, One-fourth mile west of the Fair Grounds. Address Otto Caple, Box 293, Rochester, Indiana.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, April 18, 1902]

CAPP, MINNIE [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Hotels - Arlington

CAPP RESTAURANT [Rochester, Indiana]

See Homestead Inn_____

[Adv] HARRY CAPP'S RESTAURANT. Headquarters for the best warm meals and lunch in town. The culinary and pastry department is under the personal supervision of Mrs. Harry Capp.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, February 11, 1899]

BUYS RESTAURANT

A deal has been completed whereby T. P. Murphy of the Rochester Baking Co., becomes the owner of the Harry Capp restaurant at the Lake Erie station. Mr. Murphy will assume active charge.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, September 19, 1916]

MRS. MINNIE CAPP SELLS RESTAURANT FRIDAY P.M.

The Capp Restaurant, 324 East Eighth Street, was sold Friday afternoon by its owner Mrs. Minnie Capp to Joseph Bauman of Logansport, who took possession of the establishment this morning. Mrs. Capp has operated the restaurant for the past 12 years and during this period has built up a large patronage. Mrs. Capp stated this morning that she has no immediate plans for the future but will take a long vacation, and then may re-enter business in this city. Mr. Bowman [sic], who is the owner of the building in which the Capp restaurant has been operated is an experienced cafe owner. He intends to conduct the restaurant along the same lines as his predecessor. Mrs. Charles Hunneshagen, who has been the cook for Mrs. Capp for several years has resigned her position.

[The News-Sentinel, Saturday, May 25, 1929]

OPENS NEW CAFE

Mrs. Minnie Capp and son Edward today opened their new cafe on East Ninth street. Mrs. Capp for several years operated the Lake Erie restaurant on East Eighth street.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, May 7, 1931]

SELLS CAFE

Mrs. Minnie Capp has sold her cafe on East Ninth Street to Mrs. Katherine Ghormley of Indianapolis who has taken possession. Mr. Capp has no immediate plans for the future.

[The News-Sentinel, Wednesday, September 21, 1932]

CAPP RESTAURANT SOLD TO TWO LOCAL MEN

Announcement was made today by Fred Alexander and Arthur Adamson that they had purchased the restaurant at 317 East Ninth Street of Mrs. Minnie Capp. Both Mr. Alexander and Mrs. Adamson are experienced restaurant men. Mr. Alexander for many years was employed in cafes in this city while Mr. Adamson has worked in cafes in this city and in Detroit and South

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Bend. 1 They will make some changes in the restaurant. The purchasers intend to operate the cafe on the same high plane as it has been conducted in the past.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, June 15, 1933]

Wonder what Harry Capp, who operated a restaurant on the south side of the public square back in the gay nineties, would think of today's restaurant take? And then there was R. P. (Nobby) True who served a good farm meal for less than a half-dollar. Who remembers when Marion Fultz held forth where the Courthouse View Restaurant is now the Kiwanis headquarters? In the Fultz restaurant a ham sandwich cost a nickle and that was before the day of hamburgers.

[Earle A. Miller, *The News-Sentinel*, Tuesday, October 6, 1959]

CAPRON, ALBERTUS CLINTON [Rochester, Indiana]

ALBERTUS CLINTON CAPRON (Biography)

Albertus Clinton CAPRON is the Judge of the Forty-first Judicial Circuit of Indiana and ex officio Judge of the Fulton circuit court, and resides in Plymouth. He is of New England ancestry and was born at Homer, Cortland county, New York. He was brought up on a farm and his early life was marked by no extraordinary events. He obtained a good common school education by the time he was 16 and then attended the Cortland Academy during times he could be spared from the farm. He taught school during the winter months after he became nineteen years old, and this assisted in paying his way in the Academy, from which he graduated in 1852, having taken a classical and preparatory college course. At the solitation of some of his relatives he came to LaPorte county, Indiana, in the fall of 1852 and taught school at Rolling Prairie that winter. During a visit to Plymouth in November, 1852 he was greatly taken with the situation of the town, and with the splendid timber and farming lands he found in the county. He had made up his mind while at school to become a lawyer and during the winter of '52 he was offered a first class opportunity by Hon. C. H. REEVE, to become a law student in his office, which was accepted, and after three years of close application to his studies he was admitted to the Marshall county bar, and in September, 1856, hung out his shingle and opened a law office in Plymouth, and from that time until he was elected Judge in November, '90, he has had no other business and made himself fairly successful as a lawyer. He is, and always has been a democrat in politics but the office to which he was elected is the only one he ever sought. He has been twice married, first to Ellen S. WOODBURY, by whom he had a daughter, now the wife of Hon. M. W. SIMONS, of Plymouth; last to Jane E. DILL, by whom he has one son, John C. CAPRON, who resides in the same place. His long residence in this state has made him a thorough Indianian and he is as proud of the State as he would have been had it been his birthplace.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, September 20, 1895]

CARDAMENUS, GEORGE [Rochester, Indiana]

HOME TOWN TALES

By "Pioneer"

George Cardamenus, a native of Greece, opened the New York Candy Kitchen, 103 East Ninth Street. Possessing a heavy stock of smiles and good cheer, friends and customers were made at a rapid rate. Within George's first year in Rochester, he was introduced into the mysteries of Pythian Knighthood, and nothing was left undone to assure him that he had pitched his tent in a town of golden opportunity.

On came the World's Fair, and after a time, friends saw the first clouds of unhappiness on George's face. Letters received from a sweetheart he had promised to send for, had written of her suffering, the hell of war, sickness, no food, no money, and that garlic was an impossible luxury.

At the close of the war, he immediately sent for her, and in impatient anxiousness he awaited information as to the time he could greet her in New York.

Well - time, the ocean liner and the girl arrived. George was on the pier to greet them all. Finally he saw her - there was disappointment, she was no longer the Grecian beauty he had left in Athens, Xerolhart, or some other seaport in Greece. The havoc and privation of WAR were

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plainly imprinted After a few days rest in New York, they were married. A few days later the bridal party arrived in Rochester.

Six months later, one of George's local advisors heard some one say, "Did you know that George Cardamenus had sold his business?" Rushing to find George, to learn the truth of the statement, he inquired of George, and received the following information. "My wife, no like de fush, here," muttered the citizen friend as he kicked himself all the way back to his place of business.

"Can you beat it? Can you beat THAT? Maree didn't like our FISH."

[The News-Sentinel, Saturday, February 28, 1935]

CARITHERS SUPERMARKET [Fulton, Indiana]

Located W side of street where two buildings had burned. New building constructed by Francis "Hass" Carithers.

Later became Gearhart's grocery.

CARL, LOUDEN [Macy, Allen Township, Miami County]

BIOGRAPHY

Louden Carl, merchant at Macy, and one of the pioneers of this county, was born in Darke County, Ohio, Novemer 25, 1828. He was the oldest son born to Matthew and Anna (Suffield) Carl, natives of New York and Kentucky, respectively. When our subject was about twelve years old his parents came to this county and located in Jefferson Township, where he spent his youth working upon his father's farm. At the age of eighteen he began to learn the carpenter's trade. This received his attention, more or less, for ten years. In 1855 he went to Iowa, but in 1862 he returned to this State and located upon a farm in Cass County. In 1867 he returned to this county and located at Five Corners, in Allen Township. There he was engaged in the mercantile busines until 1869. In that year he located at Macy, erected the first budsiness house in the town, and continued in the mercantile business. He entered into a partnership with Albert Hawkins in February, 1884. They now have a commodious store-room, well stocked with dry goods, groceries, boots and shoes, and are doing a good business. April 20, 1851, he was married to Caroline Enyart, by whom he has had three children. Their names are Minerva P., Marion B., and Ida E., the last of whom died at five years of age. Mr. and Mrs. Carl are members of the M. E. church. In politics, Mr. Carl is a Republican. While a resident of Iowa he held the office of Township Trustee one term. He has also been honored with the Town Treasurer's office in Macy ever sice the town was incorporated. He is a pleasant, intelligent gentleman, an enterprising and successful business man and a No. 1 citizen.

[*History of Miami County, Indiana*, 1887, Brant & Fuller. p. 509]

CARLSON, DON W. [Rochester, Indiana]

DON W. CARLSON MADE EDITOR ELWOOD PAPER

Don W. Carlson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Carlson, of Indianapolis, formerly of Rochester, has been made editor of the Elwood Call-Leader, he informed friends here last night.

Carlson went to Elwood as a reporter about two years ago, after "breaking into" journalism on the Rochester News-Sentinel staff. Recently he was made temporary editor and now the job is permanent. He was educated here and has many friends in the city.

The paper was recently acquired by H. E. Scherer, Chicago newspaper representative, who has installed a complete staff of young men. A. Jack Willhelm, formerly of Huntington and Princeton, will be business manager.

Carlson is 21 years old.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, August 7, 1939]

DON W. CARLSON JOINS CHICAGO STAFF OF U.P.

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Don W. Carlson, former resident and sport editor of The News-Sentinel, is resigning his position as editor of The Call Leader (Elwood, Ind.), effective as of August 30th, according to an article appearing in the Monday edition of the Elwood newspaper.

Don, on September 1st, will become a member of the Chicago staff of the United Press association, and work on various assignments from that area for this world-wide news agency. The new position of the former Rochester man provides a most fertile field for both literary and monetary advancement.

Mr. Carlson is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Carlson, of Indianapolis, former residents of Rochester. Don, who visited his grandmother, Mrs. Alma Shobe, of this city, the latter part of last week, plans on moving his wife and son, David, to Chicago within the next few weeks.

His duties on the Call-Leader will be taken over by Charles F. Hardy, who has served as city editor of that newspaper for the past several months.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, August 26, 1941]

DON CARLSON ACCEPTS POST ON NEWS-SENTINEL

Don Carlson, of Indianapolis, today accepted a position as editor of The News-Sentinel and has already assumed the duties of his new post.

Mr. Carlson is well qualified for the duties of his new position. Don was former Indianapolis bureau manager and Indiana-Kentucky news-editor for the United Press Association. He was also formerly employed on the U.P. staff in Chicago.

Prior to his association with the news agency, Don was employed for several years as manager of the Call-Leader, of Elwood, Ind.

Mr. Carlson is a former Rochester resident, and needs no introduction to the people of this community. He and his wife and two-year-old son will take up their residence in this city in the near future.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, April 26, 1943]

CARLTON, INDIANA [Richland Township]

The Michigan City and Indianapolis branch of Wabash, St. Louis & Pacific Railway bisected the town, which was platted, but not shown on the township map of 1883 Atlas.

The lots were never sold.

Located one and one-half miles S of Tiosa, in Section 9.

CARLTON, FRANCIS [Rochester, Indiana]

PEOPLES CAFE IS SOLD BY FRANCIS CARLTON

Estil "Count" Carter and Miss Susie Gibbons today purchased the People's Cafe 15 707 Main street of Francis Carlton. The purchasers have taken possession.

Mr. Carter and Miss Gibbons are experienced cafe operators. Both have been employed in restaurants in this city for a number of years.

The purchasers plan some improvements to the cafe within the near future.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, May 13, 1935]

CARLTON COAL COMPANY [Rochester, Indiana]

Announcement was made today of the opening of the Carlton Coal Company, a new business concern located on East Ninth Street at the Nickle Plate Railway. Francis Carlton is the owner of the coal company and has been busy for some time getting ready to begin operations.

The company will sell coal, coke and wood and is already doing business. The office building and scales are located just east of the railroad tracks near the water tank. The coal bins, eight in number, are on the west side of the tracks. They are constructed of concrete and wood and each bin has a full carload capacity. All new and modern equipment has been installed for the handling of the coal including an automatic conveyor, a motor truck, etc.

Friendly Swartz, well known in the city due to his years of experience in the coal business, has contracted to do all of the delivering and will look after the coal yards.

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[The News-Sentinel, Friday, May 20, 1932]

CARLTON COAL CO. BUYS WILLIAM BALL ICE CO.

Through a deal consummated early today the Carlton Coal Company purchased the Ball Ice Company and has already taken over active management of the business.

According to an announcement made today by Mr. Carlton he will sell artificial ice only and a storage room at the yards of the Carlton Coal Company on East 9th street will be erected within the next few days. The Carlton Coal Co. will in the future be known as the Carlton Coal & Ice Co. and service will extend throughout the city, lake and nearby communities. Practically all of the ice which will be handled by the new company will be secured from the Borden Milk station plant at Akron, where the water is procured from deep driven wells.

William Ball, head of the Ball Ice Company had been in the ice business in this city for the past 14 years. He has not announced his plans regarding the future.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, July 5, 1934]

CARMELCRISP SHOP [Rochester, Indiana]

See Overstreet's Carmelcrisp

MAX FEECE PURCHASES THE CARMELCRISP SHOP

Max Feece announced today he had purchased the Carmelcrisp Shop, 110 East Eighth street from Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Overstreet. He will be assisted in operation of the store by Mrs. Feece and Leo. The store will continue to feature good things to eat.

Mr. Overstreet will devote his time to work for the Indianapolis News, and The News-Sentinel, while Mrs. Overstreet will be in charge of Wolf's Point Grocery which will be operated throughout the entire year.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, September 11, 1939]

[Adv] Delicious Carmelcrisp. Fresh potato Chips daily. Hot Buttered Nuts. Fench Fried Popcorn. CARMELCRISP SHOP. Open evenings. 110 E. 8th. St.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, May 13, 1937]

CARMICHAEL, HOAGIE [Lake Manitou]

See: Hotels - Fairview

CARPENTER, EMMETT J. [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Letter From Emmett J. Carpenter)

CARPENTER & BARNES [Rochester, Indiana]

New Firm. Carpenter & Barnes have formed a copartnership in the furniture business, and are occupying Mrs. Mann's rooms, opposite D. S. Gould's Star Store and two doors north of the Post Office. . .

[Rochester *Union-Spy*, Thursday, December 31, 1868]

CARR, CLARENCE [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Letter From Clarence Carr)

CARR, HOWARD L. [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Letter From Howard L. Carr)

CARR, JAY [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Letter From Jay Carr)

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See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Second Letter From Jay Carr)

See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Third Letter From Jay Carr)

See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Fourth Letter From Jay Carr)

CARR, REUBEN R. [Rochester, Indiana]

BIOGRAPHY

Reuben R. Carr, the respected judge of the Fulton County Circuit Court, was born in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, March 2, 1864, the son of M. L. and Olive J. (Laylin) Carr, both of whom were born in Ohio. When our subject was four years old, his parents moved from Iowa to Russellville, Illinois, and in 1870 they removed to Chalmer, Illinois. Reuben R. Carr received his elementary education in the graded and high schools of Chalmer, working on the farm during the entire period of his schooling until he attained his eighteenth year. He then took up telegraphy and worked at this on several railroad systems and in this way put his brother, Benjamin F. Carr, the judge of the Thirty-ninth Judicial Circuit, through the elementary schools and college. Being dissatisfied with this occupation, he took up the study of the law and was admitted to the bar at Logansport, Indiana, in 1895. He formed a partnership with his brother under the firm style of Carr and Carr, and this partnership continued at Monticello, Indiana, until 1898. For seven years thereafter, he was telegraph operator and relief agent for Chicago & Erie Railroad and was located at Akron, Indiana, but during this time he continued to increase and perfect his knowledge of the law. His residence in Akron was signallized by his active interest in civic affairs. He helped to organize the Akron Light, Heat & Power Company, the Akron Telephone Exchange, and the Akron Milling Company. He was the prime mover in the organization of the State Bank of Akron and the Insurance Exchange of Akron. His public spirited work in Akron won for him the appointment of deputy prosecuting attorney under John A. Moulter, of Plymouth. He then opened a law office in Akron and he was again honored by the citizens by being appointed county attorney for two terms. In 1914, he ran on the Republican ticket for the position of judge of the circuit court but was defeated by Judge Smith N. Stevens. Again he ran for the office in 1920 and was elected by a majority of 130 votes, and since that time, he has served in that capacity. He was married on October 30, 1895, to Floy W. Weaver, the daughter of Frank Weaver, of Akron, and to this union two daughters have been born: Mrs. Willis Roberts and Mrs. Dennis A. Deeds, both of Rochester. Reuben R. Carr is an excellent example of a self-made man. What he has gained has been acquired solely through his own efforts, and all honors that have been conferred upon him are justly deserved. He is an eloquent and forceful speaker and his decisions on the bench have marked him as one of the best judges of the Forty-first Judicial Circuit. In fraternal circles, he is a 32nd degree Mason, a Knight Templar, a Royal Arch Mason, a Shriner, and a member of the Consistory and Commandery. He also holds membership in the Knights of Pythias.

[Henry A. Barnhart, *Fulton County History*, pp. 170-171, Dayton Historical Publishing Co., 1923]

Reuben R. CARR, aged 65, judge of the Fulton circuit court, died at his home, 930 Monroe Street, at 9:15 o'clock this morning. Death was due to hardening of the arteries and dropsy. He had been ill for the past eight years and bedfast during the greater portion of the time since last December. Judge Carr had consulted many well known specialists but none were able to help him. Judge Carr was in a coma since Monday night.

The deceased was born in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, on March 2, 1864, the son of M. L. and Olive CARR. He received his preliminary education in the grade and high school at Chalmers and when eighteen years of age learned the telegraphers trade and worked at this occupation for several railroad systems.

Becoming dissatisfied with his occupation Judge Carr took up the study of law and was admitted to the bar in the Cass County Circuit Court in 1895. He then formed a partnership with his brother, Benjamin CARR, now the judge of the White County Circuit Court, under the firm name of CARR and CARR and this partnership continued at Monticello until 1898.

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For several years thereafter Judge Carr acted as telegrapher and relief agent for the Chicago and Erie railroad at Akron. Later he opened a law office at Akron and it was here that he first started his political career. He was appointed county attorney for two terms by a republican board of county commissioners. Judge Carr also made two unsuccessful races for prosecutor on the republican ticket. While in Akron Judge Carr had as his law partner Attorney Albert CHIPMAN, now judge of the Marshall county circuit court.

In 1914 he ran on the republican ticket for judge of the 41st Judicial district at that time composed of Marshall and Fulton counties, but was defeated by Attorney S. N. STEVENS, of Plymouth. In 1920 Judge Carr again ran for the judgeship of the two counties and defeated Judge Stevens. In 1926 he was re-elected judge of the district, defeating Attorney Adam WISE, of Plymouth. In 1927 the legislature divided the 41st Judicial district, making a separate circuit court for both Fulton and Marshall counties.

Judge Carr was always a public spirited citizen and while a resident of Akron helped to organize the Akron Light Heat and Power Company, The Akron Telephone Exchange and the Akron Milling Company. He was the prime mover in the organization of the State Bank of Akron and the Insurance Exchange.

Reuben R. Carr is an excellent example of a self-made man. What Judge Carr gained he acquired solely through his own efforts and all honors that have been conferred upon him were justly deserved. His decisions on the bench marked him as a wise and able jurist. He acted as judge in a number of criminal cases but never did impose the death penalty on any man.

He was married on October 30, 1895, to Floy W. WEAVER, the daughter of Frank WEAVER, of Akron, who survives, as do two daughters, Mrs. Willis ROBERTS, of South Bend, and Mrs. Dennis DEEDS, of this city, and two brothers, Judge Ben CARR, of Monticello, and Luther CARR and several half-brothers and sisters who reside in White county.

Judge Carr was a member of the Masonic fraternity. His membership was in the Blue Lodge at Akron, Royal Arch Chapter of Rochester, the Commandery at Warsaw, and the Consistory at Fort Wayne. He was also a member of the Eastern Star Chapter of Akron. He was a member of the Methodist Church at Akron.

At the request of the deceased the funeral services will be held from the Fulton Circuit Court room at 3 o'clock Friday afternoon with Rev. James NIVEN of Bedford in charge. Warsaw Commandery Knights Templar will conduct the services at the graveside.

The Fulton County Bar Association met this morning in the circuit court room soon after Judge Carr had passed away. They passed a resolution to be forwarded to the member of the late jurist's family. They also appointed committees to assist at the funeral. The bar association also ordered that all bar associations in surrounding counties should be notified as to the death of Judge Carr.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Wednesday, August 7, 1929]

The body of the late Reuben R. CARR, for the last nine years judge of the Fulton circuit court who died at his home in this city early Wednesday morning, will lie in state in the court room over which he presided for so many years from 10 o'clock Friday morning until the hour of the services at 3 p.m. The corpse will be guarded by members of the Warsaw Commandry of Knight Templars of which unit the judge was a member. The Templars will have charge of the services at the graveside.

Rev. James NIVEN of Bedford former pastor of the Baptist Church here will be in charge of the services assisted by Rev. Mahlon KRAUSE of Lutesville, Mo., former pastor of the First Methodist Church at Akron was a personal friend of the deceased jurist. Burial will be made in the Odd Fellows cemetery here.

The funeral services are being held in the circuit court room in compliance to a request which Judge Carr made during his last illness. But two other funeral services have ever been held in the court room here. They were for the late Judge Isaiah CONNER and Attorney Henry BIBLER.

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During the hour of the funeral business in this city will be suspended. The flag in front of the court house has been placed at half mast. Delegations from bar associations in surrounding counties will attend the funeral as will representatives of the various Masonic organizations of which Jude Carr was a member.

The following tribute was paid to the late judge by the editor of the Plymouth Pilot:

"Firm in his convictions and unafraid to voice his views, Judge Carr won the respect and esteem of his political foes as well as those of like faith and all were his friends. He made sure he was right and then went ahead, firm in the belief that success always came to the deserving person who expected it. In a fight he put every ounce of his power and always fought fair and, whether successful or unsuccessful, his opponents always were respected as much or more by the judge after the counsel than before and he came through with the respect and friendship of his opponents."

This tribute appeared in the Monticello Journal paper is published in the former home of Judge R. R. Carr:

"Although Reuben Carr, a self educated man with hardly more than a common school training, did not have as deep and profound knowledge of the law as some jurists, he proved to be one of the best judges of points of law in the state. His fearless and uncompromising devotion to what he believed to be right won him a tremendous following. He had the happy faculty of maintaining his interest in the people. He enjoyed nothing better than talking with his friends and more than one farmer, arriving home late, excused himself to his wife as he hurried out to do the evening's chores by saying that he had gotten interested in talking to the Judge and hadn't noticed how the time had slipped by."

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Thursday, August 8, 1929]

The body of the late Reuben R. CARR, judge of the Fulton Circuit court, who died at his home 930 South Monroe Street, Wednesday morning after a long illness, was moved to the court room over which he presided for so many years at 10 o'clock this morning where it lay in state until the hour of the funeral at 3 p.m. Burial was made in the Rochester Odd Fellows cemetery.

The funeral arrangements for the deceased jurist were carried out to every detail possible, according to the wishes expressed by Judge Carr to his widow several weeks ago when he realized that death was only a matter of hours. At his request the services were held in the court room in charge of Rev. James NIVEN, of Bedford, former pastor of the Baptist church here, assisted by Rev. Mahlon KRAUSE, of Lutesville, Mo., former pastor of the Methodist church at Akron who was a personal friend of the deceased.

The casket, a beautiful metallic one, was placed in front of the judges bench over which Judge Carr had so often dispensed justice. The casket was surrounded by many beautiful floral tributes, more tributes, perhaps, than were ever contributed before in the history of the county. An especially beautiful one was sent by the members of the Fulton County Bar Association. During the time the body was lying in state an organ was played in a room adjoining the court room.

The bier was guarded by members of the Warsaw Commandery of the Knights Templars of which Judge Carr was a member. The Templars at the judge's expressed desire had charge of the services at the graveside in the Odd Fellows cemetery. The judge was dressed in his Knight Templar uniform. Local Knight Templars also joined with the members of the Warsaw commandery as they marched to the cemetery.

Business was suspended in this city during the hour of the funeral. All stores were closed as were the offices in the court house and the city hall. Delegations from Bar Associations in Cass, Marshall, Pulaski, Starke, St. Joseph, White, Wabash, Miami and Kosciusko counties attended the funeral. The court room was filled to its capacity during the time of the services.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Friday, August 9, 1929]

Reuben R. CARR, late judge of the Fulton circuit court, who died at his home here on Wednesday was buried Friday with honors appropriate to a man who had won his station in life.

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Such pomp and such solemnity never before marked a funeral in the history of the county as that which was accorded Judge Carr. Besides the relatives, friends and foes politically were gathered to pay homage.

The funeral services were held from the court room at the request of Judge Carr. The body lay in state at the courthouse from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. the hour of the services. The casket, a beautiful metallic one, was banked with flowers. It was placed directly in front of the judges bench. During the five hours the body lay in state it was guarded by uniformed members of the Warsaw Commandery of Knights Templars of which organization the dead jurist was a member.

During the five hours the public was permitted to view the body of Judge Carr, many persons passed the bier. Among those was noted many widows who had been given a kindly ear by Judge Carr when they pleaded for an increase in their pensions for the support of their children so that they would not have to be sent to some state institution.

Another who was seen to stay around the courthouse throughout the six hours Judge Carr's body was there was a touseled headed barefooted boy who had been befriended by the judge on several occasions and who considered the jurist his one and only friend. The lad passed the bier many times and as the casket was carried down the stairs from the courthouse watched the descent leaning far over one of the railings. The lad was also one at the graveside walking the entire distance to the cemetery.

The funeral service was delivered by Rev. James NIVEN of Bedford, former pastor of the Baptist church here at the request of Judge Carr. In his opening statement Rev. Niven quoted from Tennyson's "Crossing the Bar," stating he believed that Judge Carr put out on the great adventure without a fear that he could face the great judge of the universe and be returned the victor.

Rev. Niven also dwelt upon the majesty of God and the wonders he had performed for the benefit of all mankind. He also spoke on the subject of the immortality of man. In his closing statement, Rev. Niven told of his personal observations of the late jurist stating that while he had imperfections his good characteristics overshadowed them. He also told of the judge's love for his family and friends.

Preceding the service Rev. Mahlon KRAUSE of Lutesville, Mo., former pastor of the Akron Methodist church, and a personal friend of Judge Carr, offered a prayer. The Manitou Quartette rendered several very beautiful numbers. As the immediate family of the judge who had been grouped together in the judges private chambers passed from the court room the audience stood up in respect to them until they had left the court house.

The cortege moved slowly through the streets of the city to the Odd Fellows cemetery. Employees of the stores in the city who could not get into the court room and other residents paused for a moment as the cortege moved along its way. The immediate family of the late judge were in cars which were back of the hearse. In autos back of these were the various county officials and members of the local bar association who were grouped together during the funeral services in the court room.

At the cemetery the Knights Templar had charge rendering their beautiful burial ceremony. The pallbearers, all knights, were former neighbors of Judge Carr at Akron who had taken the various degrees with him at Warsaw. The pallbearers were E. A. GAST, Dr. W. E. HOSMAN, W. C. MILLER, R. Roy JONES, Everett O. STRONG and Roy MORRIS. Knights from Warsaw, Plymouth, Rochester and Akron were present.

The following relatives and friends attended the funeral: Rev. and Mrs. M. H. KRAUSE, of Lutesville, Mo., Rev. James NIVEN, of Bedford, Mr. and Mrs. Leland CRANMER and Mrs. O. O. CARR, of Chicago; Mrs. Ella BRANDENBERG, of Wichita, Kansas; John CARR, of Jacksonville, Miss., Mrs. J. A. BRENNON and daughter, Eileen [BRENNON], of Benton Harbor, Mich., Mrs. Jennie ESSIG and daughter, Mrs. Opal ZEBRING, of Kalamazoo, Mich., Mr. and Mrs. Dean D. WEAVER and daughter, Dorothy [WEAVER], of Battle Creek, Mich.; Mr. and Mrs. Clem LOVALL, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur VOIGHT, John M. SIMPSON, E. H. HENDERSON and Wilby EVANS, all of South Bend, Judge Ben F. CARR and C. W. CARSON, of Monticello, Miss Maude DAVIDSON, of Delphi, Misses Irene [WHITESIDE] and Marie WHITESIDE, of Logansport, Mrs. Zenith CARR and daughter, Mary [CARR], of Reynolds, Ind., Mr. and Mrs. J.

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B. CARR, of Peru, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley CROW, of Bloomington, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. BROWN, of Winamac, Dick Crow, of Spencer, Mr. and Mrs. Oral COIL, Mrs. Melva ROBERTS, of Warsaw, Mr. and Mrs. Ed DEEDS, Mr. and Mrs. Claude KINDIG, Mr. and Mrs. Odie HART, Mrs. Nelson KINDIG, of Deedsville. In addition to the above there were a large number of Akron people in attendance at the services.

The following judges and attorneys were present: Judge Hurd HURST of Peru; Judge Albert CHIPMAN of Plymouth, Judge Alfred J. LINK of LaPorte, Judge Frank SWITZER of Wabash, Judge John B. SMITH of Logansport, former Judge, S. N. STEVENS and son George [STEVENS], John KITCH, Leopold LAUER, Del McKESSON, Frank MARTINDALE, Glen UNDERWOOD, all of Plymouth, Stacey CARPENTER of Argos, A. E. MARTIN and Sam FEAWELL of South Bend, L. L. CAREY, William LOVE and George KASESBAUM of Monticello, Robert HILLIS and Mike FANSLER of Logansport, Robert ENGELS of Gary, Congressman A. J. HICKEY of LaPorte who is a member of the LaPorte County Bar Association also attended the services.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Saturday, August 10, 1929]

CARR, WALTER DEVERL [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Letter From Walter Deverl Carr)

CARR, WELDON [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Letter From Weldon Carr)

CARR & HALL [Rochester, Indiana]

Cigar manufacturer
Located 314 E 8th

CARRUTHERS, WILLIAM [Rochester, Indiana]

BIOGRAPHY

William Carruthers, farmer, P.O. Rochester, was born in Licking County, Ohio, October 17, 1838. He is the son of James and Mary (Trickey) Carruthers, who were natives of Virginia. The subject of this sketch lost his parents when he was but an infant, and was given into the hands of John Taylor, with whom he remained until 1854, when he started out to battle with the hardships of life alone. He enlisted in September, 1861, as a private in Company B, Thirty-fourth Indiana Infantry, and participated in numerous battles, among which may be mentioned Island No. 10, Arkansas Post, in the siege of Vicksburg for forty-eight days; Jackson, Miss.; Champion Hill, where his company went into the battle with fifty-seven men and came out with only seventeen. As a soldier, he was brave and fearless. He was promoted to Commissary Sergeant; was discharged in February, 1865. He was married March 10, 1867, to Mary C. Belt, who was born in Licking County, Ohio. She is the daughter of Dorsey and Elizabeth (Bryant) Belt, who were natives of Virginia. Shortly after marriage, Mr. Carruthers settled in Miami County, and was engaged in farming until 1869, when he became a resident of Fulton County. He resides in Section 35, and is engaged in farming and insurance.

[T. B. Helm, *Fulton County Atlas*, A. L. Kingman, 1883, p. 28]

CARTER, BYRON A. [Rochester, Indiana]

BYRON A. CARTER (Biography)

Byron A. CARTER is a native of Fulton county, 34 years old. He was reaised on a farm and on reaching his majority engaged in the brick making business. Five years ago he purchased a grocery and has since followed that line of business. He married Miss Emma McKEE, and their family consist of four daughters.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, September 20, 1895]

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[Adv] FREE GROCERIES. That is -- groceries free from impurities, perfectly fresh, clean and wholesome, especially for use DURING THE HOLIDAYS. - - - B. A. CARTER, Arlington Grocery.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, December 27, 1895]

[Adv] A NEW GROCERY. B. A. Carter has put in a fine new grocery stock in the room with Kistler's Meat Market, and invites old friends and new patrons to call and see him. - - - Remember the location -- Walters old stand opposite Court House. B. A. CARTER.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, November 27, 1896]

[Adv] A NEW GROCER. Having purchased the grocery stock and business of B. A. Carter, I respectfully invite all my old friends and all others to give me a call. - - - JACOB ROSENBERG.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, March 18, 1898]

CARTER, ESTIL "COUNT" [Rochester, Indiana]

PEOPLES CAFE IS SOLD BY FRANCIS CARLTON

Estil "Count" Carter and Miss Susie Gibbons today urchased the People's Cafe 15 707 Main street of Francis Carlton. The purchasers have taken possession.

Mr. Carter and Miss Gibbons are experienced cafe operators. Both have been employed in restaurants in this city for a number of years.

The purchasers plan some improvements to the cafe within the near future.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, May 13, 1935]

CARTER, JAMES A. [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Hotels - Arlington

JAMES A. CARTER (Biography)

To the traveling public Landlord James A. CARTER of the Arlington Hotel is the most widely and popularly known man in Rochester. He was born in Ohio in 1855, came to Indiana when 11 years old and practically grew up in a hotel, although a furniture finisher by trade. He was 12 years with the Hays Hotel at Warsaw, managed Hotel Ryher of Kendallville, one year, and was head clerk of the Hascall House at Goshen for seven years. Two years ago Mr. Carter, with Mel R. WILLIAMS, of Warsaw, purchased the Arlington hotel and has developed it into one of the finest hostleries in this section of the state. Mr Carter is not only a popular hotel manager but a careful business man as well and is making money enough to keep the Arlington right to the front. He married Mrs. STECKMAN, of Bourbon, four years ago, who has a lovely daughter, Mabel [STECKMAN].

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, September 20, 1895]

CARTER, MARION F. [Rochester, Indiana]

[Adv] Let me give you figures on SIDE-WALKS, FOUNDATIONS, Cement Work and Brick Work of all kinds. I have had 20 years of experience in cement and brick work, and am prepared to give you up-to-date work. All work guaranteed. MARION F. CARTER.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, March 3, 1909]

CARTER & CO., A. L. [Rochester, Indiana]

PROPRIETOR AND CLERK IN STORE TRADE PLACES

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After working 17 years as clerk, Al Carter today (Monday) became owner of the A. H. Skinner book store, and Mr. Skinner, the former proprietor, will remain in the business for some time at least, as clerk.

The new firm will be known as A. L. Carter and Co. For 12 years Mr. Skinner has owned the store, buying it from A. T. Bitters, and Mr. Carter has worked in the store for 17 years. He intends to make several improvements and will continue to conduct a modern and up to date book store.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, May 3, 1915]

[Adv] 10 per cent off on all WALL PAPER on Thursday May 1st, Bargain Day. A. L. CARTER, BOOK STORE.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, April 29, 1924]

CARTER & JENKINS [Rochester, Indiana]

[Adv] Anti-Trust Grocery - The Grocery Combine is "Busted" - Carter & Jenkins have opened a new grocery temporarily in the old Post Office room in the Arlington block, and will move into the Doc Bennett room as soon as the combine will vacate. - - - CARTER & JENKINS.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, September 7, 1894]

CARTER & MUTCHLER [Rochester, Indiana]

NEW FIRM - OLD STAND

We wish to announce to the citizens of Rochester and Fulton county that we have purchased the Old Reliable meat market of Burch and Conner and we will keep in stock at all times the very best of fresh beef, pork and veal. We also have the finest smoked meats, dried beef, sausage, lard and everything usually found in a first class meat market. Buy your meats of us and you will be healthy and grow fat. CARTER & MUTCHLER.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, February 3, 1892]

CARTER & ONSTOTT [Rochester, Indiana]

LOCAL NEWS

The Willson [sic] -McClure hardware stock was sold to Marion Carter and James Onstott, this afternoon for \$1,800. The invoice had fixed the price at \$2,250 which was thought to be very low but there was no competition in bidding and hence the low price. The new firm will open up for business next Monday morning and they will keep an up-to-date stock.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, February 20, 1903]

LOCAL NEWS

The Carter & Onstott hardware store will be removed to the Baker room one door north of their present place of business, as soon as the room is arranged for their occupancy. Leet Cooper will retain one window, and J.C. Tipton will remove his stock of pianos to the room recently occupied by Cy Davis, the clothier.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, April 4, 1903]

[Adv] Carter & Onstott's SUMMER HARDWARE BARGAINS [full page ad] - - - CARTER & ONSTOTT, Successors to Wilson & McClure. Odd Fellows Building.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, February 12, 1903]

NEWS OF THE DAY

The firm of Carter & Onstott are building a large iron fireproof 60 foot wareroom at the rear of the store. When completed the entire length of the room will be 165 feet.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, January 8, 1904]

CARTER & REID PRODUCE STORE [Rochester, Indiana]

Something New in Town. Messrs Carter & Reid of Winchester, Ind. have opened a produce Store in Wallace's Block, where they are paying the highest market prices in cash for Poultry, eggs &c. . .

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, March 28, 1867]

CARTER BROS. & CO. [Rochester, Indiana]

[Adv] NOW COME! We are in it Too. IN WHAT? In the NEW BRICK BLOCK just completed with a full line of Staple, Fancy Groceries and Queenware. - - - Remember our Place in the future. In the Elegant new and commodious Hector Room. CARTER BROS & CO.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, September 23, 1891]

[Adv] ANNOUNCEMENT! The People's Grocery Sells Nothing But Fresh Clean Goods and Pays the Highest Market Prices for Good Produce. TRUE & WIGMORE, Successors to Carter Bros., opposite Court House.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, April 7, 1893]

CARTER & SON, M. F. [Rochester, Indiana]

[Adv] Avoid expensive repairs. Build With Cement. - - - M. F. CARTER & SON, General Contractors. Phone 512-04. Rochester, Indiana.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, March 7, 1912]

CARTOONIST [Rochester, Indiana]

CARTOONIST LIVES HERE

Marvin Wagoner, a cartoonist whose drawings and sayings are now carried by several leading newspapers in the East, is now a resident of Rochester. He is a brother of Mrs. G. F. Craig and is making his home with the Methodist minister. Mr. Wagoner is at present specializing on a daily cartoon for newspapers somewhat in the nature of Abe Martin idea. His work is entitled, "Take It From Uncle Eph." Mr. Martin is a graduate of Michigan and served in the army during the war.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, May 15, 1920]

CARVELLE SISTERS [Rochester, Indiana]

MEET BEE AND MARGIE, THE DANCING CARVELLE SISTERS

Considered Comment

Jack K. Overmyer

Marjorie Behringer Halstead Lichtenwalter has been a familiar and highly respected figure on the Rochester scene for nearly 60 years. Consistently active in local affairs, she still is at it at the age of 90. "Doing things for other people," as she puts it, helps keep her alive.

Her lifestyle and her attractive appearance belie her age. Her slim figure, strong legs, irrepressible vigor and good humor suggest that of a dancer. And as a young woman that's exactly what she was: half of the Carvelle Sisters, a singing and dancing pair that for 13 years was in demand on the legitimate stages of America and Europe. It took an unrelenting suitor, Marjorie's subsequent marriage and her departure for Rochester to break up the act.

It's likely that many of her friends today are unaware of Marjorie's youthful achievements. She will speak of those days, but only when asked, and then her eyes and her memory sparkle in the recounting. And why not? It must have been a heady experience to have

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had one's talents so richly appreciated during the grim realities of the Depression years in the Thirties.

Her story involves a remarkable mother and father, a sister close enough in age and looks to be a twin and natural skills that were honed rigorously and long.

She was born in Kansas City into a musically-endowed family. Her father was Dr. S. Hamilton Behringer, a dentist and oral surgeon. He also played the saxophone and organized a Kansas City musical group that still exists.

Her mother, Barbara Antoinette Bienenfeld, was a German who trained at the Royal Conservatory of Music in Munich before emigrating to Chicago where she met her husband. Barbara had extraordinary abilities. She spoke five languages, played every musical instrument expertly, created and produced musical shows and taught music. Marjorie's admiration for her is boundless.

Beatrice, 18 months older than Marjorie, not only was her sister, but a friend and kindred spirit.

The sisters began studying music and dancing at age six at the Horner Institute of Fine Arts in Kansas City, Marjorie emerging as a child prodigy on the tenor saxophone who performed throughout Kansas City and later in Minneapolis. Following Dr. Behringer's death when the girls were teenagers, the family moved to Lake Pepin at Frontenac, Minnesota. There Barbara taught music at the Villa Marie Academy, where she enrolled her daughters. After their graduation came two years of intense training at Chicago's leading dance schools, Barbara living nearby.

In time a singing and dancing act was perfected as "The Carvelle Sisters, Bee and Margie," the stage name taken from a friend of the family's. The William Morris Agency, still one of the country's top theatrical agents, recognized their abilities and signed them as clients.

And so began a whirlwind decade of nationwide appearances. It was 1928 and a transitional time in American entertainment. Sound had just come to the movies, vaudeville stage acts eventually would fade from the theatrical scene, but not just yet. Throughout the country, movie theatres offered stage shows between screenings to attract the public. Theatrical revues remained popular, there were floor shows in most of the larger hotels, shows in night clubs, performances before business conventions and cross-country tours of theatrical groups.

The Carvelle Sisters did them all, from Miami to Los Angeles: from Winnipeg and Minneapolis to Chicago, New Orleans and Mexico City; from Seattle and Vancouver to New York City and Boston. Small cities, too, like Cheyenne and Scottsbluff, Natchez, Waco and Waukegan. Few places of any size were missed. They traveled incessantly by train while mother Barbara waited at their Chicago base. Everywhere they appeared, they were a hit.

"There is no sweeter team of song and dance twins to be found than the Carvelle Sisters, who sooth you with their melody and fascinate you with their clever kicks and twirls," wrote a Miami reviewer in 1929. Variety, the show business publication, thought by 1930 that "the Carvelle Sisters have picture house possibilities." They were not averse to change and by 1937 a reviewer in Columbus, Ohio, found them to be "exponents of the modern type of rhythm songs and dances." Their interpretation of the Black Bottom dance with high kicks and frantic steps was a sensation at every performance.

Their career continued to climb, with frequent crests such as two seasons with the Follies Bergere in Paris, a seven-week engagement at the famous Cocoanut Grove in Los Angeles and shows at the 1933 World's Fair in Chicago. There were grueling four-a-day performances with big-name band stage shows during movie intermissions in major cities. Appearances with the Ben Bernie orchestra brought them particular prominence.

Bee and Margie had beauty and sex appeal along with talent. Marjorie doesn't deny it. "Our legs got us a lot of jobs, I guess," she says. Sam Pick, the owner of Milwaukee's Club Madrid, for example, always asked for "the two sisters with those beautiful gams" when he was booking a show with their agent. Then, says Marjorie, he always sat on the front row to watch every performance: but, as a perfect gentleman, she adds.

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Which brings us to Marjorie's ultimate admirer, Hal Halstead. He first saw the Carvelle Sisters in Peoria, Ill., fell in love with her instantly and began showing up at every performance, even befriending her mother later on to help his case.

Hal often asked Mailorie to marry him, but her busy career got in the way for five long years. When a major theatrical group asked Bee and Margie to make a year-long world tour, Bee wanted to go. But by that time Hal's patience was wearing thin and Marjorie was fearful he wouldn't wait another year. Bee relented, the act broke up and Marjorie became Mrs. Halstead.

Her husband, a co-owner of an insurance company, moved her to Rochester to be near a lake as she once was in Minnesota. They were married here in 1941.

The couple's only child, Barbara Joy, was prominent locally as a dancer and singer in her youth. Now Mrs. Martin Kalix of Sebastian, Florida, she has presented Marjorie with three handsome grandsons. Following Hal's death in 1962, Marjorie married Myrl Lichtenwalter, a retired biologist, who died in 1976. Sister Bee died in 1989. Her mother followed Marjorie to Rochester and for a few years taught a private kindergarten.

Marjorie has taught dance classes, organized charity reviews, become a recognized painter and with her husbands made six European travels. For the last half-dozen years she has been deeply involved with the Literary Coalition, which honored her recently as Tutor of the Year. Next year she's moving into Wynnfield Crossing and already is at work making tree ornaments for its Christmas party.

Her doctor insists that home health care nurses visit her daily. Which they do, of course, but as one said just the other day, "I'm not needed much around here."

She sold her car not long ago to a grandson, but that hasn't made her downhearted. Life still is good for this 90-year-old onetime Kansas City hooper.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, December 8, 1998]

CARVEY, PETER & JOHN [Macy, Indiana]

THE MACY SHOOTING AFFRAY PETER AND JOHN CARVEY SHOT BY WM. BILBY

Several weeks ago the Kokomo papers contained sensational items of William BILBY kidnapping his own child from its mother, who had refused to live with her husband, (Bilby) and was then keeping house for a relative in Kokomo.

The sequel to this episode transpired at Macy on last Friday evening where Mrs. BILBY had gone to live with her brother-in-law, Mr. Peter CARVEY.

Bilby resides in Logansport, and on Friday went to Peru and while there was heard to threaten the life of Dr. COE, of Mexico, whom it is understood he accuses of being to a certain extent, responsible for his trouble with his wife. He took the evening train at Peru for Macy, arriving there, went direct to the residence of Mr. Carvey. Bilby asked his wife to take a walk with him which she refused to do, and then he ate supper with the family, and all the time seemed in a very pleasant mood. After supper he started to go away and Mr. Carvey walked with him to the gate. Bilby asked Mr. C. to go on his bond for the maintenance of the child which he had taken at Kokomo, but Mr. Carvey refused to do so. They stood at the gate several minutes and indulged in a friendly chat, when Mr. Carvey, bidding him good bye, and telling him to come and see the child whenever he wanted to, turned toward the house, and had walked but a few steps when Bilby drew a revolver, and fired at him, striking him in the side, the bullet ranging downward and lodging in his abdomen.

Mr. Carvey's son John [CARVEY] run out of the house to protect his father, when the murderous Bilby fired at him, striking him on the side of the head, where the bullet glanced off without doing much injury. Another son [Sylvester A. CARVEY] then came out and started after Bilby who turned and shot at him twice without effect, and then escaped to the woods and is still at large. Before the shooting occurred, Bail PALMER, who lives in Macy, and is said to have come with Bilby from Peru, went to FARRER's Livery Stable and ordered the fastest team in the

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barn hitched up, and to be tied at a certain place, but Mr. Farrer, hearing of the shooting, run to his team and took it back to the barn.

Evidently Bilby's intention was to kill his wife and then escape in the rig which Palmer is reputed to have hired, to Mexico, and there settle his trouble with Dr. Coe in the same way.

Mr. Carvey is seriously, though not necessarily fatally injured and may recover.

Mrs. Bilby was formerly the wife of Silas HORTON, who committed suicide at Logansport several years ago by hanging. She afterward came to this city and formed the acquaintance of, and married Bilby, who was then working for Mr. A. BOWERS, the lime dealer.

Many rumors are afloat of Mrs. Bilby's unfaithfulness to her husbands, which, no doubt, has much to do in giving her more than her share of this world's troubles. The Carvey family is highly respected in Macy, and in their affliction have the sympathy of the entire community.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, June 30, 1886]

Peru, July 18: - William BILBY, who shot the Carveys (Peter and John W. CARVEY) at Macy, on the evening of June 20, and made his escape, surrendered on Friday night to Sheriff STANLEY at Logansport. The sheriff here, who had offered \$100 reward went to Logansport today, and tendered Stanley the reward, and demanded Bilby, but was refused. Stanley demands a bigger reward. His actions are denounced as discreditable. Habeas corpus proceedings will follow.

Monday Sheriff Stanley, of Logansport, came over to Macy and tried to get the additional \$200 offered by Sheriff GREY for Bilby's capture. In this he was unsuccessful, and if the parties at Macy, who offered the reward are not worth the amount, the Cass county official will have to be content with an even hundred.

Bilby surrendered unconditionally, and will no doubt do service for the State for several years, as his deed was a dastardly one, and for which he should be justly punished.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, July 21, 1886]

CARVEY, SYLVESTER (VESTER) A. [Macy, Indiana]

See: Rochester Bands

CARVEY & CROUDER/CROWDER [Macy, Indiana]

Also see Hatch & Carvey; and see Carvey & Tombaugh

ONE MORE ROAD CONTRACT LET

John W. Carvey and [John] Crowder, of the firm of Carvey and Crowder, of Macy, were the successful and in fact the only bidders on the Frank W. Moon road contract let by the county commissioners Tuesday afternoon. The road is to be of gravel and is four and one-half miles long, the contract price being \$29,987.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, October 7, 1919]

SELL THREE ROADS TUESDAY AFTERNOON

- - - Carvey and Crowder were awarded the contract for the B. F. Stahl road in Aubbeenaubbee township at \$101,760. They also got the Guise road contract in Union township at \$25,240. - - -

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, December 3, 1919]

DOUD AND BYBEE ROADS LET

The Fulton county commissioners Tuesday afternoon awarded the Dowd and Bybee roads to Carvey and Crowder, of Macy. Hatch, Musselman and Ewer were awarded the contract for the Rentschler road because they were the lowest competent bidders.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, February 4, 1920]

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WORK PROGRESSING

Work is progressing rapidly on the Aubbeenaubbee township 13 mile road which is being constructed by Carvey & Crouder, of Macy. Mr. Carvey states that work has been resumed by them on the Frank W. Moon road which runs from the east corner of Aubbeenaubbee township on the line between that and Union township and terminates at the Soup Bone pike. The grading on the arm of this road which runs south from the Sharon church to the Garmon road has been practically completed and considerable work done on the main line. The entire road will be finished this year.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, September 10, 1921]

FARMERS REMONSTRATE AGAINST BYBEE ROAD

The road committee of the Fulton County Farmers' Association has filed a bill of exceptions to the Bybee gravel road in Newcastle township, for which Carvey and Crowder, of Macy, contractors, have recently filed a certificate of completion with the county commissioners. This action followed examination of the road and tests of the materials used in its construction, which were just completed Monday. The remonstrance was filed late Tuesday afternoon. The Bybee road, which is slightly in excess of four miles in length, was constructed for at a cost of \$51,718 to the taxpayers of the county.

The farmers' committee in the bill sets forth the claim that the materials do not meet with the specifications called for in the contract -- in fact it was stated by Attorney Metzler, who is acting for the farmers' organization, that the contract has not observed even a semblance of a "substantial compliance" with the specifications. The bill also alleges that there have been no berms installed, when the contract calls for a continuous dirt retained along both sides of the road. The contract called for certain sizes of culverts and these have either been omitted or a smaller size installed and in some instances installed below the bottom of the side ditches, all contrary to the plans and specifications.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, October 18, 1921]

NO MORE WOOL OVER COMMISSIONERS EYES

Even if they have been duped in the past, the Fulton county commissioners do not intend to let local contractors or engineers repeat upon them and in order to prevent such action the board has retained two competent engineers from Purdue university to act in an advisory capacity during the current county road squabble.

Professor R. B. Crepps, of the highway engineering department of the university and Professor Ben H. Petty, head of the testing department, were in the county Saturday morning examining the Bybee and Stahl roads, both of which were constructed by the Crowder and Carvey firm of contractors of Macy. Remonstrance has already been filed against the Bybee road, which according to the bill of exceptions is wrong from start to finish and the Stahl road is said to lack considerable of being up to standard.

Just what the two engineers found in their examination of these roads could not be learned altho it is intimated that they found practically the same faults that were discovered by the road committee of the Fulton County Farmers' Association.

The commissioners were in executive session at the court house Saturday afternoon going over the road situation with the engineers and the board also had before it the business letting several bridge jobs. There are six small jobs to be let and nine contractors were present to bid on them.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, October 22, 1921]

ATTACK MADE ON ROAD CONTRACTOR'S HOME

Down in Aubbeenaubbee township dull care never bores the residents for there is something going on all of the time, or nearly so at least.

It is in this township that the Stahl road is being constructed by Carvey and Crowder, Macy contractors, and this one road especially has been the object-de-resistance of all of the

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county roads now under the fire of the Fulton County Farmers' Association road committee investigating road conditions in the county.

And the people of the locality are entirely dissatisfied with the road and the latest development in Aubbeenaubbee is believed to have been an expression of dissatisfaction with the contractors.

Mr. [Carvey] has rented a house in the locality and one day last week, while his son Lester [Carvey] and a small child were sitting by a window, somebody shied a large stone thru the window at them, breaking the window and objects in the room, but fortunately missing {Carvey} and the child who were in plain view of the assailant. A search is being made for the culprit, but to date his identity has not been disclosed.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, November 8, 1921]

FIRST OF SERIES OF ROAD HEARINGS LAUNCHED MONDAY

The W. L. Bybee road remonstrance hearing was launched Monday morning before the commissioner's court in the circuit court room at the court house with the seating capacity of the room well filled with the large number of witnesses and spectators.

The W. L. Bybee road, 23,480 feet in length, constructed in Newcastle township by Carvey & Crowder, contractors of Macy, at a cost of approximately \$52,000 promises to develop one of the most bitterly contested fights the county will see in the coming series of remonstrances instituted by the roads committee of the Fulton County Farmers' Association.

The contractors, it will be remembered, had filed certificates of completion some time ago, and at that time the commissioners examined the road, accepted the final report of the construction superintendent and engineer, and ordered the auditor to draw the warrants with which to pay the contractors.

Immediately after this step had been taken, the road committee of the county organization filed bills of exception to the road in which it was alleged that the following deviations were made from the plans and specifications:

- 1 - The gravel failed to meet tests required by law.
- 2 - There were no berms, or side walls of dirt constructed.
- 3 - Number of headers was insufficient and those that were built were not according to specifications and plans.
- 4 - Culverts were insufficient in number and not of proper size and not properly located.

With the filing of this remonstrance the hearing started Monday was scheduled and when the case came up, Attorney C. C. Campbell, counsel for the contractors, filed an answer to the objection, in which it was held that the objections should be dismissed because the board had already accepted the road and the contractors had been paid.

Attorney Metzler, counsel for the objectors, filed an answer to the answer of the defendants, in which it was held that the answer of the defendants was out of order. The commissioners did not rule on either of these documents.

Three witnesses who are to testify for the objectors during the course of the trial include Charles Stafford, Boyd Peterson, H. C. Heighway, Charles Shuman, Bert Sausaman, Ancil Jeffries, John Norris, William Noris, Howard Mickey, Leonidas Rogers, Victor Meredith, Lawson Bybee, Frank Myers, Ray Wildermuth, Vere Calvin, George Tobey, Ira Bastow, Robert Shafer, E. H. Alber, John Alspach and A. L. Donaldson, the latter an engineer in the offices of the State Board of Accounts, who made an examination of the roads some time ago, both for the farmers' organization and for the commissioners. Two Purdue engineers have been called into consultation by the board, and these have made examination of the road and will testify as to their findings at the hearing.

The first witness to testify was Vere Calvin, secretary of the county organization, and a member of the road committee. Calvin, a graduate civil engineer, declared on the witness stand that he had gone over the road carefully and found that the side ditches were not right; that the gravel used failed to meet the required tests; that the sewers were not built according to the specifications and that the grade cuts were not as specified.

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R. B. Kreps, head of the gravel testing department of Purdue university was the second witness on the stand. He had filed a report with the commissioners, following tests he had made of the material used in the building of the road. B. H. Retty, head of the road construction department of the university, was also on hand with a report as to the manner of construction.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, November 28, 1921]

HEAR ARGUMENTS ON BYBEE CASE SATURDAY

The action of the [Fulton Circuit] court in overruling the motion of the defendants in the Bybee road case, to quash the temporary restraining order, which kept the county commissioners from handing down a decision in the case, has been vacated by the court, and argument will be heard on the matter Saturday afternoon. In the meantime the plaintiffs, Contractors Carvey & Crowder, of Macy, have filed a temporary injunction to enjoin the commissioners from giving a decision in the case, which was brot by the county farmers' association in an effort to force the contractors to comply with the plans and specifications in the construction of the road.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, January 13, 1922]

BYBEE ROAD CASE IS AGAIN BEFORE COURT

The Bybee road case, in litigation several months as the result of a remonstrance, or bill of exceptions filed against its acceptance by the road committee of the Fulton County Farmers' Federation, is once more engaging the attention of the interested parties.

The road was constructed, it will be remembered, by Contractors Carvey and Crowder, of Macy, who filed certificate of completion which was remonstrated against by the farmers' body on the grounds that there were a number of deviations from the requirements of the plans and specifications under which the contract had been let.

The question, then, of acceptance or rejection by the county commissioners, duly came to trial before the commissioners' court. This trial was replete with evidence supporting the contentions of both sides and brought out startling statements concerning the status of the road situation in this locality by witnesses who appeared.

Immediately after the conclusion of the introduction of evidence and arguments of counsel the commissioners' court took the case under advisement, setting a date for returning a decision, but before this date arrived, the contractors sought and obtained a temporary restraining order in circuit court which consequently prevented the commissioners from rendering a decision.

County Attorney Miller retaliated in this movement by filing a demurrer to the restraining order, which was subsequently withdrawn and petition for a temporary restraining order filed. A demurrer to this action was also filed and it was on the question of whether or not to enjoin the commissioners from rendering decision that the court heard arguments Saturday.

In his demurrer to the temporary injunction petition County Attorney Miller's chief point was that the other side of the case, the contractors, have adequate relief at law (by appeal to higher court) and as a result should not be permitted to enjoin the commissioners from deciding whether or not the contractors should bring the construction of the road up to plans and speciaifcations.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, January 21, 1922]

COURT HAS OVERRULED B YBEE CASE DEMURRER

The demurrer filed by County Attorney Miller against the petition for a temporary injunction, which if granted, will prevent the county commissioners from rendering a decision in the Bybee road case, was overruled by Judge Carr in circuit court Saturday. The next action in the case will be to try out the merits of the injunction. No date has been set for this hearing.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, January 23, 1922]

BYBEE ROAD CASE AGAIN APPEARS ON COUNTY'S HORIZON

Some time during the present term of the commissioners' court, that body will take up once more the tangled skein of activities surrounding the Bybee road in Newcastle township with the view to reaching a definite decision on the direction to be taken by the next step in the case.

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As matters stand now, the board is enjoined from rendering a decision in the remonstrance, which was tried out more than two months ago, and what the board now has to decide is whether or not an appeal shall be taken to the supreme court on the decision establishing an injunction that was handed down recently by Judge Carr in circuit court.

Just what the bill will do, is a matter of conjecture, but the fact that it was rumored that the commissioners, following the hearing on the remonstrance, had decided to order the contractors, Carvey and Crowder of Macy, to bring the construction of the road up to plans and specifications, is a strong indication that the injunction case will be taken to the supreme court.

A brief history of the road follows:

Lawson Bybee and others presented a petition to the county commissioners for the construction of a four and one-half mile gravel road to be constructed in Newcastle township under the county unit road law.

Under the law, the county council must first pass on the general utility of the road, or the benefits to be derived from the road before the commissioners can authorize its construction, and also the road may be accepted without the 10 days notice required under the three mile gravel road law.

Following the presentation of the petition on April 7, 1919, the county council made formal investigation and favorably reported the road to the commissioners, who took similar action and granted the petition during the May term of court in 1919.

The contract for the construction work was then let to Carvey and Crowder of Macy, on February 14, 1920 for approximately \$52,000 and construction work was started in the fall of 1920, under the supervision of A. C. Davisson, who was appointed engineer, and Frank Myers, who was appointed superintendent of construction.

In July of 1921, certificate of completion was filed by the board of commissioners, and the road was duly accepted by that body, and the auditor ordered to pay the contractors which was done.

But in the meantime, it was discovered that Superintendent Myers had not signed the certificate of completion, and while it is held that such action is not necessary, and this point itself is the crux of the whole situation, the commissioners re-opened the case and the contractors, Carvey and Crowder were ordered, and did make changes advocated by Superintendent Myers, who then signed a second certificate of completion together with Engineer Davisson.

But before the commissioners could act on this second certificate a remonstrance charging that the contractors had not complied with the plans and specifications in building the road, in that berms were not constructed, that the gravel would not test up according to specifications and that the cuts of the side ditches were not right, was filed. This action came out two months following the acceptance by the commissioners, which took place August 3, 1921.

The next step was a hearing on the remonstrance, which was held about the last of November at the court house. This trial occupied four days, during which practically everybody who had any interest in the road testified as to its merits or otherwise, together with expert testimony offered by two engineers from Purdue university and the engineer for the State Board of Accounts.

Following this hearing, the commissioners announced that a decision would be rendered on Monday, December 12, but on the Saturday prior, counsel for the contractors filed a motion in circuit court for a temporary restraining order, to restrain the commissioners from rendering decision on the grounds that the road had been accepted according to law (this meant the first acceptance on the certificate not signed by Superintendent Myers), which was granted by Judge Carr.

But later, Former County Attorney Miller took action to dissolve this temporary restraining order, but before any action could be taken by the court, counsel for the contractors asked that it be dissolved and in its stead filed motion for an injunction, which differed from the restraining order in that notice must be given and the merits of the injunction tried out before it can be placed in effect.

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Shortly afterwards, this action was taken (the merits of the injunction tried out) and Judge Carr granted the injunction, which brings activity in the case up to date.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, February 6, 1922]

COMMISSIONERS TO LET "BYBEE" ROAD DIE NATURAL DEATH

The Fulton county commissioners, who were expected to adjourn the February term of the commissioners court late Thursday afternoon, were to do so without taking further action on the Bybee road case, it was stated authoritatively at the court house Thursday at noon. This means that no appeal will be taken from the decision of Judge R. R. Carr in circuit court enjoining the board from rendering a decision in the remonstrance filed against the road.

In the event that the board does not make the appeal at this term of court, the Bybee road case will die a natural death, at least as far as any action on the part of the commissioners is concerned and the remonstrance and investigation instituted by the road committee of the Fulton County Farmers' Association will all have been for naught.

That is, it will all have been a wasted effort unless direct action is taken attacking the board for failure to fulfill its obligations to the taxpayers of the county by taking an appeal to the supreme court in the injunction suit brought by the contractors, Carvey and Crowder, of Macy.

Whether or not such an attack will be made and the commissioners forced to go further before quitting could not be definitely established, altho interested persons declared that there is a remote probability that such will be the case.

Just how the commissioners stand on the decision to halt further activities in the road could not be learned. Members of the board itself and County Auditor McClung, secretary for the board, refused to be quoted in any way on the subject. Hiram G. Miller, former county attorney, who was retained after the expiration of his term of office to continue as county counsel in this particular road case, also refused to be quoted and would not state whether or not he advised the board to appeal or not to appeal.

Other attorneys of the city, when questioned on the matter, stated that in their opinion a reversal of the local circuit court's decision could have been obtained in the higher tribunal.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, February 9, 1922]

TO APPEAL BYBEE ROAD CASE

A motion for a new trial in the famous Bybee road case is to be filed in circuit court Tuesday, according to authoritative information given the Sentinel Monday afternoon. This announcement is in direct contradiction with former announcements, which had it that the board had definitely decided not to take further action in the case.

It will be remembered that the commissioners heard a remonstrance against the acceptance of the road, which was built by Carvey and Crowder, of Macy, and were subsequently enjoined from rendering a decision when injunction proceedings were filed in circuit court. Now the board will ask for a new trial, in the injunction proceedings which according to the previous attitude of Judge R. R. Carr, will more than likely be denied. In this event, according to the Sentinel's information, the same will be appealed to the supreme court.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, February 27, 1922]

THE BYBEE ROAD CASE

[Editorial]

Just why the county commissioners once decided to drop the Bybee road case and act as if they had nothing to do in the matter and now have decided to take it on to a higher court is unknown to the tax payers of the county at large. However it is evident that a good many of the farmers who were interested in the matter have let the members of the county board know in no uncertain terms that they were not willing to forget about it.

Just how the various members stood on the question is another mystery as they met in private session and would give out no information as to what took place. All the public will ever know is that once they decided against any further action and now they have voted to carry on the

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fight. This surely is joyful news to the taxpayers, but there still is considerable doubt as to just what prompted the action on its part of the county officials.

The most natural assumption is that some members of the board come up for election this fall and that they were the ones who finally decided to carry on the battle started by the Farmers' Federation. It makes quite a difference when one goes before the people and asks them for votes because of their past record. A record which would have shown those commissioners to be unwilling to carry on the taxpayers fight would not have been a good vote making argument.

All in all the whole affair looks like a clever political move. The commissioners in their first private session decided to assume the position that it was none of their business to dispute the decision of Judge Carr and tried to get away with it. But at the same time they all kept their "ears to the ground" and as soon as they realized that the rumblings were getting nearer and louder they took action accordingly.

And so today we find the officials the great champions of the people. But a little explanation to the voters and taxpayers as to just what happened in those secret meetings might help clear up the situation some.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, February 28, 1922]

BYBEE ROAD HEARING AGAIN BEFORE COURT

Argument on motion for new trial in the Bybee road case was scheduled to come before the circuit court Friday afternoon. In this case it will be remembered, the road was constructed by Carvey and Crowder of Macy, whose bill of completion was accepted by the commissioners. Later the road committee of the Farmers' Association filed a bill of exceptions to the acceptance of the road, which the commissioners re-opened and when a hearing on this remonstrance was completed the commissioners set a date for rendering decision. This hearing consumed considerable time, during which many experts testified that the road had been improperly constructed and at which time County Engineer A. C. Davisson testified that the road game in Fulton county had been played "fast and loose," that before the commissioners could make their decision, an injunction was secured in the circuit court before Judge Carr to halt further action by the board. In the meantime however, the board asked for a new hearing on the injunction case and this is what is being argued. In the event a new hearing is denied the commissioners have signified their intention of appealing to the supreme court. The law states that an injunction can be brought where there is no other remedy at law according to counsel for the commissioners and the farmers' body, but in this case, they state, the contractors had remedy by appeal to a higher court.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, April 28, 1922]

BYBEE AND EILER ROAD CASES RETOLD BY BLODGETT

This is the fourth article taken from the Indianapolis News which was written by W. H. Blodgett, veteran newspaper man of that organization, after a personal investigation of road and ditch matters in Fulton county

The W. L. Bybee road is one that is commented on considerably by the taxpayers of this county. The road is 23,480 feet long and the contract was awarded to Carvey & Crowder for \$52,000. The engineer was A. C. Davisson and the superintendent was Frank Myers.

The engineer filed a certificate that the road was completed in these words: "The road is completed - - - (blank) feet." and after this came the signature of the engineer, the number of feet not being given or any of the details required in the certificate by law. The superintendent at that time did not sign the required certificate and the county commissioners accepted the road. The Farmers' Federation filed a remonstrance and later the superintendent signed a certificate that the road was completed. At the hearing before the commissioners A. C. Davisson, the engineer, was a witness, and in answer to questions by Mr. Metzler, for the Farmers' Federation, Mr. Davisson asserted:

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"We'll admit we have been playing fast and loose in this road game, but we are going to do better now." The contractor enjoined the commissioners from deciding in favor of the remonstrators, and the case is still pending in the Fulton circuit court. Another witness in the Bybee road hearing was Lawson Bybee, who was questioned by Mr. Metzler.

"Did you examine that road?" he was asked.

"Yes, sir."

"Did you dig into it?"

"Yes, sir."

"How often?"

"Oh, a lot of places."

"Did you have anyone with you?"

"Yes, sir."

"How many persons were with you when you dug into the road?"

"Oh, I don't know -- enough to hold a good-sized prayer meeting after looking at that road," responded Mr. Bybee.

----- [other road and ditch matters -----]

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, May 20, 1922]

FOUR ROADS ACCEPTED BY COMMISSIONERS

Before closing the July session of court, the county commissioners accepted four roads recently completed, three of them in their entirety and two miles of another. Two miles of the Sanders road in Rochester township, constructed by E. A. Gast, was accepted and the B. F. Stahl road in Aubbeenaubee township, built by Carvey and Crowder, the Sparks road in Union township, built by James B. Waddell, and the Hendrickson road in Union township, built by E. A. Gast, were accepted finally.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, July 7, 1922]

COMMISSIONERS HAVE ACCEPTED THREE ROADS

Three roads have been accepted by the commissioners so far during the August term, one of them just as it was and the other two after settlements had been made. The Myers road, built by the Rochester Construction Company was taken "as is," while \$81 was deducted from the contract price on the B. F. Stahl road to make up for a lack of gravel and \$50 was taken off the Frank Moon road for lack of rolling. The two latter were built by Carvey and Crowder.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, August 9, 1922]

COUNTY AND FARMERS WILL JOIN IN APPEAL

Formal action in authorizing an appeal to the supreme court from the injunction decision of the Fulton circuit court in the Bybee road case, was taken by the county commissioners when the March term on the commissioners' court was convened here Monday morning. On February 16, the board had authorized the petition for a new trial in the case, in which it had been enjoined from rendering a decision in the case in which the acceptance of the road was remonstrated by the Fulton County Farmers' Federation. Former County Attorney H. G. Miller, who had been connected with the case was dismissed and County Attorney Chipman was authorized by the board to employ Attorney Arthur Metzler, counsel for the farmers, to aid in taking the appeal, which was also asked for by Circuit Judge R. R. Carr, who himself is anxious to determine whether or not his decision will stand before the higher tribunal.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, March 6, 1923]

SECURE CONTRACT

Thomas J. DuBois and son Howard of this city were the low bidders on three gravel road contracts which were let by the Cass county commissioners. Their bid totaled better than \$25,000. Five other roads were sold at the same time. Carvey & Crowder, of Macy, getting one of these.

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The roads landed by the Duboises are all situated near Lake Cicott, west of Logansport and total seven miles in length.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, June 16, 1923]

BYBEE ROAD CASE IS CLOSED FOR ALL TIME

The Bybee road case, which attracted so much attention here some months ago when the Farmers' Federation road committee protested its acceptance by the county commissioners on the grounds that the contractors, Carvey and Crouder, of Macy, had failed to comply with the plans and specifications and that the superintendent had failed to sign the report of completion filed by the engineer, has been closed definitely by action of the supreme court. The court reversed the decision of Judge Carr in permitting the contractors to enjoin the commissioners from handing down a decision, but held that the commissioners could not open up the road for remonstrance after the 10 day remonstrating period had passed as the board had attempted to do.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, November 22, 1923]

BYBEE ROAD CASE IS NOT CLOSED AS REPORTED BEFORE

A recent issue of the Sentinel made the statement in an article telling of the Supreme Court's decision in the W. L. Bybee road case that the case was closed for all time. This statement furnished the Sentinel by Judge R. R. Carr, was in error, the case now standing where it did when the commissioners had concluded the hearing of the remonstrance against the acceptance of the road, when they took the matter under advisement pending a decision to have been rendered at a later date.

A brief history of the whole affair shows that the contract for the construction of the W. L. Bybee road was let to contractors John Crouder and John Carvey. When they had finished the road, Engineer A. C. Davisson filed a certificate which the board evidently took for a certificate of completion, but which actually failed to state whether or not as much as three feet of the road had been completed. The certificate follows:

"In favor of Carvey and Crouder, contractors, the undersigned A. C. Davisson, duly appointed engineer for the above named road, hereby certifies that there has been completed according to plans and specifications under which contract was let ----- feet of road as follows:

A. C. Davisson, engineer."

The board subsequently accepted the road on this certificate and a remonstrance was filed by the road committee of the Fulton County Farmers' Federation, alleging that the contractors had failed to comply with the plans and specifications in the construction of the road.

The commissioners re-opened the case and conducted a hearing on the remonstrances at which time A. C. Davisson testified that the game had been played "fast and loose" in the county and the remonstrance testified that the gravel was not of the right texture specified nor the berms completed as per specifications.

After the hearing, the commissioners took the case under advisement and attorneys for the contractors filed suit for an injunction in the circuit court to prevent the commissioners from rendering judicial decision.

The injunction was allowed in the circuit court and the commissioners then appealed to the Supreme court where the injunction decision of Judge Carr was overruled.

This brings the case back to the same position it occupied when judgment of the commissioners' court was withheld pending advisement of members of that court.

Where the trouble, in interpreting the decision of the Supreme court to mean that the case was ended for all time came in the fact that the higher tribunal held that assuming as the injunction petition did that a certificate of completion had been filed by the engineer and superintendent, and the commissioners had accepted the road on the assumption that this certificate was rendered according to law, the taxpayers could not open up the case and the acceptance of the road would have to stand.

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But the Supreme court did not go into the answer to the injunction proceedings showing that the certificate had not actually been filed and merely assumed that the allegation of the contractors that it had, was a fact, and consequently this interpretation is false.

The decision of the Supreme court has not yet been certified back to the commissioners' court and when it has, the appellees will have 60 days in which to file petition for a new hearing, which is believed improbable at this time. In case they do not file a petition for re-hearing the commissioners' court will then render the decision held in abeyance when the remonstrance hearing was conducted.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, December 5, 1923]

BYBEE ROAD CASE AGAIN FORGES TOWARD FRONT

Arguments on the motion to dismiss the petition for a rehearing in the famous Bybee road case started before the Fulton county commissioners this morning and at noon the opposing counsel had not finished. The case will again be taken up Thursday, owing to the fact the commissioners were at Logansport this afternoon in joint session with the Cass county board.

It will be recalled the Bybee road was completed in July, 1921 and soon thereafter the road was accepted and paid for by the county. However, later a remonstrance was filed against the acceptance of the road, built by Carvey & Crowder, of Macy and when the board was on the verge of deciding whether to go back of their ruling or stand pat the contractors secured an injunction prohibiting the board from making a decision. Now the counsel for the contractors have asked the board to dismiss the case in its entirety, while the remonstrators, represented by Atty. A. Metzler are contending the commissioners have jurisdiction and should render their findings on the original remonstrance, even if it is then appealed to the circuit court. . . .

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Wednesday, December 3, 1924]

COMMISSIONERS REFUSE TO RE-OPEN ROAD CASE

The Fulton County commissioners Thursday afternoon sustained the motion of Attorney Charles Campbell to dismiss the petition for a rehearing in the famous Bybee road case because of the commissioners lack of jurisdiction in the matter. The petition was filed sometime ago by attorney Arthur Metzler representing the Farmers Federation and a number of taxpayers who were affected by the improvement. It is now understood that Attorney Metzler will carry the case to the circuit court. . . .

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Friday, December 5, 1924]

CARVEY & TOMBAUGH [Macy/Rochester, Indiana]

Owned by Lester S. Carvey and Jesse L. Tombaugh.

Successors to Carvey, Tombaugh & Carvey.

See: Carvey & Crouder

See: Hatch & Carvey.

See: Rochester Airport.

MACY FIRM IS LOW

The contracting firm of Tombaugh and Carvey of Macy were the low bidders on the Still road in Marshall County and were awarded the contract for building the same for \$26,850. The competition for the road was keen as there were a large number of bidders present. The contractors expect to do considerable work on the road yet this fall.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, October 9, 1924]

MACY

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J. W. Carvey and son Lester spent Monday at South Bend in the interest of Carvey, Tombaugh and Carvey, road contractors, making bids on roads and were successful in obtaining \$45,675 worth of road work in St. Joseph county.

[The News-Sentinel, Friday, May 7, 1926]

FULTON CO. COMMISSIONERS SELL THREE ROADS TODAY

The Fulton county commissioners this morning sold three gravel roads, two located in Newcastle township and the other in the western part of Rochester township to the low bidders. - -

The William Sheets road in Newcastle township which is three miles in length was sold to Coplen and Smith local contractors for \$10,500. Two other proposals were submitted on the project they are Carvey, Tombaugh and Carvey of Macy and T. E. Bolley of Roann.

The William Mathias road in Rochester township which is two miles long was awarded to the Rochester Construction Company of which company A. C. Davisson is the manager. The low bid was \$9,995. Five other contractors submitted bids on this road.

The Foy Smith road in Newcastle township, one mile in length, which joins the William Sheets road was sold to Coplen and Smith for \$3,500. Work on all of the three roads will be started sometime this fall.

[The News-Sentinel, Wednesday, September 5, 1928]

AWARDED ROAD CONTRACT

Carvey, Tombaugh and Carvey, road contractors of Macy, were awarded the contract for the building of the Isaac Smith gravel road in Kosciusko county by the commissioners of that county at their meeting Tuesday. Their bid was \$6,290. This is a one and half mile gravel road and is to be completed by July 15. Work will start as soon as the weather will permit.

[The News-Sentinel, Wednesday, April 3, 1929]

AWARDED ROAD CONTRACTS

Local road contractors were successful Monday at South Bend when they landed two contracts for the construction of gravel roads which contracts were let by the St. Joseph county board of commissioners. Sarber and Sons of Leiters Ford got one road on their bid of \$41,690, while Carvey, Tombaugh and Carvey of Macy got the other on their bid of \$69,889.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Tuesday, June 18, 1929]

KERN ROAD IS SOLD

The Kosciusko county commissioners in special session Saturday afternoon let the contract for the building of the Jacob Kern four mile gravel road near Claypool to Carvey, Tombaugh and Carvey, of Macy.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Tuesday, July 9, 1929]

GIVEN ROAD CONTRACT

Carvey, Tombaugh and Carvey, road contractors of Macy, were awarded the contract for the graveling of a four mile road in St. Joseph county Monday by the commissioners of that county. The Macy firm's bid was \$50,890.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, June 10, 1930]

MACY FIRM SUCCESSFUL

Carvey, Tombaugh and Carvey, road contractors of Macy, were the successful bidders on the Franklin road in Kosciusko county Saturday. Their bid for the project which is nearly three miles long was \$15,480.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, December 29, 1930]

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FOUR MACY MEN NARROWLY ESCAPE POISON GAS DEATH

Four Macy men, H. W. Reed, Ed Kiffmeyer, Charles Price and Gerald Tombaugh came near meeting their death by asphyxiation from carbon-monoxide gasses while working in the private garage of Carvey, Tombaugh & Carvey Road Construction company, Tuesday afternoon.

The men, all employees of the company, were busy overhauling the several tractors preparatory to spring road building work and had four engines of the larger machines running at one time. One of the men became sick and started for the office of the building and just as he opened the door he collapsed at the feet of his employers. The proprietors then rushed into the garage where two of the men were found lying unconscious on the floor, Price being the only mechanic who was found upon his feet and he was in a groggy, semi-conscious condition. Physicians were called and the stricken men were revived after considerable difficulty.

It is believed all four of the mechanics would have been killed by the deadly gases had they remained in the building a couple of moments longer. A report from Macy this afternoon stated that the employees were able to resume their duties today.

[The News-Sentinel, Wednesday, December 31, 1930]

MACY ROAD CONSTRUCTION FIRM'S EMPLOYEE IS HURT

Charles Price, 40, of near Bremen, and one of the employees of the Carvey, Tombaugh & Carvey Construction Company of Macy, was rushed to the St. Joseph Hospital at Logansport at 11 a.m. Friday morning when he was severely injured in an accident in the city blacksmith shop at Logansport.

Upon an X-ray examination it was discovered the man's sternum (main bone in the front chest) was broken.

Ed Kiffmeyer, another employee, aged 25, was also painfully injured when he received a deep cut on the chin.

The men were dismanteling a tractor by use of a powerful press, and the parts that they were attempting to separate suddenly let loose and a steel bar rebounded and struck Price a severe blow on the chest.

Gerald Tombaugh and H. W. Reed, also of Macy, were with the two men at the time the accident occurred. These four men are also the same men that were overcome by carbon monoxide gas while working on a tractor at their Macy garage Dec. 30.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, January 19, 1931]

AWARDED ROAD CONTRACT

Carvey, Tombaugh and Carvey road contractors of Macy were awarded the contract for the construction of a gravel road in Cass county by the commissioners of that county yesterday. Their bid of \$8,360 was the lowest of 11 submitted. The engineers estimate on the project was \$16,380.35.

[The News-Sentinel, Wednesday, May 6, 1931]

GET BIG CONTRACT

Carvey, Tombaugh & Carvey, of Macy, Ind., have received a contract with the Louis Des Cognets Inc., of Louisville, Ky., for the grading of 10 miles of State Road 66 near Evansville. They will remove 140,000 yds of dirt. The local firm is moving its machinery and expects to begin work in a few days.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, April 11, 1932]

MACY

John Carvey and son Lester of the Carvey-Tombaugh-Carvey Construction Company returned to their homes here the latter part of last week, having just completed a road near

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Evansville, Ind. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sheets and daughter and Charles Powell also returned to their homes.

[The News-Sentinel, Wednesday, August 31, 1932]

McMAHANS, CARVEY AND TOMBAUGH LOW BIDDERS

Indianapolis, April 16. (U.P.) - Low bidders on street improvement in seven cities and highway work in seven counties were announced today by the State highway department.

Bids on the projects totalled \$631,897.00. Engineers estimates on the work to total \$711,089.

The projects and low bidders included:

Marshall County - Shouldering and widening on 9.7 miles on state road 30, Bourbon to Plymouth, McMahan Construction Co., Rochester, \$30,769.

Marshall County - Shoulder widening on 12.7 miles on state Road 30, Bourbon to Etna Green, Carvey & Tombaugh, Macy, \$33,790.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, April 16, 1935]

MACY FIRM GETS CONTRACT

The Carvey and Tombaugh Construction Company of Macy, received the contract for gravel resurfacing and shoulder widening of 7.3 miles on a feeder state road in St. Joseph county. The contract was awarded to the Macy firm by the state highway commission at a meeting Friday. The bid was \$36,675.

[The News-Sentinel, Saturday, February 1, 1936]

ROCHESTER MEN OBTAIN REA LINES CONTRACT

CARVEY AND TOMBAUGH TO CONSTRUCT 190 MILES IN NORTHWESTERN INDIANA

The firm of Carvey & Tombaugh of Rochester, Ind., has been granted the contract for erection of 190 miles of poles and lines for the Kankakee Valley Electrification Membership corporation which is operated in LaPorte, St. Joseph and Starke counties.

When approval of the contract is received from the REA in Washington, the work will be started, according to A. H. Christianson, supervisor of the project with offices in Wanatah.

The Kankakee Valley corporation will serve approximately 400 farmers in the three counties, providing electricity for their homes and outbuildings.

In St. Joseph county the only members who will be served by the present setup are in Liberty township.

Nine townships in LaPorte count will be included. Erection of the poles and lines will require 90 days.

--- The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Friday, October 6, 1939

Carvey and Tombaugh Given REMC Contract

Indianapolis, Dec. 13. (INS) -- Four Rural Electric Membership Corporation construction contracts have been approved by the Rural Electrification Administration in Washington according to word received here.

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Included was a \$127, 739 contract awarded to Carvey & Tombaugh of Rochester, for 189 miles of line to serve 443 members of the Kankakee valley REMC, Wanatah, Ind.

--- The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Wednesday, December 13, 1939.

CASAD, WILLIAM [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Rochester Bands

CASAD FURNITURE & CABINET SHOP [Kewanna, Indiana]

Furniture. Mr. John Casad, the enterprising townsman of Pleasant Grove, is starting out in the right way to benefit his fellow citizens, by opening out a New Cabinet and Furniture Shop in that place . . .

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, February 15, 1866]

CASE, ONIS [Macy, Allen Township, Miami County]

BIOGRAPHY

Onis Case, of Macy, was born in Wayne County, Ohio, April 25, 1845. He was the youngest son born to Onis and Sarah (Williams) Case, natives of Wayne and Seneca Counties, Ohio, respectively. Our subject spent his boyhood and youth in his native county working upon his father's farm. In March, 1864, he came to this county and located upon a farm in Perry Township. He enlisted in Company A, 155th Indiana Regiment, in February, with which he served until the close of the war. (It is worthy of note that our subject and his four elder brothers all served in the Union Army and that all are still living). He resided in Perry Township until 1876. At that time he located in Macy and engaged in the hardware business. This has received his attention ever since. He now has a commodious little store room, well stocked, and is doing a good business. January 1, 1868, he was married to Rhoda A. Dukes, by whom he has had two children, Rollie and Ethel, both of whom are living. Mr. Case is a member of the M. E. Church and of the F. & A. M. Lodge. In politice, he is a Republican. In 1882 he was elected Justice of the Peace, and was re-elected in 1886. He is an enterprising and successful business man and a good citizen.

[*History of Miami County, Indiana*, 1887, Brant & Fuller. pp. 509-510]

CASE FARM MACHINERY & REPAIRS STORE [Rochester, Indiana]

FARM MACHINERY FIRM OPENS BUSINESS HERE

A new business firm for Rochester will be open for business Friday, January 2nd in the Brackett building, [SE] corner of Main and 5th Streets, this city. The new concern which will be operated by Geo. J. Miller and Sons, of Fulton, Ind., will be known as the J. I. Case Farm Machinery and Repairs Store, and a complete line of this internationally known farm machinery will be on the display floor at all times, as well as repair parts.

Mr. Miller and Sons have been representatives of the J. I. Case Farm Machinery Co., for the past eight years operating throughout Liberty township as well as other sections of the county. The formal opening dates have been set for January 8th, 9th and 10th on which days a factory expert will be on the floor to explain all about the various farm machinery equipent and its proper operation.

[The News-Sentinel, Wednesday, December 31, 1930]

CASLOW, CLINTON [Richland Township]

BIOGRAPHY

Clinton Caslow, son of Daniel and Catharine Caslow. Father was born and reared in Pennsylvania; when a young man, came to Ohio, and married Catharine Kurfis; they both died when Clinton was quite young. Clinton was born in Franklin County, Ohio, December 16, 1851, and married Laura Lawyer, of Fairfield County, same State, in February, 1878, and immediately

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came to this county and settled where they now reside on a tract of land previously purchased. Mr. and Mrs. Caslow have two children--Albert Bracie and Burlie Hamilton. Mr. Caslow has a pleasant home on the Michigan road, about five miles north of Rochester. The parents of Mrs. Caslow are Hamilton and Sabine Lawyer, still living in Fairfield County, Ohio.

[T. B. Helm, *Fulton County Atlas*, A. L. Kingman, 1883, p. 52]

CASH HARDWARE STORE [Rochester, Indiana]

RICHARDSON HDW. IS SOLD

Wm. E. Spray, of Frankfort, Saturday purchased the Richardson Hardware Co. store and has now taken possession. Fred Richardson will remain in the store with Mr. Spray, who will operate upon a new basis. For all purchases of 50 cents or more a discount of 10 per cent for cash will be allowed. Mr. Spray will move his family here at an early date.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, June 11, 1917]

CASTERLINE, E. R. [Rochester, Indiana]

NEW PLUMBER OPENS SHOP IN ROCHESTER

E. R. Casterline has opened a plumbing and heating shop in the Robbins building, which was formerly occupied by the Karn bakery, rear of 715 Main street.

Mr. Casterline, who resides on a farm northeast of this city, has been engaged in the plumbing business for over 30 years, most of which time he was located at Tinley Park, Ill.

[The News-Sentinel, Wednesday, May 24, 1944]

CASTLEMAN BROS. [Rochester, Indiana]

PURCHASE SALE BARN

Castleman Bros., stock buyers of this city, have purchased the Community Sale Barn at North Judson, to take possession September 1st. Sales are held at North Judson every Monday.

[The News-Sentinel, Friday, August 28, 1942]

CASTLEMAN ROAD [Rochester Township]

Now designated as 500W.

CATES, JOHN E. [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Academy of Music

BIOGRAPHY

John E. Cates is a native of Wayne County, Ind., where he was born September 11, 1830. He was partly educated in his native county and in Henry County, to which he went in 1840, with his parents. At seventeen years of age, he learned the carpenter trade, which was his occupation through life. In April, 1850, he was married to Miss N. Sulton, and to these parents one child was born, William S., August 3, 1851. In November, 1852, two years after marriage, he was called upon to part with the companion of his youth, by death. On September 9, 1854, he was again married, to Elizabeth Whitehead, to whom three children were born--George, Mary L. and Albert R. Mr. Cates was called upon to part with his companion, which occurred September 7, 1861, having moved to Rochester the previous year. Being a very enthusiastic Union man, he very early espoused the National cause and became a member of Company F, Eighty-seventh Indiana Infantry, serving through the war. At the close of the war, he returned to Rochester, and on July 15, 1865, he was again united in marriage, to Elixabeth Hamlett. Two children blessed this union--Sarah L. and John. In 1874, he was elected Treasurer of Fulton County, serving one term. In 1878, he was elected Trustee of Rochester Township and re-elected for a second term.

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He is a member of the I.O.O.F., of Bloomingsburg Lodge, and Rochester Commandery. After serving as Trustee, he engaged in the manufacture of brick and tile, and succeeded well.

[T. B. Helm, *Fulton County Atlas*, A. L. Kingman, 1883, p. 22]

CATES & VAN TRUMP [Rochester, Indiana]

AUCTION

The undersigned having opened an auction room in Rochester, opposite the Central House, will sell on Thursdays and Saturdays two o'clock p.m., of each week all kinds of goods, Second-hand furniture, dry goods, boots and shoes, queensware, glassware, notions, &c &c.

Stock and all other property sold any day of the week when requested. Private sales at all times. All goods sold on commission. CATES & VAN TRUMP.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, November 18, 1882]

CATES TILE MILL [Rochester, Indiana]

CHEAP TILE

For the next thirty days we will sell all sizes of tile at a great reduction from former prices. Persons wishing to buy on time can do so by giving note at interest. Call at Cates' old factory, north of River. BALDWIN & SCOTT.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, December 27, 1884]

CATON'S GENERAL STORE [Fulton, Indiana]

Located where Wilson Sundries is now.

At the beginning of this enterprise (about 1915) he was associated with William (Bill) Cornell, but in a few months he bought out his associate and continued operating the store alone.

Lou's general store was typical of those in that era with a little bit of everything for sale including shoes, clothing, yard goods, kerosene and groceries. It was the time of crackers in a barrel, bananas on a stalk hanging in the window, coffee that had to be ground, weighed and sacked at time of sale. Sugar and flour also came in barrels and had to be weighed and sacked when sold.

As with other general store of those years, Lou operated a huckster wagon which serviced the Fulton area.

Lou sold the store to Ray Babcock in the mid-1920's following his and Pearl's separation and divorce. He moved to Kalamazoo, Michigan.

[Martin Caton Family, Rosemary Williams, *Fulton Co Folks*, Vol. 2, Willard]

CATON'S RESTAURANT [Fulton Town]

Located where Scott Hardware is now.

Owned by Louis Caton.

[Martin Caton Family, Rosemary Williams, *Fulton Co Folks*, Vol. 2, Willard]

CAUFFMAN, RUSSELL [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Letter From Russell Cauffman)

CAULK, ISAAC [Birmingham, Allen Township, Miami County]

BIOGRAPHY

Isaac Caulk, a prominent citizen of Allen Township, was born in the city of Philadelphia, March 27, 1831. He was the only son born to Oliver and Rachel G. (Cox) Caulk, both natives of Maryland, but of English descent. When Isaac was a youth of thirteen years, his parents came to this county and located upon a farm in Allen Township. There the father and mother spent the rest of their lives, their respective deaths occurring in October, 1869, and December, 1885. At the

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time of their deaths the father was seventy-eight and the mother had reached the advanced age of ninety-four. Our subject remained upon the farm, engaged in agricultural pursuits, until the fall of 1873, at which time he located in the town of Birmingham. Since then his attention has been given to the grain business, and to mercantile pursuits. October 15, 1873, he was married to Lunetta A. Fobes, by whom he has had five children, Oliver M., Nellie A., Harry P., Lunetta Grace, and Fred G. The second, Nellie A., died in the fifth year of her age. By virtue of his birth, Mr. Caulk is a member of the Friends' Church. Politically, he is a Republican. He has held the position of postmaster at Birmingham since July 28, 1869. He has also held the Railroad Agency for the same length of time. He is an enterprising and intelligent man, and a worthy and honored citizen.

[*History of Miami County, Indiana*, 1887, Brant & Fuller. p. 510]

CAULKINS DRUG STORE [Rochester, Indiana]

TO RESELL STORE

The Chas. T. Gribben drug store, which was sold Saturday by Trustee Frank McCarter to the Ft. Wayne Drug Co., will probably be sold by that firm to a Walkerton man, who will continue the business.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, October 18, 1917]

NEW PHARMACIST COMING

Homer C. Black, of Albion, Ind., is expected here next week to join A. M. Caulkins, who recently purchased the Gribben drug store. Mr. Black is a registered pharmacist and will probably become a partner in the business.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, November 1, 1917]

DRUG STORE SOLD

A. M. Caulkins has sold the drug store, which he recently purchased of Charles Gribben, to E. H. Glenn of Chicago, who took possession at once. Mr. Caulkins will return to his home at Walkerton.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, February 7, 1918]

CELERY RAISERS [Rochester, Indiana]

HOME GROWN CELERY

Home grown celery made its appearance on the market Friday. The celery, which is of excellent quality, is raised by E. L. Mitchell and John Meader on farms west of Rochester.

[The News-Sentinel, Friday, July 1, 1932]

CEMETERIES [Fulton County]

See: D.A.R.

Refermce: Jean C. & Wendell C. Tombaugh, *Fulton County Indiana Cemeteries*

CEMETERIES - AKRON CITIZENS CEMETERY [Henry Township]

Located on west side of SR-19, south of Erie Lackawanna Railroad, in Akron.

The rows run north and south; rows are numbered from east to west; stones are read from north to south.

Dr. Joseph Sippy and his wife, Martha Cogswell Sippy, donated land containing 63 rods for the first public cemetery which is within the corporate limits of Akron and is known as the Akron Citizen's Cemetery.

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[Dr. Joseph Sippy Family, Velma Bright, *Fulton Co Folks*, Vol. 2, Willard]

CEMETERIES - AKRON I.O.O.F. CEMETERY [Henry Township]

Now called Akron Cemetery.

Located on the east side of 1075E, one mile west and one-half mile south of the town of Akron.

The cemetery is divided into six sections: Northwest, Northeast, Center West, Center East, East and South.

Rows run north and south; rows are numbered from west to east; stones are read from north to south.

CEMETERIES - ALLISON FARM CEMETERY [Wayne Township]

Located on the north side of 950S, between 500W and 600W.

Rows run north and south; rows are numbered from west to east; stones are read from north to south.

CEMETERIES - ANTIOCH CEMETERY [Rochester Township]

Located on E side of 75W between 350S and 400S.

Rows run north and south; rows are numbered from west to east; stones are read from north to south.

CEMETERIES - ATHENS CEMETERY [Henry Township]

See Hoover's Cemetery

CEMETERIES - BALL FAMILY CEMETERY [Henry Township]

See Burns Farm Cemetery

CEMETERIES - BARNES FARM CEMETERY [Henry Township]

Long abandoned, on what is now known as the Roy Adams farm.

Located on 100N about 3-1/2 miles northwest of Akron.

Stones are reported to be all down.

Information from Manitou Chapter DAR *Genealogical Survey, Fulton Co Ind Cemeteries*, 1935.

CEMETERIES - BARNETT CEMETERY [Union Township]

Located southwest of Kewanna, on S side of 350S, between 1050W and 1100W.

Rows run north and south; rows are numbered from west to east; stones are read from north to south.

CEMETERIES - BAUMAN CEMETERY [Wayne Township]

Also known as Bowman Cemetery.

Located on S side of road 650S, at 750W.

Rows run north and south; rows are numbered from west to east; stones are read from north to south.

CEMETERIES - BLUE GRASS CEMETERY [Wayne Township]

Located one mile E of Grass Creek.

CEMETERIES - BOWMAN CEMETERY [Wayne Township]

See Bauman Cemetery

CEMETERIES - BRUCE LAKE CEMETERY [Union Township]

Located about two miles southeast of Bruce Lake, on the west side of 1050W, between Division Road (SR-14) and 75N.

It is divided into North, South and Front Sections.

Rows run north and south; rows are numbered from east to west; stones are read from north to south.

CEMETERIES - BURNS FARM CEMETERY [Henry Township]

The abandoned Robert Burns Farm cemetery, also known as the Ball Family Cemetery, on land owned by Lynn Smith.

Located on 1075E about 1-1/2 miles northwest of Akron.

Stones reported to be down. Information obtained from only known available records - Manitou Chapter DAR, *Genealogical Survey, Fulton Co Ind Cemeteries*, 1935.

CEMETERIES - BURTON CEMETERY [Rochester Township]

Located northwest of Rochester on the north side of 200N, between 200W and 300W.

Named for James Burton.

Rows run north and south; rows are numbered from west to east; stones are read from south to north.

CEMETERIES - CITIZENS CEMETERY [Rochester Township]

Located at 9th and Clay Streets, at the west edge of Rochester.

It is divided into four sections: North, Mid-North, Mid-South, and South sections.

The rows run north and south; rows are numbered from east to west; stones are read from north to south.

CITIZENS CEMETERY

Much complaint is heard of the management of the old cemetery west of the city limits.

A gentleman who has friends buried there asks the *Sentinel* to say that those interested in the cemetery are dumb-founded to hear that a large drove of sheep and some cattle are pastured in there by permission of the overseer of the sacred homes of the dead. The idea of a mother going to the grave of her child upon which she has lovingly cultivated some flowers, and there find them destroyed and the little mound covered with litter, is a matter which indeed justly deserves the severest condemnation of every man or woman who has a spark of veneration for the dead. The shade trees were all killed in this cemetery last year, this year it is a pasture field and it will not be much of a surprise to see the plow cutting the sod next year above the silent forms of friends and fellow citizens who, while living, would have shuddered at the thought of such inhuman molestation and utter disregard for the sacredness of their silent homes.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, September 28, 1887]

CITIZENS CEMETERY IS IMPROVED UNDER CWA

One of the old landmarks of this community that has just gone through a complete overhauling as a C.W.A. project, is the Citizens Cemetery, situated at the west end of Tenth street.

During the past few years this burial ground was nearly abandoned due to lack of proper funds for its upkeep. The ground is owned by the county and its management is under a group of trustees which are appointed by the county commissioners.

Grounds Landscaped

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The trustees a few months ago purchased an acre of ground lying south of the cemetery proper. The addition was formerly an old gravel pit. Under the CWA project several hundred loads of dirt were used in filling in the pit, a winding road skirting the southeast section of the cemetery was straightened and the new plot has been beautified with newly painted fencing, landscaping, and the planting of trees and shrubbery. Supplementing the addition improvement the old grounds have been completely gone over and improved and the buildings repaired and re-painted.

James Westwood is sexton of the Citizens cemetery which has been in existence for a period of over a hundred years. To Mr. Westwood must go no little credit for the neat appearance of the cemetery.

The present trustees of the Citizens cemetery are Turpie Davidson, Pres., Levi P. Moore, Secretary-Treasurer, Frank E. Bryant, Isaac Winn and George Ice.

[The News-Sentinel, Saturday, October 10, 1936]

CEMETERIES - CLARK FARM CEMETERY [Henry Township]

Located on a knoll known as Lookout Hill.

Located on what was known as the Joseph Clark farm, now the Robert Runkle farm, about 1/4 mile north of 350S between 700E and 800E. Surrounded by wire fence.

Rows run north and south; rows are numbered from west to east; stones are read from south to north.

CEMETERIES - CURTIS FARM CEMETERY [Henry Township]

The old James Curtis farm cemetery, on the Norman Benson farm one mile west of Akron, south of SR-14 in a field behind the farm home. It is surrounded by a concrete wall.

Rows run north and south; rows are numbered from east to west; stones are read from north to south.

CEMETERIES - DEAD MAN'S COLLEGE CEMETERY [Richland Township]

Abandoned burying ground, about four miles west of Richland Center, at the intersection of 700N and 500W.

This area is about 100 feet west of the school building known as Dead Man's College.

The rows could not be located; only a few stones exist.

CEMETERIES - DUNKARD CHURCH CEMETERY [Liberty Township]

Abandoned. Located near the intersection of 200E and 750S, on what is now the Philip Rentschler farm.

CEMETERIES - EDDINGER CEMETERY [Richland Township]

Located on the old Christopher Eddinger property, and according to Manitou Chapter DAR, *Genealogical Survey, Fulton Co Ind Cemeteries*, 1935, owned in 1935 by William Hassenplug, near Platz or Germany Bridge, about seven miles northwest of Rochester. Only two burials known to Mr. Hassenplug. Abandoned. Not found.

CEMETERIES - FLETCHER'S LAKE CEMETERY [Wayne Township]

Located at the northeast corner of Fletcher's Lake on 475W, at 975S.

The cemetery is divided into the West, South and North Sections.

Rows run north and south; rows are numbered from west to east; stones are read from north to south.

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One stone is marked Martha Elliott, daughter of Thomas Lincoln, 1814-1890. This may be the sister of Abraham Lincoln, but nobody has been able to verify it.

CEMETERIES - FULTON I.O.O.F. CEMETERY [Liberty Township]

Located on the East side of SR-25 near the north edge of the town of Fulton.

It is now called Fulton Cemetery.

The cemetery is divided into the following sections: North, Mid-Northwest, Mid-Northeast, Mid-Southwest, Mid-Southeast, Southwest and Southeast. Rows run north and south; rows are numbered from west to east; stones are read from north to south.

CEMETERIES - FULTON COUNTY POOR FARM CEM.

[Rochester Township]

Located at the back of the area comprising the Fulton County Poor Farm.

CEMETERIES - GRASS CREEK CEMETERY [Wayne Township]

Also known as Round Lake Cemetery.

Located west of Grass Creek, on 725S about a half mile west of 900W.

The cemetery is divided into three sections: Northeast, Northwest and South.

Rows run north and south; rows are numbered from east to west; stones are read from north to south.

CEMETERIES - GREENLAND CEMETERY [Union Township]

See Pleasant Hill Cemetery

CEMETERIES - HAMLETT CEMETERY [Newcastle Township]

Located on the east side of SR-25 at 500E.

Rows run north and south, rows are numbered from west to east, stones are read from north to south.

CEMETERIES - HIZER CEMETERY [Wayne Township]

Located about 500 feet back in a field on the old J. A. Murray farm, south of 800S, between 900W and 1000W.

All stones in one row, which runs north and south; stones are read from south to north.

CEMETERIES - HOOVER'S CEMETERY [Henry Township]

Also known as Mount Hope Cemetery and Athens Cemetery.

Located a few hundred feet east of the town of Athens on the north side of SR-14, about three-tenths of a mile east of 650E .

The cemetery is divided into four sections: North, South, East and West.

The rows run north and south; rows are numbered from west to east; stones are read from north to south.

CEMETERIES - HORTON CHAPEL CEMETERY [Liberty Township]

Also called Mud Lake Chapel Cemetery.

Located on the east side of US-31, about seven miles south of Rochester.

Rows run north and south; rows are numbered from west to east; and stones are read from north to south.

CEMETERIES - JOHNSON FAMILY CEMETERY [Richland Township]

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Located on the old Sherman Overmyer farm, owned in 1974 by Ninian and Esther Kessler, about 4 1/2 miles southwest of Richland Center, north of 500N and west of 400W. The cemetery is about 500-800 feet south of the barn, in the northwest part of the woods, situated on top of a hill. Not easily accessible, and most stones buried.

CEMETERIES - KEWANNA I.O.O.F. CEMETERY [Union Township]

Located at the east edge of Kewanna on the south side of 250S.

The rows run north and south; rows are numbered from east to west; stones are read from north to south.

CEMETERIES - LEITERS FORD I.O.O.F. CEMETERY

[Aubbeenaubbee Township]

Located at the west edge of Leiters Ford. It is divided into five sections.

Rows run north and south; rows are numbered from west to east; stones are read from south to north.

CEMETERIES - LINDSEY GRAVE [Rochester, Indiana]

Elizabeth Lindsey grave. Located at the back of house and lot owned by C. J. and Fern Irene Irwin, on the north side, at 288 Race Street.

GRAVE OF PIONEER DECORATED

A touching tribute was paid, this morning, to Elizabeth LINDSEY, the first white woman buried in the county. She died March 26, 1832 and was buried in what is now the Citizens cemetery. A number of men and flower girls marched to the cemetery and decorated the grave.

Uncle Del WARD, who lived in the vicinity when the only other inhabitants were Indians, was a friend of the woman and remembers her well. It was intended that the Manitou Band should lead the march, but as most of the members of the band were in school this morning, the band could not come out.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, May 30, 1913]

PLAN IS LAUNCHED FOR MONUMENT HEIRS OF FIRST WHITE PIONEER VISIT COUNTY

Mrs. Ella Wilson and Mrs. M. Coleman of Washington, Kansas, are in Rochester for a day or two, endeavoring to inform themselves relative to the genealogy of their family. They are considered distinguished visitors, since their lineage extends back in Rochester to a time before this city was dignified by the import of incorporation as a village. They are grand-nieces of the late Mrs. Elizabeth Lindsey, deceased March 26, 1832, who was wife of John Lindsey, sent here by the U. S. Government to build a corn-cracker mill for the Pottawattomie Indians, Mrs. Lindsey being the first white person to die in Fulton county, and whose grave lies within the city limits of Rochester.

These ladies are familiar with many names of pioneer citizens of this county, not by personal knowledge, but from experiences related by their parents, who were residents here many years ago. Their grandmother, Mrs. Nancy Elliott, and Mrs. Lindsey were sisters, who figured in a double wedding on November 15, 1815, and John Lindsey and his bride came to Rochester in 1829, in compliance with his contract with the Government, before it was known as Rochester. They will visit the grave of their great-aunt tomorrow morning before continuing their journey to Indianapolis. So far as known these ladies (sisters) are the only heirs of Elizabeth Lindsey to visit her resting place in the past half century.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Tuesday, September 27, 1927]

PLAN TO EXHUME BODY OF FULTON COUNTY PIONEER

Val Zeimmerman, local undertaker, today made application to the State Board of Health at Indianapolis for permission to move the body of Mrs. Elizabeth Lindsey from a burial place on East Race Street on ground now owned by Ed Kime to the Odd Fellows Cemetery. It is necessary to obtain the state permit to move the body.

Mrs. Lindsey, who died here in the spring of 1831 from a fever was the first white woman to die in Fulton county. Her husband had been sent to this county from New York State by the government to establish a grist mill at the outlet at Lake Manitou to grind grain for the Indians.

Mrs. Lindsey had lived in this county only a short time before she became ill and died. Following the custom of the early day the body was buried on a high spot of ground. According to Mr. Zimmerman the state of preservation of the body will depend entirely on the consistency of the soil in which it was buried.

As soon as Mr. Zimmerman obtains the state permit to move the body which should arrive in this city sometime within the next 10 days he will superintend the exhuming of the body and its reburial in a plot of ground at the Odd Fellows cemetery which has been donated by the trustees of the lodge for the purpose.

This is the first act in the celebration of Rochester's centennial this year. It is planned later to mark the grave of Mrs. Lindsey with a bronze tablet. A small monument less than two feet tall which marked the grave of Mrs. Lindsey will be reset over her new resting place in the Odd Fellows cemetery.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, February 10, 1931]

Epitaph Tells Story First County Grave **By Albert W. Bitters**

This account is presented as told to this writer by the late William A. (Del) Ward. He conducted a veterinarian's office in the room now occupied by the Allison dry cleaning establishment, south of the public squart. It was to my liking to loaf with Mr. Ward during an evening, because he was a mine of information relative to the customs of early days of Fulton county.

One time he asked if I knew the location of the grave of the first white person who died in Fulton county. He informed me that it was Mrs. Elizabeth Lindsey, wife of John Lindsey, who was sent here by the U. S. Government to build a corn-cracker mill at Lake Manitou, that being part of the contract in payment of annuities to the Pottawattomie Indians on treaty purchase of their lands.

Mrs. Lindsey feared for the coming of herself and three small children to a locality where Indians predominated and wild animals filled the forest, but her husband prevailed and a log cabin was built in the wilds for his family. Residence here was brief, owing to contracting a low grade of malarial fever. No doctor closer than Logansport, the malady proved fatal, notwithstanding all that could be done for her by her husband, the few white settlers and friendly Indians. She passed away.

Her burial spot is on the lot owned by Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kime, at east part of Rochester, along Race street. Inscription of her tombstone reads:

Elizabeth,
wife of
John Lindsey,
Died

March 26, 1832

Age, 32 years, 2 months, 26 days

As a child of tender years, Mr. Ward attended the funeral. The sad event, tears of the children and their father, and white friends, so impressed the scene on his mind that he never forgot its solemnity. At that time a spot was cleared in the woods and undergrowth and a box

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made of native timber, in which the body was buried. Today, the site is unknown to all but a few citizens, and the remains of Elizabeth Lindsey rest unhonored, unwept and unsung. It has long been this writer's contention that this historic personage is as much a Gold Star Mother as any mother who sent her son to France, because Mrs. Lindsey sacrificed her life in the development of the splendid surroundings we enjoy today, our commodious homes, fine schools and spacious public buildings. A suitable monument should be erected, the property owned by the City of Rochester and long delayed recognition be given to the first pioneer citizen to surrender life in Fulton county.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Thursday, December 6, 1934, p. 14]

The first grist mill, built and operated by U. S. agent, John Lindsey, was constructed per Indian treaty with Potowatomi Indians.

The government agent, with assistance from other pioneers, erected a log cabin home and everything went well for a short period of time, but in the spring of 1832 Elizabeth Lindsey, wife of John, took sick and died, due to extremely adverse conditions of the times and the unavailability of medical attention. It's quite possible that Mrs. Lindsey was the first white woman to be buried in Fulton County and her last resting place holds fast the secret of its historical value, somewhere in the back yard of the Jack Irwin residence on Race street. At one time a small marble marker designated the spot but it disappeared years ago. History does not reveal what became of the husband and children.

At the time of her passing, Mrs. Lindsey was but 36 years of age. About the turn of the century Albert Bitters, then editor of the Rochester *Dailey Republican*, attempted to interest the general public in a movement to establish a memorial for the grave of Elizabeth Lindsey, that posterity may take to its heart a small bit of our early history, but the appeal failed to register.

Then again in 1913 a small group of local citizens gathered at the newspaper office and proceeded to the last resting place of Rochester's first white female to be interred in the county. I accompanied the group, some of whom, as I remember, were Val Zimmerman, Ferdie Wolf, Ike Wile, Alvah McCarter, Roy Shanks, Ed Hill and a few others. This launching of movement again failed to take root, but a small fund of less than one dollar was started to re-erect a monument and once again lack of interest doomed the project.

For 129 years Elizabeth Lindsey has been a resident of Fulton County, although her exact abode remains unknown. No bronze marker, tablet of marble or native stone breaks the landscape but year after year blooms the georgeous garden of flowers above her sacred sod, day after day sunshine falls upon the ground where rests her remains and night after night the stars smile down in reverence to a white woman who gave her life to a pioneer settlement.

[Earle A. Miller, *The News-Sentinel*, Wednesday, November 12, 1959]

On May 30, 1967, a plaque was dedicated in honor of Elizabeth Lindsey, sponsored by Fulton Conty Federation of Women's Clubs. It was placed a few hundred feet east of the actual grave site, in front of the Historical Society Museum.

[Editor's note, Earle Miller, Shirley Willard, *Fulton Co Folks*, Vol. 1., Willard]

Hugh Barnhart made the presentation speech, and the compiler [Wendell C. Tombaugh, then Judge of the Fulton Circuit Court] accepted by saying: "On behalf of all the people of Fulton County for all time, I hereby accept this memorial."

[See: The Story of the First White Woman to Die in Fulton County Recalled by Her Relatives, The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Thursday, November 10, 1927, p. 3]

CEMETERIES - LOG BETHEL CEMETERY [Henry Township]

See Silver Creek Cemetery

CEMETERIES - LUTHERAN CEMETERY [Newcastle Township]

Located on the south side of 650N, about one-fourth mile east of 375E.

Rows seem to run north and south; rows are numbered from east to west; and stones are read from north to south.

CEMETERIES - MAHLER CEMETERY [Aubbeenaubbee Township]

On the Isaac Kalley farm about two miles west of DeLong, in a field north of and not far from the road. Abandoned. Most markers destroyed.

CEMETERIES - McINTIRE FARM CEMETERY [Henry Township]

The old Daniel McIntire farm cemetery, now the Donald McIntire farm.

Located on the north side of the old Fort Wayne Road, about 500 feet east of 825E.

Long abandoned, terribly damaged. Few stones located.

CEMETERIES - McKEE CEMETERY [Rochester Township]

This abandoned burying ground is on the old Alonzo Sheets (more recently Joseph Richards) farm, on 250N about one and three-tenths mile west of 250N and 400W. It is at the very back of a field about two city blocks north of the road.

Stones were read as found, not in any rows.

CEMETERIES - MEREDITH CEMETERY [Newcastle Township]

Located on the south side of SR-25, at 800N and 800E.

Rows run north and south; rows are numbered from west to east; stones are read from north to south.

CEMETERIES - MILLER FARM CEMETERY [Liberty Township]

Abandoned. Most markers covered with dirt. Known as the Wheeldon farm when it was purchased by Gideon Miller. Also known as the Old Johnson Family cemetery.

Located south of 400S, near 125E.

Rows run north and south; rows are numbered from west to east; stones are read from north to south.

CEMETERIES - MOON CEMETERY [Aubbeenaubbee Township]

Located NE corner of 800W and 200N. Often incorrectly called Sharon Cemetery, as it is located directly across the road from the Sharon Wesleyan Church.

The cemetery is divided into three sections: North, Middle and South.

Rows run north and south; rows are numbered from west to east; stones are read from north to south.

CEMETERIES - MOUNT HOPE CEMETERY [Henry Township]

See Hoover's Cemetery, also known as Athens Cemetery.

CEMETERIES - MOUNT OLIVE CEMETERY [Liberty Township]

Located on the north side of 500S, a few yards east of SR-25.

The cemetery land, a corner of the James Andrew Oliver land, consisting of almost two acres, was evidently given by Andrew to be used for a burial ground and known for many years as the Oliver Cemetery, (now called the Mt. Olive Cemetery).

[James Andrew Oliver Family, Lucy Oliver Kincaide, *Fulton Co Folks*, Vol. 2, Willard]

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Rows run north and south; rows are numbered from west to east; stones are read from north to south.

No recent burials.

CEMETERIES - MOUNT ZION CEMETERY [Rochester Township]

Located on the west side of 500E about 1/4 mile south of 300S.

The cemetery is divided into two sections: north and south.

Rows run north and south; rows are numbered from east to west; and stones are read from north to south.

CEMETERIES - MUD LAKE CHAPEL CEMETERY [Liberty Township]

See Horton Chapel

CEMETERIES - ODD FELLOWS CEMETERY [Fulton County]

See: Akron I.O.O.F. Cemetery; Fulton I.O.O.F. Cemetery; Kewanna I.O.O.F. Cemetery; Leiters Ford I.O.O.F. Cemetery; Richland Center I.O.O.F. Cemetery; Rochester I.O.O.F. Cemetery.

CEMETERIES - OLIVER CEMETERY [Liberty Township]

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[James Andrew Oliver Family, Lucy Oliver Kincaide, *Fulton Co Folks*, Vol. 2, Willard]

See Mount Olive Cemetery

CEMETERIES - OMEGA CEMETERY [Henry Township]

Located SW of Akron, on 925E at 275S.

Rows run north and south; rows are numbered from west to east; stones are read from south to north.

CEMETERIES - PLEASANT HILL CEMETERY [Union Township]

Located directly south of Bruce Lake, on the corner of 75N and 1200W, across the road, north, of the Pleasant Hill Evangelical U.B. Church.

The cemetery is divided into the East and West Sections.

Rows run north and south; the rows are numbered from east to west; stones are read from south to north.

CEMETERIES - POLK HILL CEMETERY [Richland Township]

See Sand Hill Cemetery

CEMETERIES - RALSTIN CEMETERY [Richland Township]

See Sand Hill Cemetery

CEMETERIES - REED CEMETERY [Wayne Township]

Located in the northeast corner of 450W and SR114.

The cemetery is divided into the West, Middle and East Sections.

The rows run north and south; rows are numbered from west to east; stones are read from north to south.

CEMETERIES - REICHTER CEMETERY [Newcastle Township]

Located on 550N, about seven-tenths mile east of 375E.

The cemetery has three sections, North, Middle and South. The rows run north and south; rows are numbered from west to east; stones are read from north to south.

CEMETERIES - RICHLAND CENTER CITIZENS CEMETERY [Richland Township]

Located W side of road 150W, just S of 700N, next to the church.

Divided into north and south sections. Rows run north and south, rows are numbered from east to west, and stones are read from north to south.

CEMETERIES - RICHLAND CENTER I.O.O.F. CEMETERY [Richland Township]

Located E side of road 150W, just S of 700N, beside the Richland Center township school location.

Divided into four sections by driveways. The rows run north and south, rows are numbered from west to east, and stones are read from north to south.

CEMETERIES - RICHTER CEMETERY [Newcastle Township]

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CEMETERIES - ROCHESTER I.O.O.F. CEMETERY [Rochester, Indiana]

Located on the north side of street, at 620 West Third, Rochester.

Fulton County's largest cemetery. The cemetery is divided into 33 sections.

Rows run north and south; rows are numbered from east to west; stones are read from south to north.

Section 1 contains mass reburials from the former Rochester Mausoleum.

ODD FELLOW CEMETERY JUMPED TO 60 ACRES

The Rochester lodge I.O.O.F. has completed the purchase of 36 acres of land to be used as an addition to the Rochester I.O.O.F. cemetery, according to announcement made Saturday by the trustees of the lodge, Archie Miller, William ROSS and John Parker.

The 36 acres purchased was that adjoining the cemetery now in use and takes in all of that land between the Erie railroad and the triangle formed by the wagon road running south in a westerly direction and thence north on the west side of the railroad. The plot was purchased of the Theodore Montgomery estate for \$3,600.

With this addition of 36 acres the total area occupied by the cemetery reaches a total of 60 acres. When completed and in use Rochester will have one of the largest cemeteries in Indiana. The I.O.O.F. cemetery was established here about 75 years ago.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, February 16, 1924]

CEMETERIES - ROCHESTER MAUSOLEUM [Rochester, Indiana]

Incorporated April 8, 1911. Lack of funds; became in extreme disrepair. In April, 1971, 124 bodies were removed and reinterred in a mass burial site in Section 1, along the east side of the I.O.O.F. cemetery.

See Rochester I.O.O.F. Cemetery.

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NO GRAVE HORROR

The Universal Mausoleum Company of Chicago proposes to erect a 200 crypt, community mausoleum for the use of the citizens of Rochester and vicinity. They have engaged R. C. Wallace to represent them in our city. The building to be erected will be of reinforced concrete, employing ribbed metal throughout, with dimensions of about 80 feet by 40 feet. The compartments or crypts are placed in tiers, four high, upon each side of a 12-foot hallway, which extends the entire length of the building. The hallway is of Italian marble, trimmed with ornamental bronze, and is used for a chapel when services are held in the building.

Mausoleum interment is being endorsed by the different boards of health in the country, and some of the most prominent physicians recommend it strongly. It is a modern, humane, sanitary method of laying away the departed friends and relatives. It removes all the horrors and grewsome effects of earth burial as the remains are laid away in a sun-lighted, dry, air-tight compartment for all time. The object of the community mausoleum is to enable the greater mass of people, which is the middle class, to enjoy the same privileges when departing from this earth, as the noted men, the rich, the great and the mighty have in the past, as it is well known that all noted men and the majority of the rich and great are laid away in private tombs or mausoleums.

The expense of this mausoleum interment is more reasonable and can be had at a less cost than the old way of grave burial in the cemetery. The Universal Mausoleum Company are now making a canvass of the citizens of the city of Rochester taking subscriptions for the crypts in this building. They invite the co-operation of all the citizens of this city as they have a subject which is near and dear to everyone. Their local representative will call upon you and explain the matter in detail and furnish you literature explanatory of the same upon request.

Write R. C. Wallace or telephone 492-04.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, January 4, 1911]

THE ROCHESTER MAUSOLEUM

In life we provide a luxurious home for our loved ones, surrounded by all the comforts that money can buy. Isn't it a horrid thought to think of taking one accustomed to such surroundings in life, and consigning their earthly remains in death to the cold, unfriendly ground, to be destroyed by varmin, and the elements of the earth. There should be a better way; the body is deserving of better care.

We do not hesitate to spend money for expensive robes and elegant caskets, as a manifestation of the last act of love we can bestow upon the departed ones. After the first hard rain, following the earthly burial, what an unsightly thing is the beautiful casket and expensive fabrics, if we should but see it. The mausoleum prevents this unsightly devastation. It is worth while to purchase the finest casket, and the most beautiful robes, for mausoleum interment, as that casket and those robes, for all years to come will be kept from the light, from the air, and from the damp; and we will know that our loved ones sleep there just as they were last seen when placed in their final resting place, in the mausoleum. Is this thought not comforting? Does it not help us to bear the grief with which we are burdened? It matters not after interment in the community mausoleum how dark the night, how fierce the storm, nor how wet the ground. Those whom we have laid away that day for their eternal rest can sleep in peace, safe from the dark night, the ravages of the storm and the wet, sleeping in restful peace and dryness. What a feeling of comfort and satisfaction the thought is to us.

We are conscious when visiting a community mausleum, that our departed ones are but a few inches away, almost within touch. What a consolation to know that they are protected from the elements, from the vermin of the earth, from the damp, and from the mould. It is a satisfaction that only those who have experienced it can fully appreciate.

Should not all of this appeal to us, as being worthy of our hearty consideration and support, especially when we know that it costs no more for the mausoleum privileges than if we were to lay our departed loved ones deep down in the ground? Is it not the better part of wisdom for us to make these preparations while in health and prosperity, and not leave it to the uncertainty of the future?

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Interment in the community mausoleum is the sane and "The Only Way."
[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, January 20, 1911]

COMMUNITY MAUSOLEUM WHICH WILL PROBABLY BE ERECTED IN ROCHESTER

***** SKETCH *****

The above cut illustrates a community mausoleum, very similar to the one which the Universal Mausoleum Company of Chicago, proposes to erect in Rochester. The building will be erected of solid concrete masonry, reinforced with steel, while the interior will be of pure white marble, with the crypts or compartments arranged in rows, each having a marble plate at the end for a marker to the inscribed as desired.

The general impression is that the laying away of the deceased in mausoleums is prohibitive to the majority of the people, on account of the expense. The influential, the great, and the wealthy when departing this earth have been laid to rest in private or family tombs of mausoleums. The community mausoleum, to be erected in Rochester, brings this privilege within the reach of all. The same tender care can be given their departed, by the greater middle class, that has been confined to the great and mighty in the past. Persons interested can secure complete information regarding this community mausoleum by telephoning the representatives of the Universal Company, R. C. Walters or Rev. Robert B. Seaman, phone 432-04.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, January 23, 1911]

THE COMMUNITY MAUSOLEUM

Each time the citizens of Rochester are called upon to attend the funeral of a departed friend, the need of an improved form of burial is forcibly brought home to us, and we ask ourselves why humanity, so progressive, so resourceful, so ready to accept improved methods that pertain to life's needs, so tenaciously cling to the horrible custom of placing away in the ground at death, the body of our loved one for whom in life we taxed our utmost ability, and made untold sacrifices that he or she might enjoy the very best our station in life might afford.

Modern ideas are beginning to pay an important role in the matter of laying away our dead, and stately marble halls are being erected as their final resting place instead of consigning them to the damp, vermin inhabited earth. This new custom has a methods with the recovery of the lost art of concrete cement construction strong claim on humanity, especially so, now that modern engineering - such as was used by the ancients and stands today, monuments to the sagacity of the earlier civilizations of the earth have made it possible, at a cost within the reach of all. The Universal Mausoleum Company have prepared plans for a 200 compartment mausoleum to be built in Rochester giving them a more sanitary and a more Christian way of laying to rest departed friends and relatives.

The buildings constructed for burial purposes by this progressive concern, and approved by the state board of health, and are built to endure the ravages of time.

When seen in regard to the company's plans, Mr. Walter E. Doolittle, president of the Universal Mausoleum Company, said:

"We propose to construct a substantial and elegant building of solid concrete masonry reinforced by steel, in size 40 feet by 80, but with crypts or compartments recessed to an eight foot wall on either side, and a wide hallway running the entire length, where friends and relatives of the departed can visit and feel near, knowing that their dear ones are safe from the contaminating influences of the earth, and its vermin, dry and clean, as when placed there by loving hands.

"The interior of the building will be pure white marble, and the crypts or compartments arranged in rows, each having a marble plate at the end for a marker, to be inscribed as desired.

"These end plates, when in place, form the marble walls and give the interior finish, except for the floors and roofs, which are given appropriate treatment so the interior will be harmonious and beautiful. Floral tributes may be laid on a metal ledge running the length of the building below each row of compartments."

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R. C. Wallace and Rev. Seaman are local agents for the Universal Mausoleum Company, and will be glad to explain all details of the proposed building for this community.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, February 2, 1911]

FIRST IN STATE

As a result of the canvass and the work of the Universal Mausoleum Co. in projecting a community mausoleum for the city of Rochester, her citizens decided to assure the erection of the same and to that end the Rochester Mausoleum Co. has been organized and incorporated under the laws of this state. The stockholders of the company are Omar B. Smith, L. M. Brackett, A. J. Barrett, M. Wile, Val Zimmerman, W. H. Deniston, S. Lichtenstein, C. Hoover, R. C. Wallace and others.

At a meeting of the stockholders held at the offices of Holman & Bryant officers for the company were elected as follows: Wm. H. Deniston, president; L. M. Brackett, vice-president; Omar B. Smith, treasurer, and M. Wile, secretary.

The land for the erection of the building was purchased from James A. Myers and is situated just east of the [Rochester I.O.O.F.] cemetery. The contract for the construction of the mausoleum was given the Universal Mausoleum Co., who control valuable patents covering such structures. The building will be erected for 200 crypts or compartments, constructed of re-inforced concrete, steel, marble and glass. It will be a commanding structure and good to look upon, and will be built to withstand the ravages of time -- for centuries.

Rochester can boast of having the first re-inforced concrete community mausoleum erected in the state of Indiana. When erected it will be a monument or sepulchre upon which Rochester citizens can justly look with pride. Our citizens are to be commended in their action in securing for Rochester this modern structure and humane and sanitary method of interment.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, April 20, 1911]

GROUND BROKEN

The first pick was put in the ground Tuesday for the work of erecting Rochester's community mausoleum. Charles A. Downey, vice-president of The Universal Mausoleum Company, together with the general foreman, C. R. Querey, and two concrete experts, arrived in Rochester Tuesday and at once commenced the work of staking out the new building for the Rochester Mausoleum Company. All material has been ordered and, when possible, is being purchased of local dealers. Material has commenced to arrive and an adequate force of men will be put to work to push the structure to a rapid completion.

The Universal Company, who have been making a canvass of Rochester for the past sixty days in the selling of crypts or compartments, will continue their canvass until the requisite number of crypts are sold. There will be but a limited number of crypts sold at the prevailing price of \$150 each. After the mausoleum is completed and dedicated the price of crypts will be \$200 each.

R. C. Wallace and Rev. Robert Seaman have charge of the crypt sales, and if they overlook anyone in the canvass they will be pleased to call upon anyone dropping them a card or telephoning and will explain all matters pertaining to the crypts and the mausoleum.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, April 21, 1911]

CITY MAUSOLEUM DEDICATED

The new mausoleum built in this city was informally dedicated Wednesday afternoon, when Rev. Seaman conducted exercises within the building. About seventy-five friends of the late Fred Cornelius were present at the removal of his body from the Cones mausoleum to the Cornelius crypt in the new building and as the remains were placed away Rev. Seaman offered prayer. Then in the presence of those gathered there he gave a heart to heart talk along the beauties of the new departure and in flowery words dedicated the city's mausoleum to its use.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, August 17, 1911]

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DIRECTORS HOLD ANNUAL MEET

An annual meeting of the directors and owners of the Rochester mausoleum held a meeting at the First National bank this afternoon. The men interested are Omar B. Smith, Ike Wile, L. M. Brackett, W. H. Deniston, C. Hoover, A. J. Barrett and Dr. Lichtenwalter. J. G. Ihmsem of Buffalo, one of the directors, was present.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, February 3, 1916]

SECTION 1

The Rochester Mausoleum

I.O.O.F. Cemetery

The Rochester Mausoleum Company was organized and incorporated on April 8, 1911, for the purpose of constructing and maintaining community mausoleums at and in the vicinity of the City of Rochester, Indiana.

For this purpose, Lots No. 23 and 24 in Joseph A. Myers' Subdivision of Out Lot 25 in Shryock & Bozarth's Addition to the town of Rochester, were purchased.

The Rochester Mausoleum was constructed and crypts sold, and bodies accepted for burial therein.

On October 13, 1970, a case was filed in the Fulton Circuit Court, alleging that for more than ten years last past, there had been no elected, qualified and acting officers or directors of the company. Also that for more than 20 years last past, the First National Bank of Rochester, Rochester, Indiana, had acted as trustee of the funds of said company. Also, that the said mausoleum was in a state of extreme disrepair, and constituted a public nuisance and should be removed, requiring the reinterment of all bodies presently interred therein.

In April, 1971, 124 bodies were removed from the Rochester Mausoleum, and reinterred in a mass burial site, along the east side of the I.O.O.F. Cemetery. Only three of these have dates.

We understand that Mausoleum burial records are now in the Fulton County clerk's office.

[Jean C. & Wendell C. Tombaugh, *Fulton County Indiana Cemeteries, Rochester I.O.O.F.*]

CEMETERIES - ROUND LAKE CEMETERY [Wayne Township]

See Grass Creek Cemetery

CEMETERIES - SALEM CEMETERY [Liberty Township]

Located on the west side of 250W, between 500S and 550S.

Rows run north and south; rows are numbered from east to west; stones are read from north to south.

CEMETERIES - SAND HILL CEMETERY [Richland Township]

This is also known as the Ralstin Cemetery, and according to Mrs. Shirley Willard, Fulton County Historical Society, another name is the Polk Hill Cemetery.

Located on the old William Polk farm, about five miles north of Rochester, one-half mile east of old US-31, on 450N, at 100E.

The rows run north and south, are numbered from east to west, and the stones are read from south to north.

CEMETERIES - SHAFFER CEMETERY [Union Township]

Located one-half mile east of Kewanna, northeast of the intersection of 850W and 250S.

It is divided by a driveway into the North and South Sections.

The rows run north and south; rows are numbered from east to west; stones are read from north to south.

CEMETERIES - SHARON CEMETERY [Aubbeenaubbee Township]

See Moon Cemetery [Moon Cemetery is incorrectly called Sharon Cemetery, as it is located across the road from the Sharon Wesleyan Church].

CEMETERIES - SHELTON CEMETERY [Rochester Township]

Located on the north side of 300S, about 1/10 mile west of old US-31.

The rows run north and south; rows are numbered from west to east; stones are read from south to north.

CEMETERIES - SILVER CREEK CEMETERY [Henry Township]

Also known as Log Bethel Cemetery.

Located northeast of Akron and east of Rock Lake, about four-tenths mile east of 1500E, on 100S (the county line road).

Rows run north and south; rows are numbered from west to east; stones are read from north to south.

CEMETERIES - SOUTH GERMANY CEMETERY [Richland Township]

Located about six miles southwest of Richland Center, at 450N and 500W.

Rows run north and south, rows are numbered from east to west, and stones are read from south to north.

CEMETERIES - ST. ANNE CEMETERY [Wayne Township]

Catholic cemetery. Located in the southwest corner of 750W and 650S.

Rows run north and south; rows are numbered from east to west; and stones are read from north to south.

CEMETERIES - SUTLEY FAMILY CEMETERY [Aubbeenaubbee Township]

Abandoned. Located on the Frederick Agster farm, about one mile northeast of Leiters Ford, according to Manitou Chapter DAR, *Genealogical Survy, Fulton Co Ind Cemeteries*, 1935, who reported finding only three graves.

CEMETERIES - SYCAMORE CEMETERY [Newcastle Township]

Located on the north side of 500N, between 800E and 900E.

The rows run north and south; rows are numbered from west to east; stones are read from south to north.

CEMETERIES - TONER FARM CEMETERY [Wayne Township]

Located on the Old A. D. Toner farm, now owned by Tom Walsh, about 500 feet west of the intersection of 500S and 800W.

Stones were read, beginning in the southwest corner; stones were read from south to north.

CEMETERIES - WHITTENBERGER CEMETERY [Henry Township]

Old burial ground, known as the "Old Whittenberger Cemetery." abandoned. On the Jacob Whittenberger farm, also known as the Century Farm, more recently known as the Michael Porter farm.

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Located about two hundred feet northwest of the Akron sewer pumping building, north of SR-14 at the west edge of Akron.

CEMETERIES - YELLOW CREEK CEMETERY [Newcastle Township]

Located on the Henry and Apolina Haimbaugh farm, just south of SR-25, on the E side of 825E, between 800N and 700N at approximately 775N.

Rows run north and south; rows are numbered from west to east; and stones are read from north to south.

CEMETERIES - ZION CEMETERY [Richland Township]

See South Germany Cemetery

CENSUS TAKERS [Fulton County]

Dr. E. N. Banks, of Millark, has been appointed by Hon. E. G. English, Deputy United States Marshal, to take the Census of Fulton County. Mr. Banks is a sound Democrat and well qualified for the position.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, May 26, 1860]

CENTRAL BAKERY & RESTAURANT [Rochester, Indiana]

ROBBINS RESTAURANT SOLD

The restaurant owned by Charles E. Robbins has changed hands, the deal having been closed Monday evening. The new proprietors are A. D. Robbins, of this city and F. M. Fultz, of Chicago, who took possession this morning. The present owners are well known here and will undoubtedly make a success of the business. Mr. Fultz will have charge of the restaurant, while Mr. Robbins will continue in the stock business.

The retiring proprietor has been at that place for the past four and one-half years and in that time has built up a splendid trade by his genial ways and treatment of his customers. At the present Mr. Robbins has not decided what he will do, but has several propositions to choose from and it is likely he will soon be in business here again.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Tuesday, February 9, 1904]

[Adv] - - - We are a home institution. Employ two Rochester bakers and solicit your patronage. **ROBBINS & FULTZ.**

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Thursday, August 17, 1905]

CENTRAL BAKERY SOLD

The Central Bakery and Restaurant owned and operated by D. Robbins and M. Fultz for the past several years has changed hands, E. E. Clary becoming the new proprietor.

Mr. Clary has already taken possession and is ready to cater to the wants of the public in whatever way his business affords. Mr. Clary has long been a resident of this city and his many friends will be glad to see him in his new business venture.

The retiring firm are both successful business men and will be missed from the restaurant. Mr. Fultz will move on his farm in Starke county, while Mr. Robbins will continue in the stock buying business.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Friday, April 16, 1909]

CENTRAL CAFE [Rochester, Indiana]

[Adv] **CENTRAL CAFE**, Sunday, November 29, 1931, 60¢ **MENU** 60¢ - - - -

[The News-Sentinel, Saturday, November 28, 1931]

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CAFE SOLD

The Central Cafe, 710 Main Street, was sold today by M. E. Ennis to A. E. Barnes who resides at 221 East Fifth street. Mr. Barnes took possession immediately. Mr. Ennis has no immediate plans for the future.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, August 29, 1932]

CENTRAL CAFE SOLD TO MR. AND MRS. HAWKINS

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Hawkins have purchased the Central Cafe at 719 North Main Street of Maylord Ennis. The transaction was completed late Tuesday afternoon. The purchasers have now taken possession of the cafe. Mr. and Mrs. Hawkins need no introduction to the people of Rochester and Fulton county. For several years they operated the Central Cafe later being caterers at the Country Club for several seasons. Mr. Ennis will return to Columbia City where he owns another cafe.

[The News-Sentinel, Wednesday, December 28, 1932]

CENTRAL DRUG STORE [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Dawson, George V.

[Adv] CENTRAL DRUG STORE (Established in 1855) is the place to buy - - - -M. J. & C. K. PLANK, Rochester, Ind.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, July 27, 1887]

[Adv] Isaiah Walker, Dr. H. H. Ford, Druggists (Successors to Plank & Plank) Keep constantly on hand - - - - CENTRAL DRUG STORE.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, April 25, 1888]

Dr. Ager, formerly of Perrysburg, has purchased the Central Drug Store, of Messrs. Walker & Ford and the invoicing of the stock will be commenced to-day. The Doctor is a genial, progressive fellow, and has a very pleasant family, all of whom will be welcomed to our pleasant little city.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, May 23, 1888]

CENTRAL HOUSE [Rochester, Indiana]

Also called Central Hotel.

Located on the SE corner of Sixth and Main streets.

Mrs. Jane Newhouse occupied the south room, where she had a millinery store.

See: Hotels - Central House

CENTRAL LUMBER CO. [Akron, Indiana]

EARLY MORNING FIRE CAUSES BIG LOSS AT AKRON

Special to the Sentinel

Akron, Ind., June 23 -- The property of the Central Lumber Co. here, owned by J. F. Young and Son, burned to the ground early this morning, the blaze starting about four o'clock. The loss will amount to \$5,000, with only \$500 in insurance.

While the property burned, Akron citizens gathered and watched the blaze. No effort was made to stop the conflagration as the citizens were unable to do a thing, Akron not even owning a fire bucket in which to carry water.

The blaze started in the saw mill and rapidly spread over the entire building. A car load of lime on the Erie tracks caught fire and burned. The early morning Erie passenger train from the

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east was held up and could not pass the blaze for one-half hour. Many thousand feet of lumber standing near the mill proper caught fire and was destroyed. The blaze lasted for four hours.

The fire, the largest in Akron in many years, will probably start an agitation in favor of a volunteer department. The town now does not possess any fire equipment of any kind as the town board has always refused to provide the money.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, June 23, 1915]

M. O. JAMISON SELLS AGENCY

M. O. Jamison, for several years proprietor of the Electric Shop here and lately the Willard Storage Battery agent, has sold his agency to Parry Young of Akron, who has had many years of experience in this line.

Mr. Young is the son of J. F. Young and the brother of H. G. Young, both of the Central Lumber Co. of this city. Mr. Jamison has sold out his business here because he has bought a similar one in Goshen, his former home, and wishes to live near relatives. He will leave in two weeks. Besides the storage battery work, Mr. Young will do house wiring and other electric fixture work.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, March 10, 1916]

FULLERTON-POWELL ABSORBS CENTRAL CO.

A transaction was completed Monday whereby the Fullerton-Powell Hardwood Lumber Co., of St. Louis and South Bend, took over all of the interests of the Central Lumber Co. of Rochester. The Central Lumber Co., brot here a few years ago by J. F. and H. G. Young, has been a growing concern. The consideration involved in the purchase was large. J. F. Young will retire from active business but H. G. Young will be connected with the new firm as manager of this branch. Sidney Wilson and Wallace Wagoner have been in the employ of the Fullerton-Powell people for some time.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, August 27, 1917]

CENTRAL MEAT MARKET [Rochester, Indiana]

[Adv] A. E. BATCHELOR, Proprietor of Central Meat Market, North of Postoffice, will sell fresh meats for the next 30 days at rock bottom prices - - -Those prices for cash only.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, January 3, 1885]

[Adv] CITY TRADE! Our Central Meat Market is the most richly furnished and elaboratly equipped place in the city, and we keep the very best grade of meats and solicit your trade. Everything kept pure, clean and sweet. ROUCH BROS. 1,000 hogs and all the veal calves in the county wanted at top prices.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, January 13, 1893]

BUSINESS CHANGES

The Central meat market was sold Monday, by Levi Young, to Messrs Henry Schott and Wm. A. Miller, two gentlemanly young men of Chicago. Both have had years of experience in the Chicago meat trade, from stock pens to chopping blocks, and the come with the experience, the capital and the determination to keep a meat market which will be able to please its patrons every day.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, March 5, 1897]

[Adv] Fresh Meats. - - - CENTRAL MEAT MARKET, now owned and managed by T. E. Rouch. - - - Yours for business. T. E. ROUCH.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, June 25, 1897]

CENTRAL OLDSMOBILE CO. [Rochester, Indiana]

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[Adv] Every Driving Convenience. Every Provision for Comfort. Oldsmobile is RESTFUL TO DRIVE. - - - Two Door Sedan \$875. - - - CENTRAL OLDSMOBILE CO., Karl Meredith, Manager. 117 East 7th St., Rochester, Indiana.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, June 13, 1929]

AUTO AGENCY MOVES

The Central Oldsmobile Co. have leased the Holman room directly north of the M. & M. Variety store and are moving their stock of autos and parts into the Main street location today. The agency, which is under the management of Karl Meredith, was formerly located in the Barrett Building on East 7th street.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, October 1, 1929]

[Adv] NOTICE! The Central Oldsmobile Agency has been moved from 702 Main Street to 117 East Seventh Street, opposite City Hall. A complete line of new and used cars. CARL E. MEREDITH, Mgr.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, May 29, 1930]

CENTRAL PAVING CO. [Rochester, Indiana]

The Central Paving Co., of Rochester, was one of 12 bidders on five miles of brick paving to be placed on the Lincoln highway east of Goshen. This is the Fred Hoffman company, it is said. Figures ranged from \$61,000 to \$75,000.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, May 5, 1915]

CENTRAL RESTAURANT [Rochester, Indiana]

NEWS OF THE DAY

The Central restaurant is closed on account of getting ready to move and consolidate with the American. The Gould palm parlor will occupy the room now occupied by the American.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, June 2, 1911]

CENTRAL TRADE PALACE [Rochester, Indiana]

- - - - The Cheapest Dry Goods, - - - Hats, Caps, Gloves and Underwear - - - Fancy Goods, Notions, Jewelry, - - - Carpets, Oil Cloths - - - Staple and Fancy Groceries - - - Ernsperger & Jackson, Proprietors, Rochester, Ind.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, January 13, 1877]

CENTRAL WARE HOUSE [Rochester, Indiana]

NOTICE TO BUILDERS

[Adv] Uncle Solomon Slusser has opened a Ware House, first door west of Jos. Lauer's clothing store, to be known from its central location as the CENTRAL WARE HOUSE! Where will be kept all kinds of Mason's material, Fresh Lime, American Cements, Louisville, Akron and Buffalo, English Portland Cement, the celebrated Eagle and Anchor brands, Plastering Hair, New York and Michigan Plaster and Marble Dust, Stone Window and Door Sills, Building Stones and Bricks, Sewer Pipes, Fire Bricks, Fire Clay, also the celebrated Calumet Fire Clay Chimney, warranted to withstand fire and frost, and at about one half the cost of brick chimneys; Lawn Vases and all kinds of Terra Cotta goods.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, April 19, 1884]

CENTURY FARM [Henry Township]

See: Farm Names

Located at the west edge of Akron on the north side of SR-14.

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The house is in the town limits of Akron, and was the home of Jacob Whittenberger family. It remained in the family until the death of Jacob's grandson, Don Noyer, in 1968.

[Jacob Whittenberger Family, Velma Bright, *Fulton Co Folks*, Vol. 2, Willard]

CESSNA, LEMUEL [Rochester, Indiana]

BIOGRAPHY

Lemuel Cessna was one of the substantial farmers of Fulton county. He was born November 6, 1869, and in 1892 occurred his marriage to Hattie Myers, a native of Vermillion county, Illinois. In 1903, they became residents of Fulton county, and here Mr. Cessna was successfully engaged in agricultural pursuits until his death on June 1, 1912. At the time of his death, he was the owner of two hundred and forty acres of valuable land. Mr. and Mrs. Cessna became the parents of eight children: John L., who married Hazel Rush and has two children, Deveraux and Leonard; Minnie E., a school teacher in South Bend, Indiana; Otto, who married Louise Armstrong and has one child, Robert A.; Alma Ann, a graduate nurse at Fort Wayne, Indiana; Lemuel Dale; Lorene, the wife of Dean Barnett, has one child, Bettie Lou; Doris L.; and Keith. Fraternally, Mr. Cessna was a popular member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and was a Mason.

[Henry A. Barnhart, *Fulton County History*, pp. 171-172, Dayton Historical Publishing Co., 1923]

CHAIR MAKERS [Akron, Indiana]

In the fifties the Stanton family located in this county, living in and near Rochester. In 1860, they moved to Akron, where the family home was maintained until 1867

The subject of this sketch [George S. Stanton] was the second son, born in Ohio in 1850 to Albert and Margaret S. STANTON, and lived his boyhood days in Fulton county. Albert D. [STANTON], the oldest son of this family, served in the 128th regiment of Civil War volunteers from its organization until the close of the War.

Albert Stanton, the father, built a substantial home in Akron, which is yet standing on the original site, is in a good state of preservation and a comfortable residence. Mr. Stanton was a chair maker, plied his trade industriously and produced excellent chairs, known as "flag bottom" all parts being hand made. The durability and quality of said production is yet evidenced in numerous Akron homes, where "Stanton" chairs are yet in use after the many years of constant usage.

[Obituary, George S. Stanton, The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Wednesday, May 28, 1930]

CHAMBERLAIN, ALEXANDER [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Hotels - Arlington

See: Rochester, Indiana [Historical Review]

BIOGRAPHY

It is said that the deeds which men do live after them, yet in recording the actions of men long gone, we feel how utterly insufficient are the words we speak to give an adequate idea of what the man really was. To those living, no word description, however perfect, can give so good

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a picture as the man himself. But when generations have come and gone, memory loses the picture made by the object of the past. This man, in every phase of life, was a true pioneer, and those who knew him best know that with all he was, he had a good and noble feeling for every man he met. Eccentric though he may have been, his life and its events combined with his surroundings made him such. He was born in Kinderhook, Columbia, N.Y., March 28, 1788, and was from his early years subjected to laborious duties, and on account of which he was denied the benefits of an education. He commenced early in life to work for his own support, and being of a roving turn of mind he traveled much and was thrown into all classes of society. Buffeted by contention and swerved by circumstances, he grew to be a man of peculiar make-up. He was in the war of 1812, and engaged in the famous battle of Lundy's Lane, in which the Americans won a decided victory over the British. He was at one time, during this war, captured by the British, and escaped by swimming the Niagara River, just below the falls, and landed on the other side under a shower of bullets from the enemy. After the war closed, he married and settled in Indiana, near Terre Haute, where he engaged in farming for some time. He then came to Logansport, where he engaged in the hotel business, or rather conducted a tavern. He built several buildings and conducted his business on the present site of the Burnett House. He came to Rochester when it was a mere Indian trading post, and was among the original platters of the town. He engaged in the tavern business and was patronized by teamsters and stage men. His efforts were confined to that section of the town now known as the north end, where he erected several buildings, some of which still stand to mark the works of his hands. By his first marriage he had three daughters, and who, if living, are old in years. By his second marriage, which occurred after he came to this place, and his choice being Mrs. Margaret Adair, a widow and a native of Ireland, born May 15, 1821, he had one daughter--Mary, born June 15, 1858, now married and living in Illinois. His wife is still living as one of the most respected old ladies of the place. He deceased January 9, 1869, after a strange and peculiar career, known by every one as a creature of nature in the truest and strictest sense.

[T. B. Helm, *Fulton County Atlas*, A. L. Kingman, 1883, p. 22]

CHAMBERLAIN, BILL [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Hotels - Arlington

CHAMBERLAIN, CHESTER [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Rochester, Indiana [Historical Review]

BIOGRAPHY

Capt. Chester Chamberlain. - This man is one of the free and easy sort who make the most of present circumstances and surroundings. Never up for one day and down for the next, he follows an almost even tenor, which has been of great assistance to him in the business affairs of life. He was born in Newark, N.J., January 1, 1835. His father, Sylvester Chamberlain, was a hatter by trade, and early in 1836 determined to leave the East. He stopped in Chicago when it was in its infancy. The next point was South Bend, where he remained but a short time; then came to Rochester, where he purchased a tract of land and commenced farming, which occupation he followed for some time; then entered the general merchandise business, and retired a few years before his death, which occurred at Dayton, Ohio, in 1881. Josephine Chamberlain, the mother of the subject of this sketch, was an Italian woman, born in Rome and came to America early in life, and died in 1842. Ches is the oldest of three children. He was educated at Notre Dame University, where the strict regulations formed a desire to be free. So in 1858, the thought occurred to him to "go West." He stopped at Topeka, Kans., and which was not then the city of today. He then went into the territory now embraced in Colorado. His principal object was, as he says, "to see the country." But from his own statement one would conclude that he saw something more than he was looking for. He says: "I was one day casting about to see what could be seen,

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when I was captured by a band of Comanche Indians, they stripped me of my clothing, took everything I had, and but for the timely approach of a company of whites, I do not know what would have been my fate. They left me to be cared for by my own kind." Whether this had anything to do with shortening his stay in the West or not, we will leave the reader to judge. Suffice it to say that three years of Western life was sufficient to cool his ardor. He came home at the commencement of the late war, and with the spirit of adventure not yet dead, coupled with needs of his country, prompted him to enlist as private in Company K, Forty-sixth Indiana Regiment. He served as a private for two years, and was then promoted to First Lieutenant; served in this position for four or five months, when he was made Captain of the company, serving as such till the close of the war--a faithful soldier and a good officer. While he was in the service, he was in the expedition up the Red River, was in the whole of the Vicksburg campaign, had the honor of being detailed to escort Lieut. Gov. Jacobs, of Kentucky, through to the rebel lines in West Virginia. While he was Captain, he held the position of Provost Marshal of the city of Lexington, Ky. In October 1864, while on an expedition in Eastern Kentucky, near Prestonsburg, he was run over and badly crippled by a cavalry company. Being in hostile territory, there was great danger of being captured. His comrades built a raft of logs on which he was placed with one companion and floated down the Big Sandy River through rebel territory and landed at Catletsburg, Ky. At the close of the war, he came home, and November 6, 1865, was united in marriage to Miss Sarah Swartwood, a native of Pennsylvania, born in 1842. She was at that time living with her parents in Fulton County. Their family consists of five children, four of whom are now living, whose names are as follows: William, Albert B., Harry P., Jesse. He served as Postmaster of Rochester for six months under the administration of President Andrew Johnson. He then entered the restaurant business, which he followed until the year 1871, when he was nominated and elected Recorder of Fulton County by his, the Democratic party. He served one term of four years with such efficiency and credit that he was re-elected for a second term, serving in all eight years as one of the county's best and most efficient Recorders. Shortly after his term of office expired, he opened a large grocery house, in which business, with his experience, and his large acquaintance throughout the county, he has succeeded beyond his greatest expectation, so that he is now permanently as one of Rochester's successful business men.

[T. B. Helm, *Fulton County Atlas*, A. L. Kingman, 1883, p. 22]

CHAMBERLAIN, CLAUDE [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Hotels - Arlington

CHAMBERLAIN, H. O. [Rochester, Indiana]

[Adv] If you are willing to buy poor goods in order to "save money" this is not the store for you. If you want to save money on goods of quality this is the store for you. H. O. CHAMBERLAIN, Grocer. S.S. Square.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, March 23, 1910]

[Adv] Grocery Satisfaction. - - - - H. C. CHAMBERLAIN, Grocer. Phone 42.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, January 25, 1911]

CHAMBERLAIN, HOWARD R. [Rochester, Indiana]

THREE MORE FULTON CO. BOYS CHOSEN FOR CAMP

Fulton county's second list of approved applicants who will attend the Citizens' Military Training Camps this summer, announced at Fifth Corps Area headquarters, Fort Hayes, O., includes the following names: Howard R. Chamberlain, R.F.D. 1, Box 25, Rochester, George W. Diveley, R. F. D. , Grass Creek, Herman D. Zimmeman, 417 E. 13th St., Rochester. Previously Devon Smith of Akron had been accepted. - - - -.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, March 16, 1925]

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LOCAL MAN VERSATILE RADIO ANNOUNCER

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Howard R. Chamberlain, son of J. E. Chamberlain, 312 West 10th, night police, is now employed by Radio Station WIND at Gary, "the tip top spot on your dial" as announcer, singer and program director.

Several years experience as singer, but less than six months as announcer and with dramatic and specialty experience in front of the "mike" at WELL at Battle Creek, Mich., where he has lived for the past seven years. Sang over WLS two weeks ago.

WIND is located at the top of the dial, its wave length being 560 K.C. Chamberlain announces from 7 a.m. to 2:20 p.m. Singing at 11 p.m. Friday evenings, 7:30 on Wednesdays. Special announcer on Chicago Panorama at 8:00 p.m. Fridays.

[The News-Sentinel, Friday, June 29, 1934]

HOWARD CHAMBERLAIN ON STATION WLS STAFF

Howard Chamberlain, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Chamberlain of this city, will on August 6 become a member of the staff of Station WLS, Chicago. Mr. Chamberlain who is both an announcer and singer has been on the staff of Station WIND at Gary for the past six weeks. Prior to that time he was with Station WELL at Battle Creek, Michigan. The entire staff of radio announcers at Station WLS when Chamberlain assumes his position there were on the staff at Station WELL together. Mr. Chamberlain is spending the week in this city with his parents.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, July 30, 1934]

HOWARD CHAMBERLAIN JOINS WLW STAFF

Howard Chamberlain, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Chamberlain of this city, who for the past three years has been program-production manager of radio station KLZ, Denver, Colo., has joined the staff of WLW. Mr. Chamberlain will be assistant to George C. Bigger, WLW program director. He will devote the major portion of his time to the development of new talent.

Mr. Chamberlain has been in radio for eight years, beginning his career as a baritone soloist on WELL, Battle Creek, Mich. He was on the announcing and vocal staff of WIND, Gary, and WLS, Chicago. Later he entered the executive end of radio as program director of KMA, Shenandoah, Iowa where he served one year. From there he went to Denver, where he has had charge of development and production of all programs originating at KLZ.

Mr. Chamberlain was a pupil of the late Herbert Witherspoon, celebrated Chicago voice instructor. He sang on the air and for three years appeared as a church soloist.

[The News-Sentinel, Saturday, July 20, 1940]

FORMER ROCHESTER RESIDENT'S TALENTS AS RADIO ANNOUNCER ARE RECOGNIZED IN NEWSPAPER STORY

An article appearing recently in the Cincinnati Enquirer made recognition of the talents of Howard R. Chamberlain, as announcer for radio station WLW at Cincinnati and formerly Fulton county resident.

Chamberlain is the son of Jack Chamberlain of Richland township and is a graduate of local schools. He serves as moderator on the Cincinnati station's "The World Front." The article about the former young man says:

Has Versatile Background

"Versatility is the foundation upon which the progress of Howard R. Chamberlain is based. Starting out as singer-and-announcer, under the guiding hand of George C. Biggar 10 years ago, he is now assistant director to the man who gave him his start in radio.

"Ten years ago he applied for a position as announcer at WLW; today the selection of announcers is part of his work.

"He couldn't get a job as announcer, so he got the job of hiring them. That 'voice quality' can be traced to vocal training as a singer. He was twice runner-up in the old Atwater Kent auditions of some years ago.

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“Chamberlain held practically every job that could be held in radio except management and salesman during the 10 years behind the mike, so he believes that a background of personality is more valuable than talents, but a combination of both is desirable.

Forced Into Radio

“He has handled auditions for 10 years and can recall many interesting circumstances under which people apply for radio work. He is convinced the greatest asset of all comes from the desire to sing or act rather than the glamour of doing it and the money to be earned from it. There is no such thing as an expert in radio, he thinks, for the more one learns about it the greater the possibilities that unfold.

“Chamberlain was forced into radio in 1933 because he couldn’t find anything else to do. His training, he says, was for practically every other field, but adds he has never passed a day in radio that at least one or more of his past experiences outside of radio could not be applied to broadcasting. He faced the first microphone in 1925, when the mike was suspended in the small end of a megaphone and it was believed that sound had to be passed into the mike as in a funnel.

“He has interviewed everything from a dog, which dragged a boy from a burning incinerator to safety, to the President of the United States. He handled the first broadcast from a mountain top 14,200 feet high.

Chicken Raising Is Hobby

“He was one of three 50 to 50,000 watts ‘average boys’ - Chamberlain, Jack Holden and Joe Kelly, all of BattleCreek, Mich., who went to Chicago in one jump. All three were on the national barn dance for three years.

“He is 56 years old and the father of two boys, 8 and 10 years old. His hobbies are raising chickens, building furniture and inventing new ways of doing things better.”

[The News-Sentinel, Wednesday, May 12, 1943]

H. R. CHAMBERLAIN IS NOW WLW PROGRAM DIRECTOR

Howard R. Chamberlain, whose parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack E. Chamberlain, reside northwest of Rochester, has just been made program director of Station WLW, Cincinnati, it has been announced by James D. Shouse, vice president of the Crosley Corporation in charge of broadcasting.

Howard was born in Rochester 26 years ago and was graduated from the Rochester high school in 1925.

He began his radio career 11 years ago as a baritone soloist on Station WELL, Battle Creek, Mich., where he also studied voice for six years. Later, he was on the announcing and vocal staffs of WIND, Gary, Ind., and WLS, Chicago. He then entered the executive phase of radio as program director of KMA, Shenandoah, Iowa. Subsequently he was with KLZ, Denver, Colo., where he had charge of the development and production of all programs originating at KLZ, and also handled many regular newscasts. Joining WLW in July 1940, Howard has been serving since that date as assistant program director, his promotion to program director thus coming a little more than three years after joining The Nations Station.

Howard is one of the most versatile men in the radio business, his experience including everything from the executive to handling of hundreds of microphone interviews, including the President of the United States.

He is married and the father of two sons, 11 and 9 years of age. Naturally they take most of his spare time, but Howard also confesses to such hobbies as raising chickens, building fine furniture and inventing new ways of doing things better.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, October 21, 1943]

CHAMBERLAIN, JESSE [Rochester, Indiana]

NEWS OF THE DAY

Jesse Chamberlain has opened a cigar store and billiard and pool room in the room formerly occupied by the box ball alley, north of the court house. He has the place fitted with two pool and a billiard table and will serve hot lunches and handle a fine line of cigars and candy. In

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opening the place Mr. Chamberlain says he will make it for men only and that no boys will be allowed to visit the room.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, April 3, 1908]

NEW POCKET BILLIARD PLACE

Jesse Chamberlain of this city, who up until about a year ago, conducted a pool room in the room now occupied by the A. B. Chamberlain saloon, has again decided to go into that business. The room in the Centennial block, next to the Chamberlain saloon, has been rented and already the fixtures for an up-to-date pocket billiard and cigar store, with lunch, are being placed in position. It is the intntion of the proprietor to be ready for business in about three weeks and at that time he will throw open to the public a neat place calculated to get all the trade that comes his way. Mr. Chamberlain made a success of the business before and it is presumed he has lost none of his cunning since a year ago.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, April 25, 1912]

NORTH SIDE POOL ROOM SOLD

The north side pool room and cigar store, which has been operated for the past several months by Jesse Chamberlain of this city, has been sold. Frank Cole, formerly of this city but for the past year residing in Oklahoma, is the new owner and he has already taken possession. Mr. Cole is well known to a wide circle of Rochester friends who predict that he will meet with success in his late undertaking. The place has already a wide patronage and Mr. Cole expects to cater to the wants of his customers in a manner that cannot fail to win their friendship.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, July 26, 1912]

CHAMBERLAIN, LINLEY [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Hotels - Arlington

CHAMBERLAIN, THOMAS W. [Chicago, Illinois]

COMPLETES FIFTY YEARS SERVICE ON NEWSPAPER

Thomas W. Chamberlain, well-known in Rochester where he had many relatives and friends, recently ended 50 years service on the Chicago Tribune and the house organ "The Trib" published by that newspaper caried his picture on the cover page in a recent issue. Another pirture inside showed his son, Irving, and his grandson, Thomas, in an article about Mr. Chamberlain the magazine had the following to say:

"We set the American revised edition of the New Testament by hand. Not a chapter or a verse was omitted and this was in addition to the regular edition. That was one big night!"

"Thomas W. Chamberlain, veteran Tribune compositor, recalls with relish this great Tribune scoop on May 21, 1881, six weeks after he had joined the Tribune composing room staff. Throughout the 50 years he has spent in the composing room, this particular accomplishment stands out as a memorable event in his Tribune career. Even the memory of the night President Garfield was assassinated is overshadowed by it.

"I've worked hard and I've enjoyed working," delcared Veteran Chamberlain on the eve of his retiring from Tribune service, "but now I'm going to have a change. I'm going to have a good time and do just as I please."

"Thomas Chamberlain is a native Hoosier. He served his apprenticeship at typesetting in Dayton, Ohio, and came to Chicago in April, 1881, when he joined the Tribune staff. Four years later he was one of the first Tribune compositors to change from the hand-set to the lineotype method and was placed on one of the first 12 linotype machines installed by the Tribune. Mr. Chamberlain has worked on the night shift almost entirely during his 50 Tribune years.

"How do you think you're going to like turning the clock around and not getting off to work at night?" he was asked.

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"I don't know," came the prompt reply from the alert Mr. Chamberlain, "but I have an idea that I'm going to enjoy the future."

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, April 28, 1931]

CHAMBERLAIN, WILL C. [Rochester, Indiana]

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION

Notice is hereby given that the co-partnership heretofore existing between Frank D. Rader and Will C. Chamberlain, under the firm name of Rader & Chamberlain, is this day dissolved by mutual consent. Will C. Chamberlain will continue the business and become the owner of all books and accounts, and is hereby authorized to settle the same. Frank D. Rader, Will C. Chamberlain, Rochester, Ind., Jan. 14, 1896]

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, January 17, 1896]

CHAMBERLAIN & SHIELDS [Rochester, Indiana]

We failed last week to notice the change in the firm of Chamberlain & Shields, occasioned by Mr. Chamberlain selling his interest to a Mr. Peck. The Grocery business will be continued under the name of Shields & Peck, at the old stand opposite the court house.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, June 21, 1866]

CHAMBERLAIN BROS. GROCERY [Rochester, Indiana]

DeMONT'S GROCERY SOLD

The W. F. DeMont & Son Grocery was sold today, and the new proprietors are the Chamberlain Brothers -- Jesse and Harry. Mr. DeMont & Son have been in business here for about five years and have been successful. The new proprietors are energetic, accommodating, straightforward, young men and will undoubtedly be given a fine patronage. The new proprietors took possession today.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, November 4, 1905]

CHAMBERLAIN CAFE [Rochester, Indiana]

SELLS OUT INTEREST

Ike Emmons has sold out his interest in the cafe owned by him and Jesse Chamberlain to Chamberlain. Chamberlain will continue on in the lunch room and poolroom as before, while Emmons will look after other interests.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, April 20, 1922]

CHAMBERLAIN FEED STORE [Rochester, Indiana]

OATS WANTED

I want to buy a large quantity of good oats at my feed store next door to the postoffice. MRS. SARAH CHAMBERLAIN.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, June 18, 1890]

CHAMBERLAIN GROCERY [Rochester, Indiana]

SELLS GROCERY

Harry Chamberlain, proprietor of the grocery south of the court house, has sold his business to James Burns and Sard Robbins. Mr. Robbins has had experience in the business, as he formerly conducted a grocery in this city. Mr. Chamberlain is thinking of moving to another state.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, January 7, 1914]

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CHAMBERLAIN GROCERY [Rochester, Indiana]

NEW GROCERY STORE

Jesse Chamberlain will open a grocery store south of the court house, in the room recently vacated by Ransom Dull, according to an announcement made by him Thursday morning. Mr. Chamberlain had just returned from Chicago where he purchased fixtures and his stock, but said that he would not open his place for at least 30 days.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, January 23, 1919]

CHAMBERLAIN GROCERY SOLD

Douglas I. Hobbs and L. F. Whisman, both of Winchester, Kentucky, have purchased the Jesse Chamberlain grocery store, on the south side of the court house, and have already taken possession. Mr. Hobbs completed the invoice the first of the week and will manage the store alone until he is joined later by his partner who at present is operating in the Kentucky oil fields. Mr. Hobbs has just recently been discharged from the service.

The new owners have been in business in Kentucky for years and come well recommended to the community. Mr. Hobbs will move his family here at once. Mr. Chamberlain has not yet announced what business he will enter.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, September 3, 1919]

CHAMBERLAIN GROCERY, C. [Rochester, Indiana]

{Adv] NEW GROCERY FIRM. Having purchased the Chamberlain Grocery, refitted and refurbished the same, we are ready to receive customers.. We pay the highest prices for Country Produce. - - - J. C. BARRET & CO., Successors to Mrs. C. Chamberlain, next to Post Office.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, May 16, 1888]

CHAMBERLAIN'S GROCERY [Rochester, Indiana]

[Adv] First Annual Thanksgiving Sale. - - - CHAMBERLAIN'S GROCERY, South Side Public Square.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, November 26, 1906]

CHAMBERLAIN'S TAVERN [Rochester, Indiana]

Located N side of street at 128 E 8th.

See: Hotels - Arlington

OPENS CARD-LUNCH ROOM

The Chamberlain Brothers of this city today announced the opening of a new card and lunch room at 111 East 9th street, on Thursday, August 8th. The new business enterprise will occupy the room formerly used by the T. A. Murphy Bakery. The entire room has been completely remodeled and redecorated and new equipment has been installed. William (Bill) Chamberlain will be in charge of this new business.

[The News-Sentinel, Wednesday, August 7, 1935]

CHAMBERLAIN & WRIGHT [Rochester, Indiana]

DISSOLUTION NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the public that the firm of Chamberlain & Wright have mutually agreed to dissolve partnership, and that Mr. Wright will hereafter conduct the business by himself. CHAMBERLAIN & WRIGHT, Dec 10th, 1908.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, December 11, 1908]

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CHAMP, JOHN [Macy, Allen Township, Miami County]

BIOGRAPHY

John Champ, farmer and tile manufacturer, at Macy, was born in Piqua County, Ohio, April 8, 1830. He was the son of Joseph and Martha Ann (Baggs) Champ, natives of Kentucky and Virginia respectively, the former of Scotch-Irish and the latter of German descent. The father of our subject died when the latter was but seven years old. When he was ten years old his widowed mother and five children came to this county and first located at Peru. That was in 1840. Five years later they located upon the present site of Somerset, Wabash County and erected the first house in that place. In about 1848 they returned to Peru. They removed to a farm in Kosciusko County in 1850. About two years later they removed to Cass County and located in the vicinity of the Huldah Iron Works, four miles east of Logansport. John took a position in that establishment, which he continued to hold four years. In 1856 he and his mother located upon a farm in Adams Township, Cass County. In 1864 he removed to a farm which he had purchased in Fulton County. In February 1865, he enlisted in Company F., 151st Indiana Volunteers, from which he received an honorable discharge in the following November. In the spring of 1876 he again came to this county and this time located at Macy. He owns a farm adjoining that place which he superintends, and in connection with this he is engaged quite extensively in the manufacture of tile, having entered into a partnership in that business in 1878, with Peter Carvey. June 23, 1859, he was married to Sarah M. Scott, a native of Preble County, Ohio, born March 18, 1839. She was the daughter of Daniel and Ellen M. (Dilhorn) Scott, natives of New Jersey and Pennsylvania, the former of Scotch and the latter of English descent. Mr. and Mrs. Champ have never had any children of their own, but are the foster parents of eight children, six of whom are living. Our subject and his wife have been members of the Christian Church over thirty years. The former is a member of the F. & A. M. and G.A.R. Lodges and a Prohibitionist in politics. In the fall of 1876 he was elected to the office of Justice of the Peace and served one term. He is an industrious and successful farmer and business man and a worthy and honored citizen.

[*History of Miami County, Indiana*, 1887, Brant & Fuller. pp. 510-511]

CHANCE, ARCHIE B. [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Letter From Archie B. Chance)

CHAPIN, JAMES S. [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Academy of Music

See: Rochester Bands

CHAPIN & BROTHERS DRY GOODS [Rochester, Indiana]

[Adv] Chapin & Brother invite every farmer visiting the Fair to Call and see their new and elegant store room at the North End, and their fine stock of Dry Goods, Groceries, Queensware, Boots and Shoes, and get PRICES. All kinds of produce taken in exchange for goods.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, August 30, 1879]

[Adv] Down She Goes! Another Great Crash. We have purchased the immense general stock of CHAPIN & BROTHER, and hereby proclaim to the Public that this Great Assortment of Goods will be sold AT BARGAINS hitherto unknown in Rochester. Call at Chapin & Bro's old stand North End of town, and come early for Bargains. We Mean Business. HEILBRUN & CO.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, January 14, 1882]

CHAPMAN, DARRELL L. [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Letter From Darrell Chapman)

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See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Second Letter From Darrel Chapman)

CHAPMAN, RALPH P. [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Letter From Ralph P. Chapman)

CHAPMAN'S HARDWARE [Talma, Indiana]

Operated by Earl Chapman.

CHAPMAN'S HARNESS SHOP [Rochester, Indiana]

[Adv] Work Wanted. Since buying J. W. Kern Vulcanizing outfit, we are now prepared to repair all kinds of bicycle and automobile tires at our new location on [608] Main street in the room formerly occupied by Chapman's harness shop. We will continue to sell Harley Davidson motorcycles and conduct a first class shop for the repair of bicycles and motorcycles. - - - Hagan Brothers, opposite Zimmerman's Furniture Store.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, September 30, 1915]

CHAR-BELL THEATRE [Rochester, Indiana]

Located 616-622 Main.

Building constructed of bricks from the Rochester Normal University which was torn down in 1923.

See Times Theatre

See Moving Picture Theaters_____

GARAGE MAY BE CONVERTED INTO MOVIE THEATRE

Strong rumors were current about the city Saturday to the effect that the Robbins and Kepler garage on Main street between Sixth and Seventh streets had been sold to Chas. Kriehbaum, who contemplates, it is said, the reconstruction of the building into high class, modern motion picture theatre.

Charles Robbins, when interviewed, refused to make any admission whatever, but from the tone of his conversation intimated that some such deal was in progress, but not finally completed. It is believed that in selling the garage Robbins and Kepler also contemplate selling the Chevrolet agency, which may or may not be moved into the Robbins garage on the opposite side of the street, which is now occupied by the Wagoner Studebaker agency.

The only admission that could be secured from Kriehbaum was the fact that he has turned down the proposal to build the contemplated theatre on the city lot. He declared that he could not consider this proposition because the city has leased the building on the rear end of the lot for a period of two years.

Kriehbaum's admission of this fact was taken to mean, however, that he had closed, if not publicly at least in his own mind, this first avenue of culmination of his plans towards giving Rochester a real theatre building, and apparently has another presumably the Robbins building to take up and carry on to a successful ending.

What announcement the future may bring in regard to the changes are purely a matter of conjecture, but the old adage has it that "where there is so much smoke there must be some fire" and this is believed entirely applicable to the remodeling of the garage in question into a theatre.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, August 18, 1923]

NEW THEATRE WILL HAVE ESTEY ORGAN

Rochester's new motion picture theatre will be equipped with an \$8,000 Estey pipe organ, purchased thru the Crownover Music Co., according to announcement made by Charles Kriehbaum. The organ will be up-to-date in every respect with all the instruments of an orchestra with the exception of drums and cymbal. Work on the theatre building is progressing rapidly.

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[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, October 9, 1923]

WILL ASK CITIZENS TO NAME NEW THEATRE

Charles Krieghbaum, who recently purchased the Robbins garage building, which is now in course of being remodeled into a modern motion picture and vaudeville theatre, announces that he will stage a contest in which people of this community will be asked to take part to select a name for the new theatre.

The contest is to be conducted probably through local newspapers, whose subscribers will be asked to submit names. The exact details of the plan have not yet been worked out, but will be announced in the near future as the name must be chosen before the fixtures are made in Chicago as the name must be on some of them.

Work on the building is progressing rapidly. Wednesday afternoon the actual work of raising the roof three feet, as required by law, was commenced. It was expected that a day and a half and 20 or more workmen would be required to perform this feat.

The roof has been loosened from its moorings on the pilasters that support it. Twenty huge jacks have been placed at each pilaster and the twenty workmen employed for the purpose will turn their jacks simultaneously so that the roof will go up on a perfect balance and will not be strained as if it lifted just a little at a time.

The house, when completed, will have seating accommodations for 800 patrons and the stage will be 28x36 feet, ample accommodations for the vaudeville acts Krieghbaum plans to have every week end.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, October 17, 1923]

MRS. RAY BROWN WINS THEATRE NAME PRIZE

"Char-Bell" will be the name of the new motion picture theatre in Rochester. The title is taken from the first names of Mr. and Mrs. Krieghbaum, the owners of the building. This suggestion was made by Mrs. Ray Brown, 312 West 10th street, and she will be awarded the first prize of \$25.00.

Hugh R. Henderson, of Fulton, postmaster and world war veteran, won second prize, a six month pass to the theatre with the suggested name of "Amusu." Third prize, a three months pass, was won by Mrs. Enoch Myers with the suggestion of "E-Z-C," (Easy-See).

Mr. Krieghbaum, when informed of the choice of the name, stated that it met with his approval in that it would give him several possibilities in the way of a novel electric sign for the front of the theatre. The prizes would be awarded at once, he said.

The three judges, Omar B. Smith, Harold Van Trump and Hugh A. Barnhart, spent several hours going over the names and gradually by the process of elimination had 10 names left from which the final choices were made. There were several clever combinations of the names of the owners, but Char-Bell was selected as it was short, easily pronounced, gave possibilities for a trade mark and brought in the names of the owners. Names were sent in by 194 people, the total number being suggested being 1223. One individual sent in 60 names.

The name of Krieghbaum, Manitou and Rochester, were suggested most. The three prize winners were the only ones to send in the names chosen.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, November 6, 1923]

WEST WALL THEATRE BUILDING CAVES IN

Failure of the original builders to put a foundation under a 12 foot span of the northwest corner of the Krieghbaum theatre building caused the retaining wall at the north side of the west well to crowd to the north with the result that the wall buckled and about two-thirds of it fell into the alley causing considerable damage.

Contractor Parcell, who is remodeling the garage building into a theatre building discovered the deficiency in the construction and was about to connect the two retaining walls when the accident occurred.

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Fortunately it was discovered that the wall was crowding into the dirt where there was no support and workmen were given a space of from 15 to 20 minutes to barricade the alley and get away from danger.

When the wall fell it caved in the rear of two barns, doing but slight damage to one, but ruining one whole side of the Miller barn where Lee Miller had stored implements and fence. There was no damage done to the contents of the barn.

The accident, it was stated by Charles Krieghbaum, while expensive, will cause little if any delay in the construction of the theatre. A state building inspector was here at the time of the cave-in. He placed the responsibility of the accident on the failure to connect the foundations and declared that when the new foundation is placed in the west end of the building it could not be more solid. The roof of the building, which sagged some when the wall went down, was not damaged.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, November 9, 1923]

KRIEGHBAUM COMES TO LIVE IN ROCHESTER

H. L. Krieghbaum, formerly of Bloomington, has moved with his family to Rochester to enter into a partnership with his brother, Charles Krieghbaum, owner of the Paramount and the new Char-Bell Theater. H. L. Krieghbaum, who is a married man, has not located permanently as yet, but will do so as soon as his furniture arrives. He has recently graduated from Indiana university and for the past year has been employed by that school.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, December 24, 1923]

VALENTINE'S DAY SET FOR OPENING OF NEW THEATRE

Work on Rochester's magnificent new theatre building is rapidly being completed, and, according to announcement made by Charley Kreighbaum, the Char-Bell will open its doors to the public for the first time on St. Valentine's Day, February 14.

The plasterers are just now putting the finishing touches on the beautiful arched ceiling of the building and with all of the necessary equipment here, electricians are installing the electrical system, which will be second to none in the state.

In the power house, located at the rear of the theatre or the Main street side of the building, will be located a whole new set of modern motion picture machines, which will be installed with all the latest and most modern devices to make smooth running pictures, including automatic arc feed and governor controlled mechanism designed to take all flicker out of the films. Spot lights for the stage and other lighting effects are also being installed at this time.

Install Seats

The seats will be installed probably next week when the plastering has been finished. The floor is of concrete and will be painted with runners in the aisles, which are wide and make the seats easily accessible.

The organ, which will be located on each side of the stage in triangular off-sets, is not to be installed until the last thing before the show is to be opened.

In the direct center of the ceiling is a lattice work ventilator which will keep the air in the building pure and fresh at all times, regardless of the size of the audience and two exits in front and two on the alleys with emergency exits at the rear provide ample room of emptying the building in a minimum space of time.

Front Lobby

The front lobby is to be beautifully and artistically finished. In the direct center of the enclosed lobby is the ticket booth while on the south there will be a refreshment stand where pop corn, peanuts, candy, cigars and the like will be dispensed.

Mr. Kreighbaum has not definitely announced his plans for the future, but he says he will start off the program with two acts of vaudeville and as time progresses plans to have shows similar to those staged at Logansport and Peru, which proved so attractive to many Rochester people. When such shows are being played at the Char-Bell, the Paramount will be opened for the

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people who want to stick to the straight movie programs. Definite announcements to the public by the management in the very near future it was stated.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, January 22, 1924]

CHAR-BELL THEATRE OPENS ON SCHEDULE

Everything is in readiness for the opening of the new Char-Belle theatre Thursday evening, according to announcement by the owners, the Krieghbaum Brothers, who have been employing an unusually large force of men and working in two shifts in order to open on schedule time.

The seats have all been placed and will accommodate 800 persons. The opening night's program will be featured by community singing of the song "Memories," words for which will be flashed on the screen.

An orchestra will furnish the music for the time being as the shipment of the \$8,000 Estey organ purchased for the theatre has been delayed and it will not arrive for a week or two. On the opening night the film will be "The Bad Man," featuring Holbroke together with a two-reel comedy, "Flying Finances." On Friday and Saturday two acts of Keith's vaudeville will be featured.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, February 12, 1924]

THEATRE OPENING THURSDAY EVENING IS HUGE SUCCESS

Those who were lucky enough to secure admittance to the opening performances of the new Char-Bell theatre are agreed that it was a marked success in every respect. Crowds were turned away from the doors for lack of either seating or standing room, long before the appointed hour of seven o'clock.

That Rochester, as a whole, heartily approved the Krieghbaum brothers' project was evidenced by the spirit that predominated thruout the entire audience. Shortly before seven o'clock, a body of the business men of the city presented the owners with two huge baskets of beautiful roses and were then ushered to a block of seats on the north side of the house.

Good Orchestra

Before the start of the first picture, an orchestra made up of local talent rendered several pleasing numbers. Immediately following the close of the picture, the screen was raised and Omar B. Smith made his way to the stage where he spoke, commending the brothers for their efforts and foresight in giving to this city what was later referred to as "the moving picture home." At the close of his talk of thanks on behalf of the people of the community, Mr. Smith called for Charles Krieghbaum who, after peering over the foot-lights at the sea of smiling faces before him, informed his beaming patrons that he was just "too excited to talk," but managed to show his appreciation of the attendance in the few words he said.

Author of the "moving picture home" slogan, Charles Emmons was the next to take the stage and he gave a very interesting and constructive talk on the "Educational Value of the Moving Picture," citing in his speech the thoro manner in which some of the famous movies are censored for public presentation. Mr. Emmons on closing asked for Mr. Lyle Krieghbaum who expressed his appreciation of the support shown him and his brother in the crowning of their efforts.

Violin Solo

Following the speeches, Mrs. Robert Shafer accompanied Donald Stahl in two violin numbers after which "Memories," a song film was flashed on the screen while the whole audience, lead by C. J. Irwin, joined in the singing of old songs in which the voices of the older citizens were predominant during the "singer feast," which consisted entirely of numbers almost unknown to the younger generation, "Silver Threads Among the Gold," "A Bicycle Built for Two," and "Where the River Shannon Flows."

At the finish of the singing, the feature picture, "The Bad Man," was presented.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, February 15, 1924]

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[Adv] Vaudeville! Friday and Saturday February 22 and 23 --- 2-Big Acts-2. Dorothy Kenton "The Girl with the Banjo" and Woods and Francis "Comedy Songs and Dialogue." Also Feature "Thundergate" and "Simple Sadie" comedy. Admission Mat and Eve, 20 and 40 cents.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, February 21, 1924]

ORGAN IS HERE

The Estey theatre pipe organ ordered months ago for the new Char-Bell theatre has arrived at last, according to announcement made Saturday by the Krieghbaum brothers, owners of the theatre. A man has accompanied the organ to the city and work of installation was started at once. It is expected that the organ will be ready for playing before the middle of next week.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, April 12, 1924]

HE IS AN ACTOR TOO

Our own Lisle Krieghbaum delightfully surprised his many patrons and admirers Friday when he "filled in" as the baritone for the vaudeville trio that is booked at his theatre Friday and Saturday.

This is the way it all happened. The act closed in Wisconsin last Sunday, two of the trio came on to Rochester while the third stopped off in Chicago. When the last train before the evening performance arrived from Chicago the missing member was still missing. What to do? What to do? Could they open the act with one-third of it gone? Someone said that Lisle could sing, the boys from the boards looked him up, handed him a piece of music, and said, "Here it is, come on, let's go!" Well, there was a twenty minute rehearsal during which no one knew what the others were singing, or why. But, when the curtain went up Lisle was there, and he pulled through without a break, which goes to show that you have to have a working knowledge of the whole business to "get by."

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, April 19, 1924]

DEDICATE PIPE ORGAN AT CHAR-BELL MONDAY

Monday night the Char-Bell's new Esty Unit pipe organ will be dedicated. The music will be rendered by a well known Chicago organ artist who will be assisted by Mrs. Margaret Shafer. The new instrument is the very latest word in pipe organ perfection, coming from one of the largest manufacturers in the world. The dedication will fall in with the regular program of pictures. The feature being "Report of Hentzau," a striking production in which Elmo Lincoln, a former Rochester man, is cast in one of the feature parts. The Krieghbaum brothers have gone to great expense in installing this organ, that their patrons may receive up-to-the-minute movie service.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, April 24, 1924]

[Adv] Big Balloon Ascension 10:00 A.M. Friday, July 4, in front of Char-Bell Theatre. Be There! Be on Time!

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, July 3, 1924]

TO MOVE OFFICES

When work on the south room in the Krieghbaum building has been completed, it will be occupied by the offices of the Northern Indiana Power company, according to announcement made Wednesday. The offices are now located on Ninth street.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, July 30, 1924]

NEW DRUG STORE TO OPEN ON SATURDAY

When all work has been completed and the new occupants settled, the Char-Bell theatre building will be one of the brightest spots in the city. The new drug store will be opened Saturday by J. K. Shultz, who has come to Rochester from Michigan City and Gary, where he conducted similar establishments.

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Mr. Shultz is a registered pharmacist and has a degree in chemistry and will be able to fill all prescriptions. The store is equipped with its own well and no city water will be used in about the new soda fountain. All fixtures are new and of brown mahogany. When the store is opened for the first time Saturday all visitors will be presented with a complimentary package by the owner.

Four cluster lights are to be placed in front of the building and three large electric signs, one in front of the drug store, one for the theatre and the third for the local offices of the Northern Indiana Power company, which are to be moved to the south room in the building as soon after September first as work on the rooms can be completed. Besides the offices of the utility the room will also contain a series of demonstrating and sales rooms where electric fixtures of all kinds and description will be kept on display.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, July 31, 1924]

COVERED WAGON DRAWS

The Covered Wagon, one of the big screen hits of the year, has proven to be very popular during Sunday and Monday here. The Char-Bell Theatre which showed the film had such large crowds both nights that all of the standing room was filled inside many as 300 people were waiting while outside at various times on their turn to get in. This picture which will be shown tonight for the final time has broken all local records as a drawing card.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, September 2, 1924]

BUY POP-CORN MACHINE

Krieghbaum Brothers, owners of the Char-Bell theatre, have purchased an \$850 Cretors pop-corn and peanut machine. It has been installed in the lobby of the theatre.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, November 11, 1924]

GIVES POTATO MATINEE TO AID CHARITY WORK

The Char-Bell management comes forth with a unique plan to assist the local charity organization in the Thanksgiving work. This theatre is putting on a special matinee at 4 o'clock Tuesday for the school children. The price of admission is two fair-sized "spuds." Every child in the city can easily scrape up the wherewith for this performance. The entire proceeds of this feature matinee will be turned over to the Board of Charities for distribution among the community's needy.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, November 23, 1925]

SOUND PICTURES COMING

On Thursday and Friday of next week, Rochester movie patrons will be given an opportunity to see and hear the new synchronized motion pictures at the local theatre. The title of pictures which will be shown is "Road to Romance" starring Ramon Novarro.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Saturday, September 15, 1928]

SYNCHRONIZED MOVIE

The Char-Bell gave to Rochester show-goers their first demonstration of a synchronized motion picture, Thursday evening. A large amplifier was in use on the stage while another speaker was located at the back of the theatre. The picture featuring Ramon Novarro in "The Road to Romance" was full of dash and action and with but one or two exceptions, the musical accompaniment was in perfect rhythm with the story. Managers of the local theatre are contemplating the purchase of synchronizing equipment. A large crowd was present for this special demonstration which will also be given again tonight.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Friday, September 21, 1928]

KRIEGHBAUMS TO INSTALL TALKIE-MOVIE EQUIPMENT

Rochester picture show patrons will be delighted to learn that the Krieghbaum Bros., proprietors of the Char-Bell theatre are to install the latest talkie-movie apparatus. The equipment

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will be of the same kind as is now in use at the Colfax theatre, South Bend, and the Logansport theatres.

The Krieghbaums started negotiations for the talkie equipment during the early part of last December and only yesterday were able to complete final arrangements with the New York manufacturers. Under the contract, the new talkie machinery will be installed and ready for use on or before Thursday evening, Mar. 28th. Rochester will then have one of the most up-to-date talkie-movie shows in this section of the state. Factory experts will arrive in this city Friday and commence installing the intricate apparatus.

The local management has booked with one of the largest New York syndicates for prompt releases on the outstanding talkie productions and in all probability will present at least one talkie feature each week. An announcement of the initial program will be made within the next few days.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Thursday, March 14, 1929]

[Adv] Announcing Initial Opening All-Talkie Movies, Char-Bell Theatre Sunday and Monday, April 28th and 29th. - - - - "Home Towners", 100% All Talkie. - - - - Plot of This All-Talkie is Laid in South Bend and New York. The Things They Do! The Things They Say!

Also Pathe News, Fables and Movie Acts!

Sunday Prices: Matinee - children 15¢, adults 35¢, Evening - children 15¢, adults 50¢

[The News-Sentinel, - - - -]

CHAR-BELL TO INSTALL FILM-TALKIE APPARATUS

The movie-talkie patrons of Rochester and surrounding territory will be interested in knowing that the Krieghbaum Bros., proprietors of the Char-Bell theatre this city will on Sunday Nov. 3rd place in operation the very "last word" in "talkie" apparatus, The Movie-tone, Sound-on film equipment. The local management after purchasing an expensive disc-reproduction equipment found that the results were not entirely satisfactory and after several weeks of investigating the various types of talkie systems decided to install the best that money could buy, "Talking-on-Film."

Upon the completion of the installation work and the entire retreatment of the auditorium, stage, and walls for the perfection of sound-effects Rochester theatre-goers will be offered one of the best 100-percent talkie theatres in northern Indiana.

The opening movie-talkie feature for November 3rd will be the showing of "Salute" which is woven around the Army-Navy football game recently played at West Point. This feature will be followed by that of "Old Arizona." From the inauguration of the new talkie equipment on November 3rd, every program at the local theatre will be an "all-talkie" with at least one or two of the very latest releases of 100-percent talkies being shown every week.

Fifteen crates and boxes of the new equipment arrived at the Char-Bell today and on Tuesday experts from the Chicago factory will begin the installation work which will require at least ten day's time.

The Krieghbaum Bros. are to be complimented for this new improvement, as there are but one or two cities in the state the size of Rochester that have a sound-on-film talkie theatre.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Monday, October 21, 1929]

CHAR-BELL NEW TALKIES PLEASE LARGE AUDIENCE

The Krieghbaum Brothers, proprietors of the Char-Bell theatre, were the recipients of scores and scores of compliments on the performance of their new Sound-On-Film equipment which was inaugurated Sunday, in the showing of the 100 per cent Talkie "Salute." At the evening show the auditorium of this theatre, which seats 800 people, was taxed to capacity by Rochester and Fulton County show-goers, and practically all of these patrons voiced the opinion that the Rochester theatre now has a "Talkie" show that is equal to any in the northern section of the state.

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Fox Movie-tone's 100 percent all-talkies will now be presented every evening at the local theatre, with at least one or two of the very latest releases being shown weekly, which will give the patrons the same high class grade of shows which are being shown in the big cities.

Besides the feature talkie "Salute" which is being presented tonight, a musical specialty by Godfrey Ludlow, world's foremost violinist, Topics of the day, and Pathe News are also other all-talkie highlights which go to make the entire program a 100 percent "talkie."

The management of the Char-Bell is indeed to be congratulated on presenting to Rochester and community such an ultra-modern "talkie theatre." Other 100 percent "Talkies" booked for this week are "In Old Arizona," "Big Time" and Hoot Gibson in a Western thriller.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, November 4, 1929]

[Adv] Tuesday, May 12th. Another TAKE A CHANCE NIGHT. All seats 10¢ Babies to old age 10¢ Show starts at 7:15 and 9:15. 10¢ to all.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, May 12, 1931]

CHAR-BELL THEATRE HAS LARGER, LIGHTER SCREEN

Regular attenders of the Char-Bell theater here were agreeably surprised Sunday night when they noticed quite an improvement in the pictures thrown on the screen. The size of the picture was enlarged considerably, so that now it fills almost the entire stage while the picture is much brighter and plainer all over. These improvements are due to the installation of new lenses recently purchased by the Kriehbaum Brothers and will undoubtedly add much to the visibility in the future.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, January 6, 1931]

NEW TALKING APPARATUS INSTALLED AT CHAR-BELL

The Char-Bell theatre yesterday installed a complete new talking apparatus for their sound projecting machine. The new equipment is the very latest and is provided to take care and faithfully reproduce all of the sound effects which are now carried on the new films. Prior to this change practically all of the high or extremely low sounds which are registered on the latest films lost their recording under the old system of amplification.

The new apparatus was given its final public trial during the Tuesday night's shows and the patrons present were delightfully pleased with the efficiency of the new talking equipment.

[The News-Sentinel, Wednesday, November 2, 1932]

[Adv] CHARLIE DAVIS and his gang in a special feature reel at the CHAR-BELL THEATRE, TONIGHT. You've seen them in person at Fairview - Now see and hear them on the screen, showing with the Spectacular Feature - "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde"

[The News-Sentinel, Wednesday, January 20, 1932]

EXTENSIVE IMPROVEMENT COMPLETED AT CHAR-BELL

Scores of patrons who last night attended the re-opening of the Char-Bell theatre, which had been closed for extensive improvements, were most profuse with their compliments regarding the clarity and tone fidelity of the new picture and talkie projector which has just been installed.

The new projector is a Motiograph and is the only projector in which sound and projection is built all in one machine by the same company. Factory experts from the Enterprise Optical Co. of Chicago were secured to install the new machine which it is stated is the very best that is obtainable.

New Screen, Speakers

Along with the new talkie equipment the management has installed a new one-piece daylight screen. This screen is three feet wider and two feet higher than the old one. Three new Jensen speakers, comprising two large and a small tweeter type with a recording range of from 30 to 40,000 cycles have been installed directly behind the center of the big screen. These give a

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wide control range for the operator and the demonstration at the Take-A-Chance show Thursday evening was 100 percent perfect.

And other major improvements were the installation of a New-wood ceiling which was done under the supervision of Court Rhodes, a local contractor; new Pilaster lights, redecoration of floor in Chinese red with black border and the repainting of the lobby and canopy in silver and black.

Mr. Krieghbaum when interviewed today stated he was striving to give the people of this community the most up-to-date, modern equipped and attractively decorated theatre that can be found anywhere in the country. He further added that he would continue the practice of securing only the highest class pictures for his patrons.

[The News-Sentinel, Friday, November 23, 1934]

CHAR-BVELL'S POTATO MATINEE ON NOVE. 27

The Char-Bell's annual Thanksgiving Potato Matinee will be held Tuesday afternoon, three o'clock, according to an announcement made today by the proprietor, Lisle Krieghbaum.

The admission price will be five nice-sized potatoes or as many more as the patron desires to offer. All of the spuds taken in from this matinee, which features a football picture, entitled, "American Million", will be turned over to the Rochester Co-operative Charities Board for distribution among the needy families of the community.

[The News-Sentinel, Saturday, November 24, 1934]

CHAR-BELL INSTALLS NEW COSTLY TALKIE APPARATUS

Krieghbaum Bros., proprietors of the Char-Bell Theatre this city, have just completed the installation of a new Webster All-Electric Theatre Amplifier Talking Picture Apparatus. This new machinery which is said to be the last word in talkie equipment is designed to automatically take care of the new high fidelity and wide-range or recording systems as well as the RCA and Western Electric recordings.

The old talking apparatus at the Char-Bell was unable to reliably reproduce the new high fidelity recordings, which system is now being used by practically all of the leading film companies.

Another feature which the theatre-going public will be glad to learn is that the new Webster recording amplifier installed at the Char-Bell will permit the use of the theatre's air-washing and ventilating system. The older type of talking apparatus at the advent of the high fidelity recordings could scarcely be heard at all when the management attempted to use their electrical and water ventilating system.

Those who heard the new equipment in use Tuesday evening were loud in their praise of clearness of the talkies and also the coolness of the theatre.

[The News-Sentinel, Wednesday, June 8, 1934]

LISLE KRIEGHBAUM SOLD OWNER OF THE CHAR-BELL

Through a business transaction made late Monday afternoon, Lisle Krieghbaum purchased Charles F. Krieghbaum's interest in the Char-Bell theatre, of this city.

The Char-Bell theatre, which is one of the best equipped movie houses in this section of the state, was opened on February 14th, 1924 by the Krieghbaum Brothers. In assuming the entire ownership of the theatre, Lisle Krieghbaum states he will continue to operate the show under the same high standards, striving to give the patrons the very latest releases from the leading film producers at the most popular prices. He further stated that no changes in the personnel of the theatre were contemplated at this time.

Charles F. Krieghbaum, the retiring partner, who has other business interests in this city, stated that his plans for the future have not as yet been perfected.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, August 28, 1934]

[photo] This picture depicts the interior of the Char-Bell, Fulton county's largest, finest and best equipped show house.

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[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Thursday, December 6, 1934, p. 13]

CITY'S FINEST THEATRE

The Char-Bell, opened February 14, 1924, joins The News-Sentinel in celebrating ten years of progress and offers this as a word of appreciation for the patronage and good will accorded it by the good people of this community.

This modern theatre came into being when H. Lisle Krieghbaum and his brother, Charles F., decided to give Rochester a modern, motion picture show and purchased the building then occupied by Robbins, Kepler & Montgomery, as an auto sales agency and garage and remodeled it to fit the needs of the silent drama of that day. And with the innovation of the talking picture, were quick to again remodel in keeping with the newer demand for entertainment.

In August of this year, H. Lisle Krieghbaum purchased his brother's entire interests and since that date has been the sole owner of the property. Since taking over the theatre, he has installed complete new sound equipment and screen; added new ceilings to better control acoustics and provided local theatre patrons the best equipment procurable, with the result that the new improvement has been the subject of praise from the public.

Lisle Krieghbaum is a native Hoosier, having been born near South Bend. He is a graduate of Indiana University, B.S., 1923 and holds also degrees from Manchester college in music and A.S.O, Kirksville, Mo.

He is married and the father of two children, Patricia Ruth and William Ross Krieghbaum. He is a member of the Kiwanis club, American Legion and Grace M. E. Church and is at present a member of the Rochester school board.

Mr. Krieghbaum wishes to thank his many friends and patrons who have given him their support and wishes to assure them that in the future, his policy will always be the best possible entertainment, friendly, courteous service and always the lowest possible prices.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Thursday, December 6, 1934, p. 13]

NEW COOLING SYSTEM IS INSTALLED AT CHAR-BELL

The Char-Bell theatre has just completed the installation of the latest improved air cooling and ventilating system, which was installed by the United States Air Conditioning Corporation, of Minneapolis, Minn.

The new apparatus, which is located in the north half of the basement, consists of two huge electric six-foot suction fans. When these fans are in operation the air is drawn into the basement through a 10 by 12 foot shaft from the outside. Then through a series of fan-like wings, it is whipped back and forth over a 14 by 18 foot basin of ice chilled water. From there it is eventually drawn into the giant suction fans and shot out through shafts into the auditorium of the theatre. The temperatures on the inside of the building may be controlled from a range of 10 to 20 degrees below that on the outside.

A special ozonite machine which has been installed adds to the reconditioning and purifying qualities of the new and expensive ventilating and cooling equipment. The system will be in operation on every warm evening, it was stated by the management.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, July 9, 1935]

CHAR-BELL TO INSTALL HIGH FREQUENCY LAMPS

Lisle Krieghbaum, owner of the Char-Bell theater today announced he is making two major improvements to his movie equipment which will greatly enhance the quality of all types of movies.

On Saturday morning two new high frequency lamps will be installed on the Char-Bell two movie projectors and will be in use for the Saturday night's show. A preview of the two new high frequency lamps was given at the show Wednesday afternoon, before several patrons of the theater.

The new lighting system brings out much stronger the white and black effects of the pictures and obliterates practically all of the flicker. The new system is also far superior on

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technicolor film and completely removes the haziness of colors which prevailed under the old method of lighting.

A new silver screen will also be installed at the Char-Bell on March 14th.

[The News-Sentinel, Friday, February 9, 1940]

CHAR-BELL JOINS LARGE MOVIE THEATRE CIRCUIT

H. Lisle Krieghbaum this morning announced he has leased the Char-Bell theatre to the Alliance Theatre Corporation, large theatre-owning syndicate, with main offices in Chicago, Ill.

The Char-Bell will be incorporated in a new corporation, with Mr. Krieghbaum acting as general manager of the corporation and of the local theatre.

No changes will be made in personnel, it was stated, although some changes in policy of the theatre will be effected to the advantage of patrons.

Lessors of the Char-Bell plan to make extensive improvements in the theatre in the near future, it was announced.

Mr. Krieghbaum stated the purpose for leasing the Char-Bell to this large movie-house corporation was that the consent decree recently passed by the government is making it difficult for independent theatre-owners to buy films equitably.

The Alliance Theatre Corporation has in its control 38 theatres of Northern Indiana.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, July 7, 1941]

INCORPORATION PAPERS FILED BY THEATRE GROUP

Incorporation papers were filed this morning for the Rochester Amusement Corporation, with H. Lisle Krieghbaum of Rochester, P. J. Dee and S. J. Gregory, Chicago, as directors, to manage the Char-Bell Theatre, which has been leased to the Alliance Theatre Corporation by Mr. Krieghbaum.

Krieghbaum is agent for the new corporation and will act as manager of the theatre for the Alliance Theatre Corporation, holding company for a number of other theatre-properties in Logansport, Peru, Marion, Kokomo, Frankfort, Anderson and Illinois and Michigan.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, July 10, 1941]

CHAR-BELL THEATRE IS RENAMED TIMES

A new word was added to the everyday vocabulary of Rochester and Fulton county residents today with the official announcement by Lisle Krieghbaum, manager, that the Char-Bell theatre will from now on be known as the Times theatre.

Citizens got a pre-view of the change in name yesterday when workmen rushed to complete installation of the large, ultra-modern new marquee on the theatre, showing the name "Times" in large, Neon-lighted letters above the marquee proper.

The local movie house has been known as Char-Bell since its establishment in February, 1924. The change in name is in line with a current extensive modernization program.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, March 24, 1942]

CHARPIE, BERTHA L., DR. [Rochester, Indiana]

[Adv] CHIROPRACTIC - - - Dr. BERTHA L. CHARPIE, Chiropractic. 911 Madison St., Rochester, Ind. Examination and Consultation Free.

[Rochester SEntinel, Monday, July 14, 1913]

CHAUTAUQUA [Rochester, Indiana]

CHAUTAUQUA TO ATTRACT MANY

The chautauqua program arranged for the people of Rochester, for the following week, is one of the finest programs of the kind ever given in this or any other section of the country.

No better program is being presented to the people of Indianapolis this week than will be here in Rochester. There is absolutely nothing poor or even weak on the whole program. Every

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number is a big number. A bureau that booked John B. Gough, Wendell Phillips and Henry Ward Beecher cannot afford to have anything but the best talent available.

The people of Rochester and surrounding community are indeed fortunate in having such an exceptional list of talent on their chautauqua program.

The Contract

According to the contract with the Redpath Chautauqua Bureau, the sales of the season tickets for \$2.00 will close Wednesday evening of this week. A number who are contemplating season tickets haven't secured them yet. They, as well as those who pledged for tickets should get tickets from some of the guarantors before Wednesday evening and thus save fifty cents on the course. The aggregate single admissions would exceed \$6.50, if he attends singly.

Tickets on Sale

Season tickets can be secured from the following people or offices: B. F. Fretz office, A.B. Green, Indiana Bank, E. C. Mercer, Indiana Bank, F. E. Bryant, Indiana Bank, M. W. Ivey, Auditor's office, J. D. Holman's store, Frank Kumler, B. B. office, A. E. Babcock, clerk's office, Harold Van Trump, Sun, N. R. Stoner's store, O. B. Smith, First National Bank, Dr. A. Brown's office, J. M. Ott, gas office, W. A. Howard's store.

Those who made pledges for season tickets should secure their tickets from the above before this evening, July 16. Others can get their's also at the same places.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, July 16, 1913]

CHAUTAUQUA HAS TENT HOME HERE

Work of erecting the big chautauqua tent on the lot back of the Catholic church between west 8th and 9th streets, was begun this morning, the outfit which has been in use at Huntington, having been shipped here over the Erie. The program begins Sunday afternoon.

The tent is 150 feet long, by 110 feet wide, is made of brown material and the outside poles are about 12 feet tall, thus making the big ampitheatre cool and comfortable. The seating capacity is about 2,000 with a few reserved seats for those who cannot get to the program as early as the bulk of the crowd.

Dickey at Head

Lincoln Dickey is the superintendent and will have complete charge of the big university while in the city. He is a congenial and affable young man and will discharge the duties of superintendent in a very efficient and satisfactory manner.

The program will start off Sunday afternoon with a concert by the Redpath Grand Concert Opera company and a lecture by Dr. Geo. L. McNutt, the preacher, factory hand, and lecturer of national reputation. This will be an exceedingly interesting program, as will those that follow.

Evening Program

In the evening, the great Grand Opera company will give a second concert. Just preceding the concert, Prof. Davidson, with a picked band, will give the chautauquans an additional concert of thirty or forty minutes. This will make a splendid evening program and very likely attract a record breaking crowd. Every program will be a banner program.

Stores Close Early

It has been suggested and quite generally approved, that the stores and offices close sufficiently early in the evening to allow the proprietors and clerks to attend the chautauqua. Business during those hours is slack anyway and as most of the clerks hold season tickets, this concession will be greatly appreciated by them.

The ticket sales are going fine. Season tickets can be secured for \$2.00 until Saturday. This is a special privilege.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, July 18, 1913]

CHAUTAUQUA TO OPEN ON SUNDAY

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Rochester's seven-day chautauqua which opens Sunday in the big tent back of the Catholic church, between east Eighth and Ninth streets, promises to be a banner affair, nearly 900 season tickets having been sold. This is a record, say the Redpath men here. Taking last year's entertainment as a criterium, the 1913 series should be fully as delightful and beneficial as anything Rochester might secure.

The first day will be a revelation pure and simple. Geo. L. McNutt is an apostle of the gospel of common sense in everyday life. His voice, refined sense of humor, his deep insight into character, his knowledge of men and women and children and things, his inimitable manner of expression, makes his lectures a succession of delightful surprises. He opens a new avenue of intelligence, and strews the way with the flowers of thought.

The music by the Redpath Grand Opera Company will measure up with the merits of McNutt's great lecture, "Culture and Democracy." The sacred concert in the evening - Sunday evening - will be the finest treat that Rochester people will have had for many moons.

Tent is Up

The large tent is up, the seats are placed and everything is in readiness for the big seven day feast. Sunday afternoon the program will begin with McNutt and the Redpath Grand Opera Company. In the evening, sacred concert by the same company and an additional concert by Prof. Davidson's military band. This will be a great day. The tent will be filled to full capacity.

Tuesday Events

Tuesday's program is still better. The University boys will give the preludes. Mrs. Beecher has no superior upon the American platform today. People go wild over her wonderful interpretative readings. "The world and His Wife," is the greatest sermon ever given by any of the Redpath people. The debate in the evening will be not only interesting, but very instructive. There are probably no two men better qualified to discuss the question of socialism in American, than Seidel and Bede.

Ticket Sale to Close

The entire program is fine and it is hoped the merchants can arrange to close their places of business from 2:00 to 4:30 and at 7:30 in the evening. The season ticket sales close tonight.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, July 19, 1913]

HUNDREDS HEAR OPENING PROGRAM

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[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, July 21, 1913]

CHEAP CASH STORE [Rochester, Indiana]

Closing Out Sale. Having determined to close up my business at an early day, I will offer my remaining Stock, consisting of dry goods, groceries, hardware, boots and shoes, hats and caps, clothing &c at prices that will insure their rapid sale. Cheap Cash Store, Bozarth Building, Rochester, Nov. 11, 1859.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, November 12, 1859]

Cheap Cash Store. . . Dress Silks . . . cloths & Satinets . . . Heavy Winter Goods . . . Boots and Shoes, Hats & Caps . . . Glass & Queensware . . . Groceries, Hardware . . . Cheap Cash Store.

[Rochester *Gazette*, December 9, 1858]

CHECKER TOURNAMENT [Rochester, Indiana]

AFTER CHECKER TOURNEY

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An effort will be made by local enthusiasts to bring the state checker tournament to Rochester next winter, it was learned today. J. O. Clemans, of Henry township, who is a leading member of the state checker association, will place the Rochester bid before the committee late this year. The Rochester Kiwanis Club is backing the effort. If the tournament is brought here there will be more than 200 men in the city two days participating in the contests to determine who is state champion. The tourney was held at Converse last year.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, October 6, 1930]

ROCHESTER TO HOLD STATE CHECKER TOURNEY FEB. 2-4

Rochester will have something new in the way of an indoor tournament this winter when it will be hosts to the Indiana Checker Association and will hold the annual state checker tourney on Feb. 2, 3 and 4. This is the first time such a tournament has ever come to this city and it will bring fifty or more expert checker players here to contest for the state championship and cash prizes offered.

The tournament was brought here through the efforts of James Clemens, well known farmer living east of Rochester, and through the cooperation of the Kiwanis Club here. Mr. Clemens is a prominent member of the checker association and by interesting the Kiwanis Club in the tourney was able to bid and get it for Rochester. Cash prizes totaling \$75 will be offered for the best players and these rewards will bring a large number of checker enthusiasts here.

To Play For Championship

The players will assemble in a large hall, this to be selected later, and with as many as twenty-five games going at once will play it out until the championship is determined. The public will be invited to watch the games. While checkers is one of the oldest of games it is thought the presence here of some of the best players in the state will attract wide interest.

Shortly after the first of the year plans will be formulated here for the tournament and all of the details worked out so that the players will be well taken care of when they come here.

John K. Stewart, of Woodfield, is president of the Association and will determine the prizes to be offered while all other association arrangements are in the hands of Rev. B. Wood, secretary, of Gary.

[The News-Sentinel, Friday, November 21, 1930]

STATE CHECKER TOURNEY TO BE HELD HERE FEB. 2-3

Plans have been completed here for the holding of the state checker tournament in Rochester on Feb. 2 and 3. It is thought that there will be about 50 of the leading players of Indiana here to decide who is the champion to reign throughout 1931 and the interest being shown in the event is running high in many towns of the state.

J. O. Clemans, well known checker enthusiast of this community, is in charge of the tournament while it is being sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Rochester. The bringing of the tourney here will mean not only quite an attraction for those interested in this game but will mean considerable business for those merchants who will care for the visitors while here. Money for the prizes and for the incidental expenses will be raised by public subscription next week.

The tourney will be held in the Eagles hall which is easily reached and is located in the center of the town.

With 25 or 30 games of checkers going at once and with the best players in the state competing it is expected that the event will draw good sized crowds both days.

[The News-Sentinel, Wednesday, January 21, 1931]

CHECKER TOURNEY HERE FEB. 2-3, PLANS COMPLETE

Plans are now being completed for the holding of the State Checker Tournament in Rochester on February 2nd and 3rd when 50 or more men players will come here to decide who is the champion for 1931.

The tourney will be held in the Eagles Hall and there will be 25 or more games in progress all at the same time with the very best players in the state engaged. Most of the players will arrive Sunday night. The games will start Monday morning and will run on continuously

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until Tuesday night. If there should be tie games and there probably will it might be necessary to hold an extra session Wednesday morning.

Local arrangements are being cared for by the Kiwanis Club and J. O. Clemans, a member of the state association. Rex. B. Wood of Gary is secretary and has handled the publicity in connection with the tourney. He reports that he has sent out more than 600 letters and notices advertising the championship meeting and that Rochester has been well advertised not only in Indiana but over the entire country. It is estimated that the visitors will spend more than \$500 in Rochester for hotel rooms, meals and automobile upkeep.

The merchants of the city are being solicited this week to help meet the expenses of the tourney which will total around \$100. This includes paying the prize money offered and miscellaneous expense.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, January 27, 1931]

STATE CHECKER TOURNEY UNDER WAY, EAGLE'S HALL

The state checker tournament which will decide who will hold the checker championship for 1931 in Indiana got under way in the Eagle's Hall here today with 60 players in action. This tourney, the first of its kind ever brought to Rochester, drew the attention of quite a few spectators who were anxious to see the state's best checker players playing against each other.

The tournament is open to spectators and the public is invited to watch the games. The players ask that silence be maintained in the hall and that the spectators remain a respectable distance back from the tables. The games will be going on Monday night, all day Tuesday and Tuesday night.

Business Session

The tournament was opened Monday morning with a business session. J. O. Clemans, local checker enthusiast, made a few opening remarks preceding which the members sang America and prayer was given. Hugh A. Barnhart made the address of welcome on behalf of the city and the Kiwanis Club and the response was made by John K. Stewart, president, of Westfield. Rev. B. Wood, secretary, of Gary, spoke briefly thanking the community for its fine co-operation. He then gave the secretary's and treasurer's reports. The president appointed his committees for the tournament and this was followed by the drawings. First play got under way shortly after the lunch hour.

The playing was continuous thruout the afternoon with about 25 games going at once. The players entered into the contests with plenty of enthusiasm while every move was contemplated with considerable thought. Lee Munger, of Indianapolis, present champion, was defending his title with plenty of the players ready to step in and take it away from him. The winners in the various classifications from the champion down will be awarded cash prizes, the money being raised by subscription in the Rochester business district.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, February 2, 1931]

CHECKER TOURNEY FINDS LEADERS BATTLING AWAY

The second and final day of the checker tournament being held at Eagles Hall here brought on many a hard fought game between experts fighting to win the title championship. The state tournament started here Monday morning with 45 contestants enrolled.

As the result of the first day's play which was in the nature of elimination contests the players are now divided into three classes and the play during the day and tonight will be confined within these classes. There are 15 experts left in the first division to do battle for the championship crown, about the same number in the second classification and the remainder in the consolation tourney.

Play Late at Night

The play went on today without interruption and with no recess for lunch. According to the officials in charge it probably will be midnight before the championship is decided and the

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prizes awarded. The players were still busy Monday night until after one o'clock and many of them were present early this morning and anxious to get started.

A business meeting was held Tuesday morning and several of the members of the association spoke their praise for Rochester saying that the co-operation and help they have given was the best in the record of the association. They spoke highly of the hotels, restaurants, garages, and of the general welcome given by the people here.

Interest in the tourney here was more than generally expected as a large number of spectators were present all day and evening long watching the contestants trying to outmove one another. The public can see the final games tonight and everyone is welcome to attend. The tourney here is being sponsored by the Kiwanis Club.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, February 3, 1931]

SIX PLAYERS AFTER THE CHECKER CHAMPIONSHIP

Six players remained in the running for the state checker championship late Wednesday afternoon with indications pointing to the contest running late into the night before the last man would be eliminated. The men were hard at work in their sixth round of the state checker tournament making every move with caution and much forethought. The nearer the tourney approached the end the slower each game becomes. Local people who are interested in seeing the best checker players in Indiana fight it out for the state crown can witness the games at the Eagles Hall tonight.

This afternoon in the sixth round draw Monger and Meeks were opposed to one another, Sargent was playing Daily and Windsor was opposing Steen. Of the group Monger and Daily had the advantage of having one full "life" each while all the others had only a half "life" left. This "life" matter will be explained further in this story.

The state champion, whoever he may be will win \$30 while the runner-up will get \$18, third place will take \$12, and fourth \$8.

Four Are Eliminated

Those who were eliminated in the fifth round were Wood, Stewart, Roberts, and Kennedy.

In the so-called "Minor" tournament two men were left, Powell and Harris, who were battling it out in the finals for the prize offered. The top man in this class wins \$7.00 while second prize is a checker book.

Oliver Campbell of Anderson won the first prize of \$5.00 in the consolation tournament.

Fifth Round Starts

Wednesday morning found seven experts left in the tourney and the play, on the fifth round began at an early hour to weed out the losers and finally select a state champion for 1931. Those who were concentrating over the boards and making each move with infinite care were Lee Munger, Indianapolis, 1930 state champion; Rev. H. M. Daily, Evansville, runner-up in last year's tourney; H. M. Steen, Gary; A. B. Sargent, Mishawaka; George Meeks, Evansville; H. Kennedy, Ft. Wayne; Ed Windsor, Michigan City.

The tournament which began with 48 players Monday morning has run continuously since that time with the participants being gradually eliminated after they have lost two full "lives." A man plays an opponent three games and if he loses once it costs him a full "life." If it is a draw it costs both a half "life." Thus in the play round by round when a participant has a total of two full "lives" lost he is dropped out. A round constitutes the three games with an opponent, the pairs being selected by drawing the names from a hat. The fact that a player is not eliminated by a single loss accounts for the tourney running into so many rounds and for taking so long. Also as the games progress the players move more carefully and a single game takes more than an hour or two while sometimes an expert ponders over one move for 15 minutes or more.

Minor Tourney Held

In the minor tourney made up of players who were eliminated from the state championship fight, there were four players left Wednesday morning, they being J. M. Turrell, Vincennes; Stephen Neher, Frankfort; R. J. Powell, So. Bend; Merle Harris, Indianapolis.

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At a business session held by the Indiana Checker Association Tuesday, R. J. Powell, of South Bend, was elected president and Rev. B. Wood, of Gary, was re-elected secretary. The organization passed a resolution reading as follows: Resolved, That the Indiana Checker Association extend its appreciation to the City of Rochester, The Rochester Kiwanis Club, J. O. Clemans and all others who have made it possible to hold this most wonderful tournament. That a word of thanks be given Mr. Seelbach, of Chicago, for his generosity in donating the two move restriction cards.

Many Visitors Present

The tournament on Tuesday afternoon and Tuesday night again attracted large crowds and many of the local visitors to Eagles Hall took advantage of this opportunity to play against some of the experts and learn some of the fine points of the game. It was made apparent that the game of checkers call for that and skill to win and that these students of the game can win a contest with a very few moves unless their opponent is just as skillful. In all tourney contests the players had to draw cards to indicate the first two moves to be made which prevented them playing their "pet" games which are often unbeatable. Another surprising custom was that of the experts either conceding a draw or a victory with several checkers still left on the board but they know by the relative position just what the ultimate outcome would be.

The tournament proved to be a fine prospect for Rochester in that it brought about 60 visitors into the city most of whom stayed here for two days or more. It is estimated that the visitors left approximately \$500 in the city. The players were all men of high type and they expressed themselves as delighted with the treatment and accommodations here.

Dark Horse Questioned

The play on Tuesday night continued until after midnight when the weary players retired for a night's rest. Some excitement was caused at one time when the residence of H. Kennedy of Ft. Wayne, was questioned but the players decided to allow him to remain in the play. Kennedy has proven a stumbling block for several of the players and was a regular dark horse in the tournament.

Arley Gilliland, custodian at Eagle's Hall was thanked warmly by the association officials for the excellent way in which he took care of the hall and the visitors during the tournament.

[The News-Sentinel, Wednesday, February 4, 1931]

CHECKER CHAMPIONSHIP IS WON BY LEE MUNGER AGAIN

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WILL YOU DONATE?

The State Checker Tournament, held in Rochester incurred expenses of \$100. This was for prize money and hall rent. Solicitations for funds to meet these expenses by the community has brought in only \$66.00. Many persons were not seen and the committee is asking for donations by the business men and others to meet these expenses. It is estimated that the 60 or more visitors left over \$500 in the city and brought the town wide advertising over the state and the city can ill afford to not pay the expense of the tournament.

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Lee Munger, of Indianapolis, will reign for a second year as the checker champion of Indiana, as the result of his victory in the finals of the state tournament Wednesday night at Eagle's Hall when he vanquished H. M. Steen of Gary after a thrilling finish to the three days' play. Munger who is one of the youngest men players to compete came out ahead with two games won to Steen's one while three matches were draws.

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Steen at one time with the number of games won standing at one each had the championship in his grasp but lost it by one bad move. In the fourth game, and which would have been the last, Steen had four pieces on the board while Munger had only three and Steen had the advantage of position. Usually in such situations the one player is at such a disadvantage that he ordinarily concedes the game to his opponent. However in this instance, Munger chose to play it out and, while the onlooking checker players who knew were getting ready to leave, Steen, weary from the strain of three days' steady play, moved directly into the path of one of Munger's pieces and the champion jumped at the chance. It turned a sure victory for Steen, into a draw and ran the contest into two more games. The first of these was a draw but in the second Munger soon got the advantage of position and Steen conceded the match and the championship after a short play.

Sargent Finishes Third

The tournament which had lasted a day longer than scheduled due to the large number of entries and the careful and slow play grew to a close in the afternoon when, left from six contestants, Steen played A. B. Sargent of Mishawaka, while Munger drew a bye. This was the seventh round and lasted until about seven-thirty o'clock. The finals were finished about ten-thirty with a good sized crowd in attendance. Munger received \$30 for first prize, Steen \$19 and Sargent \$12.

In the Minor tournament, made up of players who were eliminated from the big event, Merle Harris, of Indianapolis, took first prize money of \$7.00 while R. J. Powell, of South Bend, was second and received a checker book. Oliver Campbell of Anderson won the consolation tourney and a prize of \$5.00.

Players Are Weary

The majority of the players left on Tuesday after being eliminated and as the contest approached the end the games became slower and more carefully played. The two finalists considered each move for many minutes and both were exceedingly weary when it was all over. They had played trying games three days and nights without stopping and both complained of "checker blindness."

The last four rounds of the championship tournament were played as follows

Games Won	Games Draws	Games Won
ROUND FIVE		
1 - Sargent	3	Windsor - 0
0 - Steen	6	Daily - 0
3 - Meeks	1	Kennedy - 2
Steen and Daily penalized 1/2 life. Kennedy out		
ROUND SIX		
2 - Steen	1	Windsor - 1
3 - Sargent	0	Daily - 1
1 - Munber	5	Meek - 0
Out - Windsor, Daily, Meek		
ROUND SEVEN		
3 - Steen	1	Sargent - 2
Munger Bye		
ROUND EIGHT		
2 - Munger	3	Steen - 1
Munger		

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, February 5, 1931]

CHERRY, G. P. [Rochester, Indianay]

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G. P. Cherry would respectfully inform the public that he has purchased the entire stock of trade of C. J. Stradley . . . next door South of the Post Office, Bozarth Building. Rochester, Nov 5th, 1863.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, December 31, 1863]

CHESTER WHITE JOURNAL [Rochester, Indiana]

Started at Elm Dale Stock Farm, Located SE corner SR-14 and 500E, by Frank F. (F.F.) Moore owner. He was interested in livestock, especially Chester White hogs.

The dining room served as the first office for the magazine called "*The White Breeder's Companion*," started by F. F. Moore in 1910. In 1918 the name was changed to "*Chester White Journal*."

In the spring of 1913, I married and moved to Rochester. Since I didn't need the parlor to entertain boyfriends any more, Father converted the old-fashioned, big parlor into his office and used it until he moved to Rochester at 1003 Madison Street in the fall of 1915.

During the preceding years the three sons, Fred H., James R. and Levi P., carried the load of issuing the Journal which first went to press March, 1910. This was in the period of few newspapers, no radio or television and few other sources of news. This magazine often had over 200 pages. The subscription rate was at first fifty cents a year, later \$1 a year or three years for \$2.

About 1919 Robert, the youngest of the Moore boys, returned from service in World War I, and started working with his brothers as a fieldman. The brothers divided up the country into districts and worked as fieldmen in these areas holding sales, attending fairs and promoting the breed of Chester White hogs in the interest of the *Chester White Journal* throughout the United States.

The location of the office at this time was at 116 E 8th [now the W half of the Rochester *Sentinel* office]. F. F. Moore was the owner of the building and at times had as many as 20 office help working for him before the Depression, occupying the downstairs office and the whole upstairs. After the Depression, the upstairs was made into three apartments, and the Chester White office occupied just the downstairs. [a small office was on a balcony -WCT].

The National Chester White Record Association was also in this office. The Association was formed in 1893 with offices in West Chester, Pennsylvania. In 1885 an association was formed to record the "Todd" strain and in 1894 this became the American Chester White Record Association located at Columbus, Ohio. Also in 1894 the Standard Chester White Record Association was formed at Indianapolis and in 1909 the Western O.I.C. Recording Company, Inc., was formed in Nebraska. It was through the efforts of F. F. Moore that all of these associations and recording offices were combined into one recording association. This association was name The Chester White Swine Record Association with headquarters in Lima, Ohio. Eugene Black, Scio, New York, was the first president, and F. F. Moore the first secretary with offices at 116 East 8th Street, Rochester, Indiana.

All of this gathering and combining of associations started about 1911. This trend continued until 1930, when the Chester White Swine Record Association was reincorporated under the laws of Delaware with office in Rochester, Indiana.

Chester White swine registration certificates are issued by the thousands, where the annual breed volumes are compiled and all other matters are conducted that arise in connection with the purebred registry association which is nation-wide in scope.

On June 5, 1931, F. F. Moore voluntarily retired in favor of his son, Levi P. Moore, who was then elected secretary. He served until 1950.

Levi P. Moore continued as editor of the *Chester White Journal* and secretary of the Chester White Swine Record Association from 1931 to 1958 when ill health forced him to resign. Marvin Garner was elected to fill his place.

The office was located at 819 E 9th [when this story was written in 1974].

[Moore Family, Reba Moore Shore, *Fulton County Folks*, Vol. 1, Willard.]

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ANNOUNCE A CHANGE OF NAME

Moore Bros. Co., of this city, have announced that beginning with the July issue, the White Breeders' Companion, their monthly publication, will be known as the Chester White Journal. The issue will bear a cover design by Russell Parker, of this city.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, June 11, 1918]

MOORE BROTHERS NEW OFFICES UNDER WAY

Work on the new offices for the publishers of the Chester White Journal is progressing rapidly. They are located in the upstairs rooms of the Van Trump Printing Company building. The new walls are all in place and the old plastering and woodwork is now being removed. Posts have been set in to hold up the roof.

The plans now call for a large office room in the front which will be occupied by the Moore brothers and about eighteen girls. A railing will separate this office from the entrances which will be up the stairway on the west side of the building.

Back of the main office will be a large private office for the members of the firm. To the east will be a stock room and next to this will be a rest room for the ladies. A large center skylight and the large windows will give plenty of daylight to all the offices.

In the back of the building is a large recreation room for all of the employees. This will have plenty of lounging chairs, a cabinet phonograph, magazines and other accommodations to make it an ideal rest room. All of the offices will have hard wood floors and the walls will be finished in buff color. A back stairway from the printing plant below up to the offices is also being built in.

Mr. F. F. Moore will continue to keep his offices of the Chester White where all the offices are now located. It is the intention of the firm to install an electric elevator in the building some time in the future but this will not be done this year.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, April 10, 1920]

SEVENTY MINUTES TO TRAVEL HUNDRED MILES

Robert Moore, local hog man, believes in doing things right once he has started the undertaking and when he was billed to manage a Chester White sale in Yorkville, Ill., and failed to make train connections, he summoned to his aid the world's most rapid means of transportation and reached his destination in time to conduct one of the biggest hog sales of the year. Here is what the Peoria Star has to say of the affair:

"Harry S. Cumerford, Peoria, aviation enthusiast, and R. P. Moore of The Chester White Journal, Rochester, Ind., this noon hopped off on a plane trip to Yorkville, Ill., that in later years may go down as one of important chapters in Peoria's aviation history.

"Furthermore, the plane saves Mr. Moore hundreds of dollars and enables swine growers at Yorkville, near Aurora, to hold their hog sale today as scheduled. Without the plane it would have had to be abandoned and months of preparation wasted.

"Mr. Moore is to put on the sale. He was a guest of the Jefferson hotel, but missed train connections this morning, and he could not get to his destination before evening by rail or trolley. The sale was billed for 2 o'clock.

"Through the cooperation of the hotel and Horace Keane the latter a representative of the Aero Transport Corporation of the United States, Mr. Cumerford was informed of the situation and he promptly volunteered to take Mr. Moore for the cost of the gasoline.

"Mr. Moore was overjoyed at the solution of his predicament, more particularly because the Yorkville swine growers might have been unable to stage their sale at a later date and thereby lose thousands of dollars."

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, October 21, 1921]

CHESTER WHITE ASS'N. HERE IS CONSOLIDATED

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The National Chester White Record Association, of Westchester, Pennsylvania, the home of the Chester White breed of swine has been consolidated with the Chester White Record Association, of this city, according to announcement made Friday by the Moore Brothers publishers of the Chester White Record.

The deal was consummated Thursday after several months of negotiations. R. L. Munce, of Westchester, Penn., was here to close the deal, which gives complete control of the two organizations to the Rochester firm. The record association taken over by the Moore Brothers is the oldest record association in existence, while the combination makes the local concern one of the largest in the United States.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, March 21, 1924]

MOORE BROS. TO PUBLISH OFFICIAL BERKSHIRE PAPER

Moore Bros. Publishing Company, founders of The Chester White Journal, have assumed the responsibility of launching another breed paper into nation-wide prominence. The directors of the American Berkshire Record Association have completed final negotiations with the local publishers to assume the management and publishing of a breed journal for their favorite breed. The initial edition of this paper will be printed at the Barnhart-Van Trump Company, and ready for the mail by October 15th.

Levi P. Moore, publicity director for the Indiana State Fair for the past three years, will assume active control of the new breed paper and will begin immediately to build up a substantial circulation among the 20,000 Berkshire breeders throughout the United States.

The six official members of the Berkshire family are located in California, South Carolina, Michigan, Indiana and Iowa. Ralph M. Jankins of Orleans, Ind., is president of the American Berkshire Association and E. M. Christen of Springfield, Ill., occupies the office of secretary, whose duties correspond with those of F. F. Moore, secretary of the Chester White Swine Record Association, with offices in Rochester.

This new project will eventually necessitate the enlargement of the Moore Bros. clerical forces. James R. and Fred H. Moore will continue to devote their attentions exclusively to the Chester White publication, which paper is now experiencing a business revival which bids fair to rival the peak periods immediately following the world war.

Jas. R. Moore, who is director of the National Swine Show held at Peoria, Ill., this week returned to this city Friday night, while Levi P. returned Friday from the Sesqui-Centennial swine show at Philadelphia where he served in the capacity of swine judging for the Chester White breed. In speaking of the prestige of the Berkshire breed of swine the Moores cited the fact that entries from this breed captured champion carload of barrows and grand champion barrow over all competition at the last International Livestock Show which was held at Chicago last December.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Saturday, September 18, 1926]

CHESTER WHITE SWINE RECORD ASSOCIATION [Rochester, Indiana]

See *Chester White Journal*

CHESTNUT, AL [Rochester, Indiana]

Fred McCarter is again working for Al Chestnut in his blacksmith shop in South Rochester.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, September 9, 1903]

CHESTNUT, J. B. [Rochester, Indiana]

COOPER SHOP

Mr. J. B. Chestnut has returned to Rochester and again opened a shop for the purpose of doing a general cooperage business. He is prepared to make new work or repair old vessels and asks all to call and see him at his shop directly north of the Wallace House stables.

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[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, January 12, 1884]

CHESTNUT & VanDIEN [Rochester, Indiana]

LOCAL NEWS

Chestnut & VanDien's tonsorial parlor east of Citizens' block, south of the court house, will be opened tomorrow morning. Everything is arranged in first class style, and the gentlemen of Rochester are invited to call.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, November 2, 1900]

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See: Toilets, Outdoor

CHICAGO GARMENT COMPANY [Rochester, Indiana]

COMMERCE CLUB SECURES NEW FACTORY FOR CITY

Coming as a sequence to negotiations which have been carried on between the Rochester Chamber of Commerce secretary and I. Nieman, of Chicago, an agreement was reached the forepart of this week, whereby the Chicago Garment Co. will operate a branch factory in Rochester. Mr. Nieman will arrive here Friday, and in company with members of the commerce body select a location for the new industry.

Under the terms of contract the Chamber of Commerce agreed to pay \$375 to the Chicago company, each year, for the first four years of its continuous operation. This sum representing the interest of the company's investment in the form of machinery and operating expenses in the launching of [the] branch. In the event of the new industry's failure to keep in operation the interest payments become void.

The Garment Factory will employ 15 girls at the start, and within a short time increase to 30 or 45 girls. The making of each garment necessitating fifteen different operations before its completion, consequently all increase in production is accomplished through gang-work of 15 employees. When interviewed today Robert Shafer, president of the commerce club, stated the industry would be in operation inside the next three weeks.

Members of the Chamber of Commerce will be solicited within the next day or two to support the new project and the money raised will be placed in trust at one of the local banks awaiting the fulfillment of the business agreement.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Wednesday, February 15, 1928]

MACHINES FOR GARMENT FACTORY BROUGHT HERE

The machines to be used in the Chicago Garment Company which is opening a branch factory in this city through the efforts of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce were today brought to this city by trucks from Warsaw. Fifteen machines will be installed at first, this number gradually being increased in units of 15 as it takes that many machines to complete the operation of making each garment. Applications were received this morning by the manager of the factory for women employees. It is hoped to have the factory in operation by the latter part of the coming week.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Thursday, February 23, 1928]

GARMENT FACTORY SEEKS LARGER QUARTERS HERE

Citizens of this community little realize just what its own industries are doing and this is particularly true of one of the newest industries that has been in operation here a little more than a year. This is the Chicago Garment Factory, located in the old postoffice room on Main Street, and owned and managed by I. Neiman.

The factory was started here March 1, 1928 through the efforts of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce. From that time until April 10, 1929 the company's records show that it has paid out in Rochester \$21,300, this being chiefly for girl's salaries, for rent, light, heat, and miscellaneous

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expense. At present there are 26 girls employed in the factory and 24 machines are kept busy every hour of the day.

The factory makes coveralls and children play suits which are sold to chain stores, jobbers and large department stores all over the country. The present force is turning out 500 dozen suits a week. The leading item is a garment invented and patented by Mr. Neiman which is a play suit and coverall with a double seat, elbow, and knee. This is very much in demand by the stores and jobbers which buy the local made products. It is listed as one of the finest garments made in this class.

When asked about the business Mr. Neiman reported that he now had enough orders on hand to give his present force work for 90 days and that he was forced to turn down a large percentage of the orders that were received because he could not promise delivery within a reasonable time. Mr. Nieman also has factories at Argos and at Milford.

He said that he had been looking for a larger place for some time as he could immediately increase the size of his factory to employ 100 girls and give them steady work. Efforts are being made locally to help the garment factory find a new location.

This kind of news is particularly gratifying to the citizens of Rochester, to the business men and especially those who helped to pay into the Chamber of Commerce the fund to get Mr. Neiman started here. One merchant said when talking about it that it was one of the best investments he ever made as it had paid him back many times already; and he only wished he could make 50 payments that would bring like returns to his store and to the community that this one had.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Saturday, April 13, 1929]

GARMENT FACTORY AGAIN ACTIVE FOLLOWING LULL

The Chicago garment factory, which was forced to close down three days last week on account of slump in orders, reopened the fore part of this week and is now operating on about 80 per cent of its capacity production. This season of the year which is always the dullest is exceptionally bad this year owing to the unsettled market condition on raw materials used in the manufacture of coveralls, work shirts and play suits.

Mr. Nieman, proprietor of the local factory and branch factories at Argos and Milford, stated that orders were now coming in at a brisker rate and he believed further shut-downs would be unnecessary. The Milford branch is at this time going at full force, while the Argos factory is nearing maximum output.

[The News-Sentine, Thursday, August 1, 1929]

CHICAGO GARMENT CO. CLOSED FOR 3 MONTHS

The Chicago Garment Company in the room at 711 Main street was closed Saturday night by order of the owner of the plant, S. I. NIEMAN of Argos. The closing order as it was conveyed to the employees by the foreman is to be effective for three months. The reason given for the closing is an over supply of garments in the market. The Chicago company has been in operation here for the past 18 months. It has given employment to from 35 to 50 women.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Monday, August 12, 1929]

GARMENT FACTORY IS MOVED FROM THE CITY

The Chicago Garment Company which has operated a factory in the old postoffice building on Main Street for the last three years was moved from the city on Monday afternoon. It is understood that most of the machinery, consisting mainly of 20 power sewing machines, was loaded on trucks and taken to LaPorte wher the factory will now be located.

Isadore Nieman, of Chicago, owner of the plant, could not be located today and no reason is known here for the sudden move. Mrs. Ed Mohler, forelady, stated that beyond rumors of the moving no definite word had been given here by the management until the plant was closed. About 20 girls were employed in the factory and they were all relieved from further duty.

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Nieman owned plants at Argos, Milford and Hartford City, and it is understood that he is moving them all and consolidating them in LaPorte.

The Chicago Garment Company was guaranteed a bonus when it located here by the merchants of Rochester, the four payments being made one in the spring of each year and a contract signed at the time of the agreement called for the factory to remain in operation in the city four years. The four year period will not expire until February 1931. [sic] The contract which was signed originally with the old Chamber of Commerce is now held by the Rochester Kiwanic Club.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, June 2, 1931]

CHICAGO NIPPLE MANUFACTURING CO. [Rochester, Indiana]

SCAAR-BAUMEL FACTORY IN BIG CONSOLIDATION

Industrial Rochester will be revived considerably within the coming months due to a consolidation which was announced today of the Scaar-Baumel pipe and coil factory here with the Chicago Nipple Manufacturing Company, of Chicago. The consolidation will take place next week and shortly afterwards much additional work will be sent to the plant here in Rochester which will necessitate the taking on of a number of men permanently and which will ultimately mean the steady employment of from forty to fifty men.

The consolidation, according to W. F. Scaar, who was in the city Thursday, means that the local plant will have the unlimited resources of the Chicago firm back of it as it is a corporation valued at five million dollars and has three plants in Chicago, one at Baltimore and one in Los Angeles. In addition to the production of pipes and coils the local plant will also specialize on pipe nipples and an entire nickle plating department with stamps and presses will be moved here shortly. It is understood that one of the Chicago plants may be closed and all of its output brought here.

W. F. Scaar for sometime has been the sole owner of the plant here having bought out Mr. Kilgore, president and Mr. Baumel several months ago. He will be sales manager in the new firm with offices in Chicago. Dixon A. Williams is president of the new consolidated firm while Walter McBroom is secretary-treasurer.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Friday, October 16, 1925]

CHICAGO FIRM TO MOVE PLANTS HERE, CONTRACT SIGNED

The Chicago Nipple Manufacturing company will have its plant at Rochester, recently acquired, in operation within a few weeks. This became a fact Saturday morning when the directors of the Young Men's Business Association met here with Dixon C. Williams, president of the corporation, and Mr. George Holman, and completed the transaction whereby this city will have a new industry which is part of a million dollar concern.

The title to the building which was bought by Rochester citizens will remain in the name of the Y. M. B. A. while the manufacturer will take over the contract made by The Scaar-Baumel Co., which will give them the building and ground when their payroll has totaled a certain stipulated amount and not before. This makes it certain that Rochester will benefit considerably by an additional income into the community before the factory does become the property of the Nipple Co., or if they should fail to pay out the stipulated sum in payroll it still remains in the possession of the local subscribers.

Lisle Kriegbaum, president of the Y. M. B. A. and O. R. CARLSON, made a report to the directors that on Wednesday they went to Chicago and made a personal investigation of the corporation and the resources behind it and reported their credit A No. 1, their resources better than a million, that they owned three plants in Chicago and two elsewhere, all of them running at full speed and the personnel behind the organization to be of exceptionally high calibre. Mr. Williams told the investigators that he wanted to move the two smaller plants here, one which manufactures small supplies for plumbers and another which nickel plates steel products. He will send only the heads of departments here who will make their home in Rochester while local men

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will be employed and trained in the plant. Only a small number will be taken on at first and these will be added to as fast as they can be educated in the new work.

In addition it was announced that the Y. M. B. A. now has full possession of the title to the building. Mr. Williams brought with him a check for \$600 with Scaar-Baumel creditors paid towards helping clear the title while the additional \$500 necessary was loaned locally.

The total sum of \$1,100 which was still owed the Gauge Valve receivership by the Y. M. B. A. was paid over and title was given to the Y. M. B. A.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Saturday, November 7, 1925]

BIG IRON PIPE ORDER IS LOADED BY LOCAL PLANT

Eight thousand feet of iron pipe, an entire carload of material, boxed and placed in a car at the Chicago Nipple company plant by Saturday noon and the car placed on a siding ready for the first stage of its journey to Central America. The car constituted the materials from which will be built a complete refrigerating system at the destination.

Forty thousand feet more of work lies immediately before the concern - probably with one exception the most powerful organization, financially to establish itself here.

August C. Griebel, who came here from Chicago two weeks ago to superintend the plant, outlined some of the company's future activities Monday morning.

The fourteen men now employed will have as many more fellows perhaps by the first of the year, he said, and in the reorganized plant probably half a dozen or more women will be employed. The south wing of the building will see the installation of punch presses, and opposite will be the nickel plating department.

The work formerly done by the Synco Manufacturing company on Kinsey street, Chicago, will be transferred here. The Chicago nipple company recently bought this company. This work is making pipe hangers. The nipple making business of the Chicago plant of the company will be transferred here, largely, also. In time, perhaps, the capacity of the present plant will be quadrupled.

Much changing will have to be done, and perhaps two months will be required to get things arranged and an idea of development made concrete. The wiring of the building is in poor condition and an expense of \$1,500 or more is seen in changing this. Carpenters now are busy in the room destined to receive the extra punch presses. A shed outside the main building will be supplanted after a while by a better one for storage purposes.

Among orders now on hand is one for a Springfield, O., concern.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Monday, November 23, 1925]

WORK AT THE CHICAGO NIPPLE CO. IS BOOMING

Few people in our city are aware of the tremendous volume of business being conducted at the Chicago Nipple Co., local concern which took over the factory and equipment of the Scaar-Baumel Co., in East Rochester.

The concern which manufactures all kinds of heating and water coils, plates, trimmings and hangers, giving employment to fifty local men. The force is now being forced to take much overtime in attempt to keep abreast with the steady influx of orders. The products of this factory are shipped to various points over the United States.

A new storage building has been erected directly north of the main plant to house standard stock parts. A packing and shipping department will be maintained in the second story of the factory building.

Mr. A. C. GREBE, formerly of Chicago, is manager of the local industry and has taken this city as his permanent residence.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Thursday, April 15, 1926]

NEW DEPARTMENT MAY BE ADDED TO NIPPLE PLANT

While the official notice has been forthcoming from the main offices at Chicago, indications point to the fact that the Chicago Nipple Manufacturing Co., plant here will soon be given additional machinery and equipment to enable them to produce pipe coils for soda fountains.

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If this department is added it will mean a steady flow of orders the year round with few if any slack periods.

The plant now specializes on pipe coils which go into refrigerating plants. As such plants are usually erected in the summer time the demand is exceedingly heavy for them during the winter months when the plans are drawn up and material ordered so that the contractors can start the work in the spring. Consequently there is always somewhat of a letdown of orders in the spring. However nearly every soda fountain owner refuses to make any changes in summer right in the height of his busy season but he will place an order for a new fountain to be installed the following winter. That means the local plant will get the peak of the fountain coil orders in the summer time for next winter's installation. By having the special machinery needed for making both kinds it will mean continuous output throughout the year.

Requests have been made in the past for the moving of this department here from the Chicago plant. No word of assent has been given but recently machinery and equipment for building fountain coils was received here and it is believed therefore that within a month or so the new department will be working full time here.

The factory in all departments is moving along busily at this time with a full force. Work is being pushed on coils for a hospital in New York City. The recently erected frame and steel building has given them much more room on the main floor and soon the big testing tank will be made considerably larger. A new pressure pump is being installed and with a new crane two testing outfits can be kept busy at once which will move up the production considerably. Both railroads report considerable increase in tonnage out of here since the Nipple plant got into full swing.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Wednesday, May 26, 1926]

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ASSUMES FACTORY DEBT

The Rochester Chamber of Commerce, through its board of finance and its directors, took an obligation off the hands of an individual and placed it squarely on the shoulders of the organization Friday morning when George W. Holman was paid in full for the money he had advanced to bring the Chicago Nipple Co., to this city. The C. of C. now has a note for \$480 at the bank which must be paid within 30 days, the directors and members of the finance board deciding that Mr. Holman should be relieved of his part and the money was borrowed to pay him. This means, one of the directors said, that the factory fund of the commercial club must get in at least this amount and that plans are now being worked out to wipe out this indebtedness.

It will be remembered that when the Chicago Nipple Co., first made overtures to come here that its president Mr. Williams, of Chicago, stated that he would not take over the Scaar-Baumel contract for the building unless the title was clear. Over \$500 was needed to clear the title which still was possessed by the receiver of the Gauge Valve Co. The Chamber of Commerce did not care at that time to make a drive for funds and Mr. Holman voluntarily advanced the money and the Nipple Co., came to the city at once, took over the property and have been employing around 40 men steadily ever since.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Friday, July 9, 1926]

CHICAGO NIPPLE CO. LANDS MAMMOTH EASTERN JOB

An interview today with one of the managers of the local branch of the Chicago Nipple Co., discloses the fact that this local industry is literally swamped with orders. A requisition received from G. C. Biderfield, manager of the nipple company at Baltimore, Md., calls for the local plant's production of 250,000 feet of hanger bars, 50,000 floor and ceiling plates, and 25,000 hanger rings. The execution of this one order will require at least six months time with a full force on duty ten hours every day, three carloads of material are already here to be used in the production of this mammoth contract. Many other jobs are now in course of manufacture for big eastern jobbers.

The company states they have recently purchased a \$6,000 steam heating plant which will be installed within the next few weeks. An apportionment of \$15,000 for improvements to

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the local industry's quarters has also just been allowed by Dickinson C. William, general manager of the Chicago Nipple companies. Mr. Alfred Ford, general superintendent of the Chicago factory will be here for several weeks supervising the improvement schedule.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Thursday, August 5, 1926]

CHICAGO NIPPLE COMPANY TO CLOSE ITS PLANT HERE

The Chicago Nipple Manufacturing Company plant located in East Rochester will be closed this week, it was officially announced here today. The plant has been working on part time for the last six months but has employed only 15 men on the average since last August.

Two department superintendents from the Chicago parent plant were in Rochester today to supervise the closing of the factory. They began the loading of the machinery onto freight cars and stated that within two weeks the plant would have its doors locked for good. All of the machinery, stock and equipment will be moved into Chicago and made a part of the plant there.

August Griebe, who has been manager of the company since the Nipple Company came here, will return to Chicago with the organization and will move his family there in a couple of weeks. Jack Stafford, auditor of the plant here, will take employment elsewhere, he announced, although he was given an opportunity to go with the company to Chicago.

To Have One Plant

It was stated at the plant today that local conditions had nothing to do with the closing of the factory as the move is the part of a general one on the part of the company towards consolidation. Last year they closed their plant in Los Angeles, a few months ago they closed the one in Baltimore and the Rochester plant is the last one to be moved and made a part of the Chicago factory.

It was stated that the building will be closed up but that the company will be glad to offer good terms for rental or purchase of the building. The Chicago Nipple Company came here several years ago when they purchased the plant and business from a concern which was operating there at the time. Originally the building and ground was given to the manufacturer but since then the building has been doubled in size by the company and the pay roll obligations required by contract was met two years back.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, February 24, 1931]

NIPPLE COMPANY ORDERS CLEAN-UP OF PREMISES

William Biddinger, a former employee of the Chicago Nipple Co., branch factory of this city, yesterday received instructions from the superintendent of the Chicago Nipple Co., of Chicago, to have the Rochester plant put in first class condition, both inside and the grounds.

While the meaning of these developments were unexplainable it is believed the company either plans on the re-opening of the industry or its sale for some kindred line of manufacture. In any event the building and premises are being given a thorough cleaning and the import of the message received here will undoubtedly be known within the next few days.

[The News-Sentinel, Friday, July 31, 1931]

CHICAGO FIRE

NEWS OF THE DAY

Thirty-six years ago Wednesday the whole civilized world was shocked at the news that the city of Chicago was in ashes. The fire started about 9 p.m. on the 7th, but the most of the heavy losses occurred on the 9th. Many people here at the present time can well remember what a day of anxiety it was and how any bit of news was soon taken up and passed from one to the other. One to see Chicago today would not think that not a house was left standing from Van Buren street to Lincoln Park.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, October 18, 1907]

CHICAGO STORE [Rochester, Indiana]

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[Adv.] CLOSING OUT AT COST! To save freight and boxing. I have rented a room in Plymouth, Indiana, and will move my stock of goods there about the 15th of August and to save boxing and freight I will sell at Cost any article in my entire line of Dry Goods, Notions, Hats, Caps, Boots, Shoes, Trunks and Valises. We have some Glassware, Dishes and Tinware that we will sell regardless of cost. - - - J. M. AXE, CHICAGO STORE, Opposite the Citizens' Bank, Rochester, Ind.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, July 13, 1892]

CHILI, INDIANA [Miami County]

CHILI HAVING BOOM

The residents of Chili are much astir these days and there is a great business boom for the little town, due to the large force of men employed on the construction of the Winona traction line. The traction company is exerting every possible effort toward getting the road ready for operation, the rush being due to the fact that the company is obliged to pay an enormous amount of money as interest on borrowed funds, and consequently is very desirous to begin obtaining revenue from the property. The company is also in fear of losing subsidies granted in various townships and corporations through which the line traverses.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, January 13, 1910]

CHILSON, LEE DAKE [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Letter From Lee Dake Chilson)

CHINERS, HAROLD B. [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Letter From Harold B. Chiners)

CHINN, ED

See: Dawson, George V

See: Rochester, Indiana [Historical Review].

CHINN & BEEBER [Rochester, Indiana]

Chinn & Beeber . . . Groceries & Provisions. . . Bakery . . . Call at the North Room of the Mammoth Building on Main St. Rochester, Ind. E. B. Chinn, J. H. Beeber. Sept. 26, 1865.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, October 5, 1865]

The firm Chinn and Beeber has undergone a change by J. H. Beeber selling his interest to Mr. Ed. R. Rannells formerly of the business firm of Wise and Rannells Wholesale Grocers and Sutlers, Nashville, Tenn . . .

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, November 23, 1865]

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[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, November 23, 1865]

CHINN & SMITH [Rochester, Indiana]

New Harness Shop. Our friends, E. B. Chinn and Frank Smith are opening a new Harness Shop one door south of Rannells & Elam's store . . .

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, July 30, 1863]

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CHINN GROCERY STORE [Rochester, Indiana]

A Change. Messers E. B. & W. H. Chinn have recently purchased the Grocery Store owned by Bryant & Osgood.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, November 8, 1866]

Change in Business. Wm. Chinn has sold out his Grocery store to the Bearss Brothers, who will continue to carry on the business at the same old place.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, March 19, 1868]

Express Office. Since the death of R. P. Smith, the former express agent, considerable figuring has been done by two or three parties to secure the office in connection with their other business. Those in authority say that if Ernsperger, Jackson & Co. desire it continued at their place of business it shall be so, if not then the next best place shall be chosen, which of course would be Ed. Chinn's grocery store, in the Beeber block.

[Rochester *Union-Spy*, Thursday, November 26, 1874]

CHINN HARNESS SHOP [Rochester, Indiana]

We neglected to say last week that Andrew J. Davidson had bought out the Harness Shop of E. B. Chinn, and removed into the room recently occupied by him, in the same building with our office. As this is now the only Harness Shop in town, our friends will know where to go to get their work done.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, November 5, 1863]

CHINN RESTAURANT [Rochester, Indiana]

Oysters at William Chinn's Restaurant in Mammoth Building 2d floor.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, February 8, 1866]

CHIPMAN, ALBERT [Akron, Indiana]

Also see Fulton Circuit Court

BROWN-CHIPMAN-HOSMAN NEW COUNTY LAW FIRM

Announcement of formation of a new local law partnership was made Thursday, although it had been known unofficially for several days in certain circles. The new firm will be known as Brown, Chipman and Hosman, and will have offices in both Rochester and Akron. The members are Selden J. Brown of this city, and Albert Chipman and DeWitt Hosman of Akron. The new partnership will be in operation Jan. 1.

The Rochester office of the firm will be in the Masonic building, and the Akron office will be in the Exchange Bank building.

Attorney Brown, a graduate of the law school of the Rochester, N.Y., University, has been a practicing attorney for eleven years, four of which he was prosecutor of Fulton and Marshall counties and two of which he was deputy prosecutor. He is well known as having participated in a number of leading cases here.

Mr. Chipman is a graduate of Northwestern University, and has been in Akron since 1919 in law practice. He served in the world war.

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Mr. Hosman, former owner and editor of the Akron News, is a graduate of DePauw University and attended the University of Washington, and the law school of the University of Chicago.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, December 24, 1925]

CHIPMAN TO BE MADE THE MARSHALL COUNTY JUDGE

According to a story appearing in the Thursday's issue of the Plymouth Democrat the appointment of Judge in the newly made Marshall County Circuit Court, which will come into being about May 1st, will go to Albert Chipman, who is now making arrangements to move from Rochester to Plymouth. The newspaper says that Mr. Chipman, who for the last year or so has been a member of the law firm of Brown and Chipman of Rochester, has rented a home there and is preparing to move his household goods there soon.

It has been announced from the office of Governor Jackson at the statehouse that no appointment will be made until the new court is declared existing and the vacancy thus created. When the judge is appointed he will serve for 18 months until November 1, 1928 when first general election, following the appointment, will be held and a judge elected for a full term of six years.

Inquiry in Rochester brought out the fact that Mr. Chipman is planning to move to Plymouth at an early date and those who claim to be "in the know," intimated that the appointment of the judgeship would go to him and thus a knotty problem which had faced the political leaders and the lawyers of Plymouth will be solved to the satisfaction of all sides, it is understood.

Chipman is one of the prominent younger attorneys of Rochester, he having moved here from Akron where he formerly practiced. He is at present the county attorney for Fulton County.

[The News-Sentinel, Friday, February 25, 1927]

ALBERT CHIPMAN TO BE NAMED JUDGE OF MARSHALL CO. COURT

Indianapolis, April 11 (I.N.S.) - Governor Ed Jackson today formally announced the appointment of Albert Chipman as judge and George Hufsmith as prosecuting attorney for the newly created Marshall County Circuit Court. Both men are attorneys living in Plymouth. It was understood that Jackson had contemplated the appointment of a Culver attorney as prosecuting attorney until the arrival of a delegation from Plymouth boosting Hofsmith a few days ago.

This delegation of four members refused to give their names and said they visited the governor concerning the route through Plymouth of State Road 30.

According to first page stories carried in the Plymouth Pilot and the Plymouth Democrat Governor Ed Jackson on Monday afternoon authorized the statement that he will appoint A. Chipman of Plymouth, recently of Rochester and Akron as the judge of the Marshall circuit court, when the new 72nd judicial district is created. He stated also that he would appoint George W. Hufsmith, also a new resident of Plymouth, as prosecuting attorney. The story of the appointment is rather interesting and the various facts are given in the Pilot, edited by S. E. Boys, who is also republican county chairman of Marshall County, as follows:

S. E. Boys was called to Indianapolis Monday to see the governor on the matter of these appointments and these statements were made to him and E. N. Cook, who accompanied Mr. Boys. They will not be made until the laws are in force, which will be the last of this month, as nearly as can be ascertained.

On account of unusual conditions the governor did not follow the recommendations of the Republican Central committee made several weeks ago. The committee, 30 out of the 72 being present, voted to recommend Galeman Dexter for judge and Fred Solomon of Culver for prosecutor.

Wrote The Governor

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These recommendations were promptly forwarded to the governor by Chairman Boys and Secretary L. J. Girten and it was supposed that they would be followed by the governor in his appointments. After the legislature was over Mr. Boys again wrote the governor about the matter, requesting an audience for Mr. Dexter and the committee.

A conference was held about two weeks ago between the governor, Mr. Dexter, M. M. Beck of Bourbon, Geo. Overmyer and Fred Solomon of Culver, and Mr. Boys. At that meeting the governor took the matter into his own hands. He told Mr. Dexter he believed that Dexter had eliminated himself from the appointment by the agreement he had made with the attorneys of the bar. Mr. Dexter gave his version of this understanding but this did not change the governor's mind and he told the delegation that he would not appoint Mr. Dexter.

Object To Solomon

At that conference it was rather understood that Mr. Solomon would be appointed prosecutor. However, after that time came very decided objections were sent to the governor from Culver people, mostly from the Military Academy, and also some from Indianapolis. These objections led the governor to set aside Mr. Solomon as a possible candidate for the place.

Last week Mr. Hufsmith and a delegation of his friends went to Indianapolis and called on the governor. The persons in the delegation were F. N. Cook, Dr. G. F. Hitchcock and Dr. C. F. Holtzendorff. This visit and recommendation of Mr. Hufsmith, together with the objections to Solomon led to the choice of Hufsmith when the governor came to decide the matter.

The governor did follow the recommendation of the committee in one respect, however. The committee had unanimously voted that the new appointees should be Republicans. With Mr. Dexter and Mr. Solomon eliminated, the only other persons considered for the places were Mr. Chipman and Mr. Hufsmith.

Recently Moved There

Albert Chipman recently moved to Plymouth from Akron. He had had a law partnership at Rochester with Selden Brown, former prosecutor of the district.

Mr. and Mrs. Hufsmith, came to Plymouth from Chicago, looking for a good city to live in. They drove about the town and were so pleased that they at once bought property and made their home at 821 North Michigan street. They have a little son and are members of the Episcopal church.

A Knot in The Law

When interviewed about his appointment Mr. Chipman said that there was a knot in the law creating the 72d judicial district and that he would like to have the bar association meet and discuss the matter and agree on a construction of it, if possible.

The trouble is that this new act fixes the first Monday in April as the first day of the new court. This was done in the final draft by the attorneys, and they had an emergency clause in the act which would put it into effect at once after passage. However, in committee the emergency clause was stricken out, but the date of the opening term was not changed, as it should have been.

Hence, we have the peculiar situation of not knowing just when the first term of the new district will begin. The beginning of the September term is fixed and certain but there is uncertainty about the beginning of this new court this spring.

New Acts Out Soon

The Secretary of state's office say that the new acts will be published about April 25 but it may be a few days later. After that the appointments can be made by the governor and the new court set up. It is believed that they can agree on how to proceed so that all actions of the court will be legal.

[The News-Sentinel, Wednesday, April 13, 1927]

MARSHALL COUNTY JUDGESHIP PUZZLE IS STILL UNSOLVED

Lawyers and court officials both in Fulton and Marshall counties are considerably concerned at present as to just when the new circuit courts districts will be established at Rochester and Plymouth. Due to a peculiar wording twist of the bill which passed the legislature

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and was signed by the governor it is thought now that the new courts cannot be created until the first Monday in April, 1928 and that until then the joint circuit courts with Judge R. R. Carr presiding over both will continue to exist.

At Plymouth the attorneys have been making a study of the situation and find themselves in a dilemma. For they find that the new act reads that it repeals all laws in conflict with the creation of the new districts but at the same time it reads that the new districts shall be established in the, "first Monday in April."

The whole trouble comes about because when the new law was written contained an emergency clause and was framed on that basis by providing that the first term should begin on "the first Monday in April after the passage of the law." When the emergency clause was stricken but nobody thought to go back and rearrange the terms of court according to the time the law would go into effect.

The "first Monday in April" having passed it is now impossible to begin the first term on that date, so the first Monday in April "after the passage of the act" will be the first Monday in April, 1928.

It is probable that the new officers can not draw their salaries during the term but that is another thing to be settled.

Lauer Gives Opinion

Judge Stevens and L. M. Lauer of Plymouth spent more than a day looking up the laws and decisions in cases of this kind, and Mr. Lauer has written out some of these decisions.

Will File Test Case

The same situation exists in the law dividing White and Carroll counties where R. R. Carr's brother is judge. In that county they will file a suit to test the law and have it construed by the Supreme court.

It is probable that a case will also be filed in the Fulton-Marshall court so that the matter of when the new judge will take jurisdiction and also the time of the terms of court will be settled. Such a case may be filed directly in the supreme court and probably can be decided within a few weeks.

In the meantime, who will open the next term of court in Marshall county? As things now stand it means that Judge Carr will do so on May 2. But when the new laws are declared in force, all will be "up in the air" again until the supreme court says, "Where we are at."

Lauer Cites Decisions

The law as passed has no emergency clause and under the well recognized rule of law, cannot take effect until after the proclamation of the Governor is made, showing the laws to be in effect. Just when this will happen is now problematical.

Under the law, as passed, all laws in conflict there with are expressly repealed.

Under the old law the Marshall Circuit Court as a part of the Forty-first Judicial Circuit would convene in regular term on the second day of May, 1927.

The question arising is that inasmuch as the law of 1927 provides "that the first term of Court in the 72nd Judicial Circuit shall begin on the first Monday in April, after the passage of this act" does this make the first term commence in April, 1928?

Applied to Marshall County

Applying the decisions found by Mr. Lauer to the act of 1927 creating separate circuit for Marshall county it is well to consider the situation. The act creating the new circuit comprised of Marshall county alone provides that the first term of court shall begin on the first Monday of April after the passage of the act, and the second term on the first Monday in September after the passage of the act. It would be apparent to one not a lawyer that a term of court provided to begin on the first Monday in April if not then could not be held subsequently. If no court can be legally held on the first Monday of April, 1927, or thereafter before the September term, then it is apparent that the second term of court under this act cannot be held in September as that would be the first term after the passage of the act.

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Unless the Supreme court of Indiana can find a way to clear the tracks it would seem that the new Judge of the Marshall Circuit Court to be appointed by Governor Jackson could not function until the first Monday of April, 1928, which date would be the first Monday in April after the passage of the act.

Emergency Clause Stricken Out

The bill as originally introduced contained an emergency clause, and had that been allowed to remain the unfortunate position that lawyers and litigants find themselves in would not have arisen; had it been allowed to stand as the committee of the bars of Fulton and Marshall counties wrote the bill, this predicament would not have confronted us.

It is to be hoped that on account of the grave importance to the bar, to suitors, and to administrators and executives in particular, that the Supreme Court may find a way to get the courts out of the dilemma even if they have to overrule some of their former opinions, which will be hard for them to do, of course.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, April 18, 1927]

JUDGE ALBERT B. CHIPMAN WINS OVER ATTY JESS HESS

Judge Albert Chipman of Plymouth, a former resident of Akron who was appointed as judge of the Marshall county circuit court by Governor Ed Jackson last year when the 71st district was divided, easily defeated his opponent Attorney Jesse Hess of Bourbon for the nomination on the republican ticket for judge at the primary Tuesday.

Judge Chipman ran completely away from Hess who counted but 197 votes to Chipman's 2,155. Hess, who at one time opposed Judge R. R. Carr for the republican nomination for judge, was placed in jail at Plymouth several weeks ago on a charge of contempt of court for his failure to make current report in an administratorship.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, May 10, 1928]

JUDGE ALBERT S. CHIPMAN RESIGNS FROM BENCH

Plymouth, Ind., May 23. (INS) - Judge Albert S. Chipman, of the Marshall County Circuit Court today tendered his resignation from that office to Governor M. Clifford Townsend. Judge Chipman petitioned to the chief executive of the State of Indiana that his retirement from the Marshall county court bench become effective as June 1st, 1938.

Judge Chipman in announcing his intention of retirement stated that he would become a member of a South Bend law office which will be known as the law firm of Arnold, Chipman and Degan.

Judge Albert Chipman is well known in Rochester and in Fulton county. He is a native of Porter county and a graduate of the Valparaiso University school of law. Upon graduation he entered the army and served in the World War where he was breveted a captain.

After the World War he opened a law office at Akron, sharing the same with the late Judge R. R. Carr. When the Fulton and Marshall county circuit courts were divided into separate judicial districts, Judge Chipman was named judge at Plymouth. That was 12 years ago.

He was elected to a six year term on the Republican ticket and had served four years of his second term. He has earned a reputation as being one of the keenest students of law in the state of Indiana and was selected in many courts to serve as special judge and was nominated by governors to serve in such capacity.

Judge Chipman presided in the Fulton circuit court at the third trial of Robert Finkenbiner, Wabash youth who was charged with murder. This trial was last March. He acted as special judge in a case which was tried in the Fulton circuit court last Friday. Judge Chipman is married and the father of two children.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, May 23, 1938]

JUDGE ALBERT CHIPMAN GOES TO APPEALS BOARD

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The new secretary of war, Robert B. Patterson, has recently appointed Maj. Albert B. Chipman of Plymouth as a member of the War department Board of Contract Appeals. The board acts as the duly authorized representative to hear, consider and decide appeals under War department contracts.

Prior to his appointment to this board, Major Chipman served in the judge advocate general's office as an assistant trial attorney before the board.

During World War I, Major Chipman served as an enlisted man with the 139th Field Artillery, 38th (Cyclone) Division, and later, after being commissioned a second lieutenant, served in France with the 332nd Field Artillery, 86th (Blackhawk) Division.

After his discharge from the service in 1919, Major Chipman was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Field Artillery Reserve and for many years thereafter was active in Reserve activities, attending training camps at Fort Knox, Fort Harrison and Culver Military Academy.

In 1943, in consideration of his 25 years of experience as a lawyer and trial judge, he was ordered to active duty in the judge advocate general's department. After graduating from the judge advocate general's school in Ann Arbor, Mich., Major Chipman was assigned to duty in the office of the judge Advocate general in Washington, D.C., where he served until the recent appointment to the board.

Judge Chipman is well known in this community, having formerly practiced law at Akron, where he and Mrs. Chipman resided several years.

[The News-Sentinel, Friday, October 12, 1945]

CHIPPEWANOC CREEK [Fulton County]

BIG CROWD WATCHES DREDGE

About five hundred people were at the Chippewanoc Creek, Sunday where it crosses the Lake Erie track about two and one-half miles north of Rochester. The drawing card was the fact that the railroad bridge had to be taken out to admit of the dredge passing through. This work together with the sight of the big steam shovel at work made a very interesting view for those less familiar with the workings of such machinery. The work of passing the bridge and clearing the whole concern took about one and one-half hours. During the entire day it is estimated that nearly two thousand persons visited the place. Many took their dinners, while others refreshed themselves with goods purchased at a stand which had been erected on the grounds.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, July 31, 1905]

CHIPPEWANONG TREATIES OF 1836 [Fulton County]

Chippewanong, about a mile east of the Old 31 bridge on the Tippecanoe River, was the site of several treaties in March, April and September, 1836.

As a result all the Potawatomi territory from Chicago to the Tippecanoe River was ceded to the United States, and the Indians were to move to lands west of the Mississippi River. To persuade the Indians to accept the treaties, liberal amounts of whiskey were frequently used.

Payment for the land was in gold or silver, brought by wagon from Fort Wayne and distributed by the Indian agent, Col. Abel C. Pepper. There was a riot during the payment of September 25, 1836, at Chippewanong. The treaty was concluded September 23 and \$63,000 in gold arrived two days later to pay the Indians for the land they had ceded.

But two white traders, Ewing and Tabor, who operated a trading post at Chippeway (where Old US-31 crosses the Tippecanoe), claimed that the Indians owed them \$24,000. There were several other claimants too, and violence broke out among the white men. Col. Pepper called all the money back in, but \$14,000 could not be found. The money was redistributed, and in the end the Indians got only \$16,000 out of the \$63,000.

Even this amount the Indians did not keep long, as the white men sold them fire-water or blankets, which the white men then stole from the Indians.

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CHIPPEWANUCK INDIAN TREATY [Newcastle Township]

Located on John Haimbaugh farm, location of a round barn and the site of horseshoe pitching contests during the annual Round Barn Festival.

CHIPPEWANUCK MEDAL

Around 1872 a silver medal bearing the likeness of George III of England was found on the banks of Chippewanuck Creek. The obverse side of the medal has a youthful bust of King George III in armor and wearing the sash of the Garter, his hair in a single curl over the ear. Seven rivets are shown in the front of the breastplate, six above the sash and one below. The inscription in Latin, translated, is "George III by the grace of God."

On the reverse side are the heraldic lion and unicorn supporting a shield which is divided into four quarters. The top left quarter has the three leopards of England; top right, lilies of France; bottom left, harp of Ireland; and bottom right, the electorate shield of Hanover, Germany. Around the shield is the motto of the Order of the Garter, translated, "Evil be to he who evil thinks." Below the shield on the ribbon is the Royal motto, translated "God and my right." To the left of the motto is the rose and to the right, a thistle.

It now belongs to Jane Smith Foellinger Miller, being given to her by her grandfather, Omar B. Smith.

James Scull wrote in 1910: "the medal was first in the possession of Wm. Ferguson. It was found in the edge of a spring on the banks of the Chippewanuck which it is said means the Chippewa Burial Ground from an overwhelming defeat of the Chippewas at the hands of the Potawatomi, after three days of desperate fighting back and forth across that then beautiful stream.

"The Chippewas coveted the fine hunting grounds of the Pottawatomies and coming down from the north, tried to drive them out, but like the fellow that went out for wool, came back shorn. It has always seemed strange to me that no account of this battle, fought some time near 1800, has ever got into any history of Indiana," Scull lamented.

The Rochester Union Spy, May 30, 1872, states that M. T. Osgood had a silver medal three inches in diameter, found on the banks of the Chippewanuck.

[The Chippewanuck Medal, Shirley Willard, *Fulton Co Folks*, Vol. 2, Willard]

CHIPPEWAY POSTMASTERS [Chippeway, Indiana]

William Polke, Dec 17, 1839, 1844.

Discontinued March 31, 1840.

[F.C.H.S. Files]

CHIPPEWAY TOWN [Richland Township]

Located on East side of Michigan Road [Old US-31] and north of the Tippecanoe River.

This was the home of Wm. Polke, commissioner for the sale of Michigan Road lands and building the Michigan road, and it was the first house built in the county by a white man.

CHORAL SOCIETY [Rochester, Indiana]

A number of local music lovers met at the home of Prof. and Mrs. C. J. Irwin Friday evening and planned the organization of a choral society. An active membership of at least fifty is desired and as Rochester has a number of splendid voices it is felt that little or no difficulty will be experienced in securing the desired number. Meetings will be held once a week, probably in the assembly room of the High school building, and Prof. Irwin has generously donated his services, without cost, as director. A committee will solicit those interested in music to become members during the coming week.

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Temporary officers were chosen, as follows: Frank E. Bryant, president; Ray B. Fretz, secretary, and Mrs. Arthur Metzler, treasurer.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, April 29, 1912]

CHRISTIANSSEN, JORGEN [Fulton, Indiana]

Famous circus performer with trained horses.

In 1940 he trained his horses for his circus act in the building W side of street, later used by Marvin Zabst for his Fulton Lumber Co.

See Cole Bros.-Clyde Beatty Circus

CHRISTIANSSENS TO WINTER IN EAST

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. Jorgen Christiansen will regret to learn that they plan to spend the winter at their home in Bridgeport, Conn. The trip will be made by truck, carrying their troupe of Great Danes and the Christiansen pony. The eight Cremoline stallions which were purchased by Cole Bros. last Spring, will remain here.

Mr. and Mrs. Christiansen have made many friends in Rochester, all of whom had looked forward to having them remain here. They expect to start East early next week.

[The News-Sentinel, Friday, November 15, 1935]

CHRISTIANSSEN'S DOGS TO APPEAR AT FT. WAYNE

Jorgen M. Christiansen, noted high school horse and dog trainer of the Cole Bros. Circus, announced today that he was booked for a week's engagement at the General Electric Co. Auditorium, Ft. Wayne, where a United Indoor Circus is being presented.

Christiansen presents two separate features in one, he used 11 Great Danes in a burlesque take-off of Clyde Beatty's Big cat act. The dogs are costumed to represent lions, tigers and a black panther; in the other he uses six Great Danes and a midget pony in a combination of drills similar to that he presented under the big tops with his score or more of Cremolin Arabian Stallions.

The United Indoor Circus presents a matinee and two night shows Sunday, Nov. 13 and two night performances throughout the remainder of the coming week, Mr. Christiansen stated.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, November 8, 1938]

Jorgen Marius Christiansen, world-famous circus performer and animal trainer, spent the last 30 years of his life in Fulton County. He gained membership in the Circus Hall of Fame at age 83 on Jan. 10, 1967. Excerpts from Hall of Fame biography follow:

In 1923, with the Ringling Brothers - Barnum and Bailey Circus, he produced the first 24-horse Liberty Act ever shown in America. Also while with the Ringling show he created the most colossal animal act of all time -- a gigantic animal act titled "Carrousel" which featured four zebras, five camels, 29 horses and 29 ponies.

He also broke and trained 24 Palominos for a Liberty Act which he presented for the Cole Brothers Circus in 1937 and 1938.

He had trained at Fulton, and the Fulton *Leader* of May 25, 1939 reported that after unsuccessfully attempting to show at the World's Fair in New York, some Akron men came to his aid.

It was thought that those men were Charles Moyer, Jack Morris, Lou Leininger, Jay Emahiser and Loren Stucker, and he trained horses in the Akron fair buildings west of Akron on SR-14 during the summer of 1939.

[Jorgen M. Christiansen, Sandra Hartlerode, *Fulton Co Folks*, Vol. 2, Willard]

See very lengthy story in *Fulton Co Folks*, Vol. 2, Willard.

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CHURCH STORE [Rochester, Indiana]

[Adv] Novelties for 1877 - - - Dress Goods, Black Goods, Flannels, Housekeeping Goods, Underwear, Gloves, Ribbons, &c., &c. - - - Boots & Shoes. - - - ERNSPERGER & JACKSON, Prop's.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, November 17, 1877]

CHURCHES [Fulton County]

The first church service in Henry Township was in 1836 in Asher Welton's log cabin by the Rev. Carey, a Methodist missionary sent to take charge of the Rochester Mission. Apparently the Rochester Mission existed first but nothing is found about it in early histories.

The Welton group continued to meet in Welton's school until 1847, when Dr. Joseph Sippy donated land for a church building in Akron. In the southern part of Henry Township, Methodists built a log church called Omega in 1845. In 1855 the first Bethel church was built north of Akron.

The first church service in Richland Township was held in the home of Michael Shore in 1837. Methodists organized in 1842 and built a church in 1856. They built the Richland Center Church in 1877. A disagreement on which language to use caused the Methodists to split into two churches in 1876 - North Germany Church using English and South Germany Church using German.

John Troutman brought Methodism to Union Township in 1837. The first sermon ever preached in the township was delivered by the Rev. John Hatchey. The first circuit preacher was Eventus Doud in 1839.

According to the 1883 *Historical Atlas of Fulton County* the first church services in Rochester were in the first courthouse. But prior to its construction in 1837, prayer meetings were conducted in private homes by itinerant preachers who just happened to be passing through.

The Methodists and Presbyterians were the first to build churches in Rochester. The Methodist church was built in 1840 on the southwest corner of Main and sixth. The Presbyterian church was built in 1844 on its present site. Other denominations had religious services in homes whenever a preacher came by.

A Methodist church was organized at Fletcher's Lake in 1841, but the Presbyterians built the first church in Wayne Township in 1844. Catholics built a church in 1840 on land donated by Maurice Fitzgerald.

Elder William Hunter organized a Disciples church in Leiters Ford in 1840 and another about two miles west of Kewanna in 1846. The Hunter family made the ford across the Tippecanoe River originally called Hunter's Ford, now Leiters Ford.

In 1848 the Methodists, Presbyterians and Evangelicals began meeting in the Leiters Ford schoolhouse. In 1877 the three groups decided to build a church on a lot donated by the Leiter family and the one that raised the most money would dedicate the church. The Methodists came through with the most money and got to name the church.

On March 7, 1878, during a service some young men in the back of the church were creating a disturbance and sassing the minister. A thunderstorm came up and lightning struck the church, killing one of the young men, Elias Biddinger, and injuring several others.

Fulton County had a very active preacher who founded eight Baptist churches. Elder James Babcock was instrumental in starting the Ebenezer Church 1846, Little Flock at Kewanna 1849, Fulton 1850, Bloomingsburg (Talma), Marstown 1850, Yellow Creek in Newcastle Township 1850, Rochester 1853, and Mexico. A later Ebenezer church still stands on the original site and is used as a dwelling. It is located west of former site of Woodrow School, on the jog in 300S.

A Lutheran church was established in Tiosa in 1849 and two Lutheran churches were built near Bruce Lake, but all consolidated with the Rochester church, SW corner 4th & Jefferson, the original site of a German Lutheran school.

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Early baptisms took place in the Tippecanoe River and various lakes, some in the middle of the winter, requiring the ice to be broken and the candidate submerged in freezing water. The Akron United Methodist Church still baptizes people in Rock Lake, but only in the summer.

[The First Churches, Shirley Willard, *Fulton Co Folks*, Vol. 2, Willard]

CHURCHES - ADVENTIST CHURCH [Rochester, Indiana]

Located NE corner Sixth and Fulton streets. [330 W 6th]

Advent, 330 W. 6th St., Byron Hagel, Pastor.

[Directory of Rochester, Ind., 1907, H. F. Crim and A. T. Bitters]

OLD ADVENT CHURCH IS MOVED OUT OF THE CITY

Another landmark of Rochester passed on its way today when old Advent Church, located at the corner of Sixth and Fulton, was moved away and the lot left vacant. For the last few years the building has been the property of Oren Hendrickson and recently he sold it to Arthur Freese. The latter is moving it to his lot on State Road 14 west of Rochester and will remodel it into a home it is understood. The building was being moved by Frank Shafer of Argos on Thursday.

The Advent church at one time had a good size congregation here with their regular pastor but as time passed the membership dwindled and finally passed out altogether. Later the church was rented to other denominations for services but in the last two years it has been closed and was sold to Mr. Hendrickson. The adventists always held church services on Saturday which they observed as their Sabbath.

The frame building was one of the early structures built in Rochester but it could not be learned today just when it was erected.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Thursday, June 4, 1931]

Local Pastors Give Religious Chronicles

By F. C. Sanders, Pastor

Over half of a century has passed since the first Seventh-day Adventist church was organized in Rochester following services in a large canvas tabernacle. These were conducted by Pastors S. H. Lane and J. H. Wagoner during the summer of 1874. From this start the company of believers grew to a large organization. Many well known citizens were enrolled on the church records. In the year 1877 through the faithful efforts of friends and believers, a church building was erected on the corner of 6th and Fulton avenue. This church, a modest frame structure, was used by the denomination until it was sold a few years ago.

The past few years the remaining members of the local church have met in private homes, or with S.D.A churches in nearby towns. During the past summer Evangelists F. O. Sanders and J. Krueger conducted a series of Bible Lectures in a large tent on the corner of Monroe and 14th streets. As the results of this effort a small nucleus has been formed which is hoped will grow into another church to hold aloft the banner of truth. Although no definite steps have been taken as yet, Evangelist Sanders, the present pastor, says tentative plans are being made for the erection of a church home in the near future.

Although comparatively small in number the S.D.A. have made themselves felt throughout the whole world. This has been due to their belief in a full gospel message to meet the various needs of humanity. Their work is promoted through the channels of evangelists, medical and educational work. These are supplemented by a large quantity of literature. The total cost of one piece of each publication would be nearly \$2,000. In hundreds of homes in Rochester and Fulton county may be found evidences of this literature work. Only the highest praise may be heard of the helpfulness of this Gospel literature.

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The constituency of the S.D.A. denomination contribute an average per capita of nearly \$50 a year to operate their world wide work. This amount with the closest economy has enabled them to sponsor their mission program in every country of the globe in harmony with the Saviour's comand (Matt. 28:19,20) and in addition to promote an aggressive evangelistic campaign in the United States. These campaigns met an average of over 100 church members a day even during the period of financial stress. To give some idea of the vastness of their work, the treasurer reports that an average of \$10.46 is needed every minute, day and night to support their foreign program alone.

Seventh-day Adventist churches have been organized in past years in Grass Creek, Akron and Kewanna. The Grass Creek Church is still in operation. Those in Akron and Kewanna have temporarily closed, although believers are scattered thruout these regions.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Thursday, December 6, 1934, p. 22]

CHURCHES - ANTIOCH UNITED BRETHREN CHURCH

[Rochester Township]

Located near Bearss Post Office.

Destroyed by windstorm April 5, 1979.

CHURCHES - ATHENS U. B. CHURCH [Henry Township]

Located one the West side of 625E, South of SR-14, in the South part of Athens.

See United Brethren Church - Athens

See Athens, Indiana.

CHURCHES - BAPTIST CHURCH [Blue Grass]

BLUE GRASS

New gasoline lights are being put in the Baptist church at this place.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, October 26, 1911]

CHURCHES - BAPTIST CHURCH [Ebenezer]

See Baptist Church, Rochester

CHICAGO MAN TO REMODEL OLD CHURCH INTO HOME

Negotiations have been completed wherein the Ebenezer Church, four miles south of Rochester, has been sold to Mel Miller, of Chicago, who plans to remodel the 50 by 36 brick structure into a summer home. Joel Brubaker, one of the oldest members of the church, acted as moderator at the sale.

The Ebenezer church, one of the few remaining country churches in the county, was built in 1887 and at the time of its activity had a membership of 160. No meetings have been held for the past 15 years, since Rev. G. C. Chandler was pastor of the Rochester Baptist Church.

The \$350 received from the sale will be given to the Rochester Church, the presentation to be made at a special service to be held at the local church on February twelfth. The sum is to be known as the Ebenezer church fund and the interest used as the members see fit.

The church is located near the Miller farm and will make an ideal summer home for the Miller family who spend their summers in Fulton County. One-half acre of ground goes with the church.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, January 31, 1928]

CHURCHES - BAPTIST CHURCH [Fulton, Indiana]

Built on location of the original school house.

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TO LAY STONE

On Sunday, November 26, at 2:30 o'clock, the corner stone of the new Baptist church will be laid at Fulton. The Rev. I. B. Morgan of Galveston will deliver the main address and there will be short talks from others, including former pastors.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, November 24, 1916]

LAY NEW CHURCH CORNERSTONE

Following exercises in the old building presided over by the pastor, Rev. A. L. TIDRICK, the cornerstone of the new Baptist church at Fulton was laid Sunday afternoon before a large crowd. Other ministers who spoke were Rev. I. B. Morgan, of Galveston, former pastor of the church, Rev. G. C. Chandler of Rochester, Rev. O. B. Wells and Rev. Groves.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, November 28, 1916]

CHURCHES - BAPTIST CHURCH [Kewanna, Indiana]

The first Baptist Church of Kewanna had its beginning in 1849. Elder James Babcock, who lived near Rochester, learned of several persons of the Baptist faith living in the vicinity of Pleasant Grove who had no place of public worship, visited them and conducted services in the home of one of the members. Later they met in a school house four miles northeast of Pleasant Grove. In 1851 the Little Flock Church was organized and services were conducted once a month in the Carter school. In 1857 they changed their meeting place to the Davis or Jackson school. In 1878 the present church was built, a frame structure near the Vandalia railroad on East Main street of Kewanna at a cost of \$3,000. In 1945 the Kewanna Baptist Church severed relations with the Northern Baptist Convention and drew up their own constitution, becoming an incorporated body.

[Kewanna, Thelma Johnston, Wade Bussert, Jan Cessna, and Tammy Evans, *Fulton Co Folks*, Vol. 2, Willard]

CHURCHES - BAPTIST CHURCH [Metea, Indiana]

Five hundred people gathered at Metea Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock where special and appropriate exercises were held at the laying of the corner stone of the new Baptist church now under construction. The dedicatory program was attended by a large assemblage including delegations from Logansport Baptist Temple, Royal Center Baptist, Crooked Creek Baptist, Fulton Baptist, Adamsboro Baptist, Perrysburg Baptist, Kewanna Baptist and Camden Baptist.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, October 18, 1921]

CHURCHES - BAPTIST CHURCH [Rochester, Indiana]

Located E side of street at 611 Main. Dedicated Oct. 6, 1867.

Located SW corner Main and Tenth Streets. New building dedicated in December 1889; Remodeled - addition to the west - dedicated January 11, 1914.

Building replaced at SW corner Main and Tenth Streets, and old one torn down.

OUR TOWN IS BOOMING

Monday morning another important transaction was perfected which will prove of material benefit to the City. Ex-Senator Zimmerman purchased of the Baptist church trustees their church property just south of the Central House for \$3,000, and will, at once, fit up the same for a furniture room, while the church will immediately arrange to build a new brick building in a more quiet part of the city. The church building will, when arranged according to Mr. Zimmerman's plans, make a magnificent room for his business and he has surely secured a bargain, while the church people are highly satisfied with the sale, as it affords them the opportunity of securing a much more desirable location for their church building.

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[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, March 20, 1889]

CHURCH AND CLERGY

The "Light of the World" spreads its effulgent rays very profusely in Rochester and Fulton county. Eight churches rear their spires heavenward within the corporate limits of the city and the church membership comprises most of our leading citizens. The total membership of the churches is about 1,400 and the list of Sabbath school pupils is 670, two hundred and eighty of the remaining 530 children in the city being under Sunday school age. Only 1000 persons, within the city, over 21 years old, are not church members and therefore, it will be readily seen that the Christian religion is so firmly established in Rochester that the moral and social standing of the community is at once worthy of the careful consideration of any desirable citizen who may be seeking a location.

The first church service in Rochester was conducted by Rev. Andrew Martin, 60 years ago. He preached occasionally in the log court house and in 1840 the first church class was organized. It was a Methodist class and within a few months the Presbyterians also effected an organization. The Baptists organized in 1860, the Catholics in 1867, the Evangelicals in 1875, the Christians in 1877, The Adventists in 1876, and the Episcopalians in 1889.

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Rev. Cook was born near Denver, Indiana, 34 years ago. He was a farmer boy and acquired such primary education as to enable him to become a useful teacher. Then he attended the State Normal one year and then entered Franklin College, from which institution he graduated in 1891. He then spent a year in Divinity school of Chicago University and then entered the ministry. He preached at Mentone two years and was called to Rochester in April 1893, since which time his work has been one constant triumph. He married Miss Lou Leonard and they have a family of four children.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, September 20, 1895]

A NEW PIPE ORGAN

The new pipe organ at the First Baptist church was formally opened to the public Friday evening, in an organ recital by Henry W. Matlock, of Racine, Wisconsin, assisted by Miss Grace Morningstar, soprano soloist, and Misses Stanton, Cowgill, Holman and Shafer, ladies quartette. The house was well filled when the performance opened and every number given was heartily encored.

Mr. Matlock is a classical performer on the organ and he brought out such a variety of music from it as kept the audience enraptured every minute. And all who attended were delighted with the beautiful instrument and the rich and soulful music it gives.

The soprano singing by Miss Morningstar was most captivating. She has a voice of rare sweetness, it is highly cultivated, and she was called back again and again.

The ladies quartette, too, was in fine voice and harmony. They were heartily encored and throughout it was a most enjoyable entertainment. The receipts amounted to about \$58.00.

At 10:30 Sunday morning the organ will be publicly dedicated in a program of praise and music. Miss Redmond, of Peru, will preside at the organ. Miss Morningstar will give a solo, the

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ladies' quartette will sing, there will be responsive reading, Rev. Conley will preach on "The Place of Music in Worship" and the choir will sing "His Glory Revealed."

Everybody is invited to attend this service and enjoy the music. No subscriptions for the organ will be taken at this service, but those who want to give may do so by regular contribution.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, August 22, 1903]

EVANGELIST COMING

Through the influence of the pastor of the Baptist church, O. P. Miles, the famous Billy Sunday has been induced to come to Rochester for one evening. This is a rare opportunity for the people, and every man, woman and child in the city should be there. Mr. Sunday was once asked to hold meetings in this town, his engagements then were four years ahead, they are now six. He draws the largest crowd of any man on the platform today. Every Chautauqua in America has invited him to speak.

The time is Tuesday evening July 14th. Place Baptist church.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, July 10, 1908]

[Adv] BILLY SUNDAY. The Great Champion ex Base Ball Player and Most Successful Evangelist of the Present Day will lecture at the ACADEMY OF MUSIC, Tuesday Evening July 14th. This is the opportunity of a life time. Mr. Sunday has engagements for six years ahead. Admission 25 Cents, No More, No Less. Get your tickets at Dawson's Drug Store and have them reserved. Electric Fans will be provided and the Hall will be cool.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, July 13, 1908]

DIG BASEMENT

The basement for the addition to the Baptist church is also being dig, the contract being in the hands of Marsh Hill.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, May 1, 1913]

ANOTHER PRESENT FOR CHURCH

Following the announcement that Mrs. Cathern Capron and Mrs. J. D. Holman had presented a 556 piece silverware set to the Baptist church, comes the word today that Mrs. Capron herself has given to the same religious body a 750 piece china set, to purchase which, she made a special trip to Pittsburgh, Pa., to see the manufacturers.

Mrs. Capron returned today from Pittsburgh, having spent her Christmas day in that city investigating the matter, so that the church might have the china at once. She has proven to be a tireless church worker, and the fact that she didn't have her hat off from the time she left Wednesday until she returned, gives evidence that she made use of her time. As a result the Baptist church kitchen is now very well equipped.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, December 26, 1913]

BAPTISTS WILL DEDICATE CHURCH

Rev. E. A. Hanley, president of Franklin college, will deliver the dedicatory sermon at the remodeled First Baptist Church, corner Main and 10th streets, Sunday, Jan. 11. The program has just been announced by Rev. G. C. Chandler, the pastor. A special feature will be the staging by the augmented choir under the direction of C. J. Irwin.

Sunday school will be held at the regular hour, 9:30 a.m., and the service will follow at 10:30. The invocation will be given by the pastor, a dedicatory prayer by Rev. F. C. Moon, and a special solo by Mr. Irwin. Following there will be a picnic dinner in the basement of the church.

A vesper service has also been announced for 2:30 p.m., there being no evening meeting. Rev. Mr. Hanley will preach at this time also, and Rev. F. Z. Burkette of the Christian church, Rev. W. M. Baumgartner of the Evangelical church, and Rev. A. S. Warriner of the Methodist church will all take part. There will be special music at this service.

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In 1888 Rev. J. H. Winans took charge of the church and within a year the old church property was sold and arrangements made for the building of the present one. The new building was dedicated in December, 1889, and the church membership rapidly increased until it had reached in 1895 a total of 264, with a Sunday school of 215 members and 32 officers. Rev. George Cook was then pastor.

Following Rev. Cook, who was here until 1896, came Rev. Gorrell Quick (1897-98), Rev. E. R. Clevenger (1898-1901), Rev. G. L. Coaley (1902-1904), Dr. O. P. Miles (1905-1910), and Rev. Chandler (1910). O. D. Johnson, father of Mrs. Dosia Jessen and last surviving charter member of the church organization, died in 1911.

The congregation found the church home adequate until last year, when it was decided to build the addition on the west, which is the cause of the dedication. The building is now one of the handsomest in the city and its congregation is prominent. There are now about 370 members, over 200 being active and resident. The Sunday school has an average attendance of about 260. The pipe organ was installed about eight years ago.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, January 8, 1914]

CHURCH ISSUES A MONTHLY

The first number of the Rochester Baptist Review, a monthly publication of 14 pages, has been mailed to the members of the church here. Rev. W. J. NIVEN is the editor and the paper contains news from all departments of the church. A number of local advertisers have patronized it.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, December 20, 1918]

Baptist Movement. Series of Meetings, Presbyterian Church, during last two weeks, by Elder W. Lyon, and Elder Leonard Cool. Elder Cool to "labor with them" for the coming year. Intend constituting a church Thurs. 21 March next.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, February 4, 1860]

We learn that Elder J. M. Maxwell, Pastor of the Baptist Church has accepted a call from the Baptist society at Valparaiso, whither he will very shortly remove . . .

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, October 30, 1862]

Baptist, 1000 Main, Dr. O. P. Miles, Pastor.

[Directory of Rochester, Ind., 1907, H. F. Crim and A. T. Bitters]

LOCAL PASTORS GIVE RELIGIOUS CHRONICLES

The first record of any work done by Baptists in the town of Rochester was some meetings held by the Rev. James Babcock and a man by the name of Evans. The first conference of the Baptist people was held December 24, 1859, in the Presbyterian church. At this meeting, an organization was decided on, but not permanently effected until January 30th, 1860, and was recognized by a council from the churches of the Association on Thursday before the fourth Sabbath in March, 1860. J. J. Smith and B. O. Johnson elected Deacons and A. J. Holmes, Clerk.

The second pastor was Rev. J. M. Maxwell who only served a few months. October, 1862, Rev. J. B. Allyn was called as pastor and served until 1864. During the ministry of Brother

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Allyn a few people united with the church, a weekly prayer meeting begun, a lot purchased and some of the material gathered for the building of a church house. His pastorate terminated October, 1864, and Rev. John A. E. Babcock supplied the church for a while, during the time held a revival meeting and fourteen were added to the church by baptism.

The next regular pastor was Rev. C. H. Kimball, of Wisconsin, who began his work May 6, 1876. His pastorate is of but eighteen months duration but is quite successful. People were baptized and received into the church every month. The only one of the present membership received during his ministry is Mrs. Anna Onstott-Holman (however, she counts for a great deal). Brother Kimball goes from here to Englewood. For a time the church is without a pastor.

October 4, 1877, J. Q. Henry is licensed to preach, Brother W. J. Williams, acting as moderator of the meeting.

January 3, 1878, Rev. A. B. Charpie was called as pastor, on a salary of \$500.00 a year, the State Board paying \$100.00 of that. He is ordained February 20th of the same year. Brother Charpie's pastorate does not appear to be very fruitful. At this time there are ninety-nine members. He resigned May 1, 1879, to better prepare himself for the work.

After eight months, Rev. Compton, a student from the seminary in Chicago, was called and remains as pastor until March 5, 1882. The relation of church and pastor was pleasant. He was a good organizer, but nothing very eventful occurred. Perhaps it was a time of seed sowing.

March 16, 1882, begins the pastorate of Rev. Delp, for half time, for \$250.00 per year salary. The work gradually moves up; life and spirituality of the church is strengthened. Some of the members now in the church received during his pastorate are Mrs. Stallard, Mrs. Louise Holman, J. H. Shelton, and others. He established the envelope system of contributions. He resigned July 1, 1885.

September 27, 1885, Rev. G. A. Chittenden was called to the pastorate, and until September 29, 1887, the work was prosperous. God's approval seemed to rest upon the ministry of this brother. Of the present membership baptised by him are the following: G. W. Holman, Mrs. Lizzie Sterner (nee Stanton), Mrs. Allie Holman (nee Carter), Marion Carter, Mrs. Rebecca Wallace, Mrs. Sarah Brackett, Mrs. Effie Dawson, Marshall Hill. Brother Chittenden goes to Elkhart from here.

February 2, 1888, Brother G. W. Ellison, of Wolcottville, becomes pastor. His pastorate was brief. Of the present membership then gathered in are J. D. Holman, Mrs. Rhoda Bernetha, Mrs. Finly. He resigned January 1, 1889.

March 21, 1889, Brother J. W. Winans begins his pastorate on a salary of \$700.00. At once the old church building [611 Main], which is now Zimmerman's furniture store, was sold for \$3,000.00 and a new lot purchased, where the present church now stands. The church worshipped in the Armory Hall during the time of its building. The building was dedicated December 2 1889. A Young People's Union was organized January 1, 1889, with forty members. In the third year of Brother Winans' pastorate the record speaks of him as doing great and permanent good. Having found the church very much scattered and in a low state of spirituality, speaks of the church as being well organized and better equipped for work than in any time of the past. Brother Winans closed his pastorate February 19, 1893, lacking a few days of four years' duration.

April 16, 1893, begins the pastorate of Rev. O. A. Cook and continues until December 1, 1896. Brother Cook endeared himself very much to the people. The membership at the beginning of his work numbered 188, at his leaving 277. More was paid to missions than the church had ever paid before or since in one year. They gave the pastor a salary of \$950.00.

After a few months Brother Cook is succeeded by Rev. Quick, who begins his work April 4, 1897, and continues until October 1, 1898. There was a slight increase in membership, the work holding its own. The record refers to the pastor as a good preacher and exemplary character.

Rev. E. R. Clevenger comes as pastor December 1, 1898, and remains until October 4, 1900. There is a decrease in membership, also in the attendance at Sunday School.

January 1, 1902, Rev. G. L. Conley begins his work as pastor. The first year quite a number of young people were gathered into the church. Still quite a few removals, deaths and a number dropped from the roll, which made the church a little more than hold its own. One of the

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most shocking things to the church, on March 23rd of the same year, was the sudden death of Harry Lee Holman, caused by a moving train.

On May 14, 1905 the church under the pastorate of Dr. O. P. Miles effected plans for building the present parsonage. The building committee consisted of the Board of Trustees, assisted by J. D. Holman, Chas. Plank, and A. J. Haimbaugh. In addition [to] this material development of the life of the church many leading members were added during Dr. Miles' pastorate, two of whom were Mrs. Geo. Dawson and the late Henry A. Barnhart. The pastor's salary was also increased to \$1,200.00 in 1907. Mr. John D. Holman was elected Superintendent of the Sunday School about the year 1907 and served efficiently for more than 10 years.

In 1910, after the resignation of Dr. O. P. Miles, the church called Rev. G. C. Chandler who served efficiently from 1910 to 1918. During the pastorate of Rev. Chandler, the church was remodeled and Sunday School Departments were added involving a cost of \$7,851.51. This work was prosecuted by a committee consisting of Rev. Chandler, Frank Bryant, J. D. Holman, Mahlon Bell and Mrs. Geo. Dawson. The work was completed in 1914.

During the time furnishings for the equipment of the Sunday School departments were added at the cost of 837.60, and outstanding gifts were made by Sunday School classes, the Brotherhood, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Holman, Mrs. Catherine Capron, Mr. and Mrs. Fristoe and daughter, Mrs. Frank Bryant, and the use of Jane Line property left for the church.

After the long and efficient services of Mrs. Frank Sterner as clerk of the church, Mrs. Nellie Babcock was elected to that office in 1914 and served for more than 19 years.

In 1918 the church called Rev. W. James Niven, who served as pastor until 1938. This pastorate was marked by an era of great property materially and spiritually. The records show that Mrs. Roanna Sinks left a gift of \$100 to the church. In 1919 the church purchased the lot lying south of the building at a cost of \$1,700. The church gave \$1,600 to the New World Movement in 1910. In 1925 the basement of the church was extended with outside exits and the present Junior Department added.

During the year 1928 plans were negotiated by which the Ebenezer Baptist Church, often referred to as the mother of the Rochester Baptist Church, was discontinued to unite with this church. The property of the Ebenezer Church was sold amounting to \$350 and given in trust to the Rochester Church. This transaction added many valuable members to the Rochester Baptist Church. The records also show that a sum of \$208.32 was left the church as a trust by Mrs. Rita Barnhart.

Rev. Joseph B. Gleason was called to succeed Rev. Niven in 1938, and served until 1933. During his pastorate the church made considerable progress in the field of Christian education. The pastor, assisted by the efficient services of Geo. Riddle, superintendent, graded the church school into departments and led teachers into extensive program of leadership training. During this pastorate many members were added to the church, especially in the year 1930.

The church called Rev. B. G. Field in the late summer of 1933 who is its present pastor. During this administration many useful members have passed on. In the will of Henry A. Barnhart the church was left a sum of \$500. The love and devotion of a faithful membership, the church and pastor face the future with unshaken faith and confidence, and kingdom of God moves forward.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Thursday, December 6, 1934, p. 22]

The Rev. Leonard Cool was the moving spirit in the organization of Rochester's Baptist church with a charter membership of 26 and for some years their services were held in the Presbyterian church, and meetings were held in Armory Hall and later in rooms above Hoosier Shoe Store, until a church could be built at present site of SW corner of Tenth and Main streets.

In 1867 the first Baptist church was built and the edifice after more than 20 years was sold in 1888, and later became the Valentine Zimmerman furniture store. At present it houses the local organization of the American Legion.

In 1888 the Rev. J. H. Winans took over the ministry and a new church was erected at the SW corner of what is now 10th & Main in 1889.

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The present church was built around 1957, replacing the old brick church which was then torn down.

Among the preachers who served the Baptists in early days were the Revs. Compton, Sharpe, Kimball, Essick, Chittenden and E. J. Delp.

[Earle A. Miller, *The News-Sentinel*, Monday March 16, 1959]

Fifty years ago . . . G. A. Chandler acted as pastor for the Baptist Church.

[Earle A. Miller, *Rochester Sentinel*, Wednesday, April 25, 1962]

Rev. J. M. Maxwell. We are pleased to announce that this gentleman has become a resident of our village. We understand that he will preach half the time for the Baptist Church.

[*Rochester Mercury*, Thursday, March 13, 1862]

The Baptist Church will be put up and inclosed this Fall, we are informed.

[*Rochester Chronicle*, Thursday, July 7, 1864]

The frame of the new Baptist Church was raised last week. The building when completed will be an ornament to the town.

[*Rochester Chronicle*, Thursday, December 8, 1864]

A surprise donation. On Saturday evening, Dec. 10th, at the residence of Sidney Keith, Esq. . . . John Dunham, Pastor Bap Church.

[*Rochester Chronicle*, Thursday, December 15, 1864]

The Building Committee of the Baptist church will receive sealed proposals until Saturday Dec. 16th 1865 at 12 m. for enclosing the frame of the Baptist church.

Proposals to be left at S. Lines Marble Shop . . .

[*Rochester Chronicle*, Thursday, December 14, 1865]

Work has commenced on the new Baptist church.

[*Rochester Chronicle*, Thursday, March 15, 1866]

Dedication. The Rochester Baptist Church will dedicate their new house of worship . . . on the first Sabbath in October, 1867 . . . Sermon by Rev. Silas Tucker of Logansport . . . J. Barratt, Pastor.

[*Rochester Chronicle*, Thursday, September 19, 1867]

Preaching. Rev. Mr. Lamb will preach in the Rochester Baptist Church next Sunday, morning and evening.

[*Rochester Union-Spy*, Thursday, November 5, 1868]

CHURCHES - BELLS [Rochester, Indiana]

FULTON

Fulton Leader.

The bell on the old U. B. church was bought by James Phillips who had it removed from its moorings yesterday morning and shipped to Benzonia county, Michigan where it will again summon the tired and weary to the holy sanctuary.

[*Rochester Sentinel*, Saturday, August 10, 1907]

CATHOLIC BELL IS REMOVED

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Workmen today moved the bell from the steeple in the St. Joseph Catholic Church on West Eighth Street to the new church at the corner of Main and Thirteenth streets. The bell which weighs about 1500 pounds was placed in the old church in 1876.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Thursday, May 15, 1930]

OLD ROCHESTER BELL TO PEAL 55TH ANNIVERSARY

On Christmas morning when you hear the soft unusual tones of the St. Joseph's Catholic church bell piercing the cold morning air, it will not only denote the ancient ritual of the Angelus but it will also mark the 55th anniversary of the bell itself. This bell was installed in the first Catholic church in Rochester and was rung for the first time on Christmas morning in the year 1875. Upon completion of the beautiful new Spanish Mission church this year there was considerable discussion as to moving the old bell into the new belfry due to its age, size and weight. However, several public-spirited citizens earnestly requested that the old-time bell be used, so it now hangs in its new home where it will carry on, not as just a church bell, but as an object of deep sentiment among many of the pioneers of this city.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Wednesday, December 24, 1930]

HOME TOWN TALES

The long silence of the Emanuel Baptist Church bell has been broken. What a pleasing and welcome "long silence breaking" it is to again hear the tone of that grand old bell on Sunday morning. This bell, having done faithful religious duty since 1867, should never have experienced a period of "SILENCE." It recalls the days of "great riches and no worry", when it called us to Sunday School and memory of Reverend Delp, Chittenden, Conley, Ellison, Cook, Quick and Niven. May the present pastor and fellow Kiwanian Rev. B. C. Field, perpetuate his memory by issuing an order that the bell continue to ring.

The true value of church bells has been sadly neglected in the city of Rochester. Time was, when SEVEN church bells called "the faithful" to worship. Two of these bells, and two only - The Presbyterian and Saint Joseph's, have remained constant in the mission for which they were cast. God bless these two old bells.

In the steeple of the Christian Church, which later gave way to the present beautiful church, hung Fulton County's first Court House bell. Just why provision was not made for this historic old bell in the new edifice, we will not attempt to explain. Whether for price, or as a gift, that old bell found a place in the tower of the Methodist Church at Kewanna. It should have remained -- in Rochester.

Modern architecture, plus a spirit that bells played no important part in church atmosphere, sentenced two old church bells, the Grace Methodist Episcopal and the Evangelical, to junk yards, when these churches were rebuilt. While the Chimes of Grace M. E. Church have been consecrated to the worship of the Almighty, they have never taken the place of the old bell.

The bells of Saint Paul's Episcopal (formerly the Lutheran Church) and the bell of the Advent Church, also found scrap iron repose.

Bells were first used in the sixth century. Their ringing transfers a religious observance from the inside of the church to the outside, and makes a whole vicinity take part in the religious rites -- or listen, at least.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, March 21, 1935]

NEW BELL IS INSTALLED IN FULTON U. S. CHURCH

After several years without any bell the U. B. church in Fulton recently installed a bell in the belfry of the church. The old bell cracked during the winter some years ago.

The newly-installed bell was purchased from a sale and came out of the old McKinley school, located three miles northeast of Rochester, which was the first consolidated school in Indiana.

It is not known how old the bell is although it is thought to be at least 75 years.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, March 13, 1941]

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CHURCHES - BETHEL CHURCH [Henry Township]

In 1855 the first Bethel church was built north of Akron.
See Log Bethel Church.

CHURCHES - BETHLEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH [Newcastle Township]

Located on W side of 650E at approximately 325N [7106 E 600N].
Organized March 22, 1875, and plans finalized April 4, 1875.

Church built on Isaac Meredith farm. In 1910 a new heating system and light plant of carbide were installed. The church was electrified in 1939, the R.E.M.C. having been created. In 1954, the church purchased the 30 acre farm of Sadie Little, the former home of I. A. and Mary Barkman Kessler who were early members of the church. The house was to be used as a parsonage, and the land farmed by the members for extra church income. One acre adjoining the church was donated in 1960 by Mrs. Charles Safford for a parking lot. In 1963 the building was moved 27 feet west, raised, and full basement dug and finished. During this construction church services were held in a large chicken house at the farm of Mr. and Mrs. Don Pfeiffer. In 1967 a Hammond Electric Organ was installed.

The church was used as a disaster area for several families whose homes were destroyed in the tornado which struck April 3, 1974.

New addition to the church was begun April 20, 1975.

CHURCHES - BRUCE LAKE CEMETERY CHURCH [Union Township]

[NOTE: no name was found for this church, but the compiler assigned the name because of its proximity to the cemetery]

The first church was a frame building erected north of what is known as the Bruce Lake Cemetery. This church was north of the intersection of roads 1050W and about 100N on the east side of the road. It was later made into a barn.

The Lutherans and the Dutch Reformed members had Sunday School together and Lutheran worship service followed. The Dutch Reformed had the evening service. Some years later both denominations decided to build their own church building.

The Lutherans built a brick structure on the crossroad just south of the first building, and the Reformed members built a frame church farther south and plotted a cemetery behind it (the present Bruce Lake Cemetery). Later a brick school was built between the churches. All of these buildings, situated on the west side of road 1050W and south of 100N, have been razed since 1927.

CHURCHES - BRUCE LAKE COMMUNITY CHURCH [Union Township]

Located at Bruce Lake Station.
Originated prior to 1910.

CHURCHES - BRUCE LAKE ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH [Union Township]

Located SE of Bruce Lake.
Existed from the 1870's to 1920, when it was closed.

CHURCHES - BURTON CHURCH [Rochester Township]

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Located SE corner of 300W and 200N.

Named for James Burton. _____

UNION CHURCH AT BURTON WILL COST NEARLY \$4,000

A new church at Burton, west of Rochester, for the members of the Evangelical and United Brethren congregations will soon be under construction to take the place of the one recently torn down. The new building will be of frame covered with stucco and will probably be erected by Marshall Hill of Rochester. The estimated cost is nearly \$4,000, of which \$2,300 has been raised. The two ministers interested, Rev. Guy CHAPLAIN and Rev. Phillip HANEY, are working hard to have the building completed soon.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, March 31, 1916]

NEW CHURCH

The foundation of the new Burton church was begun Tuesday. It will be of cement, followed by molded cement blocks. The building will be of frame.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, April 26, 1916]

400 AT BURTON CHURCH CORNER STONE LAYING

A crowd of at least 400 people was in attendance at the Burton union church corner stone laying Sunday afternoon. The address of the day by the Rev. L. S. Fisher of South Bend, presiding elder of the Evangelical church, proved to be very interesting and the program was much enjoyed by everybody. The Pleasant Valley church people came to the grounds in the morning and had a picnic dinner, remaining for the program in the afternoon.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, June 5, 1916]

TO DEDICATE BURTON CHURCH

The dedication of the new Burton church west of Rochester, which will take place Sunday, will probably attract five or six hundred people. The affair will last all day, beginning with a program at 10 o'clock in the morning. Dinner will be served in the basement of the church.

Dr. J. E. Grimes, of North Manchester, United Brethren, and Bishop L. H. Seager of Naperville, Ill., Evangelical, will have charge of the services. They will be assisted by the pastor, Rev. Dixon and Rev. A. L. Dewitt. Rev. and Mrs. G. R. Crane of Rochester will have charge of the music. Because of the event, preaching services will not be held at the local United Brethren church and local Evangelicals will have no morning sermon.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, November 18, 1916]

NEW LIGHTS IN CHURCH

The members of the Burton Methodist church west of this city are equipping the church with an electric light and power plant.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, January 9, 1936]

CHURCHES - BUSH CHURCH [Aubbeenaubbee Township]

Located SW corner 1100W and 300N.

Later called Zion Church.

CHURCHES - CATHOLIC CHURCH [Culver, Marshall County]

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Culver Citizen.

During the heavy storm last Friday evening, the Catholic church was struck by lightning and burned to the ground. The fire started in the very top of the steeple and was noticed by several

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persons from the start, but, from the lack of fire fighting equipment, they were powerless to do anything towards saving the church.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, September 8, 1905]

CHURCHES - CATHOLIC CHURCH [Rochester, Indiana]

Located between W Eighth and W Ninth on Lot # 446, H. B. Jamisons Addition. [413 W 8th] It was a frame building.

See: Rochester, Indiana [Historical Review]

Catholic, 413 W. 8th St.

[Directory of Rochester, Ind., 1907, H. F. Crim and A. T. Bitters]

Religious. The Catholics have purchased two lots directly west of the Court House, on Pontiac street, and intend to erect thereon and a school house.

[Rochester *Union-Spy*, Thursday, October 29, 1868]

CHURCH AND CLERGY

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A branch of the Roman Catholic church was organized in Rochester about the year 1867 by ministers from Logansport and Peru. They purchased a tract of land in the west part of town and built a neat little church in which services have been held at intervals ever since. The class is small but under the efficient services of Rev. Father Thiele, of Monterey, who preaches once a month, a new enthusiasm has been aroused, the membership is increasing and the work promises well for the future.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, September 20, 1895]

CATHOLICS START MOVEMENT FOR A NEW CHURCH HERE

Coming as a result of a constant demand on the part of the regular members and numerous visitors, a movement has been started in Rochester to build a new Catholic Church here. This action reached a climax on Sunday morning at the St. Josephs church when there was a large number of persons present at the little, time-worn edifice on West Eighth street to honor Father Bernard Soengen, of Monterey, who was celebrating his 70th birthday.

The worshipers were made up mostly of lake residents, tourists and people from the surrounding towns who came to attend the service and pay their respects to the father. The church would not hold all of those in attendance and many worshiped out on the lawn. Father Soengen stated that the membership of the church was growing in this community and that he would accept

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contributions towards building a new church. While no public announcement was made of the total amount given it was said to be a substantial one and quite encouraging.

Built in 1869

The present Catholic church was built in Rochester In 1869 when there were many members of the faith here. Later their number died out and the resident priest was withdrawn and for the last forty years it has been a mission church, usually supplied from the Monterey Church. As the result of its age the edifice is now badly in need of repairs if it is to be used much longer.

Recently there has been an increase in the total membership of the church due to families moving in and it is reported there are now 25 families of this faith in this community. Every summer recently has seen an increasing number of lake resorters and tourists in attendance while those who attend regularly say that with a modern church and all time priest here many of the Catholic faith who go elsewhere for vacations would come to Lake Manitou to spend the summer.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, August 10, 1926]

\$40,000 CATHOLIC CHURCH TO BE BUILT NEXT SPRING

Following an interview held this morning with members of the local Catholic church it becomes known that a new church for the Rochester members of this Faith is being planned for erection during the coming spring and summer. The exact site for the new \$40,000 house of worship has not as yet been determined, but in all probability it will be situated on or near Main street.

The decision to erect a new church was caused by the exceptionally large attendance at the old St. Joseph church, West 8th street, throughout the summer season. Scores and scores of tourists who sojourn at Lake Manitou every season overflowed the limited seating capacity of the present church and out-of-doors services were conducted practically every Sunday. The new church will have a seating capacity of 250 in the main auditorium and a smaller chapel in the basement for services throughout the winter months when the attendance will be at lowest ebb.

Donations for the erection of the new edifice have been received from the members and the Lake summer residents for the past couple of years until now the total of this fund is nearing \$9,000. The church is at present conducted as a mission with Father Nicholas Hummer, of the Monterey Parish, presiding as priest.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, September 13, 1927]

CATHOLICS TO BUILD NEW CHURCH NEXT SUMMER

An announcement was made Sunday at the morning mass at the St. Joseph's Catholic Church by Father John Schall of Monterey that the local congregation had purchased the lot at the southwest corner of Thirteenth and Main streets known as the Cogle property of Mrs. Frank Bryant, and that a new church would be built there during the coming year.

The purchase of the property has been approved by Bishop John Noll of the Fort Wayne diocese of which diocese the local church is a member.

The new church will have a seating capacity of 266 and is to be built at an estimated cost of \$25,000. The plans for the new church and also the financing plan as worked out by the local Catholic congregation have been approved by Bishop Noll. Local Catholics have been saving money for several years with which to build their new church. The lot purchased by the members of the St. Joseph Catholic Church was one of the best church sites in Rochester. Situated as it is on three state roads and paved street and is large enough, should it ever become necessary to enlarge the church to provide ample room. Gas and sewer connections have already been made into the property, and a well furnishing excellent drinking water is in. A saving of at least \$500 was made by the church because of the gas and sewer connections and the well.

Local Catholics feel that their dream of a new church to supplant the one on West Eighth is at last to be realized. The old church is far too small to accommodate those who wish to worship there and the building which is over 50 years old is in such condition because of its age that it was almost impossible to keep it in repair.

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A new Catholic church in Rochester will prove of great benefit to the community especially during the summer season when many hundreds of Catholics visit Lake Manitou. It is thought that with a new church here more Catholics will spend their summer vacations at Lake Manitou.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, November 4, 1929]

GROUND BROKEN FOR NEW CATHOLIC CHURCH TODAY

Ground was broken here this morning for the new St. Joseph's Catholic church which will be erected on the Gould lot at the [SW] corner of Main and Thirteenth streets during the coming summer. The church purchased the lot sometime ago. The estimated cost of the new church is \$25,000. A complete story of the new church can not be given until the same is released by Bishop John Noll, of Fort Wayne. A Huntington contractor has the contract for the erection of the church while a local plumbing firm has the contract for the plumbing and heating. The architect is the same as the one who designed the new stadium at Notre Dame University. It is planned to have the corner stone laying in May and the dedication in July. The church in the main auditorium will have a seating capacity of 300.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, March 17, 1930]

NEW CATHOLIC CHURCH NOW BEING BUILT IN ROCHESTER WILL BE A BEAUTY SPOT CENTER

***** PHOTO *****

Work has already begun on the new Catholic church which is being erected at the [SW] corner of Main and Thirteenth streets in this city. As the above picture of the architects drawing shows, the church will be of mission design and will set back in the grove of trees making it the center of one of the beauty spots of Rochester. Being located on Federal Road 31 it will attract many persons to stop in Rochester and worship while the attendance in the summer months where the lake season is at its height is expected to be large.

The edifice will be approximately 95x170 feet and the exterior is a modified Spanish mission design with light tan brick walls, stone trim and blended color asbestos shingle roof. The design of this chapel is in keeping with the surroundings and will be when completed a very pleasing addition to the locality.

The basement of the church will contain a community room and dining room approximately 32x35 feet, a kitchen, heating plant and toilets.

The ground floor will contain an auditorium seating 250 persons. This auditorium is designed in rustic mission style with exposed wood trusses and antique plaster wall surfaces. The sanctuary and two sacristies are placed at one end of the auditorium and the entrance vestibule and confessional at the other.

The entire design and plan has been carefully considered to provide ample accommodations and to give to the community a beautiful little church. It is contemplated having the edifice ready for occupancy no later than July 1st, 1930.

Plans were prepared by R. W. Stevens, architect, Huntington, and the contract for the construction was let on March 7 to S. Scheer and Sons, also of Huntington. The estimate cost is \$30,000.

[The News-Sentinel, Friday, March 28, 1930]

CORNERSTONE CATHOLIC CHURCH PLACED THURS.

The cornerstone of the new St. Joseph Catholic church which is being built at the corner of Thirteenth and Main streets was laid this morning in the presence of Father Schall and several members of the congregation of the local church. The cornerstone was placed at the northeast corner of the building, which is directly under the tower of the new church. Frank Southworth, owner of a monument works at Plymouth, and State Senator from Marshall and St. Joseph counties, donated the cornerstone. The altar and all of the windows of the new church have been donated. Because of the inability of Bishop James Nolle of Fort Wayne to be here on July 6

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because of a previous engagement the dedication of the new church has had to be postponed one week or until Sunday, July 13, Father Schall announced this morning.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, April 24, 1930]

CATHOLIC BELL IS REMOVED

Workmen today moved the bell from the steeple in the St. Joseph Catholic Church on West Eighth Street to the new church at the corner of Main and Thirteenth streets. The bell which weighs about 1500 pounds was placed in the old church in 1876.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Thursday, May 15, 1930]

CATHOLIC CHURCH WILL BE DEDICATED NEXT SUNDAY

The newly-built Catholic church of Rochester, located at the [SW] corner of Main and Twelfth streets, will be dedicated next Sunday, July 13, and plans are now completed for taking care of an immense number of visitors who will be here for the occasion.

Heading the list of distinguished guests will be the Right Reverend John S. NULL, Bishop of the Fort Wayne Diocese, who will preside at a solemn high mass which will take place at ten o'clock, Central Standard Time. The mass will be sung by Rev. Nicolas HUMMER, of Kokomo, who was in charge of the local church previous to Rev. John P. SCHALL coming here. The St. Patricks church choir of Kokomo will render the vocal music assisted by Thomas DUNLAP, a noted singer of Chicago. Preparations are being made to entertain about 50 clergymen from neighboring towns and cities on the occasion while those expected to attend mass cannot be estimated.

Bishop NOLL will deliver the sermon at the church which will mark the end of the dedication ceremonies there. At noon dinner will be served at the Colonia Hotel at Lake Manitou, plates being prepared for 700 perons, while Fairview and the other hotels about the lake have made preparations to take care of hundreds of others.

Last Sunday marked the last services held in the old wooden church on West Eighth street which has been used continuously since 1869, when it was built. The official record shows that since June 1 of this year there have been 850 visitors, tourists and lake residents attending mass there. Rev. John P. Schall, of Monterey, will be in charge of the church here, it being listed as a mission church. He will continue to live at Monterey which has the main church of this district.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Tuesday, July 8, 1930]

CATHOLIC CHURCH DEDICATION ATTRACTS

HUNDREDS OF VISITORS HERE, SUNDAY

Despite the sudden change in weather which was brought about by violent thunderstorms in various parts of northern Indiana, one of the largest religious gatherings ever assembled in this county was present in this city Sunday morning for the dedicatory services of the Rochester St. Joseph Catholic church.

Early Sunday morning the I.O.O.F. band of this city with several appropriate selections which were rendered at the public square and later in front of the beautiful Spanish mission style church at the corner of 13th and South Main street gave announcement to the public that the ceremonies were underway.

Rev. Noll in Charge

The dedication was in charge of the Rt. Rev. John F. Noll, bishop of the Ft. Wayne diocese, who was assisted by Rev. Nicholas Heummer, pastor of St. Joan of Arc's church, who sang Solemn High Mass and the Rev. Robert J. Halpin and the Rev. Joseph Mutch, both of Kokomo. The Rev. John Schall, of Monterey is pastor of the Rochester diocese.

In addressing his congregation which was estimated at approximately 500 people the Ft. Wayne Bishop stated he was hopeful that the new church would be the means of bringing about a better understanding between those of the Catholic and Protestant faiths. It was also the belief of

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the reverend that the new edifice would be instrumental in the locating of several new residents to this community now that there is a most suitable place for worship of Catholicism.

Out-of-town visitors for this occasion were present from Indianapolis, Kokomo, Wabash, Winamac, Monterey, Plymouth, Kewanna, Logansport, Ft. Wayne, Huntington and South Bend.

Dine at Colonial

Following the dedication the congregation motored to the Colonial Hotel where dinner was served. In the afternoon a benefit dance for the St. Joseph Catholic church was held at this popular lake resort pavilion by the hotel management. Visitors who arrived too late to be served their dinners at the hotel were able to secure lunches which were prepared in the basement of the new church by the ladies of the organization.

Building of Marked Beauty

The general architectural design of the city's new edifice has been carried out along the old Spanish mission form of construction using a tan brick and Bedford stone in a most beautiful effect. The interior is unusual in every detail and accentuates a feeling of quietude and reverence. The ceiling is composed of natural finish wood trusses. Light streaming through stained glass windows is mellowed and subdued before bathing the red and brown tile floor, the quaint walls of stippled antique plaster and the furnishings which harmonize with the general decorative scheme.

An arched portico is supported by two fluted Corinthian columns thru which mosaic patterns of striking design may be glimpsed in the background. A bell cast in France, of unusual inspiring tone and volume, is mounted in a separate belfry tower apart from the main auditorium, in conformity with the type of ecclesiastical architecture developed by the Spanish padres in California during the century following the discovery of America.

The church has been built as a convenience not only for the people of Rochester but also to accommodate visitors and transients and those in charge desire the public to know that this church is always open and welcomes everyone to attend their services regardless of their religious creed.

Among the local congregation to donate beautiful stained windows were the Misses Jane and Marjorie Smith, Martin Irvine, Mr. and Mrs. Val Zimmerman and Miss Tillie Young and The Brockmans, of Lake Manitou. The altar which was designed by a prominent Italian artist, is a gift of Dr. Paul W. Ferry of Kokomo, in memory of his wife who died a little over a year ago.

Scores and scores of Rochester people who were unable to attend the dedication of the church visited at the place of worship throughout the afternoon and evening. Services will be held every Sunday morning and an exceptionally heavy attendance is being anticipated throughout the remainder of the lake season.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, July 14, 1930]

OLD ROCHESTER BELL TO PEAL 55TH ANNIVERSARY

On Christmas morning when you hear the soft unusual tones of the St. Joseph's Catholic church bell piercing the cold morning air, it will not only denote the ancient ritual of the Angelus but it will also mark the 55th anniversary of the bell itself. This bell was installed in the first Catholic church in Rochester and was rung for the first time on Christmas morning in the year 1875. Upon completion of the beautiful new Spanish Mission church this year there was considerable discussion as to moving the old bell into the new belfry due to its age, size and weight. However, several public-spirited citizens earnestly requested that the old-time bell be used, so it now hangs in its new home where it will carry on, not as just a church bell, but as an object of deep sentiment among many of the pioneers of this city.

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[The News-Sentinel, Wednesday, December 24, 1930]

LOCAL PASTORS GIVE RELIGIOUS CHRONICLES

St. Joseph's Catholic church, dates its history in Rochester back to 1870 when the first edifice, a frame building was erected on what is now West Eighth street, between Fulton avenue and Clay street.

The original St. Joseph's was due largely to the efforts of Priests from Logansport and Peru, who began holding services in Rochester as early as 1867. It was evacuated early in the present century and several years ago, was razed.

On July 13, 1930, a new edifice was dedicated. It stands at the [SW] intersection of Main and Thirteenth streets, a beautiful tribute to the untiring efforts of a Catholic membership, which while limited in numbers was imbued with a wealth of spirit. The edifice is of the Spanish mission type, of tan sand brick and trimmed with Bedford stone. The interior is adequate, restful and resplendent in its simple, balanced beauty.

The dedication services, at which the Rt. Rev. John Noll, Bishop of the Ft. Wayne diocese presided, assisted by the Rev. Nicholas Heummer and the local pastor, Rev. John Schael, were simple but impressive and were witnessed by an overflowing crowd who jammed the church throughout the day.

A consistent growth in the size of the local congregation has been recorded annually.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Thursday, December 6, 1934, p. 22]

ROCHESTER CATHOLICS TO HAVE RESIDENT PRIEST

Bishop Nolle, of the Fort Wayne diocese, has recently appointed a resident priest for the St. Ann's Catholic church in Rochester, which since the church's establishment in 1863, has been serviced by a pastor from Monterey. The new appointee's name will be announced by church officials at a later date.

Large crowds have been in attendance at the two masses being held each Sunday by the new pastor, who held his second Sunday's services, July 13th. Masses will be held during the summer months every Sunday at 7:30 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. (DST).

The present pastor contemplates building a parish house on lots purchased by the former Catholic priest, Rev. Schall, for this purpose a few years ago. Ground on which the building is to be erected is situated immediately west of the church building.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, July 14, 1941]

A tract of land facing what is now 8th and 9th streets was purchased and a small, neat little frame church was built wherein their followers held forth for years of devout loyalty. Today they enjoy a beautiful structure at the [SW] corner of Main and 13th streets and the membership has grown with enthusiasm.

[Earle A. Miller, *The News-Sentinel*, Monday March 16, 1959]

Robert Shafer in 1908 described it as follows:

This old edifice, which has been built about 20 or 30 years, stands on a large plot of ground at 415 West Eighth Street.

The church is not a beautiful one. It is a hollow frame structure, rectangular in shape, being about fifty feet long and 30 feet wide. Looking at the building from the northeast corner, one can see the four windows on the east side and the tower which is placed on the north end of the gabled roof. Surmounting this is a gilded cross. The main entrance is in the north end; it is by

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double doors. This opening is fronted by two concrete steps and a walk of the same material. Going around to the southwest corner a small door may be seen which opens into the spacious lot on the south. Four windows are placed in the west side. The whole building rests on a stone foundation.

If some superstitious person were to look at the church, it might give him the impression of being haunted, because it is seldom used and the environment has a great deal to do with it.

Presently at SW corner Thirteenth and Main Streets.

CHURCHES - CATHOLIC CHURCH [Wayne Township]

Catholics built a church in 1850 on land donated by Maurice Fitzgerald.

CHURCHES - CHRISTIAN CHURCH [Akron, Indiana]

The Rochester Christian church, its officers and membership received a most substantial donation recently from the membership of the Akron Christian church, which recently sold its church property, located in the southeastern section of Akron, to the Akron Church of the Brethren.

The gifts presented to the Rochester church include \$1,163.41 in cash and notes, a Packard piano and a silver communion service.

The Akron Christian church has been closed for the past six years and the church building was rented to the Brethren church.

The officials and membership of the Rochester Christian church are most grateful for this generous gesture and stated today that they had extended the membership of the Akron Christian church a standing invitation to take part in the activities of their edifice.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, March 21, 1939]

CHURCHES - CHRISTIAN CHURCH [Macy, Miami County, Indiana]

MACY TO HAVE NEW CHURCH

Special to the Sentinel

Macy, Ind., April 14 --- Ground is being broken by members of the Macy Christian church for their new and commodious church which will be located across the street from Cloud & Son's store. The building will be built of brick, will be modern in all its appointments, and it is thought will be constructed for \$10,000. The first floor will contain a large auditorium and a Sunday school room with five rooms opening off of this one to be used for Sunday school classes. A large basement under the entire church will also prove to be a very nice and handy affair.

The Christian people have long needed a new church building and the congregation has been working hard for it. The money has all been promised for the new building. The work on the structure will now be pushed along as rapidly as possible.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, April 14, 1913]

TO LAY STONE

The corner stone laying of the NEW MACY CHRISTIAN CHURCH will take place Sunday, November 9th, at 2:00 p.m. There will be three special services commencing with the morning service at 10:30 a.m., at which time Rev. A. F. BARBER will preach. Rev. Barber is one of the pioneers of the Christian church.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, November 7, 1913]

TO DEDICATE CHURCH

The dedication of the new Christian church at Macy will take place Sunday, July 12, there being three observances, a union service at 10:30 in the morning, a memorial service at 2 p.m., and a special service at 8 p.m. Dinner will be served in the church. The members are working to make the day the largest in Macy church history.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, July 7, 1914]

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MACY'S \$13,000 CHURCH OCCUPIED

Special to the Sentinel.

Macy, Ind., July 13 -- An enormous crowd attended the dedication of Macy's new \$13,000 Christian church here Sunday. Two splendid dedicatory sermons were preached by Rev. Snively, Lewiston, Ill., a dinner was served at noon, and there was a general service in the evening. During the day a total of over \$8,000 was given and pledged for the new building.

The church the corner stone of which was laid by Rev. Burkette, of Rochester some months ago, was full both at 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m., when Rev. Snively preached. In fact an overflow meeting for young people and children was held in the Methodist church in the afternoon. It is estimated that the new church held over 550 at each service and fully that many were served dinner in the basement of the handsome new edifice.

Sunday morning the Macy church faced a deficit of something like \$4,000. At night it had raised a total of \$8,022.50 to pay off outstanding debts and most new ones. The liberality speaks well for the community. In this connection might be mentioned the promise of a large cash gift by Wm. Belt, formerly of Macy, who made a fortune in steel culverts over in Illinois. His wife died recently and he made the offer in her memory. Recently, oil ventures he made in the southwest failed, and he notified the church he did not know when he would be able to pay. Sunday's developments cleared the horizon.

Many visitors were present at the meetings, the streets being thronged with automobiles and rigs. Rochester, Peru, Fulton, Gilead, Deedsville, Denver and many other towns were well represented.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, July 13, 1914]

CHURCHES - CHRISTIAN CHURCH, FIRST [Rochester, Indiana]

Located SE corner 11th & Madison.

DEDICATED

Last Friday evening the painters gave the new Christian church on Madison street the finishing touches and the building was turned over to the trustees who accepted it and immediately commenced preparing the interior for the dedicatory services which had been announced for Sunday. Much work had to be done in the way of getting in seats, carpeting the floor &c., but when the Sabbath day stole in at 12 o'clock Saturday night, all was in readiness for the accommodation of the throng expected on the morrow. The Baptist church held no morning services in order to attend the dedication and when the hour for services arrived, Madison street was lined on either side with happy people, wending their way to the new temple of worship, about to be dedicated to the service of God. Every seat in the auditorium was occupied and the children were crowded into the library, back of the pulpit.

Rev. Carpenter, of Wabash, conducted the services and read the 41st and 42nd verses of the 22nd chapter of Matthew from which he preached a logical and eloquent sermon on the outline of what would probably be hereafter preached from the pulpit in which he stood. His arguments on the divine authenticity of the Bible and the proofs that Jesus Christ is King of Kings and Lord of Lords were powerful and convincing, and proved to the audience that the speaker was not lacking in theological or philosophical research. The sermon finished, a statement of the financial condition of the church was made which showed that of the cost of the church (\$2,000), \$1,600 had been paid, and during the day the remaining \$400 was raised by collection and subscription and the church to-day points its steeple heavenward without a dollar's indebtedness against it. Both the exterior and interior of the building are novel in architecture, and to give our readers an idea of the plan of the edifice the following diagram of the floor is given:

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Curtains will separate the auditorium from the class rooms. The entire seating room is supplied with comfortable chairs, which are so arranged that the pulpit can be seen from any part of the room. Four years ago this church was organized here with a small membership which has been increased to sixty. The zealousness of this little body of members in building and paying for their new church, is worthy of emulation, and judging its future prosperity by the past, with a resident minister here, which the church will secure at its earliest opportunity, the Christian church will, ere long, be as strong as any in the city.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, November 10, 1886]

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The present organization of the Christian church had its origin in the meeting in private homes of nine persons (seven women and two men) in the summer and autumn of 1879. These members, by means of socials raised the money to employ the services of Elder A. Ellmore as evangelist, to hold a meeting in the winter of 1879-80 which was conducted in the south room of the old court house, resulting in the organization of a church. The congregation thus formed met for some months in the homes of the members when the place of meeting was moved to an unfurnished room over what is now the Kendrick hotel. In the summer and fall of '80 a house of worship was erected and dedicated in November of the same year by Elder L. L. Carpenter of Wabash, followed by a meeting by J. H. O. Smith with 140 additions. It has a present membership of 190, and a Sunday school with an enrollment of 100 scholars, and a Y. P. S. C. E. of 40 members each of which is in a prosperous condition. The following pastors have served the church: F. M. Rickoff, Elder Ridgeway, J. H. Lacy, W. R. Lowe and T. A. Cox.

W. M. Kenney, the present pastor was born April 12 1865, near Springfield, Sangamon county, Ill., in which county he resided on a farm until his removal to this state in February, 1892. Mr. Kenney was ordained to the ministry October 15, 1886, having preached some months prior to that time. Like many others he was deprived of a college education, educating himself while laboring on a farm. He has served as pastor in this state the congregations at Windfall and Monticello, from the latter place moved to Rochester. His work, both as a pastor and evangelist, has ever been attended by success. He is married having living one child. His present wife was Miss Lily A. Strut, of Brookston, Ind.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, September 20, 1895]

WILL BEAUTIFY CHURCH

The trustees of the Christian church are preparing plans to beautify and improve the comfort and convenience of their church edifice on a grand scale. Electric lights have already been placed in position and the auditorium is now one of the best lighted in the city, while the fixtures and chandeliers present a rich and tasty effect. Besides this the entire structure is to be repaired, and repainted inside and outside, and the walls and ceiling are to be repapered in harmony with other improvements. The stoves will be taken out and this winter the building will be warmed by

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furnace heat. When the work is finished the Christian church will present an appearance as attractive as any in northern Indiana.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, July 4, 1902]

CONTRACT FOR CHRISTIAN CHURCH BUILDING SIGNED

From a field of six, Noah Arnest of Kokomo, with a bid of \$39,999 was successful in obtaining the general contract to incorporate an addition with the Christian church at Eleventh and Madison streets, when bids were considered Saturday evening. The contract entered into with Mr. Arnest calls for the completion of work on the structure by November 1. Mr. Arnest is a man of experience in church building, having built some of the largest church edifices in the state.

Other bidders and bids on the project were: C. V. Kindig and Sons \$51,000; Braun and Morris, of Kokomo, \$59,650; Median Brothers, of Logansport, \$59,520; Addison Grist and Company, of North Manchester, \$47,770, and Milo Cutshall, of Akron, \$47,000.

The new church, to include the present building, will be constructed of light buff brick and will add much to the beauty of the city. Up to date Sunday school facilities and an adequate auditorium will be provided for in the new structure, the total cost of which, including equipment is expected to reach \$50,000.

This new building program is the result of the contract entered into between Mr. Aschanhort and the church more than one year ago, when the church called the present pastor from the work of the district to this field as pastor. The pastor at the time had charge of the fourteen Counties of the Northwestern of Indiana from this position, so now he is pastor of the Church here and conducting the building program, and also is superintendent of the 7-Church of this district.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Monday, April 27, 1925]

COURT HOUSE AGAIN WILL BE TEMPORARY CHURCH

The members of the Christian church congregation will hold services in the court house each Sunday while their new church at the corner of Madison and Eleventh streets is being constructed this summer. The first service will be held next Sunday morning.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Tuesday, April 28, 1925]

NOT NOW WILL COURT HOUSE BECOME 'CHURCH'

Due to the inability of the contractor, Noah Arnest of Kokomo, to immediately start the construction of the new Christian church in this city, services will be held in the old edifice for the next two or three Sundays.

While the new church is being built services will be held in the court house.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Wednesday, April 29, 1925]

ACTUAL BUILDING OF CHURCH TO BEGIN SOON

The entire portion of the present Christian church which will not be used in the rebuilding of the structure has been razed, and with the completion of the basement excavation expected early Saturday, Monday morning will see the work of actual construction begun at Eleventh and Madison streets. The new structure, attractive, as pictured in the News-Sentinel a few days ago, will cost approximately \$50,000 complete.

Saturday afternoon the building committee, G. W. Nicholson, Nona Turner, Elmer Gordon, Ray Fretz and Charles Kilmer, will let the contract for the heating of the church.

The plumbing contract has been let to James Darrah, who bid \$1,957.80. There were four bids for the work as follows: H. G. Miller, \$2,059.32; Sherbondy Brothers, \$2,121, and Guy Barger, \$2,050.

Ground for the structure was formally broken at a service last Sunday.

[The News-Sentinel, Friday, May 22, 1925]

CHRISTIAN CHURCH LETS NEW HEATING CONTRACT

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From a field of five the firm of Mason and Son of Etna Green with a bid of \$4,187, was awarded the contract for the heating of the rebuilt Christian Church Saturday.

Other bidders were H. G. Miller, \$4,444, James Darrah, Electric Wiring and Sales Company and James Lillard of Peru, \$4,500.

The building committee of the church is composed of G. W. Nicholson, Nona Turner, Ray Fretz, Charles Kilmer and Roy Gordon.

[The News-Sentinel, Saturday, May 30, 1925]

SEATING CONTRACT FOR CHRISTIAN CHURCH LET

The contract for 57 twelve foot pews for the new Christian church was let Wednesday night to the Koonts Furniture company of Cleveland, at \$72.44 each, installed. Two other bidders were in the project - the Stafford Furniture company of Chicago and the American Seating company of Indianapolis.

One by one, the building committee of the Madison street church now being enlarged and rebuilt, is disposing of the various contracts for which the project calls. Previously contracts aside from the excavation and carpenter work have been the plumbing and heating. Members of the committee are William Nicholson, Miss Nona Turner, C. A. Kilmer, Elmer Gordon and Ray Fretz.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Thursday, July 23, 1925]

PIPE ORGAN BOUGHT BY CHRISTIAN CHURCH

At a meeting of the building committee of the Christian Church Friday night the purchase of a 7-stop Satey organ was determined upon. A representative of the company, whose factories are located at Brattleboro, Vt., attended the session.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Saturday, July 25, 1925]

NEARLY 200 SEE CHURCH CORNER STONE PLACED

Approximately two hundred persons gathered at the corner of Madison and Eleventh streets at 3:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon for the ceremonies incident to the laying of the cornerstone of the new Christian church, which will cost \$55,000. The structure is contracted to be completed within three months, November 1.

The Rev. O. E. Tomas, pastor of the First Christian church of Gary, delivered the address, discussing the purpose of the church as an institution. The address was well received.

The placing of the stone itself was impressive. Into the stone were placed copies of the World Call, King's Builders, Lookout, Christian Evangelist, Rochester Christian, News-Sentinel, list of present membership, deceased members, postcard of church since its inception, persons contributing dollar last Sunday; name of the contractor - Noah Arnest, pocketbook of the ladies' aid containing sewing articles, rededication program, history of the church, history of the ladies aid, pictures of workers at fair in fall of 1924, Sunday school in spring of 1925, programs for mission article, for Loyal Sons and Daughters class, for adult missionary society, membership roll of Mission Band and Triangle Club.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, August 24, 1925]

ANOTHER BELL GONE

The Kewanna town board recently purchased the large bell which hung in the belfry of the Christian church in Rochester for many years. Saturday Marshal Howard Smith of Kewanna hauled the bell to Kewanna and as soon as arrangements can be made for putting it up in some convenient place it will be used as a fire alarm. The passing of the Christian church bell leaves but two churches in this city who call their adherents to worship on Sunday in the old time honored way.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Saturday, October 3, 1925]

TO INSTALL PIPE ORGAN IN THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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No date has been set for the opening of the Christian church, being completed at Eleventh and Madison streets.

The heating system has been in for three months but the lights have not yet been installed.

The pipe organ has been here for some time, and an expert from the manufacturing company will come here next week to install the instrument.

[The News-Sentinel, Saturday, January 16, 1926]

NEW CHURCH OF CHRIST TO BE DEDICATED FEB. 28TH.

The new Church of Christ, Rochester, one of the most attractive and well arranged in the city, will be the scene of first services and dedicatory exercises 13 days from now, on Sunday, February 28. The structure is almost ready for occupancy now, some cleaning up work remaining to be done, and the installation of seats, which have been received, on the program. The first function in the new building will be on Wednesday evening of this week, when the public banquet sponsored by the Young Men's Business association, will be held in the church's dining room.

C. W. Cauble, state secretary of the Christian church, will be here all day February 28th. He will talk at the morning church hour and will give the dedicatory address during exercises which will begin at 2 o'clock that afternoon. Sunday night, Feb. 28th, the Rev. W. C. ASCHANHORT will deliver his first sermon in the new building.

Mr. Aschanhort has announced also that he will conduct evangelical services in the church the three weeks preceding Easter, which comes this year on April 4.

A subdued form of Gothic architecture is carried out in the new church. The former church is incorporated, having been brick veneered and provided with new plaster, finish and floor. The exterior of the church is well depicted by the accompanying photograph.

The main entrance is at the west; the north entrance gives easy access to the Sunday school rooms and the choir loft; the south entrance gives on to a vestibule opening into the pastor's study and the church auditorium.

Entering the basement at the rear, the kitchen is at the right. This is equipped with gas burners, four sinks, tables and built-in cupboards. Serving windows open on the dining room to the west. On around to the right is the salads and pastry room, also with serving window opening into the dining room. At the left in the basement is the heating plant, a vapor system with self-regulating mechanism. Nearby is a storage room. The dining room, also to be used as the Sunday school room of the men's class, is spacious, and is provided with a well-equipped stage and dressing rooms in the wings. A cloak room is a feature of the basement. The stage is 10x27 feet and well lighted. The junior and adult sections meet - - -. The fine Estey organ worth \$3,800, is one of the prized possessions of the church membership.

There is a high school class assembly room, and other rooms for various classes. All study rooms are equipped with blackboard. At a still higher level, there is the primary room, which can be used as a nursery during the church hour or functions in the building.

Miss Marie Turner will preside over the primary room, Mrs. Fay Gordon over the junior department, Howard Wilson over the high school division and Ray Fretz over the adult division. Elmer Gordon is general superintendent of the Sunday school.

Off the choir loft, where the pipe organ is situated, is the music room, with cabinets for supplies. In the rear of the baptistry which is opposite the choir loft at the front of the auditorium are robing rooms. The baptistry is copper lined, and the dome above it is one of the architectural ornaments of the building. The canopy supported by carved columns is most attractive.

The auditorium of the building is unusually "churchy". The size is 34 by 56 feet, exclusive of pulpit. The ceiling is vaulted. Exposed hammerbeam trusses support the roof, giving a ceiling effect of unusual quality. The finish is in select gum, finished in Circassian walnut. One step above the floor level, and immediately in front of the baptistry, will be placed the communion table.

Unusually attractive are five lantern type lights which hang from the apex of the auditorium ceiling. They harmonize perfectly with the architecture and the framework has the

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appearance of copper. The lanterns are supplied with large globes, and cast down bright rays of light.

The Gothic style of the church has brought into perfect good taste three pieces of pulpit furniture which were in the original Christian church here, and which had not been used since 1908. These are three high-backed, pointed chairs, one larger than the rest, which will be placed at the rear of the platform, behind the pulpit, when they have been refinished and re-upholstered.

In all there are 23 rooms in the building. The total cost of the building was \$55,000.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Monday, February 15, 1926]

CHURCH OF CHRIST HERE IS FORMALLY DEDICATED

The new Rochester \$55,000 Church of Christ was formally dedicated Sunday, with approximately fifteen hundred people attending the three services of the day. The day was perfect for the event and the bright, clear weather brought out the large crowds.

At the two early services, morning and afternoon, approximately \$30,000 was subscribed. Twenty-five thousand dollars of the subscription was obtained in cash.

The dedicatory exercises proper were held in the evening. The pastor's sermon, and baptismal service followed.

The day was opened with a wedding, at 8 o'clock. The attendance at the morning Bible school hour was 340. The Rev. C. W. CAUBLE, state secretary of the Christian church, presiding at the morning service, as at the others.

At noon a community dinner in the basement of the church was enjoyed.

The Rev. W. J. NIVEN and the Rev. C. H. CROWDER of this city, and several Christian pastors from nearby towns spoke in the afternoon, commending the achievement of the local church.

Among the visiting pastors were the Rev. Joseph Fisher of Logansport, the Rev. Dillman of Flora, the Rev. Bulger of Kewanna, the Rev. Lou Hill, evangelist now at Macy, and Billy Harris, singing evangelist with the Rev. Hill. Mr. Harris sang in the afternoon.

A communion hymn and special music were on the morning program, and in the evening a male quartette sang.

B. F. Fretz, E. D. Gordon, Dr. A. Brown and B. F. Sheward are elders of the church. Albert Nickelbine, Dee Wallace, Frank Rowles, J. W. Cline, Dale Briles, R. B. Hendrickson and Roy Czapansky are deacons. The trustees are Charles A. Kilmer, Dr. A. Brown, and Frank Rowles. Members of the building committee are G. W. Nicholson, Charles Kilmer, Ray E. Fretz, None Turner and E. D. Gordon. The finance committee consists of Dr. A. Brown, None Turner, W. C. Aschanhort, Mrs. C. A. Kilmer, Harley Kochenderfer, Mrs. B. F. Fretz, and J. W. Cline.

A. A. Honeywell was the architect of the building, and Noah Arnest of Kokomo, contractor.

The Christian church here was organized in 1880. Beginning at 1887, twenty-two men have held pastorates here.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Monday, March 1, 1926]

LOCAL PASTORS GIVE RELIGIOUS CHRONICLES

In October of the year 1880, Mrs. J. M. Rogers and Mrs. Dr. Brown called upon the few resident Disciples and a Ladies' Aid Society was organized, Mrs. Susan Shields, of blessed memory, being its first President. Through methods of its own the Society earned fifty dollars and in February of 1881, Brother Alfred Elmore of Frankfort, Indiana, conducted four-weeks meeting, held partly in the Court House and partly in the Opera House.

There were twenty-two accessions at this meeting.

This little body of Disciples met at the home of the late lamented Dr. Angus Brown, also of blessed memory, and here organized the first Christian Church of Rochester. The charter members were: Dr. Angus Brown, Lucy A. Brown, William G. Downey, James M. Rogers, Etna L. Rogers, Simon Stahl, Father McCloud, Johnathan Montgomery, Susan Shields, Mrs. Dr. Terry, Jane Allen, Mattie Allen, Jennie Brown, Nancy Chandler.

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Brothers Brown, McCloud and Stahl were elected first Elders and Brothers Rogers and Downey, Deacons.

After Meeting at the home of Dr. Brown for a few times the Armory Hall was rented and here for several years we worshipped as did the first Disciples, "in an upper room." Here the little band learned to work and love the cause that Christ made for them until they were able to buy a lot and build the house, being the one that is in use at present. [sic]

During the winter months for the first five years in the new home, successful revival meetings were held by such Brethren as Canfield, Cassell and Parsons, and during the same period Brethren Frazier, Pritchard, Walker, Roberts, Grisso and other, visited the church and stimulated its activities and prosperity. In Autumn of the year of 1886 the church house was built and dedicated to the service of the Lord, November 7, 1886, by L. L. Carpenter.

During the winter of 1886-87 Brother J. H. O. Smith conducted a successful revival meeting, closing with one hundred-eighty accessions.

J. D. Emmons of Columbus, Indiana rendered valuable assistance at this meeting as leader of song and soloist.

THE POSITION OF THE CHURCH OF CHRIST

1. The plea of the disciples of Christ is simply the restoration of the New Testament Church in its doctrines, ordinances and life with other words the restoration of New Testament Christianity and Christian Unity, based upon the desire and prayer of Jesus "that they all may be one, that the world may believe," John 17:21.

2. Their desire and aim is to exalt Christ above party and His Word above party names.

3. To build up the Church as He has directed without denominational name, or man-written creed or any barrier of any kind to Christian Unity.

4. To insist upon the identical conditions of salvation as taught by Christ and the Holy Spirit through the Apostles, No compromise, no change, and,

5. To lead the unconverted to Christ through the persuasiveness of 'the Gospel which is God's power unto salvation to every one that believeth.'

6. In Faith, Unity; in Opinions Liberty; in all things, Charity.

The Church's plea is:

No name but the divine,

No Creed but the Christ,

No discipline but the Bible,

One Lord, the Faith and One Baptism.

LIST OF PASTORS

F. M. Ricoff, Ridgeway, J. A. Lowe, J. H. Lacey, Thos. A. Cox, W. M. Kenney, L. A. Lytle, Robert Grieves, G. A. Waller, Charles H. DeVoe, Isaac N. Aldrich, L. A. Beard, M. E. Genge, E. Miller, Earl S. Farmer, F. Z. Burkette, M. D. Bryant, A. R. Adams, A. E. Wrentmore, J. Herbert Jones, J. M. Small, W. C. Aschanhort, Edwin Johnson, C. B. Titus, Ray M. Johnston, John Wallenburg, present minister.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Thursday, December 6, 1934, p. 23]

CHURCH PROPERTY IS SAVED FOR MEMBERS AND COMMUNITY

The Rochester Church of Christ property has been saved to the Brothers of the Disciples of Christ, the community and its members. The church under a long and desperate struggle and through the able and persistent leadership of Rev. and Mrs. Wallenburg is able to look in to the future with renewed confidence.

The Hicks Estate suit, plus notes and bonds amounting to a total of over \$50,000 has been reduced to a single mortgage of \$7,500 now in the hands of the Board of Church Extension Department of the Disciples of Christ. This final debt has been fully underwritten including the interest and will be cared for during the next five years.

The debt was considered an impossible one for the church to meet, according to the local people and the State Organization of the Christian Church, today the task has been accomplished

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by the ardent persistence of both Rev. and Mrs. Wallenburg, who have continued regardless of the many discouragements.

The plan that finally saved the building was the Common Wealth plan offered by the Common Wealth Life Insurance Company of Louisville, Ky., which has been represented here by Rev. S. H. Bartlett, the State Manager.

Members, Citizens Co-operated

Rev. Wallenburg states that he owes a great debt of gratitude to the faithful members and especially to the Christian Citizens of Rochester who so generously co-operated with him in the accomplishment of the task. The Church expects to start its fall program free of local debts; it is now raising funds to pay the amount owing the minister for back salary.

Rev. and Mrs. Wallenburg came to Rochester four years ago this month, the Church at that time had little hope of saving its building and the properties involved by the signing of papers. Today the church has new hopes and many home owners are glad and rejoice because of the accomplishment.

Rev. Wallenburg is a native of the Netherlands and came to this country seventeen years ago, unable to speak the English language. Mr. Wallenburg was a barber by trade having served his apprenticeship in the Royal Court Barbershop at Apeldoorn, the summer residence of the Queen Wilhelmina and Prince Henrich of Mecklenburg-Schwerin.

After having been one year in the U. S. A. he bought and operated a five chair barbershop and a large recreation hall in Belding, Michigan where he was married to Miss E. Lynch. After Mr. Wallenburg's conversion he spent two summers in a training school studying the Bible. It was during this period that he saw the possibilities of serving humanity in a much larger way. Accordingly he sold out his business and Mr. and Mrs. Wallenburg began their preparation for the ministry, both of them graduated from the Cincinnati Bible Seminary with degrees of Bachelor of Arts in 1926. Mr. Wallenburg worked his way through college as a barber.

Rev. Wallenburg served the Lebanon Church of Christ as a student pastor for three years and was then called to the ministry of the Central Church of Christ at Findlay, Ohio, where at the height of his ministry he was reluctantly released to accept the call to minister to the New Church at Germiston, South Africa, and also an itinerate ministry to the Church at Boksburg and Durhan, Natal and Capetown, in the Cape Province.

The depression brought Rev. and Mrs. Wallenburg back to America, where they have served the Rochester Church ever since.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, September 26, 1935]

CHRIST CHURCH BURNS MORTGAGE AT SERVICE

Sunday was a happy and eventful day for the local Christian Church and its members and friends.

At the morning service a new Inter Church Hymnal was dedicated and also a beautiful pair of Candelabums which was made and given to the Church by Mr and Mrs. C. Meyer of Fulton, Indiana. They were set during an impressive ceremony in which Mr. Meyer took a part.

A former elder, Mr. Albright, now of LaPorte, Ind., had charge of the communion services. Rev. Charles H. Devoe who has served the Christian church as its minister from the year 1901 to 1904 brought a stirring message on the "Greatness of the Church."

A basket dinner was enjoyed at noon by a large number of members, friends and visitors.

Memorial Song Books

At the afternoon services a group Memorial Song Books were dedicated to the charter members of the Church and two others who had passed on to their reward.

Then after a brief history of the Christian Church, the simple but beautiful and solemn ceremony of the burning of the mortgage took place as B. F. Fretz, senior elder of the Church, set a fire to the papers which freed the church from its cumbersome debts and lifted the hopes of the struggling but brave group towards a more glorious future.

Re-Dedication Service

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The pastor, Rev. John Wallenburg, then led the Re-dedication service using with a few changes the service used at the dedication of the church in 1925. "Thus," said Rev. J. Wallenburg, "we have come 10 years later to Re-dedicate the Church, to a still greater service and usefulness in the advancement of the Kingdom of God."

Rev. Reid Liverett, Kansas City, Mo., brought the afternoon service to a close with a message on the work of the Extension Fund Department of the Disciples of Christ in America and Canada.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, October 28, 1935]

CHURCHES - CHRISTIAN CHURCH [Akron, Indiana]

The Rochester Christian church, its officers and membership received a most substantial donation recently from the membership of the Akron Christian church, which recently sold its church property, located in the southeastern section of Akron, to the Akron Church of the Brethren.

The gifts presented to the Rochester church include \$1,163.41 in cash and notes, a Packard piano and a silver communion service.

The Akron Christian church has been closed for the past six years and the church building was rented to the Brethren church.

The officials and membership of the Rochester Christian church are most grateful for this generous gesture and stated today that they had extended the membership of the Akron Christian church a standing invitation to take part in the activities of their edifice.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, March 21, 1939]

A CENTURY OF BLESSING

In October, 1880, Mrs. J. M. Rogers and Mrs. Angus Brown created a Ladies Aid Society, which by means of socials, raised money to employ Elder Elimore as evangelist.

Revival meetings were held in the Court House and Opera House in February, 1881.

At the home of Dr. Angus Brown, the First Christian Church of Rochester was organized. A few meetings were held at Dr. Brown's home, and then the Armory Hall was rented for several years for services.

A lot, at SE corner 11th & Madison, was purchased from Ananias Baker in 1885, and in the summer of 1886 the newly erected frame building was dedicated. The Baptist Church held no services in order to attend the dedication.

The first ministers included F. M. Rickoff, Elder Ridgeway, J. H. Lacy, W. R. Lowe and Rev. T. A. Cox.

The church shared ministers with Liberty Chapel Church in 1891. It was located near the Koch farm NE of Rochester. When that church closed, many transferred their membership to the Rochester church.

The Fulton County Commissioners loaned the old court house bell to the Christian Church in 1895. It was used until 1925, but its whereabouts is not known.

In 1902 a full basement was put under the church providing for a kitchen, dining and assembly rooms. A new furnace was added along with electricity and water. Eight new hitching posts were added to the front of the church in 1908. After painting both the inside and outside of the church, a rededication was held in 1911.

Ground was broken May 17, 1925 for the present structure. The old frame church was turned 45 degrees and moved to the alley, faced with brick and completely remodeled inside for Sunday School rooms. A new sanctuary was built onto the west, facing Madison street. During construction, services were held in the Fulton County Court room. The new church was dedicated February 28, 1926.

Financial problems hit the church in the depression years. Although the ladies worked together serving many fine dinners to help raise funds, there were times when even the interest on

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the debt could not be paid. Earle A. Miller recalled in 1959: "In somewhat later years Minnie Hawkins and the ladies' organization earned many a dollar to pay on the present beautiful church edifice by means of the meals they prepared and served. The food was always excellent, hot and plentiful."

In 1939 the Church of Christ of Akron disbanded, and presented the Rochester Church a piano, a communion service, and a monetary gift of \$1,164.00.

In April 1943 the church purchased the Moore Home at 1003 Madison Street to be used as a parsonage.

The mortgage on the church was burned October 27, 1946.

The first telephone was placed in the church in 1949.

Sometime between 1953 and 1957 the Rex Moore property south of the church was purchased. Sometime after 1968 the Moore property across the street was purchased, torn down, and a parking lot created. In 1973 the house at 1115 Madison Street was purchased from Margaret Toomire, to become the home of the custodian. The home directly south of the church was torn down, to enlarge the lawn.

[*A Century of Blessing, 1881-1981*, by First Christian Church]

The present organization of the Christian church had its origin in meetings in private homes of nine persons, seven women and two men, in the summer and autumn of 1879. In the winter of 1879-80 Elder A. Ellmore, an evangelist, was engaged to hold services in south room of the courthouse which resulted in organization of a church.

From meeting in the homes of members the society moved to an unfurnished room over what later became the Kendrick Hotel. In the summer and fall of 1886 a house of worship was reected on the location of the present beautiful structure, [SE corner] Madison and 10th streets. The first building was of frame construction and the first ministers serving the congregation included F. M. Rickoff, Elder Ridgeway, J. H. Lacy, W. R. Lowe and Rev. T. A. Cox.

[Earle A. Miller, *The News-Sentinel*, Monday March 16, 1959]

Fifty years ago. . . E. S. Farmer served the Christian congregation . . .

[Earle A. Miller, *Rochester Sentinel*, Wednesday, April 25, 1962]

Christian, 1101 Madison St., Rev. Morgan E. Genge, Pastor

[Directory of Rochester, Ind., 1907, H. F. Crim and A. T. Bitters]

Elder William S. Winfield, of the Christian Church, will commence a series of meetings in the lower room of the Odd Fellows Hall, on Wednesday evening, Feb 12, 1862.

[*Rochester Mercury*, Thursday, February 6, 1862]

Elder Ephraim Dukes will preach at the Christian Chapel in this village next Saturday evening at 7 o'clock and Sunday morning at 10-1/2 o'clock.

[*Rochester Mercury*, Thursday, March 20, 1862]

Elder Benjamin Wharton will preach at the Christian Chapel next Sunday at 3 o'clock p.m.

[*Rochester Chronicle*, Thursday, July 3, 1862]

Elder Isaac Butler will preach at the Christian Chapel, in this village, on Saturday, Aug 9th, at 4 o'clock p.m. and on Sunday (Aug 10th) at 10-1/2 o'clock a.m.

[*Rochester Chronicle*, Thursday, July 31, 1862]

Elder Ephraim Dukes, of Pulaski county, will preach at the Christian Chapel, in this village, Saturday evening, January 3d, at 6-1/2 o'clock, and on Sunday, January 4th, at 10-1/2 a.m.

[*Rochester Chronicle*, Thursday, December 25, 1862]

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Elder William Griggsby, of Logansport, will preach at the Christian Chapel on Saturday evening, Jan 31st, at 7 o'clock, and on Sunday morning, Geb 1st, at 10-1/2 o'clock.
[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, January 15 1863]

Elder Isaac Butler will preach at the Christian Chapel, on Saturday Evening and Sunday, June 6th and 7th at the usual hour.
[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, May 28, 1863]

Acknowledgment. The members of the Christian Congregation of Rochester return their thanks to their Presbyterian friends for their kindness in permitting us to occupy their house during the series of meetings just closed. Done in behalf of the church. John Wharton. Rochester, August 3, 1868.

[Rochester *Union-Spy*, Thursday, August 6, 1868]

Religious Notice. Elder A. F. Leamon, of the Christian Church, will preach at the Court House on Saturday evening, December 5th, at 7 o'clock; also, Sunday morning at 10-1/2 o'clock.
[Rochester *Union-Spy*, Thursday, December 3, 1868]

Religious. Elder A. F. Leamon, of the Christian Church, will preach in the Court House, Sunday, Jan. 17 at 10:30 a.m.
[Rochester *Union-Spy*, Thursday, December 31, 1868]

In somewhat later years Minnie Hawkins directed the supper activities for the local Christian Church and the ladies' organization earned many a dollar to pay on the present beautiful church edifice by means of the meals they prepared and served. The food was always excellent, hot and plentiful and the price less than half of what it is today. Now a modern kitchen is the pride and joy of most churches, replacing the old wood and coal burning ranges over which the faithful toiled.

[Earle A. Miller, *The News-Sentinel*, Tuesday, October 6, 1959]

CHURCHES - CHRISTIAN CHURCH [Tiosa, Indiana]

The trustees of the Tiosa Christian church have decided to move the church over in town and have secured a lot of F. M. Umbaugh. Dr. C. L. Meek has purchased the ground where the church now stands.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, April 15, 1915]

MANY HELP DEDICATE TIOSA CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Great crowds are reported to have attended the dedicatory services of the new Christian church at Tiosa Sunday, despite unfavorable weather. Rev. J. F. BARNETT of Dayton, O., had charge of the services, the program of which was as follows: Dedicatory services, 11 o'clock; picnic dinner at 12:30; ordination of deacons at 2:30 and missionary meeting at 7:30.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, July 26, 1915]

CHURCHES - CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY [Rochester, Indiana]

OPENS LIBRARY

The Christian Science Society of Rochester, which is a branch of The Mother Church, The First Cure of Christ, Scientist in Boston, Mass., is now prepared to open a free circulating library and reading room in connection with the church room at 704 Main street. The library will be operated on the public library plan -- The books being freely lent to any responsible person who has become sufficiently interested in Christian Science to read the authorized literature. The works by Mary Baker Eddy and The Christian Science periodicals will be available on Wednesday and Saturday afternoons of each week from 1:30 to 5:00 in charge of Librarian.

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[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, September 20, 1924]

CHURCHES - CHURCH OF CHRIST [Kewanna, Indiana]

KEWANNA CHURCH WILL BE DEDICATED SUNDAY

The Church of Christ of Kewanna, will be dedicated on Sunday, June 24. The building has been remodeled and now has a large dining-room, large and well equipped kitchen and ample Sunday School rooms. Rev. H. F. BULGER is the pastor of the church and will have charge of the services. The Church of Christ was the first church erected in Kewanna and was constructed in the year 1876 and dedicated by L. L. CARPENTER on November 19, 1876. Rev. William HUNTER was the pastor. The building was remodeled in 1908 under the pastorate of J. B. DUNKLEBERGER.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Thursday, June 19, 1928]

As early as 1840 an organization was effected by members of the Church of Christ. At this early date, meetings were held at irregular intervals and there were no permanent houses of worship, cabins of the members being used as meeting places. On Dec. 9, 1846, the members met at the home of William Troutman to elect trustees, whose duty it should be to procure a lot upon which to erect a building and also to superintend the construction of the building. But it was not until 1855 that William A. Hathaway donated a lot two miles west of Kewanna on which they built a frame house, 30 by 36 feet, to serve as a church. In 1876 they built a new church in town for \$2,335. The present church was built in 1927. (Reference: 1871-1971 Kewanna Centennial book.)

[Kewanna, Thelma Johnston, Wade Bussert, Jan Cessna, and Tammy Evans, *Fulton Co Folks*, Vol. 2, Willard]

CHURCHES - CHURCH OF GOD [Akron, Indiana]

CHURCH FOR SALE

The Church of God, at Akron, better known as "The Little Brick Church" located across the street from McHatton's store is being put up for sale by the trustees of Indiana Eldership of the Churches of God. The entire property including the lot, building, seats, chairs, furniture, pulpit, carpet, church bell, stand, clock, piano and benches is to be sold.

[The News-Sentinel, Friday, March 16, 1945]

SLAYBAUGH FAMILY

By Velma Bright

Fletcher Stoner, one of the organizers, had a significant part in getting Rev. H. M. Riggle there as the first pastor.

The Akron Church of God around 1920 served as a central base for the general overseeing of the Rochester, Athens, Olive Bethel and Lake Bethel congregations, so Daniel L. Slaybaugh, along with David Leininger, R. N. Gast, and Walter Haldeman served as ministers to these congregations. Daniel L. Slaybaugh was ordained in 1922. In the fall of 1924, Rev. H. M. Riggle resigned as pastor of the Akron Church of God and accepted a call to the Oklahoma City Church of God. R. N. Gast and D. L. Slaybaugh supplied the pulpit until the following summer when D. L. Slaybaugh was chosen pastor.

In 1928 Rev. D. L. Slaybaugh accepted a call to become pastor of the Elkhart Church of God where he served until 1931. In 1931 he returned to Akron to again become pastor of the Akron Church of God. He remained in this capacity until February 27, 1954, when he retired. Having grown up and lived in the Akron community most of his life, he was widely known and respected. He was greatly in demand to officiate at weddings and funerals. He was listed in "Ripley's Believe It Or Not" at one time as having conducted more funerals than there were residents living in the community.

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Rev. Slaybaugh also served as evangelist for several state camp meetings of the Church of God and was a speaker at the International Camp Meeting of the Church of God held in Anderson, Indiana. He served many years as a trustee of the Indiana State Camp Grounds at Yellow Creek Lake. The new tabernacle which was built on the Yellow Creek Lake State Camp Grounds has been named Slaybaugh Auditorium in memory of Rev. D. L. Slaybaugh. About 1966 Rev. D. L. Slaybaugh taught the Sunday School lesson at the International Camp Meeting at Anderson to approximately 25,000 people. He was active in the state and national activities of the Church of God. He served on numerous committees and boards. He served on the Laymen's Life Insurance Company Board of Directors at Anderson for several years.

[*Fulton Co. Folks*, Vol. 1, Willard, p. 224]

CHURCHES - CHURCH OF GOD [Disko, Indiana]

OLD CHURCH BUILDING AT DISKO TO BE SOLD

The meeting house of the Church of God in Disko is to be sold at public auction Friday, March 18. The congregation was founded by Rev. E. E. Patman about 35 years ago. Rev. Patman was pastor at Akron and started having meetings in the town hall at Disko.

He attracted a number of members in the faith, and aided by donations of people of the community, succeeded in erecting a new church building 36 by 45 feet.

But, as many other small town congregations, the older ones died or became incapacitated, and the younger ones drifted to other faiths or no faith at all.

Services were finally discontinued and recently the general board of the church decided to sell the property.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, March 15, 1938]

DISKO CHURCH SOLD

The Church of God building at Disko was sold at public auction several days ago to Frank Ireland of Laketon. It will be moved to a farm near Disko school and converted into a barn. The price was \$230. Seats of the church were sold at \$1.25 each and will be taken to the camp ground of the Church of Latter Day Saints at Yellow Creek lake. The land was not sold.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, March 22, 1938]

CHURCH SEATS

The News-Sentinel was in error when it was stated that the seats in the Church of God at Disko had been sold to the Church of the Latter Day Saints for their camp meeting grounds at Yellow Creek Lake. The seats were sold to E. E. Gehrig of Akron, who acted as agent for the Church of God. The seats will be used at the church's camp meeting grounds at Yellow Creek Lake.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, March 24, 1938]

CHURCHES - CHURCH OF GOD [Rochester, Indiana]

START CONSTRUCTION CHURCH OF GOD BUILDING

Ertel and Wolf, Logansport contractors, have started work on the construction of the new Church of God building on the [NW] corner of Main and Third streets. Their contract calls for completion of the structure by the last of June. It is understood that the lighting and heating contracts have not been let. Ertel and Wolf also have a contract to erect a two-story brick building on Wolf's Point for John ---gh of Logansport.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, March 14, 1922]

CHURCH OF GOD WILL BE DEDICATED SUNDAY

The new Church of God of Rochester will be dedicated next Sunday afternoon at 2 p.m., according to the announcement made by church officials. The day's program calls for a morning service at 11 o'clock, a basket dinner at noon and the dedicatory sermon by J. T. Wilson, president

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of the Gospel Trumpet Co., of Anderson at two. There also will be special services in the evening when several missionaries will speak. They are Miss E. Faith Stewart, Grace Alexander, Burd Barwick and Mona Moors. There will be special songs and talks by the pastor and assistants. The church which has been completed after earnest effort on the part of the members is a large brick structure that will seat nearly 400 people and is nicely furnished. The basement can be used for dining and other purposes. The cost of the structure was \$9,000.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, June 29, 1922]

LOCAL PASTORS GIVE RELIGIOUS CHRONICLES

The Church of God had its origin in Fulton county about fifty-three years ago, when the reformation movement crystalized near Akron when D. S. Warner received new light on divine healing and the Unity of God's people.

Several years prior to that time there were scattered meetings held in the Akron vicinity, but the church claims recognition since 1881.

In Rochester, the first services were held in the homes of adherents to the faith. In the summer of 1912 the Rev. Marshall Mercer, assisted by Rev. Merton Mercia and wife conducted a series of revival meetings in the old Academy of Music and from 1913 to 1915 services were held in a hall over the Louderback Garage. An increasing membership soon overflowed these quarters however and services were transferred to the old Adventist church, Fulton Ave., and Sixth street.

Under the inspiration and guidance of Rev. H. M. Riggle, a site was purchased and the erection of the present edifice, [NW corner] Main and Third streets was begun in 1918, but before the work could be completed, Rev. Riggle was called into the missionary field and Rev. A. T. Rowe, now president of The Gospel Trumpet Co., publishers of the Church official literature at Anderson, Indiana, came to Rochester and took up the work. Rev. Riggle and Rev. Rowe had collaborated in the work in the Akron vicinity for several years prior to that time. It was under the guidance of the latter that the church was completed.

Shortly following the completion of the edifice, Rev. T. J. Steenbergen was sent to Rochester as the first full-time minister and served the Church and its people with fine, untiring effort, resulting in much progress. Following Rev. Steenbergen came Rev. Ralph Pool and later Rev. and Mrs. Denton and under their inspiring and well directed work, still greater gains were made. The present pastor, Rev. H. M. Sall took over the work here in April of the present year. Under his ministry and church work, the Sunday School, with a total enrollment of two hundred has enjoyed an average attendance of 185.

In addition to the Rochester church, work is being carried on at Athens with a growing Sunday School under the direction of the local pastor.

Although one of the most recent donominational bonds in our city, The Church of God has made a splendid record and is rapidly spreading its influence into every corner of the county.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Thursday, December 6, 1934, p. 23]

CHURCH OF GOD IS TO BUILD NEW PARSONAGE

Members of the Rochester Church of God board of trustees are to obtain bids for the building of a new parsonage on the church-owned lot west of the church building [NW corner] on Main and Third streets, it was decided at a recent congregational meeting.

Plans and specifications are to be obtained by the trustees and following that, a plan for financing the new structure is to be worked out, it was stated. The parsonage is to be completed this year. Rev. John Call, local Church of God pastor, was given a vote of confidence and will remain as pastor here for another year.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, June 9, 1941]

CHURCHES - COMMUNITY CHURCH [Union Township]

Located at Bruce Lake Station on the north side of 100N at 900W.

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CHURCHES - COUNCIL CHRISTIAN EDUCATION [Fulton County]

Local Pastors Give Religious Chronicles

One of the most prominent organizations in Christian work is that known as the County Council of Christian Education. It is an inter-denominational organization among various Church School workers of Fulton County for the interest and advance of the local Sunday Schools, and boasts of complete activity, from local church schools, throughout county, state and international councils. From the various committees of the International Council comes the International Sunday School Lesson plans and outlines, and scarcely a Sunday School but sees these in at least some departments. Through the State Council is handed down the suggestions for better methods and plans for various projects for the advance of local schools.

County Conventions are held annually with State Dept. Speakers, as well as departmental round table discussions. The Children's Division sponsors an annual winter rally of its workers and teachers from which much valuable help is derived. The Young People's Dept. sponsors a Young People's Banquet each year previous to the County Convention as well as rallies in each of the eight townships. The Adult Division is becoming more and more prominent and conducts conferences in which their problems are discussed. A School of Methods has been conducted annually in which this organization has been either the sponsor or actively co-operates. During the past winter the Ministerial Association of Rochester acted as sponsor while the Educational Division of the County Council co-operated in enrolling students from various parts of the county until there were near two hundred students enrolled.

Present records date back to 1927 when Mr. H. L. Rogers was elected president of the County Council. However for many years previous to that date, the organization was carried on under the name of the Sunday School Association and was very active throughout the county. The organization of county and state is supported by gifts from local Church Schools over the county.

At present there are forty-one schools with a total weekly average last year attendance of 3,589. There is a total enrollment of 5,128 scholars in the Church School of the county. Nine schools reported a daily Vacation Bible School encouraged by the Council. Twenty-three Schools have a Cradle Roll Department with a total enrollment of 414 and seventeen schools have Home Department with a total enrollment of 127.

Sept. 28, 1934, the Annual County Convention was held at the Burton M. E. Church in Rochester Township, and the present leaders of the organization were elected. The President is Mr. Earl Chapman, Rochester; First Vice-President Thomas Beck, Rochester; Second Vice-President, Robert Thomas, Grass Creek; Secretary-Treasurer, Miss Evelyn Shonk with assistant, Miss Miriam Kennell, Rochester; Children's Division Superintendent, Mrs. Amos Sanders, Akron; Young People's Supt., Rev. Turpin, Rochester; Administrative Supt., Mr. Don Nafe, Kewanna; and Educational Supt., Rev. Wallenberg, Rochester.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Thursday, December 6, 1934, p. 23]

CHURCHES - DELONG M. E. CHURCH [Aubbeenaubbee Township]

Located East side of 900W and 550N at south edge of DeLong.

CHURCHES - DISCIPLES CHURCH [Leiters Ford, Indiana]

Elder William Hunter organized a Disciples church in Leiters Ford in 1840 and another about two miles west of Kewanna in 1846.

CHURCHES - DISCIPLES CHURCH [Rochester, Indiana]

Elder A. J. Clark, of the Disciples Church, will hold a series of meetings at the Presbyterian Church, commencing Friday evening June [sic] 24th, and continuing over the Sunday following.

[Rochester *Union-Spy*, Thursday, July 16, 1868]

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CHURCHES - DUNKARD CHURCH[Argos, Marshall County]

CONGREGATION DECIDES TO REBUILD DUNKARD CHURCH

A meeting of the congregation of the Dunkard church, located five miles northeast of Tiosa, Sunday afternoon, agreed to rebuild the church which was completely destroyed in a fire Sunday morning at 9 o'clock. It was also decided to hold services in the Walnut Consolidated school, one mile east of the present church site. Rev. C. C. Cripe is pastor of the church.

Nothing was left or saved from the structure and the loss, amounting to \$25,000, was only partially covered by insurance.

The fire originated in the basement of the edifice and was first noticed by Ralph Burroughs, a nearby farmer, who saw smoke pouring from the building. The church janitor, Clarence Ault, and the Plymouth and Argos fire departments were summoned, but the blaze was beyond control before help arrived.

The church had been remodeled three years ago and a new water system had been installed only last fall. The church was modernized in almost every respect, having a kitchen and dining room in the basement. The cause of the fire is unknown.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, January 4, 1944]

CHURCHES - DUTCH REFORMED CHURCH[Union Township]

See Bruce Lake Cemetery Church.

CHURCHES - EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH[Rochester Township]

Located 150S approximately 200E.

Organized in 1846 by the Babcocks and Smiths.

In 1853 they erected the first meeting house on a lot donated by James R. Babcock.

Dedicated Jan. 20, 1855.

On Feb. 19, 1853, it was decided to organize a branch church at Rochester to be called the Rochester branch of the Ebenezer Church, and 22 members left the mother church and formed the Rochester branch. A branch was established also at Fulton. Little Flock at Kewanna was organized as a branch in Aug. 16, 1851. Bloomingburg organized as a branch Feb. 17, 1853. Marsttown organized as a branch October 22, 1859. Mexico organized as a branch July 28, 1861.

CHICAGO MAN TO REMODEL OLD CHURCH INTO HOME

Negotiations have been completed wherein the Ebenezer Church, four miles south of Rochester, has been sold to Mel MILLER, of Chicago, who plans to remodel the 50 by 30 brick structure into a summer home. Joel BRUBAKER, one of the oldest members of the church, acted as moderator at the sale.

The Ebenezer church, one of the few remaining country churches in the county, was built in 1887 and at the time of its activity had a membership of 160. No meetings have been held for the past 15 years, since Rev. G. C. CHANDLER was pastor of the Rochester Baptist Church.

The \$350 received from the sale will be given to the Rochester Church the presentation to be made at a special service to be held at the local church on Friday twelfth. The sum is to be known as the Ebenezer church fund and the interest used as the members see fit.

The church is located near the Miller farm and will make an ideal summer home for the Miller family who spend their summers in Fulton County. One-half acre of ground goes with the church.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Tuesday, January 31, 1928]

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Eugene Shelton leader of the G.O. singing class, is a young man of more than ordinary ability. He is now teaching his first class at the Ebenezer church. . .

[Rochester *Union-Spy*, Friday, July 2, 1875]

CHURCHES - ENTERPRISE CHURCH [Perry Township, Miami County]

Located N side of road, two miles south of Gilead and one and three-quarters mile east.

[See Olive Branch Church.]

CHURCHES - EPISCOPAL CHURCH [Rochester, Indiana]

Located at 404 Jefferson.

Episcopal, 404 Jefferson St.

[Directory of Rochester, Ind., 1907, H. F. Crim and A. T. Bitters]

CHURCH AND CLERGY

The "Light of the World" spreads its effulgent rays very profusely in Rochester and Fulton county. Eight churches rear their spires heavenward within the corporate limits of the city and the church membership comprises most of our leading citizens. The total membership of the churches is about 1,400 and the list of Sabbath school pupils is 670, two hundred and eighty of the remaining 530 children in the city being under Sunday school age. Only 1000 persons, within the city, over 21 years old, are not church members and therefore, it will be readily seen that the Christian religion is so firmly established in Rochester that the moral and social standing of the community is at once worthy of the careful consideration of any desirable citizen who may be seeking a location.

The first church service in Rochester was conducted by Rev. Andrew Martin, 60 years ago. He preached occasionally in the log court house and in 1840 the first church class was organized. It was a Methodist class and within a few months the Presbyterians also effected an organization. The Baptists organized in 1860, the Catholics in 1867, the Evangelicals in 1875, the Christians in 1877, The Adventists in 1876, and the Episcopaleans in 1889.

St. Paul's Protestant Episcopal Church was organized in 1888. Soon after the society purchased what was known as St. Paul's Lutheran Church, and, after making extensive repairs, the church was consecrated by the late Rt. Rev. David Ruel Knickerbacker, then Bishop of Indiana. Since which time the church has prospered under the pastorate of the Rev. DeLou Burke, who, before he removed to South Bend, had the mission in charge. He was succeeded by the Rev. Wm. Wist Raymond, Rector of St. Thomas church at Plymouth, who has ever since and now has charge of the mission.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, September 20, 1895]

CHURCHES - EVANGELICAL CHURCH [Rochester, Indiana]

Located SE corner 8th & Jefferson, Lot #100 New Plat.

An Evangelical church was to become a religious asset to Rochester with its founding through the efforts of Rev. D. J. Pontious. In its first year the society worshipped in the Advent church. Soon afterward a church building lot was purchased for the sum of \$800 and in 1878 construction was begun on the site where a new edifice was built some years ago, corner 8th & Jefferson.

Feb. 5, 1879 new building was completed and dedicated. Present building was dedicated on April 22, 1917.

In the beginning the membership numbered 29 persons.

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This church was organized by Rev. D. J. Pontius, with twenty-nine members. The first year this society worshiped in the Adventist church. Soon afterward a church building lot was purchased for the sum of \$800, and on September 10, 1878, G. J. Zackman, John Hill and Samuel Hoffman, were elected Trustees, and John Hill, G. J. Zackman and D. J. Pontius, as building committee. The building enterprise was begun on the 28th day of September, 1878, and completed February 5, 1879. The Pastors who have served this work are as follows: D. J. Pontius, W. Wildermuth, J. Dustman, J. Smith, H. Arlen, L. S. Fisher, A. O. Raber, H. E. Neff, D. Martz, S. H. Baumgartner, A. S. Fisher and C. W. Spangler. The church has gradually increased until at the present there are 168 members. These are divided into four classes, each class having a class leader which holds a prayer meeting each week, making four prayer services a week. Besides there is an organization of the young people called Young People's Alliance, and also an organization of the children called the Juvenile Alliance. In the Sunday school there are 190 scholars enrolled with 24 officers and teachers.

Rev. C. W. Spangler, the Pastor in charge, is a young man but he promises a life of great usefulness for the church. He is a native of Adams county, Indiana, and graduated from Naperville college in 1886, taught school several years and four years ago entered the active ministry. He is but 26 years old and married an estimable christian lady in the person of Miss Sarah Leppold, of McGrawsville, this state.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, September 20, 1895]

SALEM CHURCH WILL BE SOLD AT AUCTION

According to Rev. George Pullman who returned from the Evangelical conference at Kendallville Monday evening, the church heads decided to permit the sale of the Salem church property south of Rochester so that the proceeds of the sale may be used by the local congregation for the purpose of building a new church home.

The Salem church will be sold at auction to the highest bidder and Rev. George Pullman and the trustees of the Salem organization will have charge of the sale. According to Rev. Pullman, the Rochester organization will be unable to begin work on their proposed new building until the spring of 1916. The money, however, will be raised this summer and church plans adopted.

Rev. Pullman said that they had a very pleasant meeting at Kendallville and that Rev. Thomas Bowman, 80, of Pennsylvania, the oldest bishop in America, was present at the meeting.
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[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, April 13, 1915]

STURGES WILL PLAN EVANGELICAL CHURCH

The Evangelical church building committee Saturday morning, contracted with L. H. Sturges, an Indianapolis architect, to make plans for their new \$10,000 church here. He is to have a perspective ready next week, and plans are to be complete for bidders in three weeks. The

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SENTINEL will publish a picture of the new church soon. Sturges is the architect who designed the Grace M. E. church in South Bend, one of the finest in the state.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, March 18, 1916]

EVAN CHURCH TO GASTS OF AKRON

A. A. Gast and Son, of Akron, Saturday afternoon secured the contract for the construction of the new Evangelical church at a cost of \$14,230.

Four other men submitted bids, including Milo Cutshall of Akron and Metzler and Good of South Bend. The contract let to Gast and Son does not include seats, heating, windows, plumbing and wiring. Rev. George Pullman said also that the matter of steel has not been settled. L. H. Stugis, the architect, was here.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, May 13, 1916]

NEW EVANGELICAL CHURCH DEDICATORY PROGRAM

SUNDAY, APRIL 22

[NOTE: photos of old and new churches; Mr. & Mrs. S. I. H. Hoffman; Rev. & Mrs. George C. Pullman; Bishop S. P. Spreng; and Mr. George J. Zachman (oldest member)]

Rochester's recently completed Evangelical church will be dedicated here Sunday with an elaborate program, which will cover the entire day. Visitors from all over the county are expected to be present and it is not thought that the church will accommodate the number who wish to attend. Bishop S. P. SPRENG of Naperville, Ill., will deliver the principal address at 7:15 in the evening.

The new edifice is 55x82 feet, a stately, imposing structure constructed of brown art brick, and somewhat partaken of the Roman style of architecture. Inasmuch as high pillars of white stone remind one of the historical buildings of the old world. The appearance ends there, however, for the entire interior has more than a smack of the up-to-date atmosphere of the twentieth century.

Notice is due to contractors A. A. Gast & Son, of Akron, and to Baldwin & Myers, to whom the contract was sublet.

The basement, with its various rooms, including lecture room and class rooms for the mid-week meetings, is no less perfect than the upper floor. The heating and lighting systems were installed by the United Public Service Company the finishing of which work, floors and painting by VanDien & Goodrich.

The walls were decorated by Thomas T. Thomas, of Indianapolis. The completed building stands as a monument to the name of L. H. Sturges, architect, Indianapolis, for completeness, neatness and service.

In 1877 the late Rev. D. J. Pontious called a few faithful Christian men and women together in a series of prayer meetings which eventually led to the organization of the society, April 14, 1878, with twenty-seven members. The following persons remain to relate the history of that early organization: George J. Zachman, Mrs. Henry Durkes, S. H. Hoffman, and John Hill, who purchased the corner lot, where the new building stands and erected thereon the first Evangelical church at a cost of \$4,600.00. It was remodeled in 1904 but soon became inadequate to meet the growing demands of the congregation which grew in members, year after year. The result is the new edifice, which represents an expenditure of \$20,000, on which but a small indebtedness remains.

From 1877 to the present year the following ministers have preached the gospel for Evangelical devotees: Rev. D. J. Pontious, 1877-8-9; Wm. Wildermuth and J. M. Dustman, '80; H. Arlen, '81-2; L. S. Fisher, '83-4; A. O. Raber, '85-6-7; H. E. Neff, '88-9; D. Martz, '90; S. H. Baumgartner, '91; A. S. Fisher, '92-3-4; C. W. Spangler, '95-6-7-8; M. L. Scheidler, '99-00-1; W. H. Mygrant, '92-3; A. Geist, '94; E. O. Landeman, '95-6; L. Newman, '97-8; J. H. Rilling, '09-10-11; C. A. Wright, '12-13; Wm. Baumgartner, '13 (Later part of Rev. Wright's term); Geo. C. Pullman, '14-15-16-17.

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While the thought had long been germinating in the minds of the Evangelical people to erect a more modern house of worship, it took the forceful mind of the present pastor, Rev. Pullman, to culminate the various plans and ideas put forth into a materialized form or objective result, therefore no little credit is his for his untiring labor which began with razing the walls of the old church and did not cease until the last touch was given to the completed whole.

The same can be said of the building committees and of each class of the Sunday school and different societies of the church. They all worked with one accord and success has crowned their united efforts.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, April 20, 1917]

Evangelical, 131 W. 8th St., Rev. L. Newman, Pastor.
[Directory of Rochester, Ind., 1907, H. F. Crim and A. T. Bitters]

The ladies of the Evangelical Church served chicken and home-made noodle soup at the County Fair in a bowl large enough to water a horse and the price was a dime.
[Earle A. Miller, *The News-Sentinel*, Tuesday, October 6, 1959]

Fifty years ago . . . the Rev. C. A. Wright headed up the Evangelicals.
[Earle A. Miller, *Rochester Sentinel*, Wednesday, April 25, 1962]

LOCAL PASTORS GIVE RELIGIOUS CHRONICLES

To present a brief review of the work of the Evangelical Church in Fulton County one needs go back to the records to a date preceding the Civil war of America.

The Rev. Joseph Fisher in 1850 did some preaching in the vicinity of Akron in the 'Barnheisel' or 'Smith' neighborhood. Here a church was begun that until the present time has been a telling factor in the development of the civic and religious life of the neighborhood. Some of the early ministers serving here are Joe Fisher, Peter Goetz, M. Haubert, A. Nicolai, D. Bartholomew and others.

Charter members of this place included Jacob Barnheisel and family, Father Smith and son Louis, John Alt and the Hager family. About 1856 or '57 the Evangelical ministers began preaching in the Wales School house some four miles west of Rochester. This resulted in the formation of the Burton work of this denomination.

The charter members included such well known families as Mr. and Mrs. Michael Wales, Mr. and Mrs. William Wales, Mr. and Mrs. John Fishley, Mr. and Mrs. John Schetz and others.

Numbered among the early efforts of this deonminational group to serve in the development of the country should be mentioned the "Whippoorwill" or Grand View church some seven miles N.W. of Rochester.

Henry Prectel in 1880 began preaching in the school house that now stands across the road from the present church location. A friendly Whippoorwill perched upon the top of this school building singing his own melody caused this place to receive the name of "Whippoorwill." Samuel Platz and D. S. Oakes were among the early ministers of this locality.

In the city of Rochester the Evangelical Church began in 1878. The Rev. Samuel Platz however mentions in his biography that he preached in Rochester at a much earlier date. But no society was organized until April 1878, at which time Rev. D. J. Pontius [was] pastor. He began preaching here in the fall of 1877. Six members lived here at the time: Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Hoffman, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Agster and Mr. and Mrs. John Hill. The church was organized with twenty-nine members.

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When the present church was dedicated in 1916 there lived of the charter members George J. Zachman, Mrs. Henry Durkes, S. H. Hoffman, Mrs. Emil Wagoner and Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Meyers.

The first church was erected in 1878 and '79. J. C. Zachman and J. Hill with Rev. Pontius formed the building committee. This building and lot cost \$3,800.00. Mrs. Plunk and Hill secured \$58.90 with which to buy a bell.

The first Women's Missionary Society was formed June 28, 1884. Mrs. Lovina Newhaus was the first president.

The following ministers have served in the advancement of the Church in Rochester: H. Arlen, L. S. Fisher, O. A. Raber, H. E. Neff, D. Martz, S. H. Baumgartner, A. S. Fisher, C. W. Spangler, M. L. Scheidler, W. H. Meygrant, A. Geist, E. Q. Lauderman, L. Newman, J. H. Rilling, C. A. Wright, George Pullman, H. E. Eberhardt, E. J. Nickel, M. O. Herman, H. C. Anderson, P. G. Koebler, George Lozier, Lloyd E. Smith.

The present modern and well equipped house of worship located on the site of the old building at the [SE] corner of 8th and Jefferson Streets is one of the beauty spots of Rochester. Located just one block west from the Court House gives it a central location in the city. The stately maple trees around its yard with the City Public Library across the street makes the corner a place of rare beauty.

O. F. Baldwin, H. S. Van Blaricom and E. R. Vawter with the pastor formed the building committee for the present edifice.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Thursday, December 6, 1934, p. 22]

Pastors who served the church in its early years were W. Wildermuth, J. Dustman, J. Smith, H. Arlen, Rev. Bumgartner, A. S. Fisher and C. W. Spangler. The first trustees of the Evangelical group were G. J. Zackman, John Hill, Samuel Hoffman.

[Earle A. Miller, *The News-Sentinel*, Monday March 16, 1959]

CHURCHES - FLETCHER'S LAKE M. E. CHURCH [Wayne Township]

Located beside Fletcher's Lake Cemetery.

Started in 1841. In 1859 acquired the land on which present church is situated.

CHURCHES - FULTON COUNTY BIBLE SOCIETY [Fulton County]

The Fulton County Bible Society will meet at the Methodist Church on the evening of the 30th inst. All are cordially and affectionately invited to attend. H. W. Mann, Sec.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, December 17, 1859]

CHURCHES - GERMAN LUTHERAN CHURCH [Rochester, Indiana]

Located at 213 W. 4th St. _____

German Lutheran, 213 W. 4th St.

[Directory of Rochester, Ind., 1907, H. F. Crim and A. T. Bitters]

CHURCHES - GRAND VIEW EVANGELICAL CHURCH

[Richland Township]

Located SE corner 500N and 200W, across from Whippoorwill School.

Land donated by Charles and Barbara E. (Bergi) Beehler.

When the South Germany Evangelical Church, located in southeast corner of the South Germany Cemetery in Richland Township, was razed, the best of the lumber was used in building new class rooms on the Grand View Church.

CHURCHES - GRASS CREEK CHURCH [Grass Creek, Indiana]

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Was first started in 1875 in the Feidner School, which in 1974 had become Harrold Summer's farm.

CHURCHES - GRASS CREEK U. B. CHURCH [Grass Creek, Indiana]

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New Grass Creek U.B. church which was dedicated Sunday, September 3.
[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, September 15, 1911]

CHURCHES - GREEN OAK COMMUNITY CHURCH [Green Oak, Indiana]

See Methodist Church

CHURCHES - GREENLAND EVANGELICAL CHURCH [Union Township]

Located a few hundred feet south of Bruce Lake, across the road, South, of the Pleasant Hill Cemetery.

CHURCHES - HEAVENLY RECRUIT ASSOCIATION [Rochester, Indiana]

See Open Door Mission

CHURCHES - LEITERS FORD SAINTS CHURCH [Aubbeenaubbee Township]

Located S of Railroad track.

CHURCHES - LIBERTY BAPTIST CHURCH [Rochester, Indiana]

Located SE corner 6th & Pontiac, in the former United Brethren Church.

CHURCHES - LIBERTY CHAPEL CHURCH [Rochester Township] ??

The church shared ministers with First Christian Church of Rochester in 1891. It was located near the Koch farm NE of Rochester. When Liberty Chapel Church closed, many transferred their membership to the Rochester church.

CHURCHES - LITTLE FLOCK CHURCH [Union Township]

See Baptist Church, Kewanna.

CHURCHES - LUTHERAN CHURCH [Richland Township]

A Lutheran church was established in Tiosa in 1849. Later consolidated with the St. John's Lutheran church at Rochester.

See: Perschbacher, George

CHURCHES - LUTHERAN CHURCH [Rochester, Indiana]

Located SW corner of Jefferson and Fourth Streets, Lot #154 Bozarth's Addn.

Notice. There will be Lutherean preaching at the Court House, by the Rev. T. W. Corbet, from Allen Co., Ohio on Sunday next, Feb. 16, at three o'clock p.m.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, February 15, 1862]

Located 4th and Jefferson in 1870.

Lot #154 Bozarth Addn purchased Apr. 20 1870, from Norman Guy, and wood frame church built in 1875, facing Jefferson Street, and German Lutheran School, brick, was built in

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1873 to serve as both church and school. In 1887 both buildings and lot were auctioned, sheriff's sale, to Frederick Petersen, who gave the brick school to Mrs. John Fromm, mortgagee. The frame church was sold to the Protestant Episcopal Church. Mrs. Fromm died in 1922, and willed the brick school to the Missouri Synod. The frame church served as parsonage from 1936 to 1959, and as educational annex from 1959 to June, 1976, when it was moved to 218 W 3rd.

New brick church dedicated Jan. 19, 1941.

St. Paul Lutheran Church, located near Tiosa, consolidated Jan. 11, 1931 with St. John Lutheran Church, Rochester. [NOTE: could this also be St. Luke's Lutheran Church?]

Until World War 1 the sermons, and classes in German Lutheran School, were in German only.

LOCAL PASTORS GIVE RELIGIOUS CHRONICLES

By Rev. Paul Mader

The present St. John's congregation came into existence on May 2, 1926, when he constitution was adopted and the congregation formally organized. This date then is to be regarded as the birthday of the congregation. Mr. Henry Fromm and Mr. Edward Miller were its first trustees. Mr. Harvey Davis and Mr. Herman Hartung its first deacons and Paul Mader its first pastor.

Pastor Mader who for a number of years had been engaged in Missionary work in Canada arrived in this community in January 1926 and was installed in the Tiosa church on January 31 by Pastor Theo. Schwan of Tipton. On the following Sunday Feb. 7th, Pastor Mader conducted his first service at Tiosa at 9:30 and his first service at Rochester at 11:00. Pastor Mader writes: "According to my diary there were eight people present in the first service at Rochester and they were: Mr. and Mrs. Edward Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Hartung, Mr. Henry Fromm, Mrs. I. N. Good, Mr. Harvey Davis and the organist who was either Miss Medrith Perschbacher or Miss Melita Kiler."

The first joint Sunday school sessions and divine service of Tiosa and Rochester were held on the 7th of July, 1929, seventy-five people being in attendance. This date was of the greatest importance for the work in the parish. Pastor Mader did very effective work in the three and a half years he served the parish as pastor for when he left on Oct. 27th, 1929 to accept a new charge at Youngstown, Ohio, the congregation numbered thirty-two souls at Rochester and forty-three at Tiosa. Pastor E. H. Reuter of Logansport was then asked to supply the parish as vacancy pastor which he accepted on condition that the Tiosa people come in to Rochester for services since it would be impossible for him to preach at both little congregations in addition to his work in Logansport.

In Jan. 1930 the two congregations extended a call to the Rev. Wm. J. Schroer who was serving a large congregation in Cape Girardeau, Mo., as assistant pastor and the call was accepted. He was inducted into office in the church at Rochester on Feb. 16, 1930 by Pastor E. R. Reuter. Although he was called to serve each congregation separately, the Tiosans showed a fine spirit of co-operation and decided to continue worshipping with fellow Lutherans in Rochester.

Jan. 11, 1931 is an important date in the history and progress of St. John's congregation for it was on that date that the members of St. Paul's of Tiosa disbanded their organization and consolidated with the local congregation. By the grace of God, St. John's has grown from a little group of eight souls in 1926 to one hundred and thirty-one in 1934. Under the present pastorate the congregation has had a net gain of fifty-six souls. In four and one-half years, Pastor Schroer has baptized 32, confirmed 38, buried 22 and performed 40 marriage ceremonies.

The local congregation is affiliated with the Missouri Synod of the Lutheran which is the largest Lutheran bond in America. It is a subsidized congregation receiving at the present time \$810 annually for expenses. It has always taken a very active interest in the church at large and will this year return \$160 to Synod for various synodical purposes.

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The congregation operates a very efficient and growing Sunday school and two other organizations, a Ladies Aid and the Builders.

May God continue to bless St. John's in the future as He has in the past and make us a blessing for many.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Thursday, December 6, 1934, p. 23]

ARCHITECT'S VIEW OF NEW LUTHERAN CHURCH, NOW UNDER CONSTRUCTION

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Construction of a new St. John's Lutheran church building was started several days ago at the corner of Fourth and Jefferson streets by the Fansler Construction Co. of Rochester. The new church is to be 27 feet wide, 69 feet long and will have a seating capacity of 200 and cost approximately \$15,000. Mr. J. Adam Fichter, Ft. Wayne, who for many years has been the Synodical architect for the Lutheran church, drew the plans, and the building will be 100% architecturally Lutheran. Local labor as well as local supplies will be used in the construction. It is to be a solid brick building of buff color and will be completed in 100 working days.

This beautiful new addition to Rochester will stand as a monument to eight faithful Lutherans who kept the church going for years worshipping in the little school building on Fourth street, to those Tiosa Lutherans who abandoned their church building and joined St. John's in a body in 1931 and then turned over all their assets to the consolidated union, to its two pastors, Pastor Paul G. Mader, who served the congregation for three and a half years and who passed away in Youngstown, Ohio in 1939, and to the Rev. W. J. Schroer, St. John's only living pastor, who has served the congregation for ten and a half years, for their untiring missionary efforts in building up the congregation from eight to one hundred and seventy-one members and to all those new members who came into the congregation and have remained faithful in spite of the apparent physical defects of the old building.

The officers of St. John's are: J. Vernon Schell, congregational chairman; E. F. Umbaugh, congregational secretary; Henry Fromm, congregational treasurer; Mahlon Bair, Arthur Borden, Allen Umbaugh and John Kline, trustees, and Elmer Sullivan and Henry Kemnetz, elders. The building committee is composed of Elmer Sullivan, Frank Umbaugh, Mahlon Bair, Arthur Borden, John Filbrandt, I. N. Good and Ike Emmons.

Rev. Schroer reports that a number of Rochester business and professional men have made substantial donations towards this new edifice out of civic pride. No one will be canvassed for a contribution who is not a member of the congregation, however, if any one wishes to assist this church with a contribution in any amount, please notify Rev. Schroer or any member of the building committee. Such contributions will be gratefully acknowledged in several ways.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, July 30, 1940]

LUTHERANS TO LAY CORNER STONE OF CHURCH SUNDAY

Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock the Rev. W. J. Schroer, pastor of St. John's Lutheran church, assisted by Arthur Fansler, contractor, will lay the corner stone of the new St. John's church located at the corner of Fourth and Jefferson streets.

This will be a very unusual service and one that is seldom witnessed. It will be a public service and the general public is invited and encouraged to attend.

It will be a beautiful confessional service since the corner stone will be laid in the name of the Holy Trinity and by so doing members of St. John's church will place their new house of worship under the protection and blessing of God and will also make a public confession of what they believe, teach and proclaim.

In the corner stone metal box, Pastor Schroer will place the Constitution and History of the congregation, a catechism, a Bible, a membership list, a list containing the names of the church

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officers, the building committee, the architect, the contractor, the President of the United States, the Governor of Indiana, the Mayor of Rochester, a copy of the Lutheran Witness, the Central District Proceedings of 1940 and a copy of The Rochester News-Sentinel.

[The News-Sentinel, Friday, August 30, 1940]

LUTHERANS LAY CORNER STONE OF NEW CHURCH

Before a large crowd which completely lined the building site, the Rev. W. J. Schroer, pastor of St. John's Lutheran church, assisted by Arthur Fansler, contractor, laid the corner stone of their beautiful new church building Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. "By using the name of the Holy Blessed Trinity in this religious ceremony," Pastor Schroer stated, "we not only wish to place our future house of worship under the blessing and under the protecting hand of God, but we also wish to make public confession of what we believe, teach and proclaim.

"We shall lay this corner-stone in the name of God the Father because we believe that He is the Source, the Foundation of all life; we furthermore shall lay this corner-stone in the name of God the Son because we believe that God the Son is the Author, the Source, the Foundation of our Salvation; we finally shall lay this corner-stone in the name of God the Holy Ghost because we believe that He is the Source and the Foundation of our Faith. None other than the Holy Blessed Trinity shall be worshipped in this our new house of worship."

Pastor Schroer then read the constitution of the congregation and placed it in the corner-stone together with the history of the congregation, a membership list, a list of the church officers, building committee, architect, contractor and public officials, the Lutheran Witness, three copies of the News-Sentinel including the copy of July 16, 1926, a catechism and a Bible. He then struck the stone three times with a hammer symbolizing that he was laying it in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Mayor Otis I. Minter then extended to St. John's congregation and its pastor the felicitations of the community and expressed delight over seeing a building erected here of which Rochester will be very proud. Mayor Minter stated that the influence of the Lutheran church in this community was keenly felt and appreciated by the citizens and congratulated the congregation that they did not permit their pastor to be transferred to another church recently.

The Rev. Arthur Gallmeier brought felicitations from Peru, the Rev. E. H. Reuter from Logansport, the Rev. Henry from Plymouth and Warsaw. Rev. Schroer then presented the Rev. Otto Busse of Schenectad, N.Y., who in 1916 was pastor at Disko and preached at Rochester, now a retired major of the United States army who addressed the assembly in a very forceful manner.

Elmer Sullivan, chairman of the building committee, then announced that his fellow Lutherans had responded liberally with financial backing for this project and that the church was within \$1,900 of having the entire building paid for. He stated that a number of Rochester business and professional men had already made donations to the building fund, that others had promised to do so and that all these donations would be made known publicly at the dedication ceremonies in November.

Pastor Schroer stated this morning that all equipment and furnishings had been arranged and paid for excepting the organ and that he hopes some way will turn up to take care of the organ.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, September 3, 1940]

ATTRACTIVE LUTHERAN CHURCH DEDICATORY SERVICES OUTLINED

* * * * Architect's Drawing of Church * * * *

The beautiful new church building which will house St. John's Lutheran congregation at the corner of Jefferson and Fourth streets will be dedicated Sunday morning at 10:00 o'clock by St. John's pastor, the Rev. W. J. Schroer.

The congregation will assemble at the old church building on Fourth street at 10:00 a.m. for a short valedictory service. At the conclusion of this service, the new 800 pound bell in the tower of the new building will be rung for the first time while the congregation marches in solemn procession to the entrance of the new building.

Elmer Sullivan, chairman of the St. John's church building committee, will then present the building to the congregation and the pastor, and Rev. Schroer will accept it in the name of the

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congregation. The procession will then wend its way into the church singing: "Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty."

These services are scheduled for Sunday. At 10:00 a.m. pastor Schroer will use as his theme, "The Doors of Our Church, the Gates of Righteousness." The Zion Lutheran church choir of Decatur, under the direction of Arnold Preuss of Rochester, accompanied by Mrs. Paul Schultz of Decatur on the new electric organ will render two appropriate dedication selections. At the conclusion of the service, Rev. Schroer, only living pastor of the congregation, will dedicate the building, the organ and the bell. The public is cordially invited to this and all other services in St. John's church.

St. John's Ladies Aid will serve a community dinner to the congregation and all visiting friends in the church basement after this service.

Afternoon Service

In the afternoon service at 3:00 p.m., the Rev. Theo Schwan of Mishawaka will speak on the theme, "Blessed Privileges in a Church of the Pure Word." At the night service at 7:00 p.m., the Rev. Walter Lobeck of Kokomo will fill the pulpit speaking on, "Who Commanded You to Build This house in Times Like These?" Tuesday night at 7:30 there will be a special Rochester Citizen's service in which St. John's church and Rev. Schroer wish to honor their fellow-citizens who have taken great interest in this new architectural addition to Rochester. The Rev. Paul Miller of Fort Wayne, an outstanding preacher in Lutheran circles, will speak on the theme, "Today's Challenge to the Church."

Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock the congregation will honor its active Ladies Aid which donated the altar and carpeting. Pastor Schroer has engaged the Rev. Paul Schultz of Decatur, Ind., for this service. His theme will be, "How Jesus' Handmaids Attain True Nobility." The final service of dedicatory week will be on Thursday night at 7:30 o'clock. It will be a synodical service, in which the Rev. Fred Wambaganas of Fort Wayne, chairman of the Mission board, will speak on the subject, "Your Congregation and Your Synod."

St. John's congregation was organized May 2, 1926, under the direction of its first pastor, the Rev. Paul Mader, who also served St. Paul's Lutheran church at Tiosa. Rev. Mader remained here until November 1929, when he received and accepted a call to Youngstown, Ohio. The two congregations then called and unanimously called the Rev. E. H. Reuter of Logansport as vacancy pastor and in January, 1930, unanimously voted to call the Rev. W. J. Schroer, assistant pastor of a large church of Cape Girardeau, Mo., who was recommended to them by a good friend. Pastor Schroer was inducted into office here on February 16, 1930. In the summer of 1938, the sad news of Pastor Mader's death was received, so Pastor Schroer is the only living pastor of the congregation.

The new St. John's church building is of Gothic Architecture and one hundred per cent Lutheran. J. Adam Fichter of Akron, Ohio, drew the plans and Leroy Bradley of Fort Wayne was the consulting engineer. Arthur Fansler of Rochester was the general contractor, James Darrah of Rochester had charge of the plumbing, Glen Bryant of Rochester the heating system, and the Hotpoint company the electrical work. The building cost \$16,300.

[The News-Sentinel, Saturday, January 18, 1941]

CHURCHES - LUTHERAN CHURCH [Union Township]

See Bruce Lake Cemetery Church.

Two Lutheran churches were built near Bruce Lake, but later consolidated with the St. John's Lutheran church at Rochester.

CHURCHES - METHODIST CHURCH, AKRON UNITED [Akron, Indiana]

Located SE corner of Mishawaka and E Walnut streets.

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In 1838, the first school house was built in Henry township, and was also used as a place of worship until the winter of 1844-5 when Warren Griffith was sent by the conference to preach in the new settlement.

On land donated by Dr. Joseph Sippy a frame building was completed in 1845. The first church in Akron was a frame building, later sold to Andrew Strong who moved it and used it for a blacksmith shop until it was destroyed by fire in 1869.

The second church, frame structure on the same location, was dedicated November 15, 1863.

The third, and present, brick church was completed on October 3, 1903 and dedication was planned for February 14, 1904. The cornerstone shows [John] Grindle & [A. A.] Gast, contractors.

The church purchased the Akron Hotel & Dining Room from Karl B. Gast in 1951 to be used as an annex. The building was erected in 1904 by John H. Grindle, the same man who built the church.

[Ann Kindig Sheetz, *History of the Akron United Methodist Church*, 1977]

"The church was moved in 1902 or 1903 to make room for the present building, but I remember it had two doors, one for men and one for women. They sat on opposite sides of the church."

[Ruby Dawson Remembers Akron, Ann Kindig Sheetz, *Fulton Co Folks*, Vol. 2, Willard]

When a new church was built in Akron in 1863 at the cost of \$1,400, William Whittenberger, Sr. and 10 sons contributed more than half the sum.

[Jacob Whittenberger Family, Velma Bright, *Fulton Co Folks*, Vol. 2, Willard]

CORNERSTONE LAID

Sunday was a jubilee day for Methodism in Akron and the town was crowded with people who came from miles to witness the ceremonies of laying the corner stone of the Methodist church building now in course of construction.

Methodism was organized in Akron in the year 1837, and this is the third house of worship constructed in that time, and it is being built upon the lot that was the first donation to the Society. The charter members have all passed to the Great Beyond, and only four individuals are yet residing in this community that were residents at the time of the organization. They are viz: Daniel, Stephen and Thomas Whittenberger, and Mrs. Margret Rader.

The present house of worship has served its purpose for forty years. Consequently when the Board of Trustees last January, offered a resolution for a new building, the enterprising public as well as the membership were enthusiastic over the movement, which has sufficiently progressed that yesterday was the occasion of the corner stone laying.

The stone wall is a marvel of beauty and skillful workmanship. The corner stone is a finely polished sand stone of the usual dimensions. The side front bears the inscribed names of Grindle and Gast contractors, and A. D. Mohler, Arch. The front inscriptions are the names of Daniel Whittenberger, L. R. Dukes, James Curtis, Geo. E. Brundige, J. H. Grindle, A. A. Gast and Eli Zartman trustees. Pastor Ernest E. Lutes. Long before the hour arrived for the service, the house was filled and many people were congregated in the street. Elder E. L. Semans, of Wabash, conducted the service, assisted by the pastor, also Rev. J. A. Koontz, of Macy and Rev. McCoy, of Denver. The choir rendered excellent music and Rev. Semans in his beautiful flow of oratory convinced his congregation that "Christ, is the true corner stone." At the close of the discourse, the congregation gathered around the new building and ritual service was rendered.

Within the receptacle of the stone was sealed the following matter as announced by the pastor: A copy of the Western Christian Advocate, by Mrs. George E. Brundige; a copy of Epworth Herald, by Mrs. E. E. Lutes; a copy of the 1864 Discipline, by Daniel Whittenberger, and a copy of the recent edition, by Rev. E. E. Lutes; a copy of Methodist Review, by Presiding Elder, E. L. Semans; a copy of souvenir edition of Akron News; a copy of each of the Rochester papers;

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also of Kewanna Herald and Fulton Leader; a photograph of parsonage and old church, and a list of names of many Akronites collected by the Ladies Aid Society.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, August 10, 1903]

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From the News

John Grindle became the owner of two of the old M. E. church and parsonage lots some time ago. Now he tells us that he contemplates building a twenty room hotel thereon next spring. The building will be made modern in design, comfortable and convenient, steam heated.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, December 14, 1903]

AKRON CHURCH DEDICATION

The new nine thousand dollar Methodist church at Akron recently finished was dedicated Sunday. The day was one of much joy on the part of those who had the matter of building a new place of worship at heart. In the morning at 9 o'clock, Mrs. G. K. Brundige read a history of the church and at 10:30 o'clock the dedicatorial services were tendered by Rev. Dr. W. Bashford, who delivered as fine a talk as was ever heard in Akron. At 3:30 p.m. a Sunday school rally and a meeting of officers was held and laid out their work for the future. Dr. Bashford also conducted the evening services. An attendance that far surpassed hopes was present and many were compelled to stand for want of seats.

The amount subscribed at the dedicatorial services was \$3,442 an amount sufficient to pay the remainder of the church debt. Two of the trustees, James Curtis and Daniel Whittenberger, were unable to attend the services on account of sickness.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, February 15, 1904]

CHURCHES - METHODIST CHURCH [Disko, Indiana]

The Erie Railroad was double-tracked in 1912-14. Later Frank Peters built a cement block store building in Fulton County, selling his old store in Wabash County to the Disko Fish Club, which later donated it to the Methodist Church. The church sold the building to Don Gearhart, who remodeled it into a home.

CHURCHES - METHODIST CHURCH [Fletchers Lake, Indiana]

A Methodist church was organized at Fletcher's Lake in 1841.

CHURCHES - METHODIST CHURCH [Gilead, Miami County]

AKRON

From the News:

Wm. Ream, contractor and builder of the new M.E. church at Gilead, called on P.M. Kinder last Saturday to photograph the structure. This building is built of cement blocks made right on the ground.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, October 10, 1904]

AKRON

Akron News.

The dedication of the M.E. church at Gilead, next Sunday, was a pronounced success. After the sermon the task of raising \$1,800, the balance needed to relieve the trustees of all debts, was commenced. It only took a short time to raise \$1,600 and the audience was dismissed. At the evening meeting it was only necessary to raise \$200 more but \$502 was raised and the house costing about \$5,000 was duly dedicated.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, December 24, 1904]

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CHURCHES - METHODIST CHURCH [Green Oak, Indiana]

GREEN OAK CHURCH BURNS TO GROUND, SATURDAY A.M.

One of the old land marks of the community was wiped away at 2:30 Saturday morning when the Green Oak church, four miles south of Rochester on State Road [U.S.] 31 was completely destroyed by fire. The origin of the fire is unknown, however, it is believed that it started from a match which was carelessly thrown into an incinerator which was placed at the rear of the church. The church grounds were frequently used by tourists and the incinerator had been placed there for the benefit of picnickers.

The fire was discovered by passing motorists who notified Clarence SAMPSEL, the nearest resident, and he immediately sent in an alarm to the Rochester fire department and people of the community. By the time the fire fighters arrived the blaze was beyond control, however, the piano, most of the chairs and the carpet, were saved. Two thousand dollars insurance was carried on the structure.

The Green Oak church was built 65 years ago and for many years had one of the largest congregations of any rural church in this community. A few days [?] ago services were discontinued, but later the residents of that neighborhood reorganized and the work was carried on under the name of the Green Oak Community Church. Before that it had been known as a Methodist church. Especially during the past few months had special interest been taken in the church and each Sunday there had been a steady growth in the attendance at the services. Only last Sunday the annual home-coming had been held.

Two months ago the church was visited by vandals who stole many of the chairs, carpet and other articles and broke out several of the window lights. All the stolen articles had been replaced by the congregation and the building had been placed in first class condition.

It is not known if the church will be rebuilt, this to be decided at a meeting to be held Sunday morning by the congregation in the Green Oak I.O.O.F. Hall. The regular Sunday School services will also be held in the hall tomorrow.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Saturday, July 12, 1930]

CHURCHES - METHODIST CHURCH [Kewanna, Indiana]

In 1839 the first United Methodist Church was organized.

The first church in the township was built of logs in 1845 at the west end of Main Street.

In 1857 the first frame church in the township was built very near the first log church.

In 1895 a new brick church was built.

In 1928 an annex was added.

On January 29, 1931 the brick church burned to the ground, leaving the annex unharmed.

The new church was built and dedicated on November 22, 1931.

The present parsonage was built in 1910.

START ON ADDITION

Work was started Wednesday on the new addition to the Methodist Church at Kewanna. The work of excavation is being pushed forward with William Gary in charge. The contractor James Barnes of Logansport expects to drive the work of building rapidly forward to completion.

[The News-Sentinel, Saturday, November 12, 1927]

METHODIST CHURCH AT KEWANNA, IND. IS RUINED BY FIRE

Kewanna's recent series of misfortunes was further advanced early today when the Methodist church of that place was completely destroyed by fire. The loss which was estimated at \$25,000 is partially off set by \$11,500 insurance.

The blaze which originated in an up-stairs Sunday School room, is believed to have been caused by defective wiring as there had been no fire in the building since last Sunday. Roy Hague,

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who resides near the church, was awakened by the light from the flames which reflected through his bedroom window and immediately sounded the alarm.

Walls Cave In

Despite the prompt arrival of the Kewanna fire department and fire trucks from Rochester and Winamac, no headway could be made against the flames and three brick walls of the structure caved in within a short time after the blaze was discovered. An annex to the building which was recently erected, was only partially damaged, however. The edifice was located on South Toner street and was erected about 40 years ago.

Officials of the church board could not announce at this time whether or not a new church would be erected. Rev. H. F. Pearson, minister of the church, immediately sent word of the damage to the presiding elder who resides in South Bend.

A later report from a member of the board of directors indicated that plans would soon be formulated to erect a new church. Services will in all probability be held in one of the Kewanna lodge halls. Definite arrangements in this regard will be announced within a few days.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, January 29, 1931]

CONTRACT FOR KEWANNA METHODIST CHURCH LET

The contract for the erection of the new Methodist Church at Kewanna to replace the one which was destroyed last fall by fire was let by the official board of the church at their meeting early this week. Russell Easterday of Culver was the successful bidder.

As soon as Mr. Easterday can procure the necessary material the work on the new church structure will be started. The material which has been ordered should arrive in Kewanna sometime within the coming two weeks. At least 20 men will be given employment for several months.

The bid of Mr. Easterday did not include the work of repairing the heating and plumbing outfit which were damaged by the fire or the installation of electric wiring, painting, and the colored glass which were let in separate contracts. Including all the work the church when completed will cost about \$25,000.

Bids on the Kewanna M.E. Church listed in the order opened with amount of bid:

General Contractors

Peck, F. E., Sturgis, Michiga, \$15,967; Kindig & Son, Rochester, Ind., \$15,568; Clifton & Son, Peru, \$13,512; Scheer & Sons, Huntington, \$15,770; C. A. Jordan, South Bend, \$16,456; Milo Cutshall, Akron, \$15,344; Easterday, Russell, Culver, \$12,100; Seidentopf & Gross Bros., Winamac, \$13,247.

Plumbing and Heating

Matton & Risser, Monticello, \$825; Thompson, Logansport, \$1,248; Guy Barger, Rochester, \$1,155.

Due to the fact that Hatton & Risser, of Monticello, bid on plans submitted by themselves and not on the plans and specifications furnished, the committee requested plumbers to furnish another bid.

Electric Wiring

Guy Barger, Rochester, \$380.00; Elmer Evans Kewanna, \$359.67.

Painting

Foglesong Brothers, \$184.50.

Leaded Glass

Michaudel, Chicago, \$800; Everhart & Co., Chicago, \$800; Flanigan & Reidenweg, Chicago, \$650; Anderson Art Glass Co., Anderson, \$558.

[The News-Sentinel, Friday, May 22, 1931]

MAY LAY CORNERSTONE

It is planned to lay the cornerstone of the new Methodist church at Kewanna on June 21. The building is to replace one which was destroyed by fire last winter. Russell Easterday of Culver has the contract for the construction of the new church.

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[The News-Sentinel, Friday, June 12, 1931]

CORNERSTONE LAYING AT KEWANNA ON JULY FIFTH

The date for the cornerstone laying of the new Methodist church in Kewanna has been set for Sunday, July 8. Speakers of note will be present and a program fitting the occasion will be given. The brick work on the church was not started until Wednesday due to the non-arrival of much of the material. The general contract for the construction of the new \$35,000 church is held by Russell Easterday of Culver while the contract for the cement work is held by Hammond and Sons of Akron.

[The News-Sentinel, Friday, June 19, 1931]

NEW KEWANNA CHURCH TO BE DEDICATED SUNDAY

Final preparations for dedication of the beautiful new \$20,000 Methodist church at Kewanna, which will be held on Sunday, November 22nd, are now completed and the committee in charge are expecting an exceptional large attendance throughout the day's activities.

The dedicatory service which will start at 10:30 o'clock a.m. will be delivered by Dr. C. Howard Taylor, of South Bend, following which the Ladies Aid Society will serve dinner in the basement of the new edifice.

The afternoon service will be an informal home-coming during which the Men chorus of Rochester Methodist church will furnish several musical numbers.

Dr. Charles S. Young, of Lafayette will be in charge of the evening services.

Description of Building

The new church which was built by the James L. Barnes contracting company of Logansport is located on Smith Street. The architecture of the building is Gothic in type, with a square tower located on the northwest corner of the auditorium, serving as an entrance to the church school unit as well as the sanctuary which includes the lobby and choir loft. The structure is 88 feet in length and 38 feet in width, outside dimensions.

The building was built with buff-colored brick with a roof of a pleasing shade of asbestos shingles. The pulpit is in the west and the entrance is from the west end of the spacious auditorium. The pews are arranged straight with a wide center aisle and narrower side aisles.

The altar occupies the center of the chancel with the pulpit on the right and the lecturn on the left. Three steps lead up to the altar as entrance is made through an opening in the chancel rail. Two attractive pulpit chairs are arranged on either side of the altar.

Beautiful Windows

The choir and organ lofts located directly back of the altar. A large Gothic window with its central panel being a reproduction of Hunt's 'Jesus the Light of the World' adds greatly to the beauty of the loft. The figure of Jesus is three-fifths life size while the entire panel is most beautifully done in colored glass supplemented with touches of an artist's brush. An adapted type of Gothic windows is found in the sidewalls of the auditorium.

The ceiling conception is of the exposed timber style. Large trusses forming a pointed ceiling carry purlins which in turn support the rafters all of which constructive work is exposed to view.

All of the timbers are finished in a black oak stain with the insulation of the panel work being done in white. This insulation material adds to the accoustical qualities of the auditorium.

The finish of the interior wood work is in walnut, with the exception of the floor which carries a stained oak finish. The main auditorium including the balcony will comfortably seat 400 people.

Many people who have already inspected the church pronounce it one of the most attractive in this section of the state.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, November 19, 1931]

NEW METHODIST CHURCH DEDICATED AT KEWANNA

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Before one of the largest religious gatherings ever assembled in Kewanna, the new \$20,000 Methodist church was dedicated Sunday morning by the Reverend C. Howard Taylor, superintendent of the South Bend district. Every available seat in the spacious auditorium and balcony of the church was filled to capacity by the people of Kewanna and scores of visitors who were present for this special occasion.

Following the completion of the dedication a community dinner was served in the basement of the church. The afternoon session which started at 2:30 o'clock was in the form of an informal or home-coming service. During the service short talks were made by all of the visiting ministers and brief remarks followed by many of the laymen. The men's chorus of the Rochester Methodist church gave several numbers throughout the afternoon meeting.

The evening worship hour started at 7:00 o'clock with the Rev. Claude Young, superintendent of the Lafayette district delivering the sermon. At both morning and evening services most pleasing instrumental and vocal numbers were given.

Pulpit Bible Presented

During the dedicatory services a pulpit bible was presented by Mrs. Gertrude Milels Ogden Briggs in the name of Horace G. Ogden, the second son of Jesse Ogden. Many members of the church remember Mrs. Briggs as the wife of Rev. Horace Ogden. The bible replaces the one given in the name of Jesse Ogden when the former church building was dedicated.

The large Estey pipe organ was given by Mr. and Mrs. Harley Robbins and Forrest Bennet, in memory of Mrs. Robbins and Mr. Bennett's sister, Alma, who passed away several months ago in San Jose, Calif.

Many people from Rochester who attended the dedicatory exercises pronounced the entire program as most fitting and impressive. It was estimated that close to 600 people were present. The Rev. H. F. Pearson is the pastor of the beautiful new church which replaces the church which was destroyed by fire nine months ago.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, November 23, 1931]

MYSTERIOUS KEWANNA

By Tammy Evans, Kewanna High School, 1975

The Kewanna Methodist Church, then known as Pinhook, was part of the Rochester Circuit which included all of Fulton County and parts of Cass, Miami and Wabash Counties.

Later Pinhook was made head of a circuit which was composed of Pleasant Grove (Pinhook), Mooresburg, Stony Prairie, Monterey, Leiters Ford and Bruce Lake.

In 1839 the United Methodist Church was organized. Meetings had been held before but it was after a camp meeting had been in a grove where the northwest section of Kewanna now stands, that a pastor was employed and a church organized. The camp meeting services were conducted by Reverends Doud, Ritchey, Westlake, and Hardy Cain. Rev. Westlake was the first pastor and he and Rev. John Ritchey were the real organizers of the church. The first meeting was held at John Troutman's home. The first church in the township was built of logs in 1845 at the west end of Main Street. In 1857 the first frame church in the township was built very near the site of the first log church. In 1895 a new brick church was built. An annex was added in 1928. On Jan. 29, 1931, the brick church burned to the ground, leaving the annex unharmed. Work was begun at once on a new church, which was dedicated Nov. 22, 1931. The present parsonage was built in 1910.

At first the Kewanna Methodist church, then known as Pinhook, was part of the Rochester circuit which then included all of Fulton County and parts of Cass, Miami and Wabash counties. Later Pinhook was made head of a circuit which was composed of Pleasant Grove (Pinhook), Mooresburg, Stony Prairie, Monterey, Leiters Ford, and Bruce Lake. For many years then, the Kewanna Methodist Church was not part of a circuit. In the 1930's, because of depression conditions, the church at Burton was added to the Kewanna charge. This arrangement was broken up in 1940 when Kewanna became temporarily a student appointment. In 1942 the church at Fletcher's Lake was added to Kewanna to make a two-charge circuit.

[*Fulton Co Folks*, Vol. 2, Willard, p. 314]

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CHURCHES - METHODIST CHURCH [Leiters Ford, Indiana]

In 1847 Methodist Society organized in a new log school house 1/4 mile S of Leiters Ford in the NE corner 400N and 750W. When school house was abandoned after many years a new school house was built across the road, and services were held there, or at times in a barn at the John Leiter farm.

One of early settlers was Samuel Hunter, who located on right bank of Tippecanoe river. Finding shallow place in the river near his farm, he leveled the banks both sides and made a ford, which for years was known as Hunter's Ford. The property was later owned by the Leiter family, and soon came to be known as Leiters Ford.

The Methodist Society adopted the name of Leiters Ford Methodist Church.

In 1876 three denominations, Albrights (later called Evangelical), the Presbyterians, and the Methodists, agreed to unite their effort in building a new church. It was agreed that all three societies would solicit funds, and the one which received the largest sum of money would have the right to dedicate the building, but would grant the other enominations the use of the building. The Methodists collected the most, hence it was named the Methodist Church.

LEITERS FORD CHURCH NOTES 150th

The Sentinel report

The Leiters Ford United Methodist Church will celebrate its 150th birthday next month.

The church was organized in 1847 as the Methodist Society in a new log school house a quarter mile south of Leiters Ford.

On Sept. 7 morning worship at the church will begin at 10:30 a.m. Rev. Louis Haskill, a former pastor, will preach. A basket dinner will follow in the church's downstairs social room and services will resume at 1:30 p.m. with music and reminiscing.

Pastors from the past 50 years have been invited to attend. Former congregants and friends also are invited to the celebration.

The Methodist Society in Leiters Ford was admitted to the Indiana Annual Conference in mid-September 1847 and assigned to the Winamac charge. The Northwest Indiana Conference was organized in 1952 and the Leiters Ford Society was transferred to that conference. Indiana was later organized into two conferences and Leiters Ford is now part of the North Indiana Conference.

Methodists in the Leiters Ford area met in school houses for the first 29 years of their organization. When schools were not available they met in congregants' homes or barns.

In 1876 three Leiters Ford-area denominations, the, Methodists, Presbyterians and Albrights, later known as Evangelicals, agreed to pool their resources to build a new house of worship.

It was agreed the denomination raising the largest amount of money for the structure would dedicate it. The Methodists did so. The other two denominations were granted use of the church.

The 31- by 60-foot building was erected on a lot given by Sam Shadle to the Methodist Society. In 1893 Jacob Gamby gave the Society the lot east of the church, where a parsonage was built.

The Leiters Ford Church has been connected to several others during its existence.

The Leiters Ford charge also included Kewanna and Monterey until 1875 when Monterey was transferred to the Culver charge.

In 1890 the Sharon Church was built and added to the Leiters Ford charge at the same time Kewanna was taken off the charge.

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In 1891 the Dclong Society built a church and was added to the charge. The Ames Church was built in 1897 and added to the charge, but taken off in 1898, when the Burton Church was built. Burton Church was taken from the charge a year later.

By 1909 the Letters Ford charge included Delong and Monterey with their minister living in the Leiters Ford parsonage. Sharon Church disbanded that year. Changes to the church building also have taken place. It was recently sided, with new carpeting and a sound system having been installed.

Rev. Dorothy Jones began her pastorate in 1995 and serves both the Leiters Ford and Monterey congregations.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, August 6, 1997]

CHURCHES - METHODIST CHURCH [Macy, Miami County]

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Macy Monitor.

The contract for building the new Methodist parsonage has been let to O. P. Enyart, who expects to have the stone work commenced this week. Mr. Enyart went to Peru Monday to secure carpenters to assist on the building.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, July 12, 1907]

CHURCHES - METHODIST CHURCH [Pleasant Hill]

CORNER STONE LAYING

The corner stone of the new Methodist church at Pleasant Hill will be held Sunday. The arrangements have not as yet been completed but an effort is being made to get Rev. John H. Ruskin, of Redkey, to deliver the sermon.

[Rochester Sentinal, Thursday, April 30, 1914]

TO DEDICATE CHURCH

The new Pleasant Hill M. E. church will be dedicated on Sunday, Oct. 11, Dr. Hollopeter, district superintendent, in charge.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, October 8, 1914]

CHURCHES - METHODIST CHURCH [Richland Center, Indiana]

Located SW corner 700N and 150W.

Wooden church built in 1856, was replaced in 1877.

All the family attended the Richland Center Methodist Church, which Joseph and Emeline Zink helped to organize and build. The Zink family gave two colored-glass windows for the church. Their name is listed at the bottom of the windows.

[Joseph Zink Family, Malcolm Miller, *Fulton Co Folks*, Vol. 2, Willard]

NEWS OF THE DAY

The dedication of the new Methodist church at Richland Center occurred yesterday in the presence of a great audience. The reconstruction of the church cost \$2,900. \$850 was needed to complete the payment and about \$900 was subscribed. Rev. John A. Maxwell, the presiding elder, conducted the dedication service. Great credit is due to Rev. J. K. Wyant, the pastor, and a faithful official board for the completion of the enterprise. The new church is a beautiful structure and would be a credit to any community.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, October 23, 1905]

CHURCHES - METHODIST CHURCH [Rochester, Indiana]

LOCAL PASTORS GIVE RELIGIOUS CHRONICLES

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Fulton county's religious history dates back to about 1840 with the coming of the circuit rider who held occasional meetings in the homes of the early settlers. The first religious organization is said to have been Methodist, for it was in that year that the first congregational effort is recorded. The Presbyterians followed closely, as did the Adventists. The several other denominations coming later.

In this review, The News-Sentinel has asked the several local pastors to submit short historical sketches, in the belief that the churches of the community might be more thoroughly and more intimately represented in this edition.

We are therefore pleased to refer readers to those articles. We feel confident that they treat the organization and history of each denomination in an interesting readable form.

METHODIST

The Rochester Circuit of the Methodist Episcopal Church was organized in 1839 and J. B. Mershon had the honor of serving as its first pastor. Three years earlier, William Fraley traveled through Fulton County as a missionary preaching in the territory between Logansport and Elkhart, wherever he could collect a few hearers. A few Methodists settled in and around where Akron now is, in 1837-38. William Masters, a local preacher, visited them occasionally, and organized a small class. A little log school-house served them as a church.

The first Methodist Episcopal Church in Rochester, Indiana was organized in the fall of 1839. It was a part of the circuit embracing all or parts of the counties of Fulton, Marshall, Kosciusko, Miami, Cass, Starke, and Pulaski. As it took the pastor four weeks to fill a round of appointments, it was known as a "four week's circuit." When the pastor, J. B. Mershon, found that he needed assistance, E. Holdstok, then a young man, was appointed to travel with him. They remained in charge of the circuit for two years and under their leadership the work greatly prospered. They were followed on the circuit by Ancil Beach, with Nelson Greene as assistant pastor.

During the year 1842 the first church building was erected at an approximate cost of thirteen hundred dollars. Soon afterwards a parsonage was built in Rochester which cost four hundred dollars. Upon the completion of this work, Ancil Beach was transferred and Jesse Sparks received the appointment in 1843. His health soon failed and O. P. Boyden was sent in his place as a supply pastor. Allen Skillman and John P. Jones, both single men, came in the fall of 1844. They remained one year, and were succeeded in 1845, by George Guild. D. F. Straight became pastor in the fall of 1846, and remained two years. The following pastors continued to serve the Rochester Circuit in order: 1848-1849, P. I. Beswick; 1849-1850, E. Holdstock; 1850-1851, Frank M. Richmond; 1851-1852, W. L. Huffman; 1852-1852, R. H. Calvert.

The pastor's report shows that there was but one Sunday School on the entire circuit, up to the year 1850 where scores of Sunday Schools have been organized during the years since.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Thursday, December 6, 1934]

The Methodists and Presbyterians were the first to build churches in Rochester.

Built in 1840 on SW corner of 6th & Main.

Originally at SW corner of 6th & Main. Dedicated Dec. 17, 1865. Sold to Ernsperger & Jackson in the spring of 1875 for use as a dry good store.

Purchased present location SW corner of Jefferson and Seventh Streets [201 W. 7th St] in the spring of 1875. Standing on the site was an old 2-story frame building, upper story of which had been used over long time by Odd Fellows. The lower story had occasionally been used as a school house. This was renovated and occupied by the congregation until 1880, when new building was begun. By close of that year the church was under roof. On Jan. 30, 1881, new church was dedicated.

In 1916 cornerstore was laid for present building, and church dedicated Oct. 28, 1917.

A new education unit, added to W side of the church, was dedicated March 3, 1968.

Fifty years ago . . . the Rev. J. D. Kruwel held forth for the Methodist.

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[Earle A. Miller, Rochester *Sentinel*, Wednesday, April 25, 1962]

Methodist Episcopal, 702 Jefferson St., Rev. W. F. Switzer, Pastor.
[Directory of Rochester, Ind., 1907, H. F. Crim and A. T. Bitters]

Rev. Mr. Chance gave two temperance speeches on Thursday and Friday evenings at the Methodist Church.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, March 12, 1859]

The Fulton County Bible Society will meet at the Methodist Church on the evening of the 30th inst. All are cordially and affectionately invited to attend. H. W. Mann, Sec.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, December 17, 1859]

The Juvenile Singing Class under the direction of Mr. Kane, will give a public performance in this place on the evening of the 28th inst., at the Methodist Church. Mr. Kane is a popular and successful teacher, and a treat may confidently be expected. All are invited. A small admission fee will be charged to defray expenses.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, February 18, 1860]

The fourth Quarterly Meeting for Rochester station M.E. Church, will be held next Saturday and Sunday, the 1st and 2nd of Sept. It will be what is termed a Basket Meeting, on the fair ground, services to commence on Saturday at 9 o'clock a.m. All are invited to come and bring their refreshments with them and spend the day. Rev. Mr. Simms, President of Valparaiso College, and Rev. J. Johnson, P.E., are expected to be with us.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, August 25, 1860]

Notice to Builders. The Trustees of the M.E. Church will receive sealed proposals for rebuilding their church, until June 15th, at 5 o'clock p.m. when they will award the job to the lowest responsible bidder. For specifications, apply to C. B. Mock, L. J. Brown, C. J. Stradley, G. W. Truslow, R. P. Smith, Jacob Webber, Trustees. Rochester June 6th, 1861.

[Rochester *Mercury*, Thursday, June 13, 1861]

Our friends will be pleased to learn that Rev. J. B. DeMotte, the popular minister of the Methodist Church, has been returned to this place for another year.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, October 16, 1862]

Notice. Rev. N. L. Lord to preach Thanksgiving sermon, Thursday, Nov. 127, at 10:30 a.m., Methodist Church (Rochester).

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, November 22, 1862]

The work of rebuilding the Methodist Church is proceeding under the superintendence of Wm. Culver, Esq., who is a good workman, and will accomplish what he undertakes.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, July 7, 1864]

The roof of the Methodist Church has been nearly completed during the recent pleasant weather.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, December 8, 1864]

Dedication. The New M.E. Church in Rochester, Fulton Co., Ind., will be dedicated to the worship of God, Dec. 17th, 1865.

Dr. J. L. Smith and several other Ministers have been invited. . . W. R. Mikles, Pastor.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, November 30, 1865]

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Dedication. The New M.E. Church in this place was solemnly Dedicated to the worship of God Dec. 17th 1865.

The Dedication Sermon was preached by Rev. H. O. Huffman, of Battle Ground Station, N.W. Ind. Conference. . .

Size of house, forty by seventy-two feet, twenty feet from floor to ceiling, contains two good class rooms, bell room gallery and recess for ministers stand. The room is well finished, good organ and finely furnished by the ladies of M.E. Mite Society, making a splendid and commodious audience room.

Cost of building, including one kiln of lumber burnt, \$5,400. There remained unprovided for a debt of \$2,700. . . the whole amount was secured in cash and good subscriptions and a few dollars over . . .

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, December 28, 1865]

Dry Goods. A large stock at I. W. Holemans new store opposite the M.E. Church.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, February 14, 1867]

Religious. Rev. F. Taylor, one of the former pastors of the M.E. Church of this place, will preach at said church next Sabbath morning. . . In the evening of the same day, Rev. J. H. Cissel will preach his last sermon for the present conference year.

[Rochester *Union-Spy*, Thursday, September 10, 1868]

Prof. Williams, of the Rochester Graded School, has recently been ordained minister, and will preach his first sermon at the M.E. Church tomorrow evening.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, December 20, 1873]

CHURCH AND CLERGY

The "Light of the World" spreads its effulgent rays very profusely in Rochester and Fulton county. Eight churches rear their spires heavenward within the corporate limits of the city and the church membership comprises most of our leading citizens. The total membership of the churches is about 1,400 and the list of Sabbath school pupils is 670, two hundred and eighty of the remaining 530 children in the city being under Sunday school age. Only 1000 persons, within the city, over 21 years old, are not church members and therefore, it will be readily seen that the Christian religion is so firmly established in Rochester that the moral and social standing of the community is at once worthy of the careful consideration of any desirable citizen who may be seeking a location.

The first church service in Rochester was conducted by Rev. Andrew Martin, 60 years ago. He preached occasionally in the log court house and in 1840 the first church class was organized. It was a Methodist class and within a few months the Presbyterians also effected an organization. The Baptists organized in 1860, the Catholics in 1867, the Evangelicals in 1875, the Christians in 1877, The Adventists in 1876, and the Episcopaleans in 1889.

Grace M. E. church dates its origin back about 60 years. Jared B. Mershon was the first regular pastor and his circuit extended over all or a part of Fulton, Marshall, Pulaski, Miami, Cass and Starke counties. He made his rounds once every four weeks and preached week days as well as Sundays. Some of the influential pastors in the development of this church were W. R. Mikels, C. Skinney, J. H. Cissel, R. D. Utter, J. A. Clearwaters, F. M. Rule, Dr. Reed, J. H. Wilson, Dr. Tucker, A. T. Briggs, and Rev. Dr. Brooke. The present membership of the church is 314 and that of the Sabbath school 225. There are four active societies within the church, as follows: The Sabbath school, L. C. Curtis, Supt.; Epworth League, Della Leiter, president; Jr. Epworth League, Mrs. J. N. Orr, Supt.; and Woman's Foreign Missionary society, Mrs. R. C. Wallace, President.

The pastor, Dr. Chas. A. Brooke, has been in the ministry 41 years and yet he seems in the very prime of usefulness. He has been pastor of all the principal charges in the Northwest conference and was presiding elder of the Greencastle district from '75 to '77. At Lafayette he was pastor when a \$35,000 church was built and at Valparaiso he was the prime mover in the

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construction of a \$25,000 edifice. The degree of Doctor of Divinity was conferred upon him by Depauw University. He is married and his family of three sons are all Chicago business men.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, September 20, 1895]

THE NEW LIBRARY

The dedication of the library at the Methodist church Thursday evening, was a very impressive and enthusiastic service. The evening's program was opened with a selection by Emrick's orchestra, which was followed by a vocal solo by Mrs. Arthur Metzler.

Mr. Charles Campbell then entertained the audience with an address on the library and how it should be used. He portrayed the two different kinds of books, the serious and those of pleasure, in a vivid manner and showed when each should be used and that both of them should be read.

Prof. Banta then delivered an address on the gift of Mr. Ed. Beyer and in the talk that he made Mr. Beyer was eulogised and pictured to the people present as the kind hearted and generous man that he is. Mr. Banta also said that although it was a small beginning yet it was a very good start and would grow larger.

Sunday School Superintendent A. B. Green gave a short talk as to the methods that will be used in giving out books and taking care of the library.

Mr. J. E. Beyer was then called upon to make a talk on the library and he responded with a speech in which he said that he already felt that he was of the benefitted and not the donor. He also brought in some very interesting points in which he said that too many of the opportunities of this life are missed by us and that in his little gift he felt that he was doing his duty and that for him to sit there and hear his name called out and see the smiling faces of the young folks beaming with joy at the thoughts of their new library made him feel proud that he had done a good deed.

This talk was followed by a vocal solo by Miss Lola Crim, given in her best voice. The orchestra then favored the audience with a selection after which the congregation was dismissed to enjoy a nice social time.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, April 17, 1903]

NEWS OF THE DAY

The announcement in the SENTINEL relating to the remodeling of the Methodist parsonage makes it certain that this work will be done this summer. The architect, J. E. Crain, of Logansport, has made the plans and specifications for the building. A thorough reconstruction of the present house will take place, giving to it a new appearance. The rear part will be made two-story, affording extra bedroom and bath room with all modern fixtures. The kitchen will be moved from the north to the south side and a new porch will be placed in front. Excavations will be made for furnace heating. The re-roofing and changing of the interior of the house will make it almost a new building. The improvements are expected to cost not far from \$2,000. The subscription several weeks ago covered more than half this amount. The church is to be congratulated on this enterprise.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, June 20, 1907]

NEW PIPE ORGAN

The Grace Methodist Church is to have an elegant pipe organ. This was known positively at the close of the oratorio which was repeated by many requests last night. The pastor brought the matter before the board last Thursday evening stating he had received with the help of some outside influences a promise from Mr. Andrew Carnegie to pay for half the organ if the church would raise the other half in cash. Dr. Campbell in a happy way presented the matter to the congregation yesterday morning and last night and to the surprise of many closed the day with a total subscription, including Mr. Carnegie's, of \$2,200. This will secure a large and very fine organ, such as a few years ago would have cost much more. Some additional funds will be required to build the organ space back of the pulpit and to refresco the church, few others will be seen privately and this amount covered.

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The oratorio was again greatly enjoyed and the singers did themselves great credit.
[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, April 19, 1909]

PIPE ORGAN CONTRACT LET

The contract has been let for the new pipe organ to be installed in the Grace Methodist Episcopal church. The award of the contract went to The A. B. Felgemaker Co. of Erie, Pa. The organ will be a large and unusually fine instrument. It will have fifteen stops, nearly a thousand pipes and all modern accessories. It will be blown by electricity using the invention known as the Orgoblo, which is a great improvement over the old methods. Dr. Campbell has secured another outside donation which enabled the committee to include an additional set of 183 pipes, the Dolce cornet stop which is very fine. The contract calls for \$2,315. Other improvements on the church may also be made.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, May 15, 1909]

M. E. CHURCH IS FREE OF DEBT

Next Sunday morning, Sept. 29, at 10:30 o'clock, the Grace M.E. church will hold a big jubilee service. The occasion will be the public burning of an old note which has burdened the church for years. When this note goes up in the smoke, the last vestige of indebtedness against their excellent church property will be obliterated. The public is invited to this service, but every Methodist in our city ought to be present and help sing the Doxology while the rising smoke announces their freedom from the bondage of debt. Our Methodist members, certainly have great occasion for rejoicing, and are to be heartily congratulated, because all the money needed to pay the note has been raised and no special collection will be taken at the jubilee service.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, September 25, 1912]

METHODISTS TO DECIDE SUNDAY ON NEW CHURCH

Whether or not the Rochester Methodist Episcopal congregation shall build a new church home on the site of the present one, cor. Jefferson and 7th sts., will be decided at the regular morning services Sunday. If the attitude of the membership is favorable, a structure costing approximately \$28,000, of a type similar to the new M.E. church at Plymouth, will be erected.

The official board of the church met Monday night, and when the matter was broached by Rev. A. S. WARRINER, who is strongly for it, every member present, except two, expressed himself as favorable. Rev. Warriner declares that the congregation is badly in need of a new home and states that he already has promises of several substantial contributions for the church.

It is believed that the congregation will consider the matter favorably and as the entire morning church hour is to be given over to discussion of and a vote on the proposition, definite conclusions are bound to be reached. The local Methodist church probably has the largest membership of any congregation in the city.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, January 25, 1916]

NEW CHURCH FOR METHODIST BODY

The congregation of the Methodist church Sunday morning decided to build a new church, to cost, entirely furnished, from \$27,000 to \$30,000.

The action was taken after the present superintendent of the Sunday school, Ira GOSS, and ex-superintendents A. B. Green, C. B. Carlton and F. S. Tracy told of the difficulties under which the Sunday school now labors. They stated that each class needed a separate room. At the present time, five or six classes are compelled to use the audience chamber. The social work side of church life was also touched upon.

Nearly every member is back of the plan to build and after the meeting 20 members of the official board authorized Rev. A. S. WARRINER to appoint a building committee, but no definite action will be taken until at least \$20,000 is subscribed.

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The members have in mind a new church which will cost from \$22,000 to \$25,000. The present building is 30 years old and was not constructed in accordance with modern church work. The local organization has 534 members, many of whom will probably donate from \$500 to \$1,000 to the new building. Several substantial gifts have already been made, totaling, it is said, nearly \$10,000.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, Jan 31, 1916]

METHODISTS NEARING THEIR \$20,000 GOAL

Members of the Methodist church expect this week to pass the \$20,000 mark in their campaign for funds for a new church and then proceed to contract with an architect. Nothing was to be done until that amount was pledged. The total announced Sunday was \$18,000, with prospects that those to be seen this week would contribute about \$4,500. The church plans to spend \$22,500 for a building, the remainder of \$30,000 to be used in furnishing the structure. Four architects have already submitted sketches for the work.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, March 13, 1916]

LOOK AT BRICK

J. E. Beyer, Nobby True, Omer B. Smith, E. C. Mercer and Rev. A. S. Warriner, members of the M.E. building committee, went to Warsaw Wednesday to inspect the brick used in various structures in that city.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, April 19, 1916]

INSPECT BRICK

Rev. A. S. Warriner, E. C. Mercer, A. D. Robbins, W. H. Deniston and R. P. True, of the building committee of the Methodist church, went to Crawfordsville Wednesday to inspect brick for the new church building.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, May 3, 1916]

GASTS GET METHODIST CONTRACT AT \$26,595

A. A. Gast and Son of Akron secured the contract Tuesday afternoon for the construction of the proposed new Methodist church on a bid of \$26,595.

Seven other men submitted bids, the closest being that of C. B. Kindig at \$26,630. Steve Parcell of this city bid \$27,135. The contract calls for the completion of the building by March 1, 1917.

The plumbing and heating work has not been let and a member of the building committee said that all bids which were submitted Tuesday afternoon on the last two items would probably be rejected.

The steel work on the church will be furnished by the Rochester Bridge Co. It will amount to about 40 tons.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, June 27, 1916]

LAST SERVICES IN PRESENT METHODIST CHURCH SUNDAY

[Photo of old church]

Rev. A. S. WARRINER, pastor of the Grace M. E. church, has announced that next Sunday will witness the last services in the present church, and that any persons not able to walk to the building will be transported there by auto, if the preacher is notified before Sunday morning. There will be special music both morning and evening and some statements will be made that will prove of interest to everyone. The pastor urges that church members write to their friends to attend and help make next Sunday a great day for Methodists.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, June 30, 1916]

WHAT M. E. CORNER STONE, 36 YEARS OLD, CONTAINED

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The corner stone of the Grace Methodist Episcopal church, which was laid on July 16, 1880, just 36 years ago Monday, was opened Sunday by Rev. A. S. WARRINER, present pastor of the church. In it were found a Bible, a hymnal, a Christian Advocate, A SENTINEL, a Republican and a silver dollar, from which the eagle had been taken and on which the names of the trustees of the church at the time of building had been carved. They were: L. Mercer, Dr. Cornelius Hector and Wm. Leiter. The work of razing the old building is going forward at a rapid rate and the church will soon be no more. Methodist services are being held in the high school building.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, July 17, 1916]

TO LAY CORNERSTONE OF NEW M.E. CHURCH

The laying of the corner stone of the new Methodist church, corner of Seventh and Jefferson sts., will take place Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Rev. A. S. WARRINER will conduct the regular ritualistic services of the church and lay the stone. Harley Hartman of South Bend will assist with the mechanical work. A quartet from the church choir will furnish the music, which will consist of one hymn. It is quite probable that several ministers from neighboring cities will be present.

The corner stone will contain the following: copy of each of the local newspapers; a copy of the M. E. church papers; Conference minutes; Church discipline; Church membership; names of present trustees: J. E. Beyer, Omar B. Smith, Wm. H. Deniston, A. B. Green, Wm. J. Leiter, M. O. Shipley and Jacob Fogle; and a coin bearing the names of the trustees of the church on July 17th, 1880, when the former church was erected: Dr. C. Hector, Wm. Leiter and Levi Mercer.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, September 23, 1916]

INSTALL PIPE ORGAN

The M. E. church pipe organ was Wednesday removed from storage and taken to the new church for setting up.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, October 4, 1917]

A NEW SET OF CHIMES FOR METHODIST CHURCH

A new and modern set of chimes for the Methodist church has been received by the church board and the work of installation will start at once. These chimes will replace the old ones which proved to be faulty and were used only a few times. The new chimes are much heavier than the old ones, are supposed to have a much better tone and will be put on trial for sixty days by the church officials before they will be accepted.

It will be remembered that when the new Methodist church was built that the chimes were purchased for the building with the aid of public donations. When tried they gave out a very poor tone and the church refused to use them. The company is now replacing them without charge.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, July 13, 1922]

METHODIST CHIMES ARE PLAYED SUNDAY

The new Methodist chimes were played for the first time Sunday, Mrs. Ed. SMITH rendering several sacred selections, among them "Abide With Me" and "Nearer My God To Thee." The new chimes are an immense improvement over the old, which proved inadequate for the local requirements.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, July 24 1922]

EXPERT HERE TO TUNE THE METHODIST CHIMES

At the request of Methodist church officials, James G. Geagan, of J. G. Geagan, Inc., of Chicago, is in Rochester testing out the chimes recently installed by the above firm. The chimes have not given satisfactory service to date. Mr. Geagan, who is an expert on bell testing, is going over the chimes and correcting any errors that he may find. He is also giving some instructions of

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future operators of the set. He says that his firm has a testing outfit, the only one of its kind in the world, and that when the bells leave the factory they are in perfect tune. People often think they are out of tune he says, because the operator plays too fast and the tones "overlap," causing a discord. Mr. Geagan has promised to have the bells in perfect condition before he leaves.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, September 6, 1922]

ROCHESTER BECOMES A STATION CHARGE IN THE CONFERENCE

The Rochester church became a station charge in the year of 1853 and Samuel Godfrey was appointed pastor to the congregation. According to the records of the first quarterly conference the claims upon the charge for the support of the ministry that year were for the pastor, including moving expense \$313.60, for the presiding elder, \$44.88.

Since the Rochester Church became a station charge the following pastors have served as indicated: 1854, Lyman B. Kent; 1855-1856, Wiley P. Watkins; 1857, Conrad S. Burgner; 1858-1859, Franklin Taylor; 1860, Caleb B. Mock; 1861-1863, John B. DeMotte; 1864-1865, William R. Mikels; 1866, John S. Donaldson; 1867-1868, John H. Cissel; 1869-1870, Thomas C. Stringer; 1871, Peter S. Cook; 1872, Clark Skinner; 1873, Clark Skinner, 6 months, and Wilson Becker, 6 months; 1874, Russell D. Utter; 1875-1876, James A. Clearwaters; 1877-1879, Franklin M. Rule; 1880-1882, Russell D. Utter; 1883-1885, Joseph C. Reed; 1886-1889, John H. Wilson; 1890-1891, Hibbard A. Tucker; 1892-1893, Albertus C. Briggs; 1894-1896, Charles A. Brooke; 1897-1899, Leander C. Buckles; 1900-1906, William F. Switzer, 1907-1908, James G. Campbell; 1909-1910, Henry L. Kindig; 1911-1912, John D. Kruwell; 1913-1917, Alfred S. Warriner; 1918-1920, George F. Craig; 1921-1924, Frank O. Fraley; 1925-1929, Rochard H. Crowder; 1929-1934, Thomas L. Stovall. During these years many served short pastorates because of the time limit for pastors in the Methodist Episcopal Church. The longest pastorates have been served by William F. Switzer and the present pastor, Thomas L. Stovall.

The Methodist congregation has rebuilt several times during the almost one hundred years of its history. On December 17, 1865, H. O. Huffon dedicated the second church erected by the growing membership. This building was located on the [SW] corner of Main and Sixth streets. The value of the edifice was \$5,452. This property was sold in the spring of 1875 and the lot on which the present church is situated was purchased. The third church building was begun in 1880 during the pastorate of Franklin M. Rule and completed on January 30, 1881, under the leadership of the ministry of Russell D. Utter, and the cost of the building was \$7,140.00.

The present parsonage was constructed in 1876, at a cost of \$2,200.00 and was reconstructed in 1907, at a cost of \$2,800.00.

During the year 1916 the corner stone was laid for the present building in which the congregation of the Grace Methodist Episcopal Church worship. Alfred S. Warriner was the minister, under whose capable leadership the beautiful and spacious church structure was erected and dedicated on October 28, 1917. In addition to the sanctuary (auditorium) there are twenty-four rooms for the promotional interests of the religious education and the social life of the church. The church is situated at the corner of Seventh and Jefferson Sts.

The church has had a steady growth in membership through the years until there are more than six hundred members, five hundred and eighty-one who are resident members. There are five hundred twenty-three enrolled in the Church School classes and departments. The many organizations of the church are active in their contribution to the spiritual and moral welfare of the community.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Thursday, December 6, 1934, p. 22]

HISTORICAL REVIEW OF CITY'S PIONEER BUSINESS CONCERNS METHODIST CHURCH

Supplementing the historical business reviews which have been appearing from time to time in The News-Sentinel, the author of the sketches during the summer months is devoting these

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columns to the city and county's religious organizations which may desire to outline a resume of their progress in this community.

The following article deals with the history of the Rochester Methodist church, situate at the southwestern corner of Jefferson and 7th streets.

Started in 1836

The Methodist history of Rochester began as early as 1836 when the first religious services were conducted by Rev. Andrew Martin. He preached occasionally in the log Court House to the small band of worshippers who gathered there. During the years 1836-37 Rev. Wm. Fraley traveled as a missionary from Logansport to Elkhart, preaching here and wherever he could collect together a few hearers. The Rochester circuit of the Methodist Episcopal Church was organized in 1839 and J.B. Merston served as pastor of the circuit embracing parts of Fulton, Marshall, Kosciusko, Miami, Cass, Starke, and Pulaski counties. As it took the pastor four weeks to fill the round of appointments it was known as the four weeks circuit.

During the year 1842 the first church building was erected at an approximate cost of thirteen hundred dollars. Soon afterwards a parsonage was built in Rochester which cost four hundred dollars. The pastor's reports show that there was but one Sunday School on the entire circuit up to the year 1850. The Rochester church became a station charge in the year 1853 and Samuel Godfrey was appointed pastor of the congregation.

The Methodist congregation remodeled and rebuilt their church edifice several times during the one hundred years of history. On December 17, 1865, H. O. Hufon dedicated the second church building erected by the growing membership. This building was located at the [SW] corner of Main and Sixth streets and cost five thousand four hundred dollars. In the spring of 1875 the property was sold and the lot purchased on which the present church is situated [SW corner Jefferson and Seventh].

The third church building was begun in 1880 during the pastorate of Franklin M. Rule and completed on January 30, 1881, under the leadership and ministry of Russell D. Utter, and the cost of the building was seven thousand dollars. The present parsonage was constructed in 1876, and remodeled in the year 1907. During the year 1916 the corner stone was laid for the present church building under the leadership of Rev. A. S. Warriner, and dedicated during his pastorate on October 28, 1917. In addition to the sanctuary there are twenty-four other rooms for religious education and social life.

Over 600 Members

The church has maintained a steady growth through the years until now there are more than six hundred members of the congregation. The many organizations of the church are contributing in a most effective way to the building of Christian character and the promotion of a moral and spiritual program in the community.

Among the former pastors who are now living are the following: Albertus C. Briggs, William F. Switzer, James G. Campbell, John D. Kruwell, Alfred S. Warriner, George F. Craig, Frank O. Fraley, Richard Crowder and Thomas L. Stovall. The present pastor of the church is Robert Ross-Shannon.

[The News-Sentinel, Wednesday, July 9, 1941]

Looking backward in Rochester's religious life, the first church services conducted here are recorded almost a century and a quarter ago, when the Rev. Andrew Martin preached occasionally in the county's log courthouse. The first church class was organized as a Methodist, serving a circuit extending over a part of Fulton, Pulaski, Miami, Cass and Starke counties. He made his rounds once every four weeks and preached on week days as well as Sundays.

[Earle A. Miller, *The News-Sentinel*, Monday, March 16, 1959]

CHURCHES - METHODIST CHURCH [Talma, Indiana]

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The new Methodist church is nearing completion.

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[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, October 8, 1908]

CHURCHES - MISSION CHURCH [Rochester, Indiana]

ORGANIZE SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Mission Sunday school was organized Sunday with the following officers: Francis Spohn, superintendent; Mrs. Dan O'Brien, assistant superintendent; Mrs. Fred Yeazel, assistant secretary; Mrs. Richard Spohn, treasurer; Miss Arittia Bruce, organist; Mrs. William Leiter, Choirater.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, March 14, 1921]

MISSION CHURCH WILL BE CLOSED, DIRECTOR SAYS

The Mission church, located at the Nickle Plate railroad on East Ninth street, for years the refuge of many worshippers, is no more. It has been closed by the Rev. and Mrs. Spohn who have long been its directors, because the owner wished to use it for a storeroom. As a result those who attended there will be forced to go elsewhere this winter to worship, as the church will not be started in another place. The Rev. and Mrs. Spohn have moved in with Mr. and Mrs. Isaac McCarter and will assist in caring for Mr. McCarter who is an invalid. They did not state whether they would resume their church work or not.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, November 8, 1924]

CHURCHES - MITE SOCIETY [Rochester, Indiana]

The Mite Society for the benefit of the M.E. Church, will meet at Mrs. Hestons on Wednesday evening next, the 19th of September . . .

[Rochester *Mercury*, Thursday, September 13, 1860]

The Methodist Mite Society will meet at the residence of M. L. Miner, on Wednesday Eve, 14th inst. . .

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, November 10, 1860]

The Methodist Mite Society will meet at the residence of Dr. V. Gould, on Wednesday Eve, 14th inst. . . [?]

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, November 17, 1860]

The Methodist Mite Society will meet at the residence of B. S Lyon, on Wednesday Eve, the 12th inst. . .

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, December 8, 1860]

The Methodist Mite Society will meet at the residence of E. R. Powers, on Wednesday Eve . . .

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, December 15, 1860]

The Methodist Mite Society will meet at the residence of K. G. Shryock on Wednesday Eve, 31st inst. All are invited to attend.

The Mite Society meets next Tuesday evening at the residence of Mr. L. J. Brown.

[Rochester *Mercury*, Thursday, June 20, 1861]

The Mite Society of the M.E. Church will meet next Tuesday evening at the residence of Mr. L. Wilkinson.

[Rochester *Mercury*, Thursday, September 12, 1861]

The Mite Society meets at the Mansion House next Tuesday afternoon and evening. . . [Rochester *Chronicle*,

The Methodist Mite Society will meet at the residence of Wesley Shryock on Tuesday May 27th, afternoon and evening. . .

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, May 22, 1862]

Mite Society . . . next week . . . on Wednesday evening, at the residence of L. J. Brown.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, June 19, 1862]

The next meeting of the M.E. Mite Society will be held at the residence of Mr. Elias Brown, on Tuesday evening, July 8th, 1862 . . .

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, July 3, 1862]

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The next meeting of the M.E. Mite Society, will be held at the residence of Mrs. Heston, on Jefferson Street, on Tuesday afternoon and evening next, July 15th, 1862 . . .

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, July 10, 1862]

The next meeting of the M.E. Mite Society will be held at the residence of Mr. B. F. Ernsperger, on Tuesday afternoon and evening next, July 22d, 1862.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, July 17, 1862]

Mite Society . . . next week . . . Tuesday afternoon and evening at the residence of E. R. Powers . . .

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, August 7, 1862]

Mite Society . . . next week . . . at the residence of C. J. Stradley . . .

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, August 14, 1862]

Mite Society . . . meets next Tuesday . . . at the residence of Mr. B. S. Lyon. . .

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, August 21, 1862]

We are pleased to announce the revival of these pleasant gatherings. The next meeting is to be at Lewis J. Brown's, on Tuesday evening of next week. . . Mr. Brown has a large house, and we hope it will be filled to overflowing.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, October 30, 1862]

Mite Society . . . Tuesday evening next, at the residence of B. S. Lyon.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, November 6, 1862]

Mite Society . . . Tuesday evening, next . . . at the hotel of A. Chamberlain. . .

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, November 27, 1862]

Mite Society. . . next week. . . residence of Mrs. Alexander Chamberlain, on Tuesday evening. . .

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, April 9, 1863]

Mite Society. The meeting for next week will be at the residence of William Moore, two miles south of this village, on Tuesday evening next . . .

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, July 23, 1863]

Mite Society. The next meeting will be held at the residence of Benjamin S Lyon, on Tuesday evening Aug 4th. . .

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, July 30, 1863]

See Union Mite Society.

CHURCHES - MITE SOCIETY, UNION [Rochester, Indiana]

The "Union" Mite Society will meet at Mrs. Lawhead's on Tuesday evening, 30th inst. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, October 27, 1860]

The "Union" Mite Society will meet at the residence of H. W. Mann, on Tuesday evening, the 13th inst. . . .

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, November 10, 1860]

The "Union" Mite Society will meet at the residence of A. F. Smith, on Tuesday evening, the 13th inst. [?]

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, November 17, 1860]

See Churches, Mite Society.

The "Union" Mite Society will meet at the residence of Mrs. C. McDonald, on Tuesday evening, the 11th inst. . .

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, December 8, 1860]

The "Union" Mite Society will meet at the residence of Mrs. Osgood, on Tuesday evening . . .

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, December 15, 1860]

CHURCHES - MOUNT HOPE CHURCH [Aubbeenaubbee Township]

Located in the NW corner of 700W and 700N.

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CHURCHES - MOUNT HOPE CHURCH [Henry Township]

Located at the Mount Hope Cemetery. No longer in existence. Replaced by a new church in Athens.

CHURCHES - MOUNT NEBO CHURCH [Richland Township]

When the Mount Nebo Church was moved in 1897 to a location 200 feet north of the Sand Hill schoolhouse, it became known as the Sand Hill Methodist Church and was placed on land donated by Mrs. Nancy Robbins.

[Daniel Robbins Family, Ervan Mark Robbins, *Fulton Co Folks*, Vol. 2, Willard]

CHURCHES - MOUNT VERNON BAPTIST CHURCH [Wayne Township]

Building sold in the late 1920's to a Dick Henderson who moved it east of Fletchers Lake, and made it into a house.

CHURCHES - NAZARENE [Rochester, Indiana]

Rochester is to have a new church sect. Not any new faith but a church that requires of its members that they be temperance men and women and vote that way.

The new sect is to be called the Nazarenes and it will be made up, in its charter membership, of twenty-five or thirty members of other Rochester churches, who believe in the prohibition of the liquor traffic. Rev. Pattee, recently from Denver, and Peter Biddinger are at the head of the movement, and they say that no one, who takes membership in the new church, will be asked to change any tenets of faith, but they will be required to take a pledge to quit voting with political parties that sanction the licensed saloon.

It is the intention of the new sect to first hold a ten days' camp meeting in town, and after that lease one of the churches or possibly have a membership strong enough to buy one of the best churches in the city. At present there is a pledge of about twenty-five members but after they get started they expect to increase to a hundred, and then spread out and gather in until they have all christians in one mighty phalanx against the saloon.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, July 10, 1905]

CHURCHES - NORTH GERMANY METHODIST CHURCH

[Richland Township]

A disagreement on which language to use caused the Methodists to split into two churches in 1876 - North Germany Church using English and South Germany Church using German.

CHURCHES - OLIVE BRANCH CHURCH [Perry Township, Miami County]

TO DEDICATE CHURCH NEAR GILEAD SUNDAY

The "Olive Branch" Church of God located in Perry township, Miami county, two miles south and one mile and three-quarters east of Gilead and two miles north and three and one-half miles west of Roann will on Sunday, June 30th, at 10:30 a.m. dedicate the house of worship recently purchased, commonly known as the New Enterprise church. Rev. J. S. WALLS, of Columbia City will preach the dedicatory sermon. There will also be preaching by able ministers on Saturday evening previous. At two and at seven-thirty p.m., on Sunday there will also be sermons. A very cordial invitation is hereby heartily extended to the public to attend. After the morning service a basket dinner will be served in the grove nearby. The regular program will be interspersed with music, both vocal and instrumental.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Thursday, June 27, 1929]

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CHURCHES - OMEGA CHURCH [Henry Township]

Located SW of Akron on 925E at 275S, in the NW corner of the cemetery, and directly across the road from the present church.

In the southern part of Henry Township, Methodists built a log church called Omega in 1845.

CHURCHES - OPEN DOOR MISSION [Rochester, Indiana]

Located just across the Nickel Plate tracks on East 9th street, where it replaced the Last Chance Saloon. [probably on N side of E 9th at the site of Rochester Building Service, 416 E 9th. -- WCT]

FROM VERY BAD TO VERY GOOD

“The First and Last Chance” of other days, more recently “The Red Onion,” and always a “booze” joint of more or less ill repute, is about to forsake its evil ways and remedy the past by becoming an Open Door Mission. At least this will be the case if Rev. Richard F. Spohn can bring about the desired change. Rev. Spohn has been preaching the gospel on the streets of this and other cities for several years and has conducted mission work in the larger cities. He believes that there is room for this work here; that there are many people who are not reached by the churches already established, and he opes to carry the message to many people who turn a deaf ear to the cause of Christianity.

Mr. Spohn has contracted with the owner of the building, and the old bar, ice box and other saloon fixtures are being removed preparatory to converting the building into a church. As a means of furthering the work Rev. Spohn will address the public at the U. B. church, Sunday afternoon at 2:45, when he will fully explain the work of the missions. Mr. Spohn is an experienced man in the mission field and will be assisted by his wife.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, May 11, 1912]

CITY'S OPEN DOOR MISSION READY

The first open door mission ever opened to the public of Rochester will be ready for service Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, when Rev. R. F. Spohn and wife of this city will preside.

The place of worship, which was formerly the old Alexander saloon and later termed the “Red Onion,” has undergone a complete transformation until now it is a model of neatness, fit for the holding of religious meetings without the least hint of the former usage. The interior has been refinished in every respect and is fitted to take care of a good sized crowd. Rev. Spohn, who has been in the mission field for the past several years, is well qualified to have charge of this worthy institution, where all those who do not care to attend services at the other places of worship may feel themselves perfectly at home and others who care to join the ranks.

After the mission is fairly started and on its feet, Rev. Spohn expects to organize a Sunday school, which will be held in the afternoons and it is expected that there will be a good attendance of the little folks of that locality who are not now in Sunday school. In speaking of the whole affair Rev. Spohn was very enthusiastic over the prospects of a bright future for the mission and added that it would prove to be one of the greatest God-sends the city ever experienced.

The matter of getting the mission furnished with seats had been a matter of serious concern, but the problem now looks as if it would solve itself in the near future, as it is thought the citizens of the city will respond nobly to the call for assistance. B. F. Noftsger has headed the subscription list with a donation of \$10. While money is preferable the Spohns will be glad to receive donations of any kind as they are at a personal expense and the mission is operated solely for the good of the city's morals.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, May 18, 1912]

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OPEN DOOR MISSION TO MOVE

As the owner of the building wants the structure, the members of the Open Door Mission will move to the building on east Fifth street, now occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Orlando. It is better known as the old Ross foundry.

Their new quarters will give the members of the church much more room. In the past they have been crowded for room at the building on east Ninth street and often standing room was not available. The proposed building will be repaired and redecorated throughout. They will move next week.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesdays, October 28, 1913]

AT THE MISSION

The revival at the Open Door Mission is resulting in the conversions of a number of Rochester's citizens. Interest in the meetings is not abating; if anything, it is increased. Rev. Yager of the United Brethren church of Plymouth, who is filling Rev. H. E. Butler's pulpit, is expected to preach tonight and tomorrow night at the Mission. There have been 35 members taken into the Heavenly Recruit Association up to date.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, January 2, 1914]

OPEN DOOR MISSION

416 East Ninth Street. Rev. and Mrs. B. F. Spohn in charge. Morning service at 10:00 a.m. S.S. at 2:15, and praise meeting at 3:15. Preaching at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday and Friday evenings at 7:15 p.m.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, January 24, 1914]

REV. AND MRS. R. F. SPOHN AGAIN HEAD THE MISSION

Rev. and Mrs. R. F. Spohn are again in charge of the Open Door mission, a petition for their return having been signed by 50 members of the little east Ninth street institution, following the relinquishment of the work by Charles Freeman, who has been the leader for several months.

The mission was founded by the Spohns in May 1912, and up to February of this year, they were in charge. However, at the request of Bishop H. S. Fuller, a change in management was made at that time, and Bro. Charles Freeman was chosen, the Spohns doing field work. Rev. Spohn speaks very highly of the good accomplished by Mr. Freeman.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, May 28, 1915]

MISSION PASSES TO HUNTER

The Open Door Mission on East Ninth street Tuesday passed to the supervision of Eugene Hunter, Rev. R. F. Spohn retiring in his favor. Mr. Hunter purchased the furniture in the church of Rev. Spohn and will now take full charge. The Mission will be conducted as in the past along non-denominational lines. The retiring minister has no plans for the future.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, January 25, 1916]

From the Rochester Weekly Republican, November 26, 1912 - Rev. Richard F. Spohn announced a revival at the Open Door Mission and gave his subject for the evening meeting as "The Devil and His Tail."

[Earle A. Miller, *The News-Sentinel*, Friday, September 11, 1959]

Of interest in this newspaper [The Rochester *Daily Republican* of a half-century ago] was the church announcement of the Rev. Richard F. Spohn and his Open Door Mission. Who remembers the Open Door Mission, just across the Nickel Plate tracks on East 9th street, where it replaced the Last Chance Saloon? It is long gone now.

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Earle A. Miller, Rochester *Sentinel*, Wednesday, April 25, 1962]

CHURCHES - PILGRIM HOLINESS CHURCH [Fulton, Indiana]

WORK TO START ON NEW FULTON HOLINESS CHURCH

Work on the new Holiness Church at Fulton will start next week when the basement will be excavated. The church members have purchased the Holiness Church building at Perrysburg and will tear it down and use the material thus obtained in building the new Fulton structure. It is estimated that it will take two months to build the new edifice. The church when completed will be dedicated with proper ceremonies.

[The News-Sentinel, Friday, August 31, 1928]

SERVICES AT NEW CHURCH

Services for the first time were held Sunday in the new Pilgrim Holiness church in Fulton, which was just erected. Evangelistic services will be held in June and the edifice will be dedicated at the close of the services. Rev. Miss Margaret Baker is pastor of this church, which is located one block west of Main Street on the corner of Davis and Miller Streets.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, May 6, 1929]

LOYAL PASTORS GIVE RELIGIOUS CHRONICLES

One of the youngest church organizations in the county, with exception of the missions, is the Pilgrim Holiness Church of Fulton, Indiana. This church grew out of several tent meetings which were held in the town, through the efforts and ministry of a young preacher, Rev. Paul Walters, and his foster mother, Mrs. McGuire. The last of these was held in 1925, after which the church was organized with seven charter members: Mrs. McGuire, Mrs. Nona Reed, Mrs. Jane Ward, Mrs. Pearl Cornell, Miss Mae Cornell, Mrs. John Kern, Miss Florence Kern.

A hall was rented in the Enyart building, where services were held and the organization flourished under the able leadership of its first pastor, Rev. Miss Deborah Wharton, who served almost two years.

At the District Assembly, held in August, 1927, a new pastor was assigned to the charge and soon after the Poorman lot, one block west of Main street in the north section of the town, was purchased. In July of the following summer another tent meeting was held, with Rev. Paul Coleman preaching. After that meeting plans were immediately made for a new church building which was built during the following winter and spring months and dedicated the following June. This building is being used at the present time.

Not considering the loss of several by death and transfer of membership to other loyalties, the organization has grown from one of seven charter members, to one of forty members. It maintains a Sunday Church School with an average attendance of about 40, a Young People Society, a Junior organization with an average attendance of twelve, and a mid-week prayer group which averaged for the month of November about 25. An active Missionary Committee functions the year around, and Monthly Missionary services are held in Church School and Junior and Young People's Societies combined with the adult department. During November, Self Denial Month was observed and the offering following amounted to over \$10.00 for Missions. Other finances were not slighted and God has always blessed and supplied the need in a marvelous way.

The secret of the growth of this organization is the spiritual zeal. Revivals are held in which conviction is heavy. Seekers pray through, make restitution and become happy finders of a soul experience with God. The blessing of the Spirit manifests itself in many of the services, until preaching is dispensed and conversions often result. Recently conviction has been heavy and souls are finding their Redeemer in their homes as well as the regular services, which is not unusual.

Since the church was organized, it has been honored many times with the presence and ministry of the Faculty and Students of Frankfort Pilgrim College, along with that of various evangelists, and its three pastors. At the District Assembly in August, 1934, the fourth pastor was called who now serves.

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The membership feels highly honored in securing this very capable evangelist and pastor, Rev. Lloyd Montgomery, and the work has advanced much under his leadership.

In September 1934, this church was favored by the District in having both a ministerial and lay delegate chosen from its ranks to represent its ministers and 200 of the laity of the District at the Great Quadrennial Assembly. Rev. Montgomery and Miss Evelyn Shonk were thus chosen.

This organization of Christian people are looking forward to even greater things for good and for all that is accomplished, He shall have all the praise.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Thursday, December 6, 1934, p. 23]

PURCHASE NEW MANSE

The property of the late Eva Rhinehart in Fulton has been purchased by the members of the Pilgrim Holiness church. The pastor, Rev. James Pursley and family will move there from the Hill property about the middle of November.

[The News-Sentinel, Friday, October 29, 1937]

CHURCHES - PRAIRIE GROVE CHURCH [Union Township]

Located on the North side of 300S and the East side of 600W.

CHURCHES - PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH [Mount Zion]

Located E side 500E at approximately 250S. [2602 S 500E]

At Mt. Zion, where the old church stood serene and stately on the hill, lwith the big oak trees in the foreground and beside the winding creek, where church congregations sometimes held baptismal services, we see and hear the hustle and bustle of present day activity and modern industry. The hill has been dug away by the Van Duyne Block and Gravel Company.

[Van Duyne - Shelton Families, Fred Van Duyne, *Fulton Co Folks*, Vol. 2, Willard]

In the 1840's a Methodist Episcopal Church was established in the Mt. Zion community and it lasted for 25 to 30 years until finally it was discontinued.

The pastor of the Presbyterian Church of Rochester at the solicitations of Joseph Whittenberger, began preaching in the Mt. Zion community in December 1872. He continued Sunday afternoon services every three or four weeks until the latter part of February or March, when he commenced a series of services which lasted three weeks, preaching in the evening and visiting from house to house through the day. The Lord poured out His spirit and over 40 were added to the Church. The new converts wanted a church home so on Mar. 7, 1873, a section of the Rochester Presbyterian Church was organized under the title of "The Mt. Zion Section of the Rochester Presbyterian Church." There were three elders chosen and Joseph Whittenberger was elected for a four year term. He was also one of the trustees of the church. He gave \$200 to the building fund.

[Jacob Whittenberger Family, Velma Bright, *Fulton Co Folks*, Vol. 2, Willard]

Notice. Is hereby given that a meeting will be held on Saturday April 21st 1866, at two o'clock p.m., at the Mt. Zion Church near True's Mill Rochester Tp., for the purpose of electing Trustees for the New Church about to be erected at Mt. Zion. Joseph Whittenberger. April 12, 1866.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, April 12, 1866]

Services. Rev. Wm. J. Essick will preach at the New School Presbyterian Church, on Tuesday evening, next, March 19th, 1867.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, March 14, 1867]

100% INCREASE IN MEMBERSHIP

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A service of unusual interest was held at the Mt. Zion Presbyterian church Sabbath morning when twenty new members were received into the church as a result of eight evenings of special services conducted by the pastor, Daniel S. Perry, assisted by Miss Edna Roth. This is an increase of exactly 100 per cent making the total membership 40. The Church has recently been re-decorated and is very neat and attractive. The members are interested in the welfare of the church and community and have built up a Sunday School and church that any community can justly be proud of.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, May 19, 1924]

CHURCHES - PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH [Rochester, Indiana]

Located NW corner of Jefferson and Sixth Streets, Lot #104 Bozarth's Addn.

Organized April 21, 1840.

First church built in 1844 on its present site.

Presbyterian 530 Jefferson St., Rev. Arthur M. Smith, Pastor.

[Directory of Rochester, Ind., 1907, H. F. Crim and A. T. Bitters]

Rev. N. S. Gould will preach at the Presbyterian Church tomorrow at 10-1/2 o'clock a.m.
Subject, The end of the World.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, August 6, 1859]

There will be service at the Presbyterian Church by the Rev. William Lyon tomorrow (Sunday) at 10-1/2 o'clock a.m.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, November 26, 1859]

Religious Notice: There will be a series of meetings held at the Presbyterian Church, commencing on Thursday evening next, by Reverends Wm. Lyon and Leonard Cole, Baptist ministers. A general invitation is extended.

Rev. N. L. Lord will preach in the Presbyterian Church, on Sabbath morning (tomorrow)

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[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, December 17, 1859]

Baptist Movement. Series of Meetings, Presbyterian Church, during last two weeks, by Elder W. Lyon, and Elder Leonard Cool. Elder Cool to "labor with them" for the coming year. Intend constituting a church Thurs. 21 March next.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, February 4, 1860]

Prof. Roush of Burlington, Ind., will deliver a lecture on the subject of Education in the Presbyterian Church on Tuesday evening next. His object will be to establish an academy in the town of Rochester. Rev. N. Lord will be in attendance and add such remarks as the occasion may demand...

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, June 30, 1860]

Rev. J. M. Maxwell will address the Sunday School at the Presbyterian Church, on Sunday next at 5-1/2 o'clock p.m.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, July 24, 1862]

Religious Notice. Rev. N. L. Lord will preach tomorrow morning Sabbath, in the Presbyterian Church...

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, May 3, 1862]

Rev. C. H. Dunlap to preach at Presbyterian church tomorrow.

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[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, May 30, 1863]

Rev. Robert Irwin, formerly Chaplain of the 46th Ind Vols, will preach at the Presbyterian Church, on Sunday next, (June 7th) at 10-1/2 o'clock a.m.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, June 4, 1863]

Elder Isaac Butler will preach in the Presbyterian Church, in this village, on Sunday next, (Sept 6th) at 5 o'clock p.m.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, August 27, 1863]

Rev. Robert Irvin will preach at the Presbyterian Church, in this place, on next Sabbath, the 31st inst., at 10-1/2 o'clock a.m.; also in the afternoon.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, January 28, 1864]

Election of Trustees . . . at the Presbyterian Church in Rochester on Saturday, March 16, 1864 . . . Elihu Long, Jos. Whittenberger, Elders. Rochester, March 5, 1864.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, March 17, 1864]

Rev. D. M. Williamson will preach at the Presbyterian Church, in this village, on next Sabbath, at the usual hour.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, July 28, 1864]

Elder R. Corbaley will deliver a lecture on the Prophecies, in connection with the "Signs of the Times," on Thursday, November 10th, 1864, at 6-1/2 o'clock p.m., in the Presbyterian Church at Rochester, Ind.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, November 3, 1864]

Mite Society. The next meeting of the Presbyterian Mite society will be at the residence of R. N. Rannells. . .

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, August 24, 1865]

The Presbyterian congregation have commenced the work of remodeling their church.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, March 15, 1866]

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Acknowledgment. The members of the Christian Congregation of Rochester return their thanks to their Presbyterian friends for their kindness in permitting us to occupy their house during the series of meetings just closed. Done in behalf of the church. John Wharton. Rochester, August 3, 1868.

[Rochester *Union-Spy*, Thursday, August 6, 1868]

Religious Notice. Rev. Mr. Veale, of Huntington, will preach in the Rochester Presbyterian Church on Sunday, Oct. 25th, at 10-1/2 o'clock a.m.

[Rochester *Union-Spy*, Thursday, October 22, 1868]

Religious. Rev. Thomas Griffith will preach at the Presbyterian Church next Sabbath.

[Rochester *Union-Spy*, Thursday, December 24, 1868]

CHURCH AND CLERGY

The "Light of the World" spreads its effulgent rays very profusely in Rochester and Fulton county. Eight churches rear their spires heavenward within the corporate limits of the city and the church membership comprises most of our leading citizens. The total membership of the churches is about 1,400 and the list of Sabbath school pupils is 670, two hundred and eighty of the remaining 530 children in the city being under Sunday school age. Only 1000 persons, within the

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city, over 21 years old, are not church members and therefore, it will be readily seen that the Christian religion is so firmly established in Rochester that the moral and social standing of the community is at once worthy of the careful consideration of any desirable citizen who may be seeking a location.

The first church service in Rochester was conducted by Rev. Andrew Martin, 60 years ago. He preached occasionally in the log court house and in 1840 the first church class was organized. It was a Methodist class and within a few months the Presbyterians also effected an organization. The Baptists organized in 1860, the Catholics in 1867, the Evangelicals in 1875, the Christians in 1877, The Adventists in 1876, and the Episcopaleans in 1889.

The Presbyterian church of Rochester was organized in 1840 with Rev. Edward W. Wright pastor in charge. The first church building was erected in 1844 and it was then the finest in all this section of the state. Prominent pastors of the congregation have been Rev. N. L. Lord, Rev. F. M. Elliott, Rev. A. M. Work, Rev. Thos. Mulligan, Rev. Ladd, Rev. T. G. Smith and the present pastor, Rev. J. F. Roth. The present magnificent church building was finished in 1860 and this property and parsonage is worth about \$14,000. There is a church membership of 100, a Sunday school of 150 attendants, a Ladies' missionary society, Ladies Aid society and Junior and Senior Christian Endeavor societies. The church has been greatly strengthened during the past half dozen years and is one of the most influential in the city.

Rev. Roth was born in Pennsylvania 45 years ago and came to Indiana at the age of 15 years. He learned the trade of carriage painting but naturally inclined to books and entered Wabash college from which he graduated with the degree of B.A. in '75. He then commenced preaching but afterward took a theological course at Lane's Seminary, receiving the degree of A.M. and has ever since devoted his energy to the ministry. He has been in Rochester 6 years and has been very active in both the moral and general welfare of the city. He married Miss Mary Orr, of Crawfordsville, and they have two children, Edna and Lena.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, September 20, 1895]

A NEW MANSE

For some time officers and members of the Presbyterian church have been contemplating the building of a manse. Work along that line has been going on in a quiet way for several weeks. The preliminary work has so far advanced that it is now an assured fact. The structure is to cost \$2,500 and subscriptions to that amount have nearly been secured. At a congregational meeting held on Sunday, it was unanimously agreed that the work of building should begin at the earliest practical moment. The site chosen is the west half of the lot on which the Presbyterian church stands. Plans and specifications will be drawn and submitted to contractors for bids for doing the work. As outlined, the building is to be 28x36 feet, two stories, colonial style. It will be an eight room house with large reception hall, open stairway and all modern conveniences. It is expected that work will commence in ten days and that the structure will be fully completed by August 1.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, April 15, 1907]

NEWS OF THE DAY

Excavation for the new Presbyterian manse began today, and everything will be rushed until the work is completed. All details have been arranged and everything toward the building will move right along now like clockwork. The old hickory tree, which stood behind the church since the oldest residents can remember, has been trimmed close and will not be cut down, as they first thought.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, May 15, 1907]

NEWS OF THE DAY

The new manse which is being built by the Presbyterian congregation is nearing completion. Baldwin & Myers expect to finish their work next week, and turn the home over to the plumbers and furnace men. The house will be ready for occupancy about Sept. 1st.

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[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, August 17, 1907]

PRESBYTERIANS GET NEW ORGAN

During the 40 years previous to Christmas, 1911, a gold piece found its way into the collection basket of the First Presbyterian church, almost every alternate Sunday. Tuesday night, it was made known, a larger gold piece, in the form of a \$2,500 gift to be used in the purchase of a pipe organ, had been found in the church basket. The donor is the same in all instances.

Announcement was made at a meeting of the congregation of the Presbyterian church Tuesday night, that the sum mentioned had been donated to buy an organ by Miss Mary Eaman, of Detroit, Mich. Miss Eaman is a sister of John Eaman, who for 40 odd years was in Rochester on alternate Sundays, coming as a representative of Fuller and Fuller, wholesale druggists. He was a familiar figure on the streets, and always attended the Presbyterian church. Word was received here the last of December, 1911, that he had died, aged about 75. His fortune, estimated to be at least \$100,000, was left to his sisters.

Expressed Desire

In conversation with a prominent member of the local church, he at one time remarked of the need of a pipe organ and estimated that he might some time see that one was secured. Soon after his death his sister, Miss Mary Eaman, sent \$200 to the church, the sum being used in the construction of the new steps to the east entrance. Miss Eaman had also learned of his intentions regarding a pipe organ. A letter received Monday, announced that the sum of \$2,500 would be available for the purchase of the instrument, which is to be a memorial to the mother of Mr. and Miss Eaman. Incidentally, it will be a handsome testimonial of their affection for the Rochester church and its congregation.

Enthusiasm Shown

Announcement of the gift was received with great enthusiasm by the members, who had been informed that they might expect a pleasant surprise. Arrangements for the purchase of the organ and its installation in the loft will be made soon.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, October 1, 1913]

PRESBYTERIANS BUY NEW ORGAN

An order was given Wednesday evening by a committee from the Presbyterian church to the House of Pilcher, Louisville, for a new \$2,500 pipe organ to be installed in the choir loft of the church at the corner of Jefferson and Sixth streets.

The purchase follows the gift to the church of the amount named, by Miss Mary Eaman, sister to John Eaman, a traveling man who often Sundayed here, and who usually attended the Presbyterian church. He had often expressed a wish to aid the local church, and his sister carried it out.

On the committee which made the purchase were A. P. Copeland and Rev. S. A. Stewart. The handsome instrument must be installed by April 1, 1914.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, December 11, 1913]

PIPE ORGAN HERE

The \$2,500 pipe organ given to the First Presbyterian church by the late John Eaman, arrived at noon today (Monday) and will be set up as soon as possible. It was purchased of Pilchers at Louisville and weighs seven tons.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, March 30, 1914]

MARY EAMAN ILL

Word has been received in this city that Miss Mary Eaman has been seriously ill at her winter home in Florida. Miss Eaman will be remembered as the woman who contributed the pipe organ to the Presbyterian church in honor of her brother, John Eaman].

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, March 29, 1915]

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LOCAL PASTORS GIVE RELIGIOUS CHRONICLE

By Rev. Harold Turpin

The First Presbyterian Church of Rochester was organized in 1840 under the leadership of Rev. Edward W. Wright, who for many years, was located at Delphi, Indiana. The first settled minister was Rev. Thomas P. Milligan, who served the church during the years 1844-1845. Since the time of Rev. Milligan's ministry, sixteen ministers, including the present one, have ministered to the church in Rochester. From the year of its founding the church has had an interesting and, in some respects, a most unusual history. The account which follows is taken from a paper of September 5, 1895:

"The Presbyterian Church of Rochester began its career with the town and like it, has had a very substantial growth.

"The first building was a frame, seating about two hundred and was in use nearly fifty years, but when the people arose to build they determined to erect a structure which would be fully with, or a little in advance of their beautiful and growing town. As a result they are now worshipping in a fine brick building with a seating capacity of four hundred, commodious and well-furnished parlors, suited for modern church work. Seldom does a building represent better business judgment and management, greater liberality of men and women of moderate means, and more untiring effort on the part of a noble band of women without whom the enterprise would have been well nigh impossible.

"Most of this work has been done during the present pastorate of the Rev. J. P. Roth, who is a graduate of Wabash College and studied theology in Lane and McCormick seminaries. Those who made up the building committee were: C. W. Caffyn, chairman; C. O. Lynk, secretary; G. I. Miller, treasurer; Henry Ditmire and G. P. Keith.

"The brick work and the carpenter work were completed during the year 1889. Clark Enyart and Newton Eastes did the brick work and Henry King and John King the carpenter work. Walter Laidlow placed the slate roof. The building was then enclosed, doors and windows boarded up, and remained in that condition for one year. The basement was fitted up and the church services and Sunday School were held there. During the year 1891 the church was fully completed and the last seat in the sanctuary put in place December 19, 1891. The cornerstone had been laid in 1888.

"The dedication took place December 20, 1891. Rev. Dr. Andrew C. Zenos of the McCormick Theological Seminary of Chicago, delivered the morning discourse. . . . The dedication sermon was preached in the evening by Rev. Dr. Pitman of Logansport, Indiana, and the music was furnished by a special choir."

The Mt. Zion Presbyterian Church, now disbanded, which served so usefully during the years of its existence was a result of the missionary efforts of the Rochester Presbyterian Church, as related in an account of the church's beginning written by F. M. Elliott who was the pastor of both churches during the period of 1872-1878. His story continues "The church was organized Wednesday night, October 14, 1873 in the school house near the mill. That part of the membership of the Rochester Church, which resided in the vicinity of Mt. Zion, at the mutual request of the church, was set off to itself and declared an independent organization. It had a membership of forty, one-half of whom were adult males.

"Rev. F. M. Elliott commenced preaching on the Mt. Zion field early in the fall of 1872. These appointments he kept up, once a month, Sabbath afternoons, until along in the following February, when he commenced a series of meetings which lasted about three weeks and resulted in awakening the most marked interest that the vicinity had expressed for many years previous. There were about thirty hopeful conversions and many old backsliders reclaimed. It will be but to the religious history of this community to suggest here that there had been a Methodist Episcopal Church planted here in the early history of its settlement which had accomplished a noble work. At one time it had been the strongest church in the eastern part of the county. . . . At the time the Presbyterians commenced to occupy the field they found about a half a dozen members of the M. E. Church, two or three United Brethren and as many Evangelical Lutherans. These all with one accord signified their willingness to go into the Presbyterian Church.

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“Not long afterward they set about the work of building a church. And to work with more facility, five trustees were added to the Board of Rochester, residing in the Mt. Zion section. . . . The cornerstone was laid with appropriate ceremonies on November 26, 1873. . . . Within seven months from the time they were organized into a church they had a commanding and comfortable brick edifice completed and ready for dedication. This beautiful and impressive service took place April 26, 1874, under the direction of the pastor. The sermon was preached by the Rev. Ranson Hawley from the text ‘The stone which the builders rejected has become the head of the corner’.”

The church has always been keenly interested in the great missionary enterprise and in this respect has tried to keep faith with the command and commission of her Lord: “Go ye into all the world.” And today, the members of the congregation are endeavoring earnestly and conscientiously to make the influence of this church felt in all of the worth-while activities of the community of Rochester.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Thursday, December 6, 1934, p. 23]

NEW PEWS ARE PURCHASED FOR PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The Presbyterian church of Rochester has just placed an order with the American Seating company for new pews for the church auditorium. These pews were presented to the church by Mrs. A. D. Robbins of this city and Mrs. J. G. Withers of Columbus, Ohio, as a memorial to their father and mother, the Rev. and Mrs. J. P. Roth. Mr. Roth was minister of the local church from 1889 to 1896. It was during his ministry that the present church building was erected.

The new seating is to be of oak and finished to match the architecture of the church. The seats will be placed in a circular position with a center aisle. This will make possible contemplated changes in the platform at the front of the church. Tentative plans call for the present platform to be completely rebuilt to conform to the chapel arrangement.

The men of the church are engaged at the present time redecorating various parts of the interior which have needed painting for some time. Several class rooms and a new stage will be built in the basement thus making possible a more efficient program of Christian Education.

All changes will be completed before Easter. The redecorating program is supervised by the house committee of the church. The seating project was supervised by a special committee composed of Glenn C. McGee, minister of the local church, O. M. Hendrickson and Fred Rankin.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, February 1, 1940]

HISTORICAL REVIEW OF CITY'S PIONEER BUSINESS CONCERNS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

According to authentic records compiled by members of this religious organization, The Presbyterian Church, of Rochester, Ind., was organized during the summer of 1839. At this early date there were but 28 members.

When the Presbytery met at Dayton, October 4th, 1838, the Rev. Robert Rankin was selected to organize a church in Rochester, “if the way be opened.” On April 3, 1839, at a meeting held in Logansport, Rev. Rankin reported that it was expedient to organize a church at Rochester. The records reveal that at a meeting held in Lebanon, Ind. in the fall of 1839, Rev. Rankin reported through Rev. Edward W. Wright the organization of the Rochester Presbyterian church.

First Resident Minister

Rev. Thomas P. Milligan was the first settled minister, he remaining from 1841 to 1845 inclusive. It was during the first year of his pastorate the first church was erected on the corner of Jefferson and York (now 6th) streets. This was a frame building 38 by 58 feet, and was described in the early church minutes as “the finest in all the region.” The edifice seated about 200 and was in use for nearly 50 years.

The next minister was Rev. J. M. Ladd, who served from May, 1848 to April 1st, 1851. His pastorate began with 35 members and dwindled to 17. No records were found from April, 1851 to April 1, 1854. In April of 1854, Rev. N. L. Lord became the pastor and presided until Dec. 31, 1867. Other records disclosed that Rev. H. Chapin was pastor of the church in 1855 and again between 1857 and 1867.

Merger of Membership

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In January of 1868, there was a merger of members of the Old and New School of Presbyterian church, with the local pulpit being shared jointly by Rev. Henry Little and Rev. Henry Cooper. The membership at that time was 56. In March of 1860, Rev. William Pattison became pastor. He received the appointment by election and won with a one vote margin over Rev. Thos. Griffith. The records reveal his salary was \$700 and a manse. Rev. Pattison served until April 1st, 1872.

The Rev. F. M. Elliott was called as pastor in September of 1872 and served until March 1876. In October of 1873 the Mt. Zion Presbyterian church was organized. It had a membership of 40, and church was held in a school house. The church was the result of missionary efforts of the Rochester church. In 1927 the Mt. Zion church was disbanded and the members merged with the Rochester edifice. The building was razed in 1936.

In the year of 1877 the Rochester Presbyterian pulpit was occupied by Rev. Scott Hershey. In April 1878, Rev. Hershey was succeeded by Rev. A. M. Work and he remained until August of 1886. During those years the membership grew to 110. The Rev. T. G. Smith was the minister until May 1st, 1899.

Rev. J. P. Roth, father of Mrs. Edna Robbins, of this city, became pastor on November 10th, 1889. He was hired for one year and remained eight, or until August 1896.

Church Dedicated in 1891

It was just prior to Rev. Roth's pastorate that the contract for the foundation of the present Presbyterian church building was let, the date being July 30th, 1888. The work commenced July 23rd, 1888 and completed later in the fall at a cost of \$2,461.25. The brick and carpentry work was completed in 1889. The building was then closed and remained boarded up for a year, for the lack of funds. The basement was fitted up and services were held there. During the year of 1891, the church was fully completed and the last seat put in place, Saturday evening, Dec. 19th, 1891. Sunday, Dec. 20th, 1891, the new church was dedicated.

During Rev. Roth's pastorate the men of the church started the St. Patrick's Supper and this event has been an annual event ever since.

Rev. H. L. Weltmer became pastor of the church on Jan. 17, 1897 and remained until his death, August 26, 1899. Rev. C. Lockhart was the pastor from Jan. 21st, 1900 until 1903. He was succeeded by Rev. George A. Hill in May of 1903 and Rev. Hill's pastorate closed in May of 1903. [?]

The Rev. A. M. Smith came in August 1906, serving as pastor until March 27th, 1910. The present manse was built in 1906-07 when Mr. Smith was here. Rev. S. A. Stewart succeeded Mr. Smith December 1910, serving the church until September 19, 1916. Rev. Stewart now resides in LaPorte, Ind. Dr. Scott Hershey supplied the pulpit again from December 1916 to December 1917, thus making this church one of his first and last charges. The Rev. H. G. Gaige came in February 1918, remaining until September 5, 1921. Rev. Gaige now has a pastorate in Lansing, Mich.

The Rev. D. S. Perry came October 11, 1921 and occupied the pulpit until the spring of 1930, March 9. It was during his pastorate that the Men's Class Room was added to the building. This was finished October 14, 1924. He organized the Men's Class with 100 members.

The pulpit was supplied with student pastors until Rev. H. W. Turpin came in 1930, November. He remained until September 27, 1936. The Church of Tomorrow was organized for the young people.

Again the pulpit was supplied with a student pastor, Franklin Hudson, until September 16, 1937 when Rev. J. W. MacElree came, remaining until September 1, 1938.

The Rev. Glenn C. McGee came to Rochester March 1, 1939, and is the present minister. During his pastorate the church celebrated its 100th birthday. In the past two years the members of this congregation added almost \$8,000 to repairs and remodeling to their present building. The sanctuary was completely remodeled and through several memorial gifts was furnished with new furniture in a new chancel arrangement. New kitchen, dining room, and classroom facilities have been added and the new forced draft system provides adequate air-conditioning throughout the entire year.

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At the present time this church is experiencing one of the most fruitful eras in its entire history. The present membership is about 250 on the active membership roll and about 300 on the reserve roll.

Active organizations at the present time include a large Men's Brotherhood class, a Women's Missionary society, a Ladies Aid society, various youth groups such as Junior and Senior Tyxls clubs for juniort high and high school students, a junior choir of exceptional quality, and the Presbyterian Youth Forum which has nearly 100 older young people participating in its yearly activities.

This month the Presbyterian church begins its 103rd year of continuous service to our community.

[The News-Sentinel, Saturday, October 11, 1941]

Rochester's Presbyterian church had for its first pastor, the Rev. Edward W. Wright and erected its first church edifice, a frame building, in 1844 at which time it was then the finest in all this section of the state. The present church building was finished in 1890.

The Methodists and Presbyterians were the first to build churches in Rochester.

[Earle A. Miller, *The News-Sentinel*, Monday March 16, 1959]

Fifty years ago the Rev. S. A. Steward occupied the pulpit of the Presbyterian Church.

[Earle A. Miller, *RochesterSentinel*, Wednesday, April 25, 1962]

CHURCHES - PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH [Wayne Township]

The Presbyterians built the first church in Wayne Township in 1844.

CHURCHES - PRESBYTERIAN CONFERENCE CENTER [Fulton County]

Located W side Old US-31 approximately 1-1/2 miles N of Tippecanoe River.

CHURCHES - PROGRESSIVE THINKERS [Rochester, Indiana]

In 1891 a society of Progressive Thinkers was organized in Lyceum Hall, the principal promoters being Dr. S. S. Terry, Hon. Milo R. Smith, Editor Major Bitters, John M. Davis, Robert H. Henkle and a large number of ladies. The first minister was Prof. Charles W. Peters of Plymouth, England. In the fall of 1892 Temple Hall was constructed for the special use of the society on the second floor of the Long building, over what is now the Book Store and Walle's Jewelry store.

The society became inactive some years ago.

[Earle A. Miller, *The News-Sentinel*, Monday March 16, 1959]

CHURCHES - PUMPKIN HEAD CHURCH [Aubbeenaubbee Township]

Located on 400N.

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[Peter Feece Family, William R. Feece, Sr., *Fulton Co Folks*, Vol. 2, Willard]

CHURCHES - ROCHESTER RELIGION [Rochester, Indiana]

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Earle Miller, writing in 1958, reported the first church services conducted here are recorded almost a century and a quarter ago, when the Rev. Andrew Martin preached occasionally in the county's log courthouse. The first church class was organized as a Methodist, serving a circuit extending over a part of Fulton, Pulaski, Miami, Cass and Starke counties. He made his rounds once every four weeks and preached on week days as well as Sundays.

CHURCHES - ROCHESTER TABERNACLE [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Tabernacle, 1908

See: Tabernacle 1914

See: Tabernacle; 1915.

CHURCHES - SAINTS CHURCH [Athens, Indiana]

NEW CHURCH

The Saints of Athens have the walls and half of the roof on the new church at that place.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, April 1, 1915]

ATHENS CHURCH IS DEDICATED

The new Saints church at Athens was dedicated Sunday in the presence of 500 people. Elder H. M. RIGGLE of Akron had charge of the services which began in the afternoon at two o'clock. In the evening he preached again. Special song services marked the program.

Elder Riggie of Akron will be the regular pastor at the Athens church where services will continue every evening until the end of this month. The new church was erected by the Athens congregation at a cost of \$700. The old building near Athens was taken down and the material used in the construction of the new church. All of the members of the congregation assisted in the work of building the church.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, May 10, 1915]

CHURCHES - SAINTS CHURCH [Leiters Ford, Indiana]

Located south of the Railroad tracks, and was existing in early 1900's according to Fred Stayton.

CHURCHES - SALEM CHURCH [Liberty Township]

SALEM CHURCH WILL BE SOLD AT AUCTION

According to Rev. George Pullman who returned from the Evangelical conference at Kendallville Monday evening, the church heads decided to permit the sale of the Salem church property south of Rochester so that the proceeds of the sale may be used by the local congregation for the purpose of building a new church home.

The Salem church will be sold at auction to the highest bidder and Rev. George Pullman and the trustees of the Salem organization will have charge of the sale. According to Rev. Pullman, the Rochester organization will be unable to begin work on their proposed new building until the spring of 1916. The money, however, will be raised this summer and church plans adopted.

Rev. Pullman said that they had a very pleasant meeting at Kendallville and that Rev. Thomas Bowman, 80, of Pennsylvania, the oldest bishop in America, was present at the meeting.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, April 13, 1915]

CHURCHES - SAND HILL METHODIST CHURCH [Richland Township]

Located NW corner of Old US-31 and 550N.

When the Mount Nebo Church was moved in 1897 to a location 200 feet north of the Sand Hill schoolhouse, it became known as the Sand Hill Methodist Church and was placed on land donated by Mrs. Nancy Robbins.

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[Daniel Robbins Family, Ervan Mark Robbins, *Fulton Co Folks*, Vol. 2, Willard]

CHURCHES - SEVENTH DAY ADVENTISTS [Grass Creek, Indiana]

It was the only church in Grass Creek in 1897, with the Rev. Thomas Harrison as pastor.

CHURCHES - SEVENTH DAY ADVENTISTS [Rochester, Indiana]

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTISTS TO BUILD CHAPEL HERE

The property at the corner of Thirteenth and Elm Streets, formerly owned by Gideon Mohler of Culver, has been purchased by the Seventh-Day Adventists to be converted into a Chapel. According to present plans changes will be made in the building to provide for an auditorium and class rooms.

The Seventh-Day Adventists are well known in Rochester and vicinity. The old church on the corner of Fulton and Sixth Streets was among the early churches in Rochester. Other churches of this denomination have been formed in surrounding communities and are well known to many.

Started Last Summer

The more recent work was started in the city last summer by Evangelistic work conducted in the large tent at 14th and Monroe Streets, near the location of the Chapel. Evangelists T. G. Kroeger and F. O. Sanders were united in this campaign. Following this campaign services were held in the heart of the city, until removal to the chapel.

Evangelist F. O. Sanders who is now pastor of the Seventh-Day Adventists, has had a number of years of experience. Since entering the ministry he has not only done Evangelistic work chiefly in the cities of Evansville, Lafayette and South Bend, but has also taught Bible in three Parochial Schools in conjunction with his pastoral and evangelistic duties. He came to Rochester last summer, after having spent two years in South Bend.

Appreciate Friends

"We appreciate very much the many friends we have found in Rochester and all their good wishes for our success," Evangelist Sanders said. "Seventh-Day Adventists wish to hold aloft the banner of the Fundamentalist amid the world of doubt. We firmly believe every word of God and take the Bible only as our rule of faith. If our chapel can be but a lighthouse to allow the rays of His book to shine more brightly we shall be satisfied."

As planned at present the building will be occupied while the remodeling is being done. The remodeling will not be rushed, but will be completed as funds are available, so the building will always be free from debt.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, May 20, 1935]

CHURCH AND CLERGY

The "Light of the World" spreads its effulgent rays very profusely in Rochester and Fulton county. Eight churches rear their spires heavenward within the corporate limits of the city and the church membership comprises most of our leading citizens. The total membership of the churches is about 1,400 and the 1st of Sabbath school pupils is 670, two hundred and eighty of the remaining 530 children in the city being under Sunday school age. Only 1000 persons, within the city, over 21 years old, are not church members and therefore, it will be readily seen that the Christian religion is so firmly established in Rochester that the moral and social standing of the community is at once worthy of the careful consideration of any desirable citizen who may be seeking a location. The first church service in Rochester was conducted by Rev. Andrew Martin, 60 years ago. He preached occasionally in the log court house and in 1840 the first church class was organized. It was a Methodist class and within a few months the Presbyterians also effected an organization. The Baptists organized in 1860, the Catholics in 1867, the Evangelicals in 1875, the Christians in 1877, The Adventists in 1876, and the Episcopaleans in 1889.

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Wm. Hill, and assistants from the mission field the membership has grown to 87. A sabbath school of about forty attendants is in a flourishing condition, and the membership of the church comprises some of the most substantial citizens of the town.

Elder Hill, the pastor in charge, has been a citizen of Rochester since 1861. He practiced medicine until 1888, when he turned his attention almost entirely to church work. He has been treasurer of the state conference of his church for seventeen years, and has received and disbursed a hundred thousand dollars of church funds during the time. He is now one of the ministers of his church authorized to preach whenever and wherever duty calls him.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, September 20, 1895]

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[Earle A. Miller, *The News-Sentinel*, Monday March 16, 1959]

CHURCHES - SHARON WESLEYAN CHURCH [Aubbeenaubbee Township]

Located NW corner of 800W and 200N.

CHURCHES - SILVER CREEK CHURCH OF GOD [Henry Township]

Located on S side of 100S at approximately 1550E.

CHURCHES - SOUTH GERMANY EVANGELICAL CHURCH [Richland Township]

Located at the SW corner of South Germany Cemetery, at 450N and 500W.

Razed toward the end of the 1920's. The best of the lumber was used in building new class rooms on the Grand View Church located at 500N and 200W.

CHURCHES - SOUTH GERMANY METHODIST CHURCH [Richland Township]

A disagreement on which language to use caused the Methodists to split into two churches in 1876 - North Germany Church using English and South Germany Church using German.

CHURCHES - SPIRITUALIST CHURCH [Rochester, Indiana]

Located upstairs at 824 and 826 Main Street.

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[Directory of Rochester, Ind., 1907, H. F. Crim and A. T. Bitters]

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A society of Progressive Thinkers was organized in Lyceum hall in September, 1881 the principal promoters being Dr. S. S. Terry, (deceased), Hon. Milo R. Smith, Major Bitters, John M. Davis, Robert H. Henkle, and a large number of ladies. The society now numbers about one hundred and twenty people. The first minister was Prof. Chas. W. Peters, of Plymouth, England, who served the society a little more than one year since which time it has been reorganized as one of the established organizations of the city. In the fall of 1892, Temple Hall was constructed for the especial use of the society in the second story of the Long building, and the membership and friends seated it with opera chairs, carpeted the floor and added other adornments making it a very cozy audience room.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, September 20, 1895]

During my early childhood, my mother told me about her going to a so-called Spiritualist church in Rochester. It held its meetings in a room that was upstairs over The Book Store, 1826 Main Street, and the room that joins it on the north, and its charter was granted by the National Spiritualist Association. The Major Bitters family was the foremost leaders of the group, and Marguerite Bitters Miller was active in the church and as a lecturer on the Chautauqua platforms of yesteryears.

I do not know when the church opened or closed its meetings. Possibly, it was active from the latter part of the 1890's to the end of the teens of this century. According to what I was told about the church, the Bitters family furnished most of its financial support. After their demise, there was little money or leadership available; and the church could not continue.

[Spiritualism in Rochester, Rev. Jessie N. Rogers Young, *Fulton Co Folks*, Vol. 2, Willard]

CHURCHES - ST. ANN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH [Kewanna, Indiana]

DEDICATION IN KEWANNA

About 1500 people attended the dedication of St. Ann's Catholic church Sunday at Kewanna. Among those from Rochester who attended were Harry Bernetha and sister, Miss Belle Bernetha, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Delp, Sam Arter, Selden J. Brown, Cal Bitters and family, Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Buchanan, Mike Sheridan and family and Mr. and Mrs. Howard DuBois.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, September 20, 1920]

The first Saint Ann's Church was built around 1860 about two miles NE of Grass Creek, where the Catholic Cemetery is located.

Their first pastor was Father John McMahan.

About 1890 a new church was built across the road on land donated by Henry Ware.

Father Edmund Ley led the movement to build a church in town, and Oct. 21, 1919 the cornerstone was laid for the church in Kewanna. The old building site, church, rectory, barn and shed were sold for \$3,350. The cost of the new church was \$32,000.

[Kewanna, Thelma Johnston, Wade Bussert, Jan Cessna, and Tammy Evans, *Fulton Co Folks*, Vol. 2, Willard]

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CHURCHES - ST. LUKE'S LUTHERAN CHURCH [Newcastle Township]

Located S side of 375E about 50 yards E of corner of 650N.

[NOTE: could this also be St. Paul Lutheran Church?]

Notice to Builders. Letting Jan. 25, 1863, frame for church 50 x 34, Newcastle twp, 1-3/4 miles west of Bloomingburg, on farm formerly owned by Jacob Stockberger. Paul Stockberger.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, January 10, 1863]

See St. John Lutheran Church.

CHURCHES - ST. PAUL'S PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH [Rochester, Indiana]

St. Paul's Protestant Episcopal church organized in 1888 and soon after purchased what was known then as St. John's Lutheran church, which then underwent extensive repairs, later consecrated by Rt. Rev. David Buel Knickerbocker, then Bishop in Indiana. Before the beginning of the 20th century the church was served by the Rev. DeLou Burke and the Rev. William Wist Raymond, rector of St. Thomas church at Plymouth.

[Earle A. Miller, *The News-Sentinel*, Monday March 16, 1959]

CHURCHES - TALMA CHRISTIAN CHURCH [Newcastle Township]

Located just across the Tippecanoe river at Talma, at approximately 525E and 675N.

CHURCHES - TALMA M. E. CHURCH [Newcastle Township]

Located on the West side of SR25 at the North end of Talma.

CHURCHES - TEMPLE HALL [Rochester, Indiana]

In 1891 a society of Progressive Thinkers was organized in Lyceum Hall, the principal promoters being Dr. S. S. Terry, Hon. Milo R. Smith, Editor Major Bitters, John M. Davis, Robert H. Henkle and a large number of ladies. The first minister was Prof. Charles W. Peters of Plymouth, England. In the fall of 1892 Temple Hall was constructed for the special use of the society on the second floor of the Long building, over what is now the Book Store and Walle's Jewelry store.

CHURCHES - TIOSA BRETHREN CHURCH [Richland Township]

Located 200E and approximately 675N, at Tiosa.

Built in 1884.

CHURCH DEDICATION

The dedication of the Tiosa Brethren church will take place next Sunday, Nov. 8, with services at 11 a.m., 2 p.m., and 7:30 p.m., conducted by Rev. Furry of Ashland, O. Invitations are being extended generally to participate in the services and the big basket dinner.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Monday, November 2, 1914]

CHURCHES - TIOSA CHRISTIAN CHURCH [Tiosa, Indiana]

Moved from NE corner of 200E and 700N at the N edge of town, into the burned area W of the elevator.

Church did not grow and was eventually torn down.

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CHURCHES - TIOSA ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH [Richland Township]

Located near Tiosa.

Existed in the 1870's.

Consolidated Jan. 11, 1931 with St. John Lutheran Church, Rochester.

CHURCHES - TIPPECANOE CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE

[Bloomingsburg, Indiana]

In 1877 William Feece was ordained minister at the Tippecanoe Christian Conference at Bloomingsburg, now known as Talma. He could not read, so my grandmother would read the Bible to him; then without any notes he would preach his sermons.

Many a time he would come home and Grandmother would ask if he received any money so she could get groceries. He said "no", but he sure did save many a soul.

[Peter Feece Family, William R. Feece, Sr., *Fulton Co Folks*, Vol. 2, Willard]

CHURCHES - UNION CHURCH [Rochester Township]

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[Peter Feece Family, William R. Feece, Sr., *Fulton Co Folks*, Vol. 2, Willard]

CHURCHES - UNITED BRETHREN CHURCH [Athens, Indiana]

NEW U.B. CHURCH AT ATHENS WILL HAVE DEDICATION SUNDAY

The town of Athens, five miles east of here, will be the mecca for hundreds all day Sunday when the new \$20,000 United Brethren Church will be dedicated by services which will take place morning, afternoon and night. Members in charge of the day's program are making plans to take care of the large crowds which are expected at the various services and at the meals to be served.

Fifty years ago the old brick church was built at the edge of the town near the cemetery and has served the congregation until the present day. The growing membership finally made necessary the new structure and the members will see their efforts of several years brought to a successful [sic] and Sunday when they take possession of the large modern edifice. In addition the parsonage next door will also be dedicated.

The church will seat 230 in the auditorium and has ten separate Sunday School rooms, a pastor's study and ladies rest room. In the basement there is room to serve 150 persons at one time and a modern kitchen with running water.

The program for all day Sunday is as follows: - - - - -

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Friday, November 18, 1927]

ATHENS U.B.

The Athens United Brethren Church was organized in 1876, Rev. Richardson held a revival meeting in a school house a mile east of where the town of Athens is located. There were several conversions in this meeting. As a result from this meeting the people of the community began to feel the need of a church.

Rev. William Bass came and organized a United Brethren Class and then they began to make plans for a new church.

Mr. Rannells deeded the ground to the Mt. Hope United Brethren Church and the ground to go back to the Rannells estate when not accepted by the United Brethren Church.

The trustees that were appointed for the building of the church were Ben Moore, Daniel Cuffel, William Zellers, Isaac Moore and Mark Bowen. These men went around in the community

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and secured enough money to build a brick church. This church still stands about 1/2 mile east of Athens.

Rev. Coverstone dedicated the church and was the first preacher to preach in the new church. Some great revivals were held in this church which was used until November 22, 1927.

In 1925 and 1926 the people began to see the need to remodel or build a new church. After much study it was decided to build a new church in Athens. A lot and house were bought and donated to the United Brethren Church by Mrs. Grace Straich of Rochester, Indiana. A new church was built under the guidance of Rev. J. D. Smith and was dedicated on November 22, 1927.

The Church through these years has supported a strong evangelistic program. It was founded as a result of a revival and since that time each winter or spring, an evangelistic effort has been made.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Thursday, December 6, 1934, p. 23]

CHURCHES - UNITED BRETHREN CHURCH [Bourbon, Marshall County]

ALL ABOUT HERE

Mentone Gazette

The corner stone of the new U. B. church at Bourbon will be laid today, September 1st.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, September 2, 1905]

CHURCHES - UNITED BRETHREN CHURCH [Fulton - South on County line]

See: Pownall, Job V.

The U. B. church on the county line south of Fulton will be dedicated Sunday, February 8th, by Rev. C. M. Brook, of Dayton, Ohio. A cordial invitation extended to all former Pastors and the general public. H. E. Butler, Pastor.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, January 21, 1903]

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Fulton Leader.

The bell on the old U. B. church was bought by James Phillips who had it removed from its moorings yesterday morning and shipped to Benzonia county, Michigan where it will again summon the tired and weary to the holy sanctuary.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, August 10, 1907]

MASONS OPEN CORNER STONE OF U. B. CHURCH

The corner stone of the Fulton United Brethren Church was opened Monday by masons employed in the rebricking of the church. Several interesting memorials, placed in the cornerstone at the time of the laying on September 25, 1906 were found. Some of the papers were crumbling and molded, while others were well preserved. The cornerstone, which was located at the top of the steps to the front entrance, was moved to the southeast corner of the church.

The history of the United Brethren church is closely related to the history of Fulton as its organization dates among the early settlers of the town and its membership has always been in the majority of the church going people of the community. Many of the present members are the sons and daughters and grandchildren of its charter members and early workers.

An article written by Ross Lowe, secretary of the church in 1906, gives an account of the laying of the corner stone. Rev. John Simones, Presiding Elder of the Peru District, delivered the sermon and laid the corner stone on this memorable day. The meeting was dismissed by Rev. J. W. Hindbaugh, pastor of the church.

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Rev. W. S. Gandy was pastor of the church when construction was begun, but he resigned his pastorate a week before the new structure was completed. Trustees at this time were W. R. Patterson, S. M. Fitterling, J. M. Mills, G. M. Conn and William Rouch.

A brief history of the old United Brethren church was also among the interesting papers found. According to this document, the old church was built in the year of 1853 by the Methodist people and was used by them until 1870-1872 when by reason of death and removals they ceased to maintain an organization.

In 1876, Rev. J. M. Pickard, a United Brethren minister, was assigned to the Mill Creek circuit and in the following January, he started a revival, which resulted in the organization of the U. B. Society.

The quarterly conference then appointed a board of trustees consisting of N. A. Louderback, L. W. Pownall and J. V. Reed, who purchased the M. E. church. The church was remodeled and repaired in the fall of 1886 and rededicated by Bishop N. Cassel. The membership at this time totaled 115 members.

A Junior Society was organized in 1905 with 12 members, and at the time the cornerstone was laid the membership had grown to 50. One hundred and fifty were enrolled in the Sunday School.

Besides the history of the church were denominational papers, a copy of the by-laws of the church and a copy of a current issue of the Fulton Leader, published at that time by David Hoffman.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, August 13, 1936]

RE-OPENING OF FULTON UNITED BRETHREN CHURCH

The formal re-opening of the Fulton United Brethren Church was held Sunday with an all-day service. The church has just been re-bricked on the outside and re-decorated on the inside and is very beautiful. The services opened at 9:30 a.m. with the usual Sunday school which was closed by a vocal solo by Kline Reed and he was accompanied by Miss Mary McDougale of Rochester.

Dr. J. B. Showers of Dayton, Ohio then brought a very inspiring message followed by a vocal solo by Mrs. Fern Johnson of Lafayette, with Miss Elsie Jean Bish as her piano accompanist. The meeting was dismissed by Dr. Showers and all assembled in the basement of the church where a delicious basket dinner was enjoyed.

The afternoon meeting which began at 2 o'clock was opened with congregational singing led by Mrs. Truman Ward. Rev. Franklin Arthur, pastor of the Fulton Baptist church gave the prayer. The Nellans sisters sang a duet with their mother, Mrs. Guy Nellans, as their piano accompanist. Rev. Reidenbach, pastor of the Rochester United Brethren church, gave a short talk also. Rev. J. W. Miller of Walkerton, former pastor of Fulton, and Rev. Franklin Arthur followed with a short talk.

Reviews Church History

William Welsheimer of South Whitley sang a solo "The Church By The Side of The Road" and Mrs. William Ford accompanied him at the piano. M. O. Enyart, who has been superintendent of the Fulton U. B. Church for 36 years gave a history of the church which dated back to 1885 when Rev. H. E. Butler was pastor and down to the present time. Mrs. Fern Johnson sang a solo "When The Gates of The Temple Opened" and the meeting was dismissed by Dr. Showers.

The evening meeting began at seven o'clock with congregational singing led by Mrs. Johnson. At the close of the service the congregation stood before the altar where the rededication service was read by Dr. Showers.

Over three thousand dollars was raised Sunday by Dr. Showers with a large amount of this cash to pay off the debt of the church just completed. Dr. Showers was presented a lovely vase of cut flowers by V. L. Barker for the appreciation of the good work done for the Fulton U. B. church Sunday.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, December 1, 1936]

NEW BELL IS INSTALLED IN FULTON U. S. CHURCH

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After several years without any bell the U. B. church in Fulton recently installed a bell in the belfry of the church. The old bell cracked during the winter some years ago.

The newly-installed bell was purchased from a sale and came out of the old McKinley school, located three miles northeast of Rochester, which was the first consolidated school in Indiana.

It is not known how old the bell is although it is thought to be at least 75 years.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, March 13, 1941]

FULTON U. B. CHURCH DESTROYED BY FIRE EARLY SUNDAY A.M.

Fire which is thought to have started from a defective furnace practically destroyed the United Brethren church at Fulton Sunday morning along with nearly all of its contents. The loss was estimated by Fire Marshal Earl Mills at between \$30,000 and \$35,000. The insurance on the building and its contents totaled \$10,000.

The board of trustees of the church, consisting of Schuyler Rouch, chairman; William Cunningham, Ancil Gray, Omer and Lawrence Rouch, announced that the church will be rebuilt and that church services in the meantime will be held in the high school building at Fulton.

Discovered At 7:45 A.M.

The blaze was discovered at 7:45 o'clock Sunday morning. Among the first to see it were Wayne Spencer, aged 14, who has an Indianapolis newspaper route, and James Epperson, who resides nearby the church, who notified Marshal Frank Buckingham. The town marshal turned in the fire alarm.

By the time the Fulton Fire Department arrived the church was so filled with smoke that firemen were unable to enter to get out the furniture or get at the cause of the blaze. A few doors and some seats were the only church furnishings which were saved. A slate roof on the church helped confine the smoke within the structure.

Gutted By Flames

The church building was gutted and today only a portion of the walls remain standing. The church kitchen can be repaired. The Fulton Fire Department was assisted by the departments from Rochester and Twelve Mile.

The fire started shortly after Mrs. James Shoemaker, wife of the janitor of the church, built the fire in the furnace located in the basement and then returned home.

Dam Was Constructed

Water for fighting the fire was obtained from a creek just to the south of the C. & O. railroad crossing at Fulton. Firemen had to string their hose a distance of 1,000 feet from the creek to the church to fight the blaze.

When water in the creek started to run low it was necessary to build a dam three feet high and twenty feet wide in the creek so that the Fulton and Rochester pumpers could suck sufficient water to battle the blaze. Twenty men armed with shovels built the dam in a very short time.

Nearby Structures

The fire had gained such headway that firemen directed their attention to guarding nearby structures. The brick parsonage only a few feet north of the church had a shingle roof. This roof was kept wet so that sparks would not ignite the shingles.

Three pianos and an old organ were among the furniture in the church building which was destroyed. Firemen fought the blaze all of Sunday morning and were called back at 5 o'clock Sunday evening when the smoldering embers again started burning.

Many persons drove to Fulton Sunday to view the ruins of the church and many of them took pictures with their cameras. Half of the belfry fell. A new bell was installed only three weeks ago. This bell was one which was used in the old McKinley school building northeast of Rochester for many years.

Built in 1906

The church building was started in 1906 during the pastorate of Rev. W. F. Gandy and was completed in 1907 when Rev. J. W. Haimbaugh was the pastor, at a reported cost of \$45,000. It was remodeled in the summer of 1936 at which time the exterior was rebricked.

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The church had a seating capacity of 1,000 and a membership of 440. The church is said to have the largest membership of any rural united Brethren church in Indiana and the average attendance at Sunday school is 200. Rev. Stacey Shaw is the present pastor. There are two other churches in Fulton, the Pilgrim Holiness and Baptist.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, March 24, 1941]

FULTON CHURCH TRUSTEES LET BUILDING CONTRACT

Trustees and pastor of the Fulton United Brethren church recently awarded the contract for rebuilding of the church building to Arthur Doran, Peru contractor, for a bid of about \$27,000.

The building, which was destroyed by fire on March 23, 1941, will be entirely rebuilt of brick on exterior and filled blocks on the interior.

Doran and his crew of workmen will begin work on the structure Thursday. Rev. Stacy F. Shaw is the pastor and board of trustees is comprised of Schuyler Rouch, William Cunningham, Omer Rouch, Lawrence Rouch, and Ancil Gray.

[The News-Sentinel, Wednesday, July 16, 1941]

LAY CORNER STONE OF FULTON CHURCH SUNDAY

Several hundred people were present at the corner stone laying ceremonies for the new Fulton United Brethren church Sunday afternoon, when members of the congregation and townspeople of Fulton gathered to celebrate the erection of a new church on the site of the old, which was destroyed by fire in February of this year.

Papers and documents relative to the church and its history were read by Rev. Stacey Shaw, pastor, before they were placed in a metal box and set within the corner stone. Included in the papers were pictures of Rev. Shaw and Rev. B. H. Cain, a small Bible, copy of the deed of the church and parsonage, names of members and officers of Sunday School classes, history of ladies aid society and women's missionary society, pictures of the old church before and after it was destroyed, and a copy of the Fulton Leader.

Rev. B. H. Cain of Warsaw, conference superintendent, and Arthur Doran, Peru building contractor, placed the stone at the southwest corner of the structure, using a gold-plated trowel. Formal dedication of the completed church will be held on Sunday, January 11, with Bishop F. L. Dennis, of Indianapolis, as the speaker.

The Fulton high school band, directed by Marion Seller, Marilou Hartzler, and the high school glee club offered several musical selections at the ceremonies.

Visiting ministers present, all of whom took part in the service, were as follows:

Rev. P. A. Hubbart, Grass Creek U. B. church; Rev. V. L. Garner, Pretty Lake U. B. church; Rev. James Kirby, Pilgrim Holiness church; Rev. Franklin Arthur, Fulton Baptist church; Rev. R. E. Vance, Logansport; Rev. Ivan Holloway, Fulton U. B. circuit; Rev. G. R. Champlin, Rochester U. B. church; Rev. Hugh Hall, Kewanna Baptist church, and Rev. Martin Schwein, Fletcher's Lake Methodist church.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, September 15, 1941]

CHURCHES - UNITED BRETHREN CHURCH [Grass Creek, Indiana]

GRASS CREEK

Kewanna Herald.

For the past several weeks the building committee for the new United Brethren church, to be erected at Grass Creek, have been busy arranging for the erection of the new edifice and the contract will probably be let the latter part of this week for the construction of the church.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, June 24, 1910]

GRASS CREEK CHURCH GETS PART OF ESTATE

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The will of John S. Moore, a well known farmer who lived near Grass Creek, was filed in court Wednesday. He left one-half of his estate, valued at \$12,000, to the trustees of the Grass Creek United Brethren church, the interest on the fund to be used for charitable purposes. The other half of the estate is left to his brothers and sisters. Mr. Moore did not leave any children. William H. Gohl is named as executor and John P. Russell and Isaac E. Hendrickson were the witnesses to the instrument.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, June 28, 1916]

CHURCHES - UNITED BRETHREN CHURCH [Rochester, Indiana]

Located SE corner 6th & Pontiac.

United Brethren, 601 Pontiac St., Rev. N. L. Stanbaugh, Pastor.
[Directory of Rochester, Ind., 1907, H. F. Crim and A. T. Bitters]

Fifty years ago . . . The Rev. H. E. Butler was the United Brethren pastor . . .
[Earle A. Miller, Rochester *Sentinel*, Wednesday, April 25, 1962]

Later housed Liberty Baptist Church.

LOCAL PASTORS GIVE RELIGIOUS CHRONICLES

The Church of the United Brethren in Christ was first organized in the Adventist Church on Fulton Street, in the spring of 1900. Rev. Daniel Showley came to Rochester from Plymouth, and organized the church following an evangelistic campaign. There were forty charter members, and in the first year that number was greatly increased.

After much dabating and anticipation, definite plans were made for a new building. The Adventist church was inadequate in meeting the needs of the new growing organization. The lot on the southeast corner of Pontiac and Sixth streets was purchased from George I. Miller, August 17, 1900. Work started in the erection of the new church as soon as the material was placed on the grounds. Work progressed rapidly and by January of 1901, the building was completed.

The dedication of the new church was held Sunday, January 27, 1901. Dr. W. R. Funk, who was director of the United Brethren Publishing House at that time was the guest speaker, and dedicated the church. Other visiting ministers were: Rev. F. Thomas of North Manchester, Rev. R. P. Burton of Elkhart, Rev. M. W. Hobbs of Fulton and Rev. P. Overmyer of Erie, Indiana. The first trustees of the church who took part in this service were N. B. Green, Charles Izzard and E. T. Askill.

From the very beginning the church was strong in it's evangelistic program, in fact it's birth was realized through the efforts and results of an evangelistic effort in 1900. The first ten years through the evangelistic efforts, brought forth a gain of members and a gain in spirit and interest.

The first Sunday School was organized by Rev. Showley, and the first Sunday School superintendent to be elected was Mrs. Daniel Showley, the minister's wife. Those first few years of rapid growth and up to this present writing, the Sunday School has been a main factor in adding members and increased spirit to the church.

Not only has the church increased through the results from the Sunday School and evangelistic efforts, but it has also gained spiritual strength by the maintenance of a mid-week service throughout these thirty-four years. During the pastorate of Rev. George R. Crane, the attendance at the prayer meetings reached an average of seventy-five each Thursday night.

The church also grew in strength through the efforts of the young people's Sunday School Class and the Christian Endeavor. Since that time, this organization has been an active arm of the church, and has been supplying all other departments and organizations with leadership.

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During Rev. H. E. Butler's pastorate the Queen Esther Sunday School Class was organized. Since that time that class has been very active in the activities of the church and has contributed much in spirit and leadership to the church.

In 1916-1921 Rev. G. R. Crane was pastor of the church and organized the Brotherhood Class for men which is still active and has added much to the strength of the church.

ATHENS U.B.

The Athens United Brethren Church was organized in 1876, Rev. Richardson held a revival meeting in a school house a mile east of where the town of Athens is located. There were several conversions in this meeting. As a result from this meeting the people of the community began to feel the need of a church.

Rev. William Bass came and organized a United Brethren Class and then they began to make plans for a new church.

Mr. Rannells deeded the ground to the Mt. Hope United Brethren Church and the ground to go back to the Rannells estate when not accepted by the United Brethren Church.

The trustees that were appointed for the building of the church were Ben Moore, Daniel Cuffel, William Zellers, Isaac Moore and Mark Bowen. These men went around in the community and secured enough money to build a brick church. This church still stands about 1/2 mile east of Athens.

Rev. Coverstone dedicated the church and was the first preacher to preach in the new church. Some great revivals were held in this church which was used until November 22, 1927.

In 1925 and 1926 the people began to see the need to remodel or build a new church. After much study it was decided to build a new church in Athens. A lot and house were bought and donated to the United Brethren Church by Mrs. Grace Straich of Rochester, Indiana. A new church was built under the guidance of Rev. J. D. Smith and was dedicated on November 22, 1927.

The Church through these years has supported a strong evangelistic program. It was founded as a result of a revival and since that time each winter or spring, an evangelistic effort has been made.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Thursday, December 6, 1934, p. 23]

UNITED BRETHREN CHURCH WILL CELEBRATE 35TH ANNIVERSARY

* * * * Photo of Church * * * *

Rev. B. H. Cain will be guest speaker at the Every Member Day services in the United Brethren Church Sunday morning at 9:30. Rev. Cain is a forceful speaker and will have a challenge for both the youth and adults. This is also the observance of the thirty-fifth year since the building of the church.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, November 14, 1935]

LOCAL CHURCH WILL BURN NOTES SUNDAY AFTERNOON

Rev. David Livengood, minister of the Rochester United Brethren church, announced today that one of the most important ceremonies in the history of the church will be conducted Sunday when the congregation will burn notes of a long standing debt, that were paid in the past four months.

Principal speaker at the ceremony will be the conference superintendent of the St. Joseph northern Indiana conference, Dr. B. H. Cain. Also expected to attend are a number of visiting ministers and friends.

The Sunday services will also celebrate the complete redecoration recently completed in the church.

[The News-Sentinel, Wednesday, July 26, 1944]

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[The News-Sentinel, Wednesday, July 26, 1944]

CHURCHES - UNITED BRETHREN CHURCH [Walnut, Indiana]

FANSLER GETS CONTRACT TO BUILD WALNUT CHURCH

A. R. Fansler, head of the Fansler Lumber Co. of this city, today announces that his firm has been awarded the contract to build a United Brethren church at Walnut, northeast of this city. The contract price is \$31,846.00.

Work is to start just as soon as a permit is obtained from the WPB offices at South Bend.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, May 16, 1944]

NEW WALNUT CHURCH TO BE DEDICATED SUNDAY

The new and modern Walnut Church of the Brethren will be dedicated with fitting services on Sunday afternoon, March 18, according to an announcement by the pastor, the Rev. C. C. Cripe.

The new edifice, one of the finest rural church buildings in this section of the state, was recently completed by the A. R. Fansler Lumber Co., of this city, the general contractor. Local sub-contractors were Paul Eiler, electric wiring, and Burton & Miller, plumbing.

Services scheduled for the dedicatory program include morning worship and afternoon sermon by Dr. V. F. Scwalm, president of Manchester college, and evening sermon by Rev. Howard Kreider. A special musical program has been arranged and the public is invited to all services.

[The News-Sentinel, Wednesday, March 14, 1945]

CHURCH DEDICATION AT WALNUT HUGE SUCCESS

Crowds who gathered to attend the dedication of the Walnut Church of the Brethren last Sunday overflowed the capacity of the edifice to hold them. At least 50 people stood on the outside during some of the services of the day, which began at 10 a.m. and ran through the afternoon and at night. More than 800 people were there, according to careful estimates made by the pastor, Rev. C. C. Cripe.

It was a great day for the Walnut church. In three years this church will be eligible to celebrate its one hundredth anniversary, since the congregation was organized in 1848. The new church is the third to be built on the site, and is an outstanding monument of the religious and progressive spirit of the community.

A special guest at the dedication was Rev. C. H. Deardorff of Elgin, Ill. During the day's services a total of \$4,948 in cash was raised for the church, and \$1,000 in pledges. The cost of the edifice, not counting the seating and other furnishings, was \$35,000. There remains unpaid a balance of about \$6,500.

[The News-Sentinel, Wednesday, March 21, 1945]

CHURCHES - UNIVERSALIST CHURCH [Rochester, Indiana]

Rev. A. Gorman, Universalist, will preach tomorrow (Sunday) morning, at 10-1/2 o'clock, in Wallace's Hall.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, January 8, 1859]

Religious Notice. There will be Universalist Preaching at the Court House at 11 o'clock Sunday (tomorrow) the 22nd inst.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, January 21, 1860]

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Preaching. Rev. Wm. J. Chaplin, (Universalist) will preach at the Court House on Sunday, January 26th. . .

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, January 16, 1868]

CHURCHES - WEASAW CHURCH [Union Twp., Miami County, Indiana]

Located adjacent to Weasaw Cemetery, on the north side of 800N between 230W and 300W in Union Township, Miami County, Indiana.

HE HELPED LAY THE BRICK

Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Bitters and Rev. and Mrs. C. F. Moon attended the Weasaw reunion Thursday which was held at the Weasaw church south of Deedsville. Both men were residents of this community many years ago and Mr. Bitters helped lay the brick that went into the church more than 46 years ago. He had not been back to the site since that time until this day.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, October 7, 1920]

CHURCHES - WINEBRENNAR CHURCH OF GOD [Akron, Indiana]

Chester and Mamie Morris were members of the Akron Church of God while they spent their life-time as residents of the Akron community. His father, Monroe Morris, and his mother were members of the (Winebrennar) Church of God, a split off of the Ana-Baptism Church, which originated in Germany. It was located where the present Lion's Den is today, on the southwest corner of Maple and Walnut streets, a block north and a block east of the library.

[Daniel Whittenberger - Monroe Morris Family, Kate Morris Jennens, *Fulton Co Folks*, Vol. 2, Willard]

CHURCHES - YELLOW CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH [Newcastle Township]

Located on farm owned by Henry and Apolina Haimbaugh and was donated by the Merediths in 1834. Just south of SR-25, on the E side of 825E, between 800N and 700N at approximately 775N. Abandoned in 1917.

CHURCHES - ZION CHURCH [Aubbeenaubbee Township]

Located on the West side of 1100W at approximately 275N.

Previously called Bush Church.

CHURCHES - ZION CHURCH [Richland Township] ???

CHUTE & BUTLER CO. [Rochester, Indiana]

[Adv] Have You Taken advantage of the Great Factory Piano Sale which is going on at the Chute & Butler Co's. branch store? - - - Special Introductory Sale - - - - CHUTE & BUTLER CO., 107 E. Ninth St., South Side of Square.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, August 11, 1914]

PIANO CO. MOVING

E. J. Burr, local agent for the Chute & Butler piano Co., of Peru, will close out his business here and move to Warsaw, where he will open up a new store for the Peru Co. Mr. Burr has been in business in Rochester for some time.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, October 9, 1915]

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WILL NOT MOVE

E. J. Burr, local manager for the Chute and Butler Piano Co., told a SENTINEL representative Sunday that he did not intend to move away from Rochester and that the branch would remain here. The company is thinking of starting a branch at Warsaw.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, October 11, 1915]

GIVES UP AGENCY

E. J. Burr, who went to Indianapolis this morning, has recently given up the local agency for the Chute and Butler Piano Co., of Peru.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, March 31, 1916]

CIGAR MAKERS and MANUFACTURERS [Rochester, Indiana]

See:

The Model Cigar Co.

R. K. Gilliland

Carr & Hall

William Harding

Howard H. Hood

Albert B. Chamberlain [see obit, The News-Sentinel, Mon., June 9, 1930]

Clem V. Leonard

Calvin C. Hoover [see obit, The News-Sentinel, Tues Dec 22, 1931]

Alfred "Pipey" Goodrich and Bob White [see obit for Alfred Goodrich,
The News-Sentinel, Monday, Feb. 24, 1930]

W. B. Yost

Charles Brouillette

Daniel Connors

F. Dovichi

Newton Izzard

O. C. Miner

Murl Tipton

Grant Betz

Oscar Brickle

[Adv] The ROCHESTER CIGAR FACTORY, the ONLY place in the county where cigars are manufactured, is the BEST place in Northern Indiana to buy choice Brands of Tobacco at bargains. The Famous "BEAUTY" and "EAGLE" Cigars are made here, also the popular "HAND MADE." These well known brands are for sale at nearly all Cigar stands in this locality. - - - LEVI S. EMRICK, Factory and Store, 1st Door South of P.O.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, January 18, 1879]

LOCAL and MISCELLANEOUS

Charley Brouillette has now got his cigar factory located in its new quarters, opposite the post office, and having thoroughly renovated and repaired the room, has now one of the neatest stands in the city. The cigars he manufactures have a wide reputation, and find a ready sale wherever they are offered. Dealers will do well to call on him at his new quarters where they will find a choice line of cigars and every article found in a tobacconist's line. When not present in person, he has the genial and affable Frank Richter as his salesman to wait on customers.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, October 7, 1885]

[Adv] Smoke the "BEAUTY!". Chas. Brouillette, Manufacturer of Fine CIGARS. - - - Try the MON AMI, the best 5c cigar in market. CHAS. BROUILLETTE, Rochester, Indiana.

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[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, October 21, 1885]

[Adv] SMOKE A CIGAR Made by a Rochester Cigar Maker: Nickel, Red Fellows, Town Clock, Maine, KOTM, Rose Bud, A. M. Home, Jefferson, Beauty, Fulton County Bar - - - - DAWSON & RICHTER.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, October 7, 1898]

DISSOLUTION NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the firm of cigar manufacturers known as the ROCHESTER CIGAR COMPANY is dissolved by mutual consent, Mr. Hoover retiring. REUB GILLILAND, CAL HOOVER, WILL DEWITT, April 18, 1899.

[Rochester Sentinel Thursday, April 20, 1899]

LOCAL NEWS

The Rochester Cigar Company has moved its factory from Citizens' block to the up-stairs rooms next to the old Kendrick hotel, in Centennial block.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, October 1, 1900]

LOCAL NEWS

One of the enterprises of Rochester that does a much larger business than many people suppose is the Rochester Cigar company. Their factory is in Centennial block, over Shelton's grocery, and here they employ at least a dozen hands. They manufacture the Town Clock cigar, and it is not only sold in large quantities here, but in other cities. The company advertises in many neighboring papers.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, May 22, 1901]

LOCAL NEWS

Oscar Brickle, formerly employed at the Rochester cigar factory, is now employed by the Home cigar company, of Flint, Mich.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, June 13, 1901]

LOCAL NEWS

The Rochester Cigar company closed a deal yesterday, by which they absorb the cigar factory heretofore operated by Ad Reiter. Mr. Reiter has accepted employment with the company.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, July 2, 1901]

TO SMOKERS

Today I have placed on the local market my new cigar, "The Evening Sentinel." In its manufacture I have used the very best leaf tobacco that can be bought for this grade of goods, and the utmost care has been taken in the manufacture, curing and packing of these cigars. These goods are now placed on the markets in the hope of pleasing the discerning smokers of this city. A ask for them a trial. Respt., C. C. HOOVER.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, July 25, 1901]

WHERE YOU CAN FIND THEM?

You may find the delicious Evening Sentinel Cigars on sale at the business stores of the following named gentlemen:

Lou Davison, Wm. Demont, John Day, E. J. Clinger, G. P. Keith, Chas. Richard, L. E. Downey, Mitchell & Brouillette, R. P. True, Dawson & Richter, A. Ruh, Bill Boyer, M. Felts, E. L. Southard, J. Timbers, Bailey Bros., Wm. Downey, K. Westrick, P. M. Shore, Tom Hawkins, Shannon Mackey, King & Son, Chas. Mitchell, Wm. Crable, Geo. Mitchell, Chas. Robbins, Chas. Kilmer, T. N. Wright, A. H. Skinner and Dave Myers. (Coney)

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[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, August 6, 1901]

LOCAL NEWS

Buy "Our Boom" Cigar.
Smoke "Our Boom" Cigar.
"Our Boom" cigar is great.

Smoke 449 Cigars. They are the best 5 cent smokers in town.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, August 8, 1901]

LOCAL NEWS

The Rochester Cigar Co. has leased the Arlington block room, formerly occupied by Miller & Zartman, as a carriage store, and will move the factory therein within a few days. The front part will be fitted up as a retail cigar and tobacco stand and the rear will be occupied by the large force of cigar makers employed by this energetic, enterprising firm.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, November 16, 1901]

LOCAL NEWS

The local union of the Nation Cigar Makers Union have elected the following officers for the year 1902: Chas. Scholders, president; B. Chamberlain, vice president and secretary; Doc Brickle, recording secretary and treasurer; and Chas. Scholders, Alfred Goodrich and Cella Moore, trustees.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, January 10, 1902]

LOCAL NEWS - SATURDAY

In a shipment of some samples of his new "Bully" cigars to the SENTINEL from Charley Brouillette, who recently left here to open a cigar factory in Whiting, wrote on one box, "Hand to next sheriff of Fulton county, and oblige" and we took them over to Stella Bailey.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, May 3, 1902]

The Rochester Cigar Store will receive reports of the Fitzsimmons-Jeffries prize fight, Friday night, from the gathering of the sports at the ring side to the last round. You have an invitation to be present.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, July 26, 1902]

LOCAL NEWS

The Nickle cigar made by Carr & Leonard has been one of the most popular cigars ever made in Rochester and they say the new Red Cross is a better one.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, January 29, 1903]

[Adv] Smoke the New Auto Cigar. Made by Union Workmen in a Cigar Factory, and from the best of tobacco. Everybody sells them. - - - ROCHESTER CIGAR COMPANY.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, August 1, 1903]

ONLY UNION IN ROCHESTER

It may be of some interest to SENTINEL readers to note that Rochester is among the list of smaller cities to boast of having a union in its midst. The union just spoken of is the Rochester Cigar Maker's Union, which was organized in 1895. The workmen in the cigar factories here at that time decided that their wages were not as high as they should be, and they took the only open

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course, that of uniting forces and then demand their rights. Accordingly they met one evening in the cigar factory owned by Chas Izzard and perfected the organization, with Andrew Carr, Pres., Geo Van Skike, Sec and Wm DeWitt, Treas. The charter members were Geo Van Skike, Andrew Carr, B. Chamberlain, R. Gilliland, John Hall, Chas Scholder, Wm DeWitt, Clem Leonard, Harry Miller, Harry Russell, Cal Hoover and Alfred Goodrich. Of this number Geo Van Skike is dead and Harry Miller is located at Arcadia. To this number a good many have been added and several have dropped out, but the organization is still flourishing and a meeting is held every month in Carr & Leonard's cigar factory where they talk on topics for the betterment of themselves both socially and financially. All of the members are gentlemanly fellows and speak well for their chosen profession.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, February 15, 1904]

NEWS OF THE DAY

The Rochester cigar company has received an order for two hundred Prima Vueltra ten cent cigars from F. M. Merrick, of Paris, France.

[Rochester Sentinal, Thursday, April 14, 1904]

NEWS OF THE DAY

Model and Tacora cigars are made at home and you not only help home people when you buy them but you get better goods than foreign cigars.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, July 19, 1904]

NEWS OF THE DAY

Wm. DeWitt has disposed of his interest in the Rochester Cigar store to his partner, Reuben Gilliland. Mr. DeWitt will probably go to Oklahoma in a short time.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, December 13, 1904]

W. RICHTER SPRINGS A NEW CIGAR

W. N. Richter has recently introduced a new brand of cigars -- Wadsworth Bros. Chico. In size and quality they are the style of a ten cent cigar, but retail at five cents straight.

Mr. Richter's aim is to give the smokers of Rochester the best goods possible, and he believes that in pushing and recommending the Chicos he has done a good thing for people who like a good cigar at a reasonable price.

The Chicos are made from a long clean Havana filter, and burn with a solid ash. In flavor and fragrance they can not be told from cigars that retail at ten and fifteen cents. The fact that they are today the favorite smoke of the most fastidious trade, people who heretofore smoked nothing but ten and fifteen cent cigars, show that this is true. Prove it for yourself, however, by trying a Chico. Put down a dime at W. N Richter's cigar counter and see if the two cigars you get are not better than any cigar you ever smoked before at twice the money.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday March 29, 1905]

NEWS OF THE DAY

All the men who make C. O. D. cigars live in Rochester and spend their money here. And they make the best grade of goods too.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, October 15, 1905]

NEWS OF THE DAY

Made in Rochester, smoked by all lovers of a fine tasting, easy pulling cigar. And its flavor is all pure tobacco -- The Koh-I-noor.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, October 15, 1905]

CIGAR FACTORY SOLD

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A transaction took place whereby Newton Izzard became owner of the cigar factory formerly owned by Charles Izzard and Harry Russel. The new proprietor will continue to manufacture the same brand of cigars which have been so well known and which have sold with great success in the last ten years. The Model cigar is their leading brand and has an established reputation as being one of the best five cent smokes made.

Charles Izzard has not fully decided what he will do now, but will probably locate in Michigan. He is one of the oldest cigar makers in Rochester and for the last eighteen years has run a cigar factory in the same room which he now occupies. Mr. Russel will continue working in the shop as an employee of the new proprietor.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, May 23, 1907]

NEWS OF THE DAY

Newton Izaard the owner of the Model Cigar factory which he lately purchased from his brother Charley Izzard, has bought the O.I.C. factory of C. C. Hoover. Mr. Izzard will consolidate the two factories and will occupy the O.I.C. quarters over Henry Myers' saloon.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, July 6, 1907]

NEWS OF THE DAY

The name of the popular "Red Cross" cigar has been changed to the "Grand." The manufacturer, Clem Leonard, says that there is a law against using the flag or the term Red Cross for advertising purposes, hence the change of name.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, August 23, 1907]

[Adv] Try a Town Clock Cigar.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, February 10, 1908]

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION

Notice is hereby given, that the partnership of the firm of Cal C. Hoover and Newton M. Izzard, known as the Model Cigar Co., of Rochester, Ind., has, this 9th day of April, 1908, been dissolved by mutual consent, except for out standing accounts. The business of the Model Cigar Co. will be continued by N. M. Izzard, and Mr. Hoover will continue business in the name of C. C. Hoover. - CAL C. HOOVER, NEWTON M. IZZARD.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, April 10, 1908]

A MILLION A YEAR

Did you know that Rochester makes more than a million cigars each year and smokes half that many more?

Such is the fact. It means that Rochester men spend \$50,000.00 for home made cigars and around \$25,000.00 for out of town brands. Of this sum about \$12,500.00 goes to the cigar-makers who live and support their families in this city. Practically the same amount goes to the dealers who sell cigars, and the six manufacturers also profit. From these figures it will be seen that the cigar industry is of considerable importance to Rochester.

Six factories are in operation here: The Rochester Cigar Company, Cal Hoover, C. V. Leonard, Carr & Hall, A. B. Chamberlain and the Model Cigar Co., and around 25 people are employed the year around. Practically the entire output of the factories are consumed in this city, little or no effort being made to attract outside trade. The average wages of employees in the cigar trade in this city is around \$10.00 per week. The expert cigar makers often making double this sum, but "strippers" and apprentices reduce the average to the above mentioned figure. All manufacturers employ union labor, and the local cigar makers union is a prosperous body with a healthy bank account. Alfred Goodrich is president, Chas. Scholder, secretary and Fred Hetzner, treasurer.

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Rochester is to be congratulated on supporting six factories, and for her loyalty to home brands, but those who are anxious to see a bigger and busier Rochester want to sell still more cigars made in Rochester and this result can be accomplished of those who consume nearly a quarter of a million out-of-town brands can be induced to favor the home product.

Probably twenty-five different brands are made in Rochester, commencing with a good "two-fer" and ranging up to ten cent cigar of excellent quality, and in this wide range the taste of the most critical smoker ought to be satisfied. If the sale of out of town brands could be eliminated it would mean work for a dozen or more cigar makers and an increase of around \$5,000.00 in local pay rolls.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, March 9, 1909]

[Adv] A new One & A Good One. THE RICHARD LEE 5c cigar. Try one. Home Made. Union Made. MODEL CIGAR CO.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, March 26, 1909]

NEWS OF THE DAY

Messrs Will and Fred Hetzner have opened a new cigar factory in the Arlington Block, and will have their brands on the market within the next few weeks. At the start they will confine themselves to two five cent brands which are to be known as the "Kai Gee" and "A Peach." While Rochester is already very well supplied with cigar factories the SENTINEL is glad to welcome any new industry and predicts success for the new firm.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, May 19, 1909]

NEWS OF THE DAY

The Model Cigar Company have moved their factory into the Shore room on Main street, just north of the Mark Music Co., and have added a retail branch. The Model Cigar Co., makes Model, the Richard Lee and a new 5c cigar, the Will o' the Wisp, which is said to be an exceptionally fine smoke for a nickel. Mr. Izzard travels to the neighboring cities and is building up a fine trade on Rochester-made cigars.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, August 23, 1909]

[Adv] Every Time You Buy a cigar -- be particular and see that it comes from a box bearing THE BLUE UNION LABEL. All cigars for these boxes are strictly high-grade and are sold upon honor. All tobaccos used in their manufacture are from the best and finest selected stock in the world. To be brief every time you buy and smoke them you PATRONIZE HOME INDUSTRY and encourage an organization that is in every way worthy of generous patronage. That is:- CIGAR MAKERS INTERNATIONAL UNION No. 379, Rochester, Ind.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, September 9, 1909]

CIGAR STORE CHANGES HANDS

The Main street cigar store operated by Chas. Mitchell for several years has changed hands and the new owners took possession at once.

The present proprietors are Mel True and David Shaw, both of whom are well known by nearly everybody in this city. As they will run an up-to-date cigar store, it is predicted they will do a flourishing business.

Mr. Mitchell, the retiring proprietor, will now pay his entire attention to his cigar stand at the Arlington hotel, where he is widely known by the traveling public.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, January 21, 1910]

NEWS OF THE DAY

The Model Cigar Company moved today from their room on Main street, to the Stilla Bailey building across from the Lake Erie depot, which has been occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Alva McCarter.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, February 8, 1910]

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[Adv] W. B. HETZNER, Manufacturer of 10c A. M. Palmer, 5c K.G., 5c A Peach Cigars. They are sold at all good Cigar Stores.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, March 23, 1910]

[Adv] SMOKE UP - - if you are not "Right in line," our O.I.C. cigars are made of the stuff to put you there. They are strictly hand made and home made and are sold by all dealers who handle good cigars. C. C. HOOVER, Mrgr., 112 E. Sixth St., Rochester.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, March 23, 1910]

[Adv] NOW VISIBLE IN ROCHESTER. Can be seen wherever good cigars are sold. A hand-made, home-made, union-made 5 cent cigar of splendid quality - "The Comet" Superior to many and as good as any. - - - manufactured by MODEL CIGAR CO., N. M. Izzard.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, April 20, 1910]

[Adv] Commercial Club smoke, 5-cent cigar. Alex Ruh's Blue drug store.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, June 4, 1910]

AKRON

Akron Tribune.

Simon Brown, well known in this section, has decided that carpenter, contractor and cigar manufacturer is a pretty good combination, and, as a consequence, has purchased a controlling interest in the Akron Cigar Company.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, January 7, 1911]

[Adv] WANTED 15 Cigarmakers for Havanna Hand Made Cigars. Also five strippers. R. K. GILLILAND, Rochester, Ind.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, July 26, 1911]

NEW INDUSTRY FOR CITY

R. K. Gilliland, proprietor of the Rochester cigar factory, has decided to go into the wholesale manufacture of his famous brand, "La Planta," and to that end is making preparations to work from twenty to thirty cigarmakers in his shop. Mr. Gilliland has leased the entire second floor over the old American restaurant and will have ample room to manufacture 50,000 cigars a week. He already has advance orders for several hundred thousand and has assurance from large wholesale concerns that the entire output of the factory will be taken.

The present working force of five will be increased as fast as cigarmakers can be secured, and besides advertising, secretaries of the Cigarmakers' union in surrounding cities have been written asking that they send men to Rochester.

With thirty men working steadily the shop's payroll will reach about \$500 weekly. This amount would be turned directly into the trade channels of the city and will, indeed, be a welcome industry.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, July 26, 1911]

TRADE PICKING UP

One of Rochester's largest cigar manufacturers is responsible for the statement that the cigar trade is once more coming into its own and that makers of cigars have nothing to complain of in the way of trade. "You see," said he, "the greatest trouble right after Christmas and the holidays, ending with New Year's, is that there are so many who swear off smoking. This hurts our trade to beat the band and sometimes the slack hangs on for a long time. However, this year those who swore off are letting their resolutions slip pretty fast and their coming back into the fold makes business good."

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Another thing that puts a damper on the cigar trade for several weeks is that nearly every mother's son receives a box or two of cigars as a Christmas present and it takes them about so long to smoke them up.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, January 16, 1912]

NEWS OF THE DAY

The Lake Erie restaurant is being re-opened and Mrs. Verna Metz, the former proprietor, will be in charge. The Izzard cigar factory that has occupied the room has been moved upstairs in the same building.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, April 1, 1912]

[Adv] A well balanced Cigar for flavor, mildness, quality and burn -- its name is CHAMBERLAIN'S SINGLE BINDER. Try One Today.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, February 8, 1913]

[Adv] Lake Manitou and O. U. splendid smokes. J. B. HALL & SON, Manufacturer.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, March 25, 1913]

FIRM TAKES NEW NAME

The Hoover Cigar Factory changed its name this morning. The title is now Hoover & Son, Cal. Hoover having taken his son, Harold, into the business.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, June 2, 1913]

MAKES MANY CIGARS

During the month of July, A. B. Chamberlain manufactured 21,250 cigars, 20,000 of them being "Single Binders," which seem to be one of the most popular local brands. He paid out \$62.75 in tax on the tobacco and several times that much for the manufacture of the "smokes."

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, August 2, 1913]

CIGAR MAKERS ARE HARD HIT

Rochester cigar makers who have been in the habit of rolling their own smokes and whose appetite for the week has brought on the habit of smoking more than three cigars a day will be hard hit when their employer tells them that from now on 21 cigars a week is the limit. After they have cleaned up their allowance of 21 cigars, cigar makers will hereafter be on an equal footing with other tobacco users and must buy their smokes over the counter.

The local manufacturers have just been notified that the above ruling will be enforced and attention is called to the heavy fine that is provided for a violation of the rules. The ruling is made by the revenue authorities. It says that cigar makers may be allowed 21 cigars a week for their own use and for experimental purposes and that all over this amount must be packed in boxes and covered by the proper revenue stamp.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, October 1, 1913]

LEAVES AKRON

The C. W. Clark cigar factory has left Akron and it is said that they will set up a new factory in Kewanna. This is a second effort made to run a cigar factory in Akron.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, October 18, 1913]

DELONG

Our cigar maker, Mr. Sorchadge, has begun to make cigars, his supplies having arrived.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, November 1, 1913]

MURL TIPTON DIES AFTER LONG ILLNESS

Arna Murl TIPTON died Saturday evening at five o'clock after a long illness. Death was caused by tuberculosis. Mr. Tipton was a cigar maker but had not worked at his trade for over two years. During the last year he had great trouble with his eyes.

Mr. Tipton was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac TIPTON and was born in Rochester June 4, 1884. He learned the cigar maker's trade early in life and joined the local union when he was 19 years of age. On March 19, 1903, he was married to Bessie BELL. Two children were born to them, one of whom is living, Crystal TIPTON. Mr. Tipton was one of nine children, only one of whom is living, Raymond TIPTON. His father and mother are both living.

Mr. Tipton was a member of the Eagle lodge, which order conducted the funeral this afternoon at two o'clock. Rev. G. C. PULLMAN had charge of the services.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, June 22, 1914]

[local cigar makers advertise their brands for Xmas: "Single Binder" 5 cent cigars; "The Dawson" cigars in fancy cans - to be had only at the Dawson Drug Store; "Silk Tie" the best 5 cent smoke on the market; Reiter's "No. 29" Cigar.]

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, December 19, 1914]

A NEW CIGAR FACTORY

Grant BETZ, who has but recently returned to Rochester, has started a cigar factory and is now running full blast. He is doing his work at his home on Franklin ave. The new cigar is called the "Progress."

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, January 3, 1916]

EIGHT CIGAR SHOPS

Local smokers now have to smoke home made cigars as there are eight shops in Rochester owned by the following men: H. A. REITER, C. V. LEONARD, Ed HETZNER, R. K. GILLILAND, Cal HOOVER, Newton IZZARD, Grant BETZ and B. CHAMBERLAIN. Nearly 25 different brands of cigars are manufactured by the above men.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, January 25, 1916]

FACTORY CLOSED

Jack Downs, who several years ago operated a cigar factory at Kewanna, later at Fulton, and still later at Akron, has just closed his factory there for lack of patronage.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, August 11, 1916]

CIGAR MAKER FINED \$100 AND FIRED FROM UNION

Because he insisted upon using a bunching machine, Cal Hoover, manufacturer of the O. I. C and Star cigars, was fined \$100 and expelled from the organization Tuesday evening by the members of the Rochester Cigar Makers Union. Mr. Hoover was present at the meeting, but made no defense. The machine, tabooed by the union, is used to wrap the filler and can be operated by a girl, thereby lowering the cost of making cigars and greatly increasing one person's production. Mr. Hoover had been in the union for 27 years. The union members claim that the machine does not do good work and cannot compete with hand work.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, October 4, 1916]

NEW CIGAR FACTORY

Newton Izzard, who recently sold his Model cigar plant to Howard Hood, plans to start another factory in the rear of his cigar store, cor. 8th and Madison Sts.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, February 17, 1917]

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ANOTHER BRAND

The "Chester White," a new local cigar, is soon to make its appearance on the market. Cal Hoover is the manufacturer.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, May 28, 1917]

NEW CIGAR FACTORY

Glen Garver, who owns the Wall St. barber shop, has arranged to start a cigar factory to manufacture a five cent smoke, to be named "The Eagle."

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, November 22, 1917]

NEW CIGARS

Glen GARVER of East 9th St., has placed three new five-cent cigars upon the market, "The Eagle," "Country Club," and "Moose."

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, December 20, 1917]

BROTHER DIES IN ILLINOIS

Word was received here by Mrs. Julius ROWLEY of the death Thursday morning of her brother, James BROWN of Hoopeston, Ill. He was formerly a cigarmaker of this city. Besides a wife and two daughters, he leaves three sisters and one brother, Wm. BROWN, of Tipton. Funeral at Hoopeston.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, March 15, 1918]

WILL MOVE

Newton Izzard will soon move his pool room and cigar factory from East 8th St., to the building on Main St., formerly occupied by the B. and H. Auto Sales Co.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, May 24, 1918]

TWO CIGAR MAKERS QUIT MANUFACTURING

War prices on raw materials have forced two Rochester cigar manufacturers out of business and there are indications that others of the seven remaining will quit ere long.

B. Chamberlain, maker of the "Single Binder," has recently closed his shop, turning over the name rights to F. Dovichi, who will have Newton Izzard do his manufacturing. Fred Hetzner ceased operations Saturday night, having accepted a government job. He made the "Silk Tie" and "Benny's Special." Wooden cigar boxes have advanced from \$10.75 to \$12.75 per 100, while leaf tobacco has more than kept pace. Filler that sold at 18 cents a pound, now sells for .55; binders have gone from .35 to .80 and wrappers from \$1.50 to \$2.75 and \$3.00. Payrolls have also mounted, making it hard for the small manufacturer to stay in the game. The "big fellows" are blamed by the local men for their misfortune.

On Wednesday morning, it was learned that Glen Garver, Wall St. cigar maker and barber, had closed up both his shops and gone. According to E. E. Clarey, who owns the building in which he was housed, Garver has taken a position in a Kokomo barber shop.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, July 3, 1918]

MOVES CIGAR FACTORY

Howard Hood has moved his cigar factory from East Eighth St., to the building opposite the Arlington Hotel between Main and Madison on Seventh St. He will probably install a retail cigar stand there later.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, July 8, 1918]

[See Obit Dan Goodrich, Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, June 25, 1919]

BUYS THE IZZARD POOL ROOM

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A deal was made Thursday whereby Ike Emmons becomes owner of the pool hall owned by Charley Izzard. Mr. Emmons has already taken possession and will continue the business just as it has been run. Mr. Izzard did not dispose of his cigar factory and will move it to a new location at an early date.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, September 5, 1919]

HARRY McWILLIAMS DIES

Word has been received in this city of the death of Harry McWILLIAMS, 17, at Middletown, Ohio, March 6th, caused from burns as the result of a kerosene can exploding. He was employed as a helper in the millwright department of the Miami cycle company of that city and had stepped into the welding department for a few minutes while he was idle from his duties. Young McWilliams is a grandson of Mrs. O. C. MINER and lived in this city about six years ago when his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. O. C. MINER, ran the old COTTAGE HOTEL at the corner of Eighth and Madison. Mr. Miner while in this city was employed as a cigar maker.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, April 7, 1920]

CIGARS TO JUMP AGAIN

According to Rochester cigar makers the prices of cigars, which have been going up steadily, will take another advance within the next few days. All foreign cigar makers have been charging ten cents for cigars which formerly retailed for five cents and the Rochester men have been trying to get along on a smaller margin, but they find it is impossible to do so. They have been selling their cigars for from six to eight cents apiece but say that now they will be forced to go to ten cents. The reasons given for the increase in price is the fact that tobacco which has been going up right along took a 33-1/3 per cent jump last week. Cigar boxes which used to cost eight cents now are worth 26 cents and are hard to get. A box according to federal regulations can only be used once. Another item is the increase in wages which have been granted to local cigar makers.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, May 12, 1920]

CIGAR MAKERS ASK INCREASE

Members of the Rochester cigar makers union, Tuesday night at their regular monthly meeting, decided to raise the rates for the making of cigars two [dollars] a thousand. The present scale ranges from \$10 to \$16 a thousand. All cigars which sell for from six to eight cents will cost the cigar manufacturer for making \$16 a thousand and all cigars which sell for ten cents or more, \$18 a thousand. An average cigar maker should manufacture 2,000 cigars a week. This raise coupled with the raise in tobacco will force the price of cigars to go up again, it is thot.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, June 2, 1920]

EXPRESS COMPANY ASKS TO RENT CITY BUILDING

Howard Hood, cigar manufacturer and republican chairman in the recent city election, who occupies a portion of the city's building on Seventh street, will have his rent raised or be forced to move out, according to a proposal placed before the new city administration at Tuesday evening's meeting of the city council.

The city has been offered \$15 monthly for the west half of the lower floor of the building by the American Express Company and Hood is now renting the entire upper floor and the part the express company wants for eight and one-third dollars per month. Definite action will be taken at an early date.

At the time the rental question was brought up Miss Bertha Musser, city clerk, statd that Hood had paid one month's rent since she has taken office and that upon investigation it was found that he is in arrears \$150 or 18 months rent. Hood stated that the city has not made any efforts to collect his rent, but former city officials state that Hood was under contract and that he pleaded financial stringency in asking that his rent be extended until he could make payment.

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[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, January 25, 1922]

SELLS CIGAR FACTORY

Clem V. Leonard, who has been engaged in the cigar manufacturing business in this city during the past 34 years, has sold his business to Florian Dovichi, who will continue the same brands manufactured by Leonard and others in addition. Leonard takes office as county auditor in January, succeeding Auditor John McClung.

[Rochester Sentinel Friday, November 9, 1923]

LOCAL CIGARMAKER IS INJURED ON FREIGHT

Daniel Connors, 40, Rochester cigar maker, was seriously injured Thursday evening while "beating" his way on a Wabash freight train from Ft. Wayne to Peru. The Rochester man, who lives with his wife at the Goss home at 1203 south Main st., recently lost his job in this city and had gone to Ft. Wayne in an effort to secure employment.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, February 15, 1924]

[Adv] Try a "Mild," "Medium" or "Strong" Cigar At Our Expense. . . . We have registered the label to protect you as to its quality. F. DOVICH, Manufacturer, Rochester, Indiana. . . .

[Rochester Sentinel, ---, July or August ? -, 1924]

Born in Rochester, November 7, 1853, a son of Jabus and Marguerite IZZARD, Newton IZZARD became one of the prominent cigar manufacturers of the city and was so engaged when he died.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, August 26, 1924]

SELLS CIGAR FACTORY

The stock of tobacco and equipment of the Izzard cigar factory at the corner of Eighth and Madison streets was sold Saturday evening to Cal Hoover by Guy Smith, administrator of the Newton Izzard estate. The equipment will be moved by Mr. Hoover to his cigar manufacturing plant on East Seventh street. It is not known as to whether he will continue to make the brands of cigars formerly made by Izzard.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, September 22, 1924]

Mrs. Alice BROUILLETTE, aged 56, of 10437 Avenue G, East Chicago, wife of Charles BROUILLETTE, formerly a cigar maker and long a resident of this city, passed away Friday morning after an illness of three weeks duration. Death was caused by a nervous breakdown.

The Brouillettes left Rochester about twenty years ago, moving to Hammond. Mr. Brouillette is now deputy coroner of the East Chicago District.

The deceased is survived by her husband and three daughters, Mrs. Pauline THOMAS, Mrs. Marie LIODY [sic], of Calumet, and Miss Martha [BROUILLETTE], at home.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Monday, April 4, 1927]

W. B. YOST, aged 60, prominent cigar maker for a number of years committed suicide late Friday afternoon by chloroforming himself. Yost attempted to kill himself three years ago. Financial troubles are given as the cause.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Saturday, January 28, 1928]

The Harding family for several years were residents of this city when Mr. [William] Harding was employed as a cigar maker in a local shop.

[Obit, Elmer Harding, The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Friday, November 30, 1928]

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Thirty-eight years ago Mr. Gilliland with William DEWITT, now of Ardmore, Okla., and Fred MILLER operated a cigar factory on the south side of the public square where they manufactured the "Town Clock" cigar. In a few years this became one of the leading cigars in this section of the state. Later Mr. Gilliland and his associates added other cigars to their line such as the "LaPlanta," "Koh-I-Nor," "Gilliland's Little Rose" and "Gilliland's Hand Made."

The business of Mr. Gilliland and his associates grew to such proportions they they deemed it best to open a retail cigar store and billiard parlor in this city, accordingly they leased the room in the Brackett building at 709 Main street thirty years ago, where they opened a store and also moved their cigar factory to the flat nearby. In later years Mr. Gilliland bought out the interests of his associates. In recent years his business slipped away and a year ago he moved from the room in the Brackett building to one at 502 North Main street where he again opened a cigar store and billiard parlor.

[Obit, Reuben K. Gilliland, The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Thursday, May 3, 1930]

Oliver C. MINOR, aged 80, former resident of this city, died at his home in Indianapolis Thursday afternoon after several months illness due to complications incident to old age. Mr. Minor will be remembered by the older residents of this city. By occupation Mr. Minor was a cigar maker. He was employed in various shops in this city. He moved to Indianapolis 18 years ago where he continued to follow his trade.

[Obit, Oliver C. Minor, The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Friday, April 26, 1929]

Fred, son of Michael and Rebecca HETZNER, was born in Rochester on Nov. 24th, 1882. About 20 years ago [July 14, 1906] Mr. Hetzner was united in marriage to Minnie JOY, of this city and to this union one daughter was born. For many years the deceased was employed in this city at his trade of cigar-maker. Later he moved to Texas where he was engaged in the insurance business. From Texas he returned to Indiana where he sold insurance at Ft. Wayne and Rochester.

[Obit, Fred Hetzner, The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Monday, January 9, 1928]

CINCINNATI DRY GOODS STORE [Rochester, Indiana]

See: First National Bank

The Cincinnati Dry Goods Store. Just Opened, in the Wallace Building, the store occupied by G. Holzman, a large and well assorted stock of Dry Goods, Groceries, Boots and Shoes, Queensware &c., which will be sold at Cincinnati prices. Louis Feder. Remember the place, G. Holzman's Clothing Store.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, March 1, 1866]

CISSEL, MELVIN [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Downs Sawmill

CITIZENS BAND [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Rochester Bands

See: Rochester Citizens Band

BAND DISBANDS

At the meeting of the Citizens' Band at their room in the Town Hall, Monday evening, by a vote of the members present, it was decided to disband, and now for the first time in nearly fifty years, Rochester is without a band.

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The cause of the band disbanding is attributed to the members not giving concerts the past summer. For a number of years past these concerts have brought in enough money to pay the expenses, buy new music and instruments when needed; but being cut off from this revenue the members became discouraged, few attended meetings, and because of lack of interest and funds to pay expenss a final vote was taken.

Rochester loses a fine musical organization by this act on the part of the Band. It has been organized under different names since shortly after the Civil war. During all its existence it has had altogetther, possibly one hundred members, who, at different times, has furnihshed various kinds of amusement for Rochester people, and an organization the people were proud of away from home.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, September 12, 1905]

THE BAND PLAYS ON

Through the efforts of W. H. Guthrie and W. S. Taylor and the liberality of some of our citizens, the Citizens' Band will reorganize. Voluntary subscriptions have been made, payable annually, for two years, of a sum, while not sufficient to defray the expenses of the band, is large enough to justify the band boys in starting in again as an organization. The subscription paper is at the Racket store and any person desiring to aid in the maintenance of this splendid musical organization and credit to Rochester there is still room on the paper for many needed subscriptions.

It requires the sacrifice of much time and considerable money for members of bands to supply themselves with music, instruments, keep up a meeting room and give the necessary time for practice and trips out with the band. For all of this the band boys usually get their traveling expenses and \$2 per day which is barely pay for the immediate time given to say nothing of that which must be given to practice. The one continuous pride of Rochester for years has been her splendid band and the progressive spirit of the people will not permit the town to be without it.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, October 11, 1905]

NEWS OF THE DAY

At the meeting of the Citizen's Band last night new officers for the year 1906 were elected as follows: H. F. Crim, Manager; Wm. Rannells, Director; Vivian Essick, Act. Director; P. J. Stingly, President; J. S. Crim, Treasurer and Cal Hoover, Secretary.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, December 12, 1905]

At a meeting of the Citizens' Band last night, it was decided to organize a new orchestra of about twenty members. The following officers were elected: Frank Crim, manager; Roscoe Pontius, President; William Rannells, treasurer; William Zellars, secretary and Vivian Essick, director.

Some of the best musicians in the city have already expressed their willingness of joining and it is thought that within a short time Rochester may soon be able to boast of one of the best and largest orchestras in Northern Indiana. A number of engagements have already been secured for the new orchestra, among them being the opening of the new K. G. theater. It was decided at last nights meeting that the name of the organization be the Citizens' Band Orchestra. An effort is being made by the officers of the organization to get William Cussad, one of the best musicians in Indiana

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, October 30, 1913]

NEW CITIZENS BAND HAS FIRST PRACTICE

The new Citizens Band held its initial rehearsal Sunday afternoon in the band rooms under the direction of Charles McConnell, of Plymouth, the new leader who will be in charge of the organization during the summer. There were 22 members present eight of whom were reporting for the first time.

From now on until June the regular practices will be held twice weekly and after the Wednesday night concerts begin they will be held only once. It is expected that more members will join after the band gets into full swing.

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Mr. McConnell expressed himself as well pleased with the talent and said all indications pointed to a very successful season.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, March 12, 1923]

LAMONT DAVIDSON VICTIM OF CANCER

Professor Lamont DAVIDSON, 60, well known in this city where he lived for several years, passed away at 10 o'clock Monday evening at his home in Plymouth, a victim of cancer of the stomach from which he had suffered for a long time. He had been bedfast for the past two months, according to word received here from Plymouth Tuesday morning.

Professor Davidson was one of northern Indiana's well known musicians. He came to Rochester from Jeffersonville, his former home, about 15 years ago and was engaged as director of the Citizen's band. While making his home in Rochester, Professor Davidson besides giving music lessons, organized a boy's band here and also organized a band in Akron. A number of years ago he moved to Plymouth where he had been similarly engaged.

He is survived by a sister, Miss Elizabeth DAVIDSON, who made her home with him, and one brother, Sante DAVIDSON.

Short funeral services will be held from the Bunnell chapel at Plymouth Tuesday evening after which the body will be taken to Jeffersonville for burial.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, August 28, 1923]

CITIZENS BANK [Akron, Indiana]

A BIG SENSATION

One of the biggest sensations ever witnessed in Akron was precipitated upon the public of that place this morning at 11 o'clock when the Citizens' bank was closed by the order of the state auditor. The reason for the bank's closing is given out to be the result of the visit of a bank examiner about two weeks ago and his subsequent return this morning, owing to his alleged finding of a shortness of between \$25,000 and \$35,000 in the accounts of the bank. With the closing of the bank a card was placed on the door announcing the bank would be opened as soon as matters were adjusted, and the news of the temporary disaster was the signal for wildest excitement among the citizens, many of whom have deposits at that institution. The bank, whose stockholders are prominent citizens of Akron and farmers of the surrounding country was opened about six or seven years ago with a capitalization of \$15,000 and at the time of closing was carrying more than \$100,000 in deposits, and while the alleged shortage will be met by the stockholders to many of them it will work a dire hardship.

Howard Harter, who has held the position of cashier since the bank opened, has always been held in highest esteem as an honest, upright bank official and citizen and the rumor that he is seriously involved has caused widespread comment, many of his friends holding to the belief that the shortage will be explained to his credit. Up to The Sentinel's press time no warrant had been issued for Mr. Harter's arrest, but it is likely to follow, according to rumors.

While the difficulty will be remedied in time, it is feared there will be many complications arise to cause trouble in many channels. One of the direct results of the closing was worked on Ben Brockie, near this city. Mr. Brockie sold his hogs and delivered them at Akron this morning taking a check for \$180 on the Akron Citizens' bank in payment. Not wishing to carry the money to Rochester for deposit he cashed the check and took a certificate therefor. When he reached the Rochester bank the certificate was refused and Mr. Brockie will be compelled to await the adjustment of affairs.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, November 3, 1911]

VERY BAD TANGLE

Developments in the affairs of the Citizens' bank at Akron, which suspended business yesterday, indicate that the business of the institution is in a bad tangle and several days' work will

be required before State Bank Examiner W. C. Thomas, who is now at work on the books, can definitely state the amount of the shortage.

Mr. Thomas was interviewed by a Sentinel representative this morning and said it would be impossible to state the exact amount of the shortage, but he had reason to believe it would reach something near \$33,000. Mr. Thomas also stated that the depositors would be paid in full as the stockholders of the bank held something like \$175,000 worth of real estate, which afforded ample security for the deposits, but the stockholders will doubtless suffer heavy losses in making good the deficit.

When asked the reason of the failure, Mr. Thomas refused to go into detail but made the significant statement that he arrived at the bank just in time to prevent an additional loss of \$3,000 to the stockholders by protesting a draft for \$3,000 and stopping payment of another for \$6,000, which was in the mail addressed to Chicago Board of Trade operators. Mr. Thomas estimated that this vast sum of money was prevented from landing in the same place the larger part of the deficit had gone. It is rumored in and about Akron that Howard Harter, cashier of the bank, admitted to Mr. Thomas and to R. B. Carr, the Akron attorney, that he was short \$33,000, and that the bulk of that sum had been lost in speculating on the Chicago Board of Trade. Mr. Thomas, however, refused to verify this report.

Mr. Harter has not been placed under arrest. However, of his own volition, he came to Rochester Friday evening and placed himself in the custody of Sheriff L. C. Sheets, and is now a guest at the sheriff's residence. Mr. Harter was seen by a Sentinel representative this morning, and refused to throw any light on the affairs of the bank. He stated that the citizens of Akron were curious and asked so many questions concerning the bank's suspension that he was anxious to get away from them, and thought he would come to Rochester and spend a few days with Sheriff Sheets, where he would be "handy" in case the sheriff had occasion to place him under arrest. He refused to affirm or deny any reports concerning his responsibility for the failure of the bank, stating that he could make no statement until charges of a definite nature were made against him. He said he had no desire to leave the community and was here ready to answer all charges and to "face the music." Mr. Harter takes an optimistic view of the matter and said: "I believe the affair will adjust itself satisfactorily for all concerned and that the bank will resume business Monday morning. I am confident that no depositor will lose a penny. I have a good many friends in this county and all I ask is that they withhold judgment against me until some charges of a definite nature are made. When that time comes I will be found right here ready to answer all questions. The bank examiner inspected our books on Oct. 7 and pronounced everything O.K. That is all I have to say at present."

Just what the outcome of the matter will be remains to be seen, but it is conceded in all quarters that the stockholders of the bank will lose heavily in the transaction. They are: Andrew P. Harter, president of the bank and father of the cashier; C. W. Harter, an uncle of Howard Harter; C. J. Lidecker, of the Akron Milling Company; W. C. Miller, county auditor-elect; A. C. Emahiser, of Akron; Charles Drudge, of near Akron, and W. K. Stevenson, of this city.

Howard Harter has been cashier of the institution since its organization some ten years ago, and the large volume of deposits attests his popularity in the community and the confidence of the public in the bank.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, November 4, 1911]

WILL PAY IN FULL

At a conference between the stockholders of the Citizens bank and the Akron Exchange Bank held for the purpose of effecting an arrangement for a consolidation of the two institutions on the evening of Nov 4, 1911, a tentative agreement was reached through which the affairs of the Citizens' bank should be handled through the Akron Exchange bank until a new organization should be effected through which the two institutions are to be consolidated, and which consolidated the stockholders of the respective banks are to become stockholders of the new organization with the exception of Howard B. Harter. It is agreed that the matter is to be taken up

with a view of the consummation of the tentative agreement on Thursday, Nov. 9, 1911. All depositors of the Citizens' bank will be paid in full. -- W. H. O'BRIEN, Auditor of State.

The above statement, made by Auditor of State, William H. O'Brien, came as a result of a conference between the state bank officials and stockholders of the two Akron banks held Saturday evening, and definitely settles the status of the depositors of the defunct bank, none of whom will suffer loss by reason of the defalcation of the cashier.

Bank Examiner W. C. Thomas is still at work on the books of the bank, and from information now at hand it appears that the stockholders will not be as seriously involved as first reports would indicate. The total defalcation, as admitted by Harter and substantiated by the examiner, is placed at approximately \$33,500, but Mr. Thomas succeeded in stopping payment on \$9,000 of this amount, reducing the actual shortage to \$24,500. Of this amount, \$14,500 had been placed in Harter's custody by Charles and F. M. Drudge for investment. A legal question as to whether the bank, or Harter personally is responsible for this sum will probably have to be decided before the liability of the stockholders is determined. Should the courts decide against the Drudges, the loss to the stockholders will be reduced to around \$10,000. And this amount may be further reduced by Harter's bondsmen.

In probing the affairs of the bank, Mr. Thomas has unearthed a number of peculiar transactions on the part of Howard B. Harter. A rumor was current that he had secured \$15,000 in Ft. Wayne, but an investigation on the part of Mr. Thomas and W. C. Miller explodes this story. Harter attempted to negotiate a loan of \$15,000 from the First National bank of Ft. Wayne, pledging collateral security, but was unsuccessful in the attempt. He succeeded, however, in securing \$10,000 in cash from Farmers' & Merchants' bank of Wabash on notes, but the entire sum was placed in the Akron bank, so no loss was sustained in the transaction.

A number of minor transactions are being brought to light. A farmer residing near Akron, called on Examiner Thomas Saturday and stated that he only recently loaned Cashier Harter \$1,000 on his personal note, and asked if he would be compelled to lose this sum. A widow said that she had given Mr. Harter \$25 to pay her taxes and no record of the money has been found. A number of similar cases are being met with by the bank examiner and it will be a difficult matter to determine just how much the confiding public of Henry township will lose by reason of Harter's speculations.

Stories of Howard S. Harter's prodigal liberality with other people's money are now being told on all sides. One illustrates his admirable quality of big heartedness, but exposes bad banking methods. The story goes that an employe of a heartless corporation was short in his accounts, and admitted his trouble to Harter, who agreed to "fix it" by substantiating the employe's story that the missing funds were on deposit at the Citizens' bank. When the auditor for the corporation came around to examine the books of the employe he was informed that the missing money was all safe and sound in Harter's bank. The auditor called at the bank to determine the fact and was informed by Harter that the money was on deposit. The auditor replied: "That's what I came for," and Harter was game enough to pay it over rather than expose a friend. Later he took a worthless note for the money.

A local druggist tells another story to illustrate Mr. Harter's careless methods. It seems that the bank was short on silver and long on currency, so the cashier and a friend came to Rochester in an automobile and traded a thousand dollars in bills for a thousand silver dollars. The heavy sack was inconvenient to handle and the money was placed under the counter at the drug store while Mr. Harter took a joy ride. The money was forgotten and remained in the drug store until 9 o'clock the next morning when Mr. Harter came over from Akron after it.

Mr. Harter is still a guest at the sheriff's residence and has not been placed under arrest. He entertained a crowd of Akron people Saturday night and Sunday, and Sunday afternoon enjoyed an automobile ride in the country. The stockholders of the bank have reached no decision as to whether or not they will bring criminal proceedings against the ex-cashier, but it is not unlikely that the grand jury, which has been called to meet Tuesday morning, will consider his case among others.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, November 6, 1911]

OFFICIAL VERSION

Indianapolis, Nov. 7 -- The auditor of state gives as the cause of the downfall of Howard B. Harter, defaulting cashier of the Citizens' bank of Akron, which the auditor closed last Saturday, the task of carrying a wheat margin on a loggy market after he had bought 300,000 bushels, expecting to unload for a dollar a bushel. Fifteen thousand dollars of the bank's money was used at one time by Harter to cover his margins, and he was intercepted as he was leaving Akron for Fort Wayne to negotiate \$15,000 additional on securities of the bank, which the auditor had reason to believe was also to be thrown into the wheat pit. Of the \$15,000 lost, the auditor was able to save \$9,000 by stopping payment on a check the young man had drawn in favor of his broker. An attempt is to be made by the bank officials to recover the entire amount, on the grounds that the young man was using the bank's money in which he had no right.

In addition to the revelations concerning the manipulations by Harter, Harry L. Arnold, chief clerk in the bank department in the auditor's office, found that two of the stockholders of the bank had been "stung" by Harter to the extent of approximately \$8,500 as a result of their efforts to dodge taxes. The total amount intrusted to Harter by the "dodgers" was \$14,500, but Harter had given receipts for \$6,000 of the amount as cashier of the bank, and the bank is responsible. The remainder he receipted for by personal receipts, and the bank is not responsible. The total amount was used by Harter in Board of Trade speculations.

The two stockholders turned their money over to Harter to invest in real estate. This was done and he deposited the notes and mortgages in the bank's accounts, taking out an equivalent in cash for his own use. By this means the two stockholders, according to Arnold, were able to keep this much of their property from the assessor's books.

The total loss to the bank because of Harter's manipulations will be about \$30,000, Arnold said. The stockholders will make this good, and the depositors will lose nothing, he said.

The above dispatch carried today in the Associated Press reports, and emanating from Auditor of State W. H. O'Brien and Chief Clerk Harrey E. Arnold of the state banking department, may be taken as the first official report of the difficulties of the Citizens' bank of Akron. While it differs slightly from reports current in Rochester and Akron, it is safe to assume that the story is substantially correct, or at least, is the official view of the matter.

There are no further local developments. Mr. Harter is still in this city and has not been placed under arrest.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, November 7, 1911]

BANK WRECKER TAKEN IN CHICAGO

Howard B. Harter, who wrecked the Citizens' bank at Akron last November, through unlucky speculations in wheat, was arrested Thursday in Chicago, charged with embezzlement of \$24,500 of the bank's funds. The arrest was made by Sheriff Lewis Clay Sheets on a grand jury indictment. He went to Chicago armed with requisition papers, but Harter surrendered willingly and is now lodged in the Fulton county jail. Harter was found at the Hannah & Hogg hotel, 214 South Clark street, where he has been living for some time. He has been employed in Chicago as bookkeeper for a wall paper concern, and kept in constant touch with Sheriff Sheets.

At the Central police station yesterday Harter said: "I am willing to 'face the music,' and have been all along. I started speculating on the board of trade here and money at first. [sic] Then I tried to 'plunge' and was wiped out.

"After that the matter was discovered by the bank officials and I admitted my part in it and I have been ready to answer to the law at any time. I never tried to run away, and the sheriff and my parents have known where I was living all the time."

The shortage of \$24,500 was discovered by the state bank examiner on Nov. 3, 1911, and the bank was closed the same day.

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Harter, although suspected from the first, made no attempt to escape. Instead, he gave up his own home and went to live at that of Sheriff Sheets, to whom he paid board and room rent.

For six weeks he remained at the home of the sheriff awaiting any criminal action that might be started by the stockholders, but the latter were not disposed to cause his arrest and did not get before the Fulton county grand jury until June, when the indictment was returned.

While the guest of Sheriff Sheets, immediately following the discovery of his shortage, Harter stated to a representative of this newspaper that he would have something to say when the proper time arrived and intimated that his disclosures would involve several stockholders in the defunct bank. The long delay in causing his arrest led the public to believe that possibly some of the stockholders were involved in Harter's speculations and were glad to let the whole matter go by default. The present action will clear up the entire matter.

A stockholder in the defunct bank stated this morning, that Harter has made insinuations of this kind without any reason whatever and that he is wholly responsible for the bank's troubles. The arrest on a criminal charge was delayed in the hope that Harter would assist the stockholders in recovering the funds he dissipated in speculation, but he showed little or no interest in the welfare of the stockholders.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, July 5, 1912]

HOWARD HARTER PLEAD GUILTY

The case of the State of Indiana vs Howard B. Harter, ex-cashier of the Akron Citizens' bank, was called in the Fulton circuit court this morning and as the case opened the defendant stated that he was ready to plead guilty to the charge of accepting deposits at the bank after he knew the institution was insolvent. It has been previously arranged that in case he would do this the other cases pending against him for embezzlement would be dismissed. When he entered the plea of guilty Judge Bernetha sentenced him to from two to fourteen years in the Michigan City prison and it is expected that he will be taken there in a short time by Sheriff Sheets to begin serving his sentence.

The case of Harter, which first came to light about a year ago, is one of unusual interest and attracted attention from the press over the entire state. The unexpected visit of a bank examiner, who appeared at the Akron Citizens' bank, proved the undoing of the young capitalist, who by subsequent disclosures was found to be playing the Chicago board of trade and at the same time engaging in various other manners of high living. He was the owner of a fine auto, several diamonds, always had and spent plenty of money and was generally regarded as a good fellow. The discovery of the awful facts came when it was found that Harter had juggled the books to cover shortages and had employed various means to get out of the mire, into which he found himself rapidly being engulfed. When the truth became known Harter willingly helped the examiner to unravel the book tangles and then, although he had not been arrested, he came to the Fulton county jail, where he asked to be taken in by Sheriff Sheets, which request was granted. He stayed there the same as a prisoner for many weeks and then last spring he was arrested on two charges of embezzlement and one for accepting money at the bank after it was known it was insolvent. All summer long he spent his time in the jail and then this morning he was given his fate.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, November 6, 1912]

BEAUTY PROVES A FATAL ASSET

Divorce proceedings are likely to follow a recent separation of Mrs. Chas. WILKERSON, formerly Miss Mattie WINES, from her husband, following a violent quarrel between the two, which took place in Denver, Col., recently, according to a local relative of Mrs. Wilkerson.

It will be remembered that Miss Wines, who was a beautiful Rochester girl, originally married Howard HARTER, an Akron banker. They were divorced after living together for some time, and Mrs. Harter married Charles WILKERSON, of Logansport, son of a wealthy man, who it is said, spent a small fortune on his wife. The couple recently moved to Denver, Col.

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Mrs. Wilkerson, because of her striking beauty, attracted much admiration and it is said the husband became jealous. A violent quarrel followed in which, it is reported, the irate husband gave his spouse a beating. Mrs. Wilkerson at once packed her trunk and went back to Logansport, where she has been staying. She was in Rochester this week.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, May 29, 1913]

HOWARD HARTER OFF FOR PRISON

Howard Harter, ex-cashier of the Akron Citizens' bank, left Rochester this morning in custody of Sheriff L. C. Sheets for the Michigan City prison, where he will begin at once to serve the two to fourteen years' sentence imposed Wednesday in the Fulton circuit court by Judge Harry Bernetha. The young man, who has been in the county jail for the past several months waiting for the time when his case would be called, plead guilty in the court to one of the charges and his sentence was based on that confession. When he was ready to board the train this morning he seemed in the best of spirits and shook hands with all of his friends who were there to see him off and assured them that he would be back as soon as he could get out on the good behavior plan. Mr. Harter is one of the well-known and universally liked young men of the county and his many friends hope that he will be able to be back among them as soon as possible.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, November 7, 1912]

WILL BUILD ELECTRIC PLANT AT LAKETON

The Akron and Laketon Utility Co., composed of prominent Akron citizens, was organized Tuesday evening at Laketon for the purpose of building an electric plant at Laketon. The new concern will be capitalized at \$25,000.

The stockholders of the new company are the old stockholders of the Citizens Bank of Akron, which dissolved several years ago. The move was made as the stockholders own the only power site in Laketon, which they secured several years ago when they foreclosed on the river dam and mill.

The new company proposes to provide "juice" for Laketon and other small towns near. As they have the water power they believe that the new venture will be a good investment. The men present at the meeting Tuesday evening were: W. C. Miller, A. P. Harter, Charles Harter, A. E. Emahiser, Charles Drudge, V. J. Lidecker and W. K. Stevenson.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, June 9, 1915]

Andrew P. HARTER, 62, prominent farmer and retired banker, was found dead Saturday afternoon in his buggy near the Erie stock yards in Akron. Death was caused by heart failure. A few minutes before Mr. Harter had told Howard WOLPERT, a drayman, that he was very sick but did not ask for assistance. Mr. Harter was at the yards superintending the loading of cattle.

Andrew Harter had for years been prominent in the life of Akron. Until a few years ago, before the institution was closed, he was president of the Citizens bank and in it, lost a large share of his fortune. Before moving to Akron he lived on a farm and after leaving the bank engaged in stock buying. Mrs. Harter, whose maiden name was Eva WOODS, is living. Mr. Harter leaves two sons, Howard HARTER of Chicago and Herbert HARTER of Akron, one brother, Charles [HARTER] of Akron and one sister, Mrs. Ab. HOOVER of Chicago.

Although not a member of the Methodist church, Mr. Harter contributed liberally to its support. Funeral Tuesday afternoon in Akron at 1:30 at the house.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, June 14, 1915]

STOCKHOLDERS PAY ALL DEBTS

The stockholders of the defunct Citizens bank of Akron, Wednesday settled in full with all of the depositors who lost money when the institution was closed eight years ago by the state.

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Over \$16,000 was paid in by the stockholders. The deficit, when the bank went to the wall, amounted to \$42,500. The \$12,500 capital stock paid in, the surplus of \$4,000 and interest amounting to \$10,000 was taken to help pay the shortage. The stockholders were compelled to pay out of their own resources, \$10,000 which settles in full with everyone.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, November 4, 1915]

CITIZENS BANK [Grass Creek, Indiana]

Located S side of SR-17 E of railroad.

Roy Kumler employed there until it closed.

ELECT OFFICERS

The election held by the Citizens' Bank of Grass Creek a few days ago resulted as follows: Board of Directors, D. W. Sibert, chairman; Arthur Robbins, R. M. Thomas, H. C. Hirsch, A. J. Murray, Wm. Fiedner and Geo. M. (Mel) Summers. Officers: D. W. Sibert, President; A. J. Murray, Vice-President; Roy Kumler, Cashier (after Feb. 1st), H. C. Hirsch, Assistant Cashier. Mr. Cook will devote most of his time to the First State Bank of Kewanna after Feb. 1st, but will make frequent trips to the Grass Creek Bank to keep in close touch with its affairs.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, January 20, 1923]

GRASS CREEK BANK SOLD TO KEWANNA INSTITUTION

Fulton county will have one less bank next Monday, it was learned today, when the Citizens Bank of Grass Creek will be absorbed by the First State Bank of Kewanna. The transaction was completed a few days ago the Grass Creek institution simply being purchased with all assets and good will by the Kewanna bank.

On Monday all of the physical assets of the bank will be moved to Kewanna and all business will be conducted from there. Depositors and patrons will not suffer any losses they simply having to change the place of doing their banking business.

Webb Sibert, well known business man of Kewanna is president of both banks and owns the majority of stock in each. He stated that the Grass Creek bank was entirely solvent but that it no longer was a paying institution and it was purchased by his Kewanna bank for this reason.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Saturday, December 10, 1927]

CITIZENS BANK [Macy, Indiana]

[Adv] THE CITIZENS BANK Of Macy, Ind. A safe and sound institution in which to transact all your business and financial affairs. Prompt and courteous service always. 4% paid on all time deposits. Start a Savings account today. OTTO CLOUD, President. S. H. MUSSELMAN.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, August 27, 1925]

CITIZENS BANK [Rochester, Indiana]

The CITIZENS' BANK of Rochester, Indiana, is now open and ready for business. - - - -
L. C. Curtis, Pres., C. B. McConnell, Cash.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, October 3, 1888]

CITIZEN'S HORSETHIEF DETECTIVE ASSOCIATION [Fulton County]

DETECTIVE ASS'N. TO BE FORMED IN COUNTY

Fulton county is about to have a second horsethief detective association, according to information received here Monday from Indianapolis where a petition for charter for the "Citizen's Horsethief Detective Association" of Fulton county has been placed on file. The trustees for the new organization, which is believed to be affiliated with the Ku Klux Klan, are

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Robert R. Tomlinson, Dean Neff and Archie Timbers. The local men refuse to make any statements regarding the new organization, saying that further publicity will not be given until the charter has been granted. It was intimated that the membership will reach 100 or perhaps even more.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, April 28, 1924]

CITIZENS STATE BANK [Kewanna, Indiana]

KEWANNA HERALD

At Rochester, Tuesday, D. H. Snapp, of Kewanna, bought of Geo. W. Holman, receiver, the assets of the old Citizens State Bank of this city, paying therefor about \$25,000.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, May 2, 1903]

CITIZENS STATE BANK [Rochester, Indiana]

CITIZENS BANK CHANGED HANDS

Mr. J. E. Beyer, Mr. C. C. Beyer, Mr. J. F. Beyer and Mr. W. A. Banta have every arrangement completed to become the successors of the Citizens State Bank. Mr. Banta has the advantage of a five years experience with the City National Bank, of Goshen, Ind., and we know him as a gentleman of fine business qualities. The editor of this paper has long personally known Mr. C. C. Beyer of Kendallville, and Mr. J. F. Beyer, of Warsaw, as men of integrity and extensive financial responsibility. The name of J. E. Beyer is familiar to the people of Rochester and Fulton county. In fact, it is quite certain that the public generally, will ever keep in mind the service rendered by Mr. Beyer as a director during the stringency of 1893, when he so ably supported the other directors the Citizens State Bank with the offer of ample private funds. It is with much pleasure that we make this announcement and predict for the gentlemen abundant success.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, March 11, 1898]

CITIZENS STEAM LAUNDRY [Rochester, Indiana]

[Adv] CITIZEN'S STEAM LAUNDRY, Reed & Vawter, Props. Phone 331.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, July 18, 1902]

The Citizens Laundry was again sold Saturday evening by F. D. Hobson to its former owner, Edward Vawter, who took possession at once. Mr. and Mrs. Hobson intend to return to their old home at Morris, Ill.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, March 12, 1918]

CITIZENSHIP [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Naturalization Papers

CITY BAKERY [Rochester, Indiana]

E. Kirtland has bought the "City Bakery" in Farmers Block . . . Rochester, May 4, 1864.?

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, May 4, 1865]

The City Bakery. Mr. Wm. Downey would announce to the citizens of Rochester and vicinity that he has purchased the above named establishment in the Farmer's Block, in Fred Fromm's Grocery Store. . .

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, November 29, 1866]

[Adv] New Firm, New Goods CITY BAKERY and GROCERY - - - - KEWNEY & DAVIS, Five doors south of the Wallace House.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, February 3, 1877]

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[Adv] THE CITY BAKERY is now open and we invite you to inspect our plant. Humpty Dumpty Bread every day. Cakes and Pastry a Specialty. - - -Automobile delivery service for all wholesale and special orders. Look for the White Front just south of the Court House. T. A. MURPHY.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, November 19, 1919]

CITY BOOK STORE [Rochester, Indiana]

[Adv] INVESTIGATE! - - - WALL PAPER! - - - - WINDOW CURTAINS! - - - - BABY CARRIAGES. Drop in and see the goods and get prices. A. T. BITTERS & Co, CITY BOOK STORE.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, March 17, 1893]

Before me is a copy of the Rochester Daily Republican of a half-century ago. Here I read advertisements of the City Book Store with A. H. Skinner as proprietor.

[Earle A. Miller, Rochester *Sentinel*, Wednesday, April 25, 1962]

CITY BOOT & SHOE STORE [Rochester, Indiana]

[Adv] The CITY BOOT AND SHOE STORE - - - - You will find us on the south side of Public Square. CITY BOOT AND SHOE STORE, G. H. KILLEN & CO.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, December 7, 1878]

CITY CLOTHING STORE

See Lauer & Deichman.

CITY MEAT MARKET [Rochester, Indiana]

TO THE PUBLIC

You will find it to your interest to call at the City Meat Market if you wish to purchase the nicest fresh Beef, Mutton, Veal and Pork in the city - - - CITY MEAT MARKET, successor to Batchelor & Stockberger, south of Court House, Citizens' block.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, August 5, 1882]

[Adv] - - - Buy your Fresh and Salt Meats at J. J. STOCKBERGER'S City Meat Market, on the South Side of the Public Square.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, May 18, 1887]

CITY RESCUE MISSION [Rochester, Indiana]

CITY RESCUE MISSION HAS CHANGED LOCATION

Adj. Jacob DeVries of the City Rescue Mission announced today that he was moving the mission from the Armory Hall where it has been located for the past three years to the building just east of the Fulton county jail. The transfer was made today with members of the mission aiding Adj. DeVries in the moving of the equipment of the mission. A special service will be held in the mission tonight at 7:30 o'clock.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, November 28, 1933]

CITY RESTAURANT [Rochester, Indiana]

J. H. Cotner & Company

[Adv] City Restaurant and Dining Room ---- Fruits and Confectioneries - - - Refreshments and Meals at all hours. - - - First door south of Gould's Star Store. J. H. COTNER & CO.

CITY SOCIAL CLUB [Rochester, Indiana]

SOCIAL CLUB SOLD

Florian Dovichi today purchased the City Social Club, 711 Main Street, of Mrs. Alice Wilburn. The purchaser has taken possession and will continue the club in operation. Mr. Dovichi has named Otto Weimer manager.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, October 14, 1935]

CIVIL AIR PATROL [Fulton County]

IMPRESSIVE CEREMONY HELD B LOCAL C.A.B.

Thirty-five C.A.P. air cadets yesterday held an intensive drill and maneuvers at the local airport with War Department directives present.

The group began their all-day program at 9:00 Sunday morning. The program consisted of guard duty for each cadet, ground school work on aircraft and engines, clerical work, drill and an aerial tour of inspection for two of the War Department's directives.

Work on six new hangars for the local airport, which will accommodate from six to seven planes each, is expected to be completed within the next two weeks. The project to enlarge the station was begun a week ago, Helen House Outclet revealed today.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, December 6, 1943]

21 FROM ROCHESTER CAP TRAIN AT STOUT FIELD

Stout Field, Indianapolis, July 15 - Two hundred Indiana youths 15, 16 and 17 years of age, including 21 from Rochester, will be stationed at Stout Field, headquarters of the I Troop Carrier Command this month for ten days of training comparable to the pre-flight course given to U. S. Army aviation cadets.

Rochester will be represented in the class by James Nice, Richard Zimmer, Lowell Goshert, Max Goshert, Donald Love, James Guy, William Bibler, Robert Anderson, Gordon Blosser, Norman Cook, William Ettinger, W. Wolfe, Max Howard, Joe Nice, T. Vaughn, Richard Baker, Robert Wilde, John Holland, Edward Imhoof, Byron Funk and Norman Anderson.

The youths are Civil Air Patrol cadets of the Indiana Wing. Their period of training at Stout Field will mark one of the first times such a program has been attempted. Authority for military installations to assist the CAP in such programs was recently granted by AAF headquarters in Washington.

The primary purpose of the training is to increase active interest in civil aviation. Programs of a similar nature have been started, or will start shortly, in other states, but the program laid out for the Indiana youths at Stout Field is believed to be one of the most comprehensive to date.

The CAP, an auxiliary of the AAF, has for some time been training the youths, giving them practical ground and pre-flight instruction in aviation, but the ten-day course will give them an idea of actual military life.

[The News-Sentinel, Saturday, July 15, 1944]

On Aug. 2, 1941, Bob Sheets [of Akron, Indiana] started taking flying lessons from the late Helen House at the Rochester airport in her Piper Cub. Bob had his first solo on Aug. 24, 1941.

Helen at that time had two Piper Cub Monoplanes (1941) and a larger Stinson Monoplane, which Helen used for passenger service, chartered runs, etc. In 1941 the airport had no marked runways - it was just a field of grass kept mowed very closely. Bob became a member of the first Civil Air Patrol around 1942 in Fulton County, Ind., and perhaps in the state, and Helen House was instrumental in organizing this Civil Air Patrol. Helen did all of the leading and instruction at the Rochester Airport of the C.A.P. When they went out on their regular flights Helen would take the lead in the V-Shape, Bob flew right wing, Al Reimer of North Manchester flew left wing, but we have not yet found the names of the other two members. As members of the C.A.P. (all members were volunteers), the pilots had to buy their own regulation uniforms, meet once a week

for training, drilling and instructions. Bob's C.A.P. card does not give a date. According to Bob's flight log he did not fly after April, 1944.

[Daniel Secor Family, Dawn Secor Sheets, *Fulton Co Folks*, Vol. 2, Willard]

CIVIL WAR

See: Hickman, John A.

See: Rannells, William W.

See: Revolutionary Soldiers

See: Sinks, Augusta G.

See: Spanish-American War

See: War Casualties Fulton County

See: War of 1812 Veterans

See: World War I

See: World War II

A meeting to preserve the Union was held in the courthouse on April 22, 1862 and a resolution was passed to defend the Constitution and to support the families of those enlisting to fight.

Fulton County with a population of only 9,416 furnished 1,566 soldiers.

There were no railroads in Fulton County until 1869, so troops had to walk or ride horseback, wagon or stagecoach to Logansport or Peru to catch a train.

Indiana regiments organized during the Civil War were numbered from 6 to 156 as regiments 1 to 5 had recently served in the Mexican War. There were 22 Fulton County men in the 9th Indiana Infantry, apparently the first to enter military service from this county. Later the 87th Indiana Infantry had three companies totaling over 300 men from Fulton County.

Altogether 1,510 men from Fulton County volunteered and 56 were drafted in the War of the Rebellion. Of these, 40 were killed in battle, died of wounds or died in Southern prisons, and 104 died of disease, making a total of 144 deaths while in service. An unknown number died shortly after returning home from disease contracted in prison camps and hardships endured in marches and outdoor living.

Fulton County boys fought in major battles such as Vicksburg, Shiloh, Chattanooga, Chickamauga, and Sherman's march across Georgia.

Thomas A. Howe, a Rochester boy, was the first of General Grant's army to spring ashore in the campaign that captured Vicksburg. Dr. Charles Brackett of Rochester was surgeon of 9th Illinois Cavalry and died in 1863.

Col. Kline G. Shryock of Rochester was placed in command of several regiments to repel Morgan's Raid into Indiana. Forty-five Fulton County men were members of the 5th Cavalry that aided in chasing out Morgan's army and later helped General Sherman capture Atlanta.

When John Mowe was discharged in 1862 and sent to Newcastle Township to enroll the men to see how many were liable for the draft, they took the books away from him and said they would not be enrolled. A telegram to Gov. Morton brought a company of soldiers from Logansport. They stopped at the courthouse and loaded their muskets. But a friend informed the Newcastle people that the soldiers were coming and when they got there, they found a table spread with everything good to eat.

There was a secret organization called the Sons of Liberty or the Knights of the Golden Circle that sympathized with the Southern cause and tried to hamper the war's progress.

After the war, the Grand Army of the Republic was founded, there being four posts in Fulton County: Rochester, Akron, Kewanna and Fulton. The Rochester post was named the McClung Post, for John McClung of the 46th Indiana Infantry who was killed leading a charge in Louisiana.

[Civil War and Fulton County, Shirley Willard, *Fulton Co Folks*, Vol. 2, Willard]

CIVIL WAR - ANDERSONVILLE PRISON

See: Miller, Samuel

Escaped From Prison. We are indebted to Mr. Thomas Johnson, of this county, for a letter from his son, Job W. Johnson, of Company D 29th Ind., who has just escaped from the rebel prison at Andersonville, Ga., and succeeded in reaching our lines. He states that the rations furnished the prisoners was one pound of corn bread and two ounces of meat. He states that Solomon Collins, D. W. Rhodes, John Smith and E. J. Smith, are still in prison and are well. The others who were taken are dead. They were Z. Eskeage, O. Eskeage, H. T. Collins, James Babbett, Edward Case and O. S. Carpenter. One other died at Richmond whose name he does not know.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, October 6, 1864]

CIVIL WAR - BATTLES

Battle of Fayetteville, Arkansas.

[reported defeat of rebels at Battle of Fayetteville, Arkansas, on Sunday Last. The 26th Ind. Regt, of which Capt. Rader's Company, from this county, is attached, was in the fight]

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, December 13, 1862]

Battle of Prairie Grove.

[Description of the battle of Prairie Grove, Ark., was written by H. Ralstin, a son of Moore Ralstin, Esq. -- too lengthy for this book. --- Ed. WCT]

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, January 15 1863]

. . . a most lamentable affair took place near Harrison, Ohio, on Tuesday night, and one that will cause mourning in many a household in Indiana. The Regiment of Col. Shryock was at Harrison when, at about 10 o'clock at night, a courier, pale and terror stricken, dashed in with word that (John) Morgan had been headed off and was returning, desolating the country with fire and sword. Col. Shryock's regiment was paraded and marched out. In the darkness the head of the column halted. The order to halt was not heard in the rear, and the platoon soon closed enmasse. All was confusion at once. The word flew from rank to rank that the enemy was near, and some of the men exclaimed that that was as good a place to fight as any, and commenced firing without any order. A flanking company in the field, supposing they were attacked by the enemy in force, poured a volley into the mass of men in the road and killed seven and wounded twenty or thirty others . . . Last night five of the killed, arrived at the Union Depot, to be sent to their relatives. -- State *Sentinel*.

--- EDITORIAL. [Reporting raid by "Rebel Marauder," Morgan in southern Ind.]

. . . . Col. Shryock, of Rochester, commanded one regiment sent out to capture Morgan. But the gallant Colonel did not succeed any better in the attempt, than he did in his vindictive and ungentlemanly attempt, some weeks ago, to fasten a charge of lying on the *Sentinel*, the men of his regiment got to shooting at each other instead of the rebels killing five and wounding sixteen of their own numbers . . .

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, July 25, 1863]

THE 87TH AT THE BATTLE OF CHICKAMAUGA

Letter from Capt. Long, Company F, 87th Indiana Vols, Chattanooga, Tennessee, October 21st, 1863.

Dear Father and Mother . . .

We had scarcely fired our first volley, when James Babcock received a shot in his knee . . . I heard another of my men say, "I am hit," looking around I saw it was Simon Freer. "Where are you shot?" I said. "In the foot." . . . I returned to the head of my company, and had no more than

got there when a tree top was cut off, by a cannon ball, above my head, falling on me and several others, but not hurting me, only covering me up with the leaves and smaller branches, but hurting Sergt. Pugh so badly as to compel him to leave the field. The next man of my company who was hit was Sergt. Clay in the right leg by a rifle ball just grazing it below the knee, but not bad enough to make him leave the field . . . We made it so hot for them that they had to get up and leave. Here Sergt. Clay received his second and third shots, one of them grazing under his right arm and the other hitting him on the left leg below the knee; but still he would not leave the field. Here was where Frank M. Smith, of Co. D was instantly killed, the ball going through his head . . . Robert McAlexander, of Company F, a detail as one of Col. Vandever's escort, had his horse shot under him. When the fight was the hottest, I had to laugh to see Sergeants Myers and Clay, they being file closers, were in the rear of the lines; they would load, stoop down, pick out their man grit their teeth and fire, then step back to their places, load and repeat the same over during the engagement . . . During the fighting Col. Gleason was right with us . . . Major Hammond was every place along our lines, encouraging our men also Adjutant Ryland . . . On came the rebels four lines deep and during this time one after another of my men fell. Corp. J. L. McMahan was hit . . . he was wounded in the right eye and wrist. . . Now John House fell, a ball breaking his neck; then Corp. Weld was wounded. About this time Lieutenant Beeber was shot through both legs, just above the knees. One after another fell, until ten of my men were killed and wounded; right there Goodrich, Farry, Hoffman, J. Robbins, Rodgers, Private Clay, J. B. Taylor and about twenty paces to my left, fell Adjutant Ryland. Still closer fell Captain Hughes, of Company D. . . Corp. Roth and Private Stottler were wounded . . . Here Sergt. Clay received his fourth wound through his right thigh. Sergeant Myers and Adam Reminschnider carried him back out of danger . . . Our wounded are getting along finely. Corp. Webb died on the 18th. . . Our sick are doing well. Isaac Townsend is still down to the hospital doing as well as could be expected. My health is tolerably good. Jonas Myers was just in here ... H. C. Long.

--- Capt. Long, of the 87th, arrived at home last Friday night. He is in good health and spirits.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, November 19, 1863]

CIVIL WAR - CASUALTIES

Letter from A. H. McDonald, Camp on the battle-field, December 8, 1862

Dear Lottie: A great battle was fought here yesterday. . . As you must know from receiving this, I am safe. So is Capt. Rader and Lieut. Carter. The casualties of the 26th Regiment are quite large . . . The loss of Co. A is two killed -- Corporal Cannon and Private Wm. H. Hoover -- and twenty-one wounded: Corporal Hathaway, side; Corporal J. Graffis, arm and thigh. Privates -- M. Barnett, thigh; H. Binnamen, fore arm; A. J. Dixon, shoulder; Thos. Hurst, foot; I. Hurst shoulder and ankle; H. Hazen right lung (motally); R. Kniss, haunches; A. E. McClure, thigh; G. N. McLaughlin right hand; S Overly, shoulder; T. Riley, shoulder; H. Scott, shoulder; J. Smith, foot; H. Smith, breast; S. Strong, small of back . . . I will add to the list Sergt. Wait and Privates J. Adams and C. Carter, all slightly wounded. I might add my own name to the above list. A spent ball penetrated my clothes, leaving a black and blue spot on the muscles of the right arm; another came in disagreeable proximity to my person, making a serious of ragged, unsightly holes in my clothes . . . A. H. McDonald.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, December 25, 1862]

We learn that John Q. Oliver arrived at home a few days since, in feeble health. He has been discharged from the military service, on account of poor health. We hope he will soon be well again.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, May 28, 1863]

Our Wounded. We had the pleasure of a call, a day or two ago, from Sergt. C. W. Clay, who was severely wounded at Chickamauga. He is rapidly improving and hopes to be able to again join his regiment before many weeks. Lieut. J. W. Beeber is also improving. He has returned to

Indianapolis. We learn that J. L. McMahan, who was severely wounded over the eye and in the right arm, is slowly improving.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, November 19, 1863]

CIVIL WAR - CLAIM AGENT [Rochester, Indiana]

Elisha L. Bennet, Esq., is prepared to obtain Pensions, Back Pay, Bounty, &c., for returned soldiers, or for the heirs of those who may have died in the service . . .

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, October 16, 1862]

Back Pay, Bounty and Pension Agency. Having purchased of E. L. Bennet, Esq., his License as a Claim Agent, (he having removed from the county) . . . please inquire either at the office of S. Keith, Esq. (County Clerk's office) or at the *Chronicle* office, in Holmes & Miller's Building, opposite the Court House. Corydon E. Fuller, Rochester, Ind., July 12, 1864.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, July 14, 1864]

CIVIL WAR COMPANIES - COLLINS COMPANY [Fulton County]

Capt. Collins' Company left here for LaPorte on Friday of last week. The company is not quite full, and any who wish, will avail themselves of the opportunity to become members as soon as practicable.

[Rochester *Mercury*, Thursday, August 29, 1861]

CIVIL WAR COMPANIES - FULTON RANGERS [Fulton County]

Dr. Chas. Brackett is enlisting a company of volunteers in this place. From present indications the Company will be full this evening. Those of our citizens who intend to enlist cannot find a more humane and careful gentleman under whom to enroll. Headquarters in the Stailey warehouse, on Columbia street.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, April 27, 1861]

The Company of Fulton Rangers met in the Court House Square on Thursday afternoon, and elected the following officers: Charles Brackett, Captain. Reuben Talley, 1st Lieutenant. Jethro New, 2d Lieutenant. George Hall, 3d Lieutenant. E. B. Chinn, 1st Sergeant. Lyman Coplen, 2d Sergeant. William Cole, 3d Sergeant. Isaiah Fisher, 4th Sergeant. Benj. Evans, 1st Corporal. Charles Noyes 2d Corporal. Theodore Elliott, 3d Corporal. James Coplen, 4th Corporal.

The Company now numbers about sixty, among which are many good and brave men.

During the week the Rangers have been drilled morning and evening by A. J. Holmes. We presume the Company will be full in a short time, and ready to march at a moment's warning.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, May 4, 1861]

CIVIL WAR COMPANIES - GROVER'S COMPANY

Capt. B. A. Grover, Company K, 46th Ind Volunteers, requests us to say that he expects to leave for his regiment next Monday morning (Oct. 20th) and that he will take charge of any letters or small packages which any may desire to send to friends in his regiment, if left at his residence, or at the Post Office.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, October 16, 1862]

CIVIL WAR COMPANIES - JACKSON'S COMPANY

Muster Roll of Capt. Jackson's Company. (We are indebted to Joseph Slick, Esq., Orderly Sergeant, for the following correct roll of the officers and privates, composing the company recruited at Pleasant Grove, in this county. -- Ed. *Chronicle*.)

OFFICERS: Captain, Alfred T. Jackson, 1st Lieutenant, Peter S. Troutman. 2nd Lieutenant, Hamilton McAfee. Orderly Sergeant, Joseph Slick. 2nd Sergeant, Simon Myres. 3rd, Franklin

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Bennet. 4th, Samuel Leavitt. 5th, John Carter. 1st Corporal, James R. Dukes. 2nd, John G. Troutman. 3rd, Jonas Clark. 4th, Henry Hooper. 5th, Samuel Ritchie. 6th, Erasmus Van Meter. 7th, Alexander McCarter. 8th, Johnson Hart. 1st Musician, William Holstead. 2nd, Henry Ummensetter. Wagoner, James H. Troutman.

PRIVATES: Philip Anderson, William Barnett, Thomas Barker, Isaac Barker, Judson Bennet, John R. Blausser, Edwin R. Boyer, John Brown, Martin Brown, Daniel Bruce, John Burke, John W. Carter, John N. Carter, Isaac Cannon, Joel H. Davis, William R. Davis, Eli M. Deidrick, Jacob Diapert, Samuel Diapert, William Dixon, Andrew Dukes, John Ferrel, Henry C. Green, Moses Heckert, John Heckert, Daniel Herald, Alfred Hizer, Robert Holiday, Elias Hudkins, Henry L. Hudkins, John Hyssong, Bailey N. Jeffries, Zephaniah Jones, Washington Kaler, David M. Kingry, George H. Kiplinger, Henry Lebo, Richard B. Liming, William H. Miller, John Myers, William Myers, Wilson Mohler, Alexander E. Mohler, Philip Obermeyer, Jonas Powell, Emanuel M. Rans, William Rans, Hiram Rairick, Henry Rairick, Daniel W. Rogers, Henry S. Ross, George Rouch, John Rush, Allen A. Rush, James Shreves, George W. Singer, Corington G. Slight, Orlen Smith, Robert Smith, Aaron Smith, Austin L. Smith, John R. Smith, Galen Smith, George P. Smith, Jacob Snyder, Walter F. Soaper, William H. Spotts, Adam Spotts, Julius Starr, James W. Thomas, Robert Tribbet, James T. Troutman, John Vandaver, Charles Ummensetter, Ephraim Warrick, Gavin Ward, John E. Williams, Randolph Williams, Ransom T. Williams, Peter Witmer, John Yagle.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, August 21, 1862]

CIVIL WAR COMPANIES - MILITARY COMPANY [Akron, Indiana]

The New Military Company. Most of our citizens are aware of the fact that for some three or four weeks past, Dr. B. A. Grover, J. H. Leiter and Robert Shields of Akron, have been recruiting for a company to form a part of Senator Fitch's Regiment, now forming at Logansport.

From all we have been able to learn, the prospects for the company are highly flattering. . . Fulton County has done well, and with three full companies in the field, as she will have when this one enters the service, we shall feel proud of her share in putting down the rebellion.

[Rochester *Mercury*, Thursday, October 17, 1861]

CIVIL WAR COMPANIES - PLANK'S COMPANY

Capt. Plank's Company. This fine company, which is the sixth raised in this county, left for the camp at South Bend last Monday. We think this company contains much the largest proportion of men in the prime of life, of any that has left us.

At the election of officers, held last Saturday, Dr. A. K. Plank was chosen Captain and G. W. Truslow 1st Lieutenant . . .

We have been fortunate enough to obtain the promise of our friend Jerome Carpenter, to furnish us frequent letters for publication . . .

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, August 21, 1862]

Muster Roll of Capt. Plank's Company. (We are indebted to Jerome Carpenter, Esq., for the following correct roll of the officers and privates, composing Captain Plank's Company. -- Ed. *Chronicle*.)

OFFICERS: Captain, A. K. Plank. 1st Lieutenant, George W. Truslow. 2nd, David Mow. Orderly Sergeant, H. C. Long. 2nd Sergeant, Jacob H. Leiter. 3rd, Joseph W. Beeber. 4th, A. G. Pugh. 5th, D. W. Shryock. 1st Corporal, B. B. Patton. 2nd, S. C. Jewell. 3rd, Jasper W. Squires. 4th, Newell Califf. 5th, J. H. League. 6th, J. Carpenter. 7th, Banner Lawhead. 8th, William Storm. 1st Musician, James S. Ellis. 2nd, C. W. Crider. Wagoner, James A. Wilson.

PRIVATES: W. Alleman, Peter B. Apt, William Apt, John Barrett, Samuel Berry, John Buntain, Daniel Barnhart, Thomas Barnhart, Samuel Berrier, E. B. Chinn, John E. Cates, C. W. Clay, Jonathan Clay, John Cripe, George C. Capp, H. Carpenter, John Crain, John N. Dunlap,

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Franklin Drake, Thomas J. Dewees, R. H. Evans, William R. Farry, Simeon J. Ficuy, F. Bylam, James B. Gibbons, James T. Gainer, Peter Gripp, A. L. Goodrich, William Hunter, Henry Hatfield, L. H. Hickman, C. S. Hickman, Peter Hoffman, John House, Jacob Hedge, Levi Jenkins, G. W. Kessler, George Kessler, Simeon Kessler, Jacob Leise, J. L. Love, George Loomis, Austin McFall, Jonas Myers, James L. McMahan, Hiram Mickey, James E. Mow, John O. Mow, Shannon Mackey, Jesse Martindale, L. D. Middleton, D. McElfresh, Robert McAlexander, Henry Platt, William A. Pentz, William Pence, Henry Paschal, J. H. Robbins, James Robbins, John Ralstin, Harper Rodgers, John M. Reid, John Roth, A. J. Rugh, Otho Rhodes, Edward Short, Harrison Stotler, Joseph J. Smith, Benjamin T. Smith, James W. Squires, Madison Stoops, Jacob M. Stahl, Henry Swartz, Joseph B. Taylor, Jasper True, George Toothman, Issac Townsend, Samuel M. White, Harrison Walker, Rev. Isaiah D. Webb, Elias Zolman.

CIVIL WAR COMPANIES - WOOD'S COMPANY

Muster Roll of Capt. Wood's Company. We are under obligations to Lieut. Lewis Hughs for the following muster roll of Company D. 87th Reg. Ind. Vol:

OFFICERS: Captain, Wm. H. Wood. 1st Lieutenant, Lewis Hughs. 2d, Mark C. McAfee. 1st Sergeant, J. W. Elam. 2d, B. F. Brown. 3d, John Q. Oliver. 4th, L. M. Spotts. 5th, John L. Newby. 1st Corporal, A. M. K. Huling. 2d, Luther Stradley. 3d, Philip Gunkle. 4th, Wm. Frazier. 5th, James F. Graham. 6th, Henry Spohn. 7th, A. T. Bitters. 8th, Wm. Shaffer. Musicians, Alfred Hosack and Lafayette Smith. Wagoner, Joseph A. Collins.

PRIVATES: Isaiah Adamson, A. M. Ball, Danial U. Ball, George W. Ball, James Biggs, John W. Biggs, Jasper W. Bozarth, Wm. A. Brokaw, John W. Brock, Levi Birch, R. E. Chestnut, John D. Clark, Harvey Clemens, Daniel S. Cole, Wm. Cole, Anderson Carr, Dennis Cubberly, Israel Daggett, Wm. Dougherty, Joseph Day, Isaiah W. Diwiggins, Wm. Ewer, John W. Galyan, Elan Galtry, James Gould, Christopher Gould, Noah Gaudy, Milton Hall, Chichester Holder, R. C. Holder, Andrew Hattery, George Kibler, John Kelley, Absalom Macy, Horace Mackey, Benjamin Miller, Henry H. Moore, David Moore, James H. Moore, David Moonshower, Thomas New, Wm. Oliver, David C. Oliver, John Oren, James Oren, James B. Osborn, Abraham O'Blennis, Wm. B. Packard, Charles M. Pearson, Wm. H. Polk, George H. Pownell, B. F. Porter, James Quigg, George W. Ralstin, Christian Rice, John Reschke, John Roney, John Robbins, Charles N. Ross, Frederick Rowe, Levi Sherow, David C. Shelton, Wm. H. H. Shields, Rufus A. Shores, Oracle Shores, Franklin M. Smith, Jesse Smith, Abraham Steffey, Eli Strong, John Stull, Jacob Van Trump, John F. Whittenberger, George Whittenberger, Kline S. Wilson, John B. Wright, George W. Wright, Jacob Wright, William H. Wright, Henry Yohe.

See Home Guards

CIVIL WAR - DEATHS

Died. The remains of Asbury Johnson, son of Samuel Johnson, residing near Hoover's Mills, and Wm. Blacketer, son of Wm. Blacketer, Esq., residing near Green Oak, were sent home this week from the army in Kentucky. The deceased soldiers were members of Capt. Grover's Company in Col. Fitch's Regiment. We understand that the disease from which they died was an aggravated attack of the measles. Mr. Blacketer was buried Thursday Mr. Shelton [offered prayer at the grave].

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, February 15, 1862]

Died. Jesse Smith, son of Moses Smith of this township died at Louisville a few days since and was buried yesterday "in honors of war" near his fathers. The deceased was a young man of Promise and left home in the vigor of youth and health but a few months since. His disease was Typhoid Fever.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, February 29, 1862]

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Obituary. Greenup T. Cannon, aged 20 years & 16 days who died at Fort Lamb on (March) 20th of disease of the heart. Resolutions . . . our worthy friend and brother, Greenut T. Cannon . . . His numerous friends wil miss him in the social and around the home circle, as also will Company A of the 26th Reg't of Ind. Vol., on camp duty and the battle field. . . That a copy of the above Preamble and Resolutions be presented to his aged and weeping parents. J E. Newhouse, P. H. Troutman and H. McAfee, Com.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, April 5, 1862]

Memorial. Akron Lodge, No. 64, I.O. of G.T. For Wm. Sutton, a member of Company K, 46th Regiment Indiana Volunteers. Sympathy extended to his parents and to his uncle, E. H. Sutton . . . Joseph Lay, I. N. Whittenberger and John Tudor, Com.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, June 21, 1862]

Died. Oct. 7th, 1862, near Memphis, Bruce Whittenberger, son of Jacob Whittenberger, Esq., of Akron, in this county. He was a member of the 46th Ind. Regt . . .

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, October 18, 1862]

Died. At Louisville, Ky., on the 29th of Oct., 1862, John Henry Mackey, second son of Wm. Mackey, Esq., of this place, aged 23 years . . . He was a member of Capt. Collins company, 29th Regiment Indiana Volunteers. He was present with his regiment, amid the terrible scenes at Shiloh, and did his duty well . . .

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, November 8, 1862]

Died. At the hospital in Nashville, Tenn., on the 2d ult., of Typhoid Pneumonia, F. C. Hamlet, of this county, aged 48 years.

Thus perishes another of our noble volunteers, a martyr to our sacred cause. The sympathies of all must be enlisted in behalf of his wife and children.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, November 20, 1862]

Died. At Nashville, Tenn., on the 17th of October, Thomas S. Lay, of Henry Township, aged 29 years.

Mr. Lay entered the service of his country, something more than a year ago, as a private in the 51st Ind Volunteers He was a man highly respected at home, and performed a soldier's duty with honor to himself, and at last fell a victim to the hardships of camp life. He had received an honorable discharge from the service, on account of physical disability but was too far gone to reach home and died, far away among strangers, in a strange land.

He leaves a wife and two children, one an infant whom he had never seen, and the other a bright little girl just old enough to be interesting. These are being kindly cared for by his father, Mr. Joseph Lay, one of the pioneers of our county and one of its most respected citizens. Thus his only son has perished, a victim to the mad rebellion against our government. The sympathies of every patriotic heart must be enlisted in behalf of those who mourn his untimely loss.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, November 27, 1862]

Died. In hospital at Gallatin, Tenn., Nov. 30, 1862 John L. Newby, of Henry township, Fulton Co., Ind. His disease was lung fever.

Also in camp, at South Tunnells, Tenn., of rheumatism, Dec. 4th inst., James Quigg, of Green Oak, Fulton Co., Ind

Also, Dec. 2nd inst., in hospital No. 19, Louisville Ky., George Whittenberger, of Henry Township, Fulton Co., Ind. His disease was Erysepilas.

The deceased were all members of Capt. Hugh's Company (D) 87th Regiment Ind. Volunteers.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, December 20, 1862]

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There was a gloom cast over the boys of Company D, yesterday morning, by the death of one of our fellow soldiers -- James Quigg. He died about 7 o'clock in the morning, lying in his tent, on the ground. It was a hard sight. He was perfectly crazy all night; it took three men to keep him still. The last words he said were that he wanted us to go for Charley Brackett, as fast as we could. We made a box and buried him by the side of two other soldiers. James was a first rate civil boy and was loved by all the company.

Also, John Newby died in the hospital at Gallatin, last week. He was a stout, rugged man when we came out.

About two hours after we had buried Quigg, McAfee came, and he brought a good pair of boots for him and sundry other articles; also, some things for Newby. It made us all feel bad to think they were not here to enjoy them. [letter from Klins S. Wilson at Camp near Gallatin, Tenn., dated Dec. 5, 1862]

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, December 18, 1862]

The casualties of the 26th Regiment are quite large . . . The loss of Co. A is two killed - - Corporal Cannon and Private Wm. H. Hoover. [letter from A. H. McDonald from camp on the battle-field dated December 8, 1862]

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, December 25, 1862]

The Chicago *Times* . . . reports death at Murfreesboro, of Corporal Wm. H. Richter, son of John Richter "an old resident of this county."

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, January 17, 1863]

Died. Andrew Irvine, formerly of Fulton County, killed in the battle at Vicksburg. Survived by aged parents, almost dependent on him for their support . . .

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, January 24, 1863]

Died. John Steffy, 77th Regiment, near Murfreesboro, on Jan. 18. He had just returned from furlough. Cause of death, run over by a baggage wagon, crushing one of his legs, and Erysipelas set in before medical assistance could be obtained.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, January 31, 1863]

Rev. A. S. Lakin will preach the funeral sermon of John Henry Mackey, who recently died in the army, on Sunday next, at 10-1/2 o'clock a.m., at the Methodist Church in this place.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, February 12, 1863]

Since our last muster the name of Theodore W. Stringham has been added to the list of dead. He died on board the Steamer Sunshine, near St. Charles, Ark., on the night of Jan 19th, after an illness of a few hours; and was buried the following day near the common grave of the unfortunate crew of the Mound City. [Letter from 46th Regiment, Helena, Ark, by B. A. Grover, dated Feb 4, 1863]

Died. We learn that Alexander Huling, a former resident of Henry twp., in this county, and a member of Capt. Hughs' Co., 86th Regt., died at Louisville a few days ago. His body was brought home by his brother Wm. Huling, Esq. We understand his disease was erysipelas.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, February 21, 1863]

Camp Near Murfreesboro, Jan. 9, 1863.

Uncle Richter: . . . [informing Uncle Richter of the death of his son, William Richter, who was shot through the neck and killed instantly. The battle commenced Wednesday, Dec. 31, 1862] . . . Calvin Finch.

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--- The remains of corporal [William] Richter were brought home by his father, John Richter, Esq., and buried in the grave yard near the residence of Henry Hoover in Henry township, on Sunday last . . .

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, February 28, 1863]

Death of Dr. Brackett. Most of readers are already aware of the death of our excellent and highly esteemed fellow citizen, Dr. Charles Brackett, which occurred at Helena, Ark., on the 20th ult. His remains arrived here last Friday evening, and were interred on Sunday, in the Odd Fellows Cemetery. We expect to publish a more extended notice of his life and death, and also the resolutions of respect adopted by the officers of the 9th Illinois Cavalry, next week.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, March 5, 1863]

[Resolution by I.O.O.F., Rochester Lodge No. 47, Rochester, Ind., Feb 14, 1863, on death of John Steffee, which took place in Hospital No. 3, Murfreesboro, Tenn., Jan 18, 1863. signed: L. A. Osborn, I. Good, J. B. DeMotte, Com.]

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, March 5, 1863]

Death of a Soldier. By a letter dated Camp near Murfreesboro, Tenn., Jan 19th, 1863, we learn that Robert J. Douglass, son of John Douglass, formerly a citizen of this county, fell at the battle of Stone River, being killed by a cannon ball. He was a member of Company G, 15th Ind. Vols. He is said to have been a noble fellow, loved by all his fellow soldiers, and his loss is severely felt by all the company.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, March 26, 1863]

Complimentary to Capt. Truslow. Camp near Tinune, Tenn. March 20th, 1863.

[signed by officers, non-commissioned officers and enlisted men of Company F, 87th Regt., Ind Volunteers.]

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, April 16, 1863]

Died. In Camp, Feb 4th, 1863, Milton D. Hall, son of William A. Hall, of this county aged 21 years. The deceased was a soldier in Company D, 87th Regiment Indiana Volunteers.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, May 14, 1863]

Died. In Tennessee, June 4th, 1863, of Erysipelas, Jeremiah L. Ormsbee, a member of Company D., 29th Regiment Indiana Volunteers, aged 21 years.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, July 2, 1863]

Died. On the 25th of July, 1863, at his residence in Fulton County, Indiana, of disease contracted while in the army, John Q. Oliver, in the 37th year of his age. Buried Sunday, July 26, with Masoic and Military honors, near residence of his father, Andrew Oliver, Esq., in Liberty twp. with over 1,000 persons at the grave.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, July 31, 1863]

The Eighty-Seventh. The names of the killed and wounded soldiers from Fulton County, in the recent battle between Rosencrans and Bragg, are, as far as we can learn them, as follows:

KILLED: Adjutant Fred Ryland. Capt. L. Hughes. Owen Prince. (----) Shelton. (----) Clay. Frank Smith.

WOUNDED: Lieut. Joseph Beeber. A. G. Pugh, formerly of this office. J. Clay.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, October 3, 1863]

Died. On Nov 8th, 1863, in hospital at Nashville, Tenn., of chronic Diarrhea, Isaac S. Townsend, of Liberty Township, Fulton county. His body was brought home, and buried with the honors of war, on the 17th inst. He enlisted at the organization of the Copany fifteen months ago,

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and has been present with it all the time up to a few weeks of his death, passing through all the hardships, battles and skirmishes the 87th has been in. At the time of the battle of Chickamauga, though a more fit subject for the hospital than a battlefield, and against the advice of his officers, he would go into the battle, and was one amongst the bravest to defend the flag of his country; escaping death on the horrid battle-field but to fall a victim of disease. He was a good soldier, always obedient to others; was highly esteemed by all his company, who deeply feel his loss. His body now occupies an honored soldier's grave. To his parents, brothers, sisters and relatives, we would say, that it is a sad and gloomy thought to know that you will never meet him again upon earth; this we know is hard to bear, and God alone, who "tempers the wind to the shorn lamb," can impart comfort to the bruised and bleeding heart. Co F., 87th Inf. In hospital, at Nashville, Tenn., on the 13th of November, 1863. A. E McCarter, of Co 3 [?], 87th Reg Ind.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, November 26, 1863]

Died. At the City Hospital, in Indianapolis, on the 6th of November 1863, of Consumption, John T. Smalley, of Company A, 26th Ind, aged 17 years 7 months and 6 days.

The deceased joined the company in the summer of 1861, and participated in all the battles in which the 26th was engaged. His health failed soon after the siege of Vicksburg, since which time he had gradually failed, and was on his way home at the time of his death. He was a faithful soldier, a good son and he will not soon be forgotten by his bereaved parents and numerous friends.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, December 10, 1863]

Died. On the 22d of September, in the hands of the enemy, of wounds received in the battle of Chickamauga, Sergeant Jonas Clark, of Company E, 87th Ind Volunteers. He leaves a wife and two children to mourn his untimely death.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, December 17, 1863]

Died. At Chattanooga, Tenn., on the 23d ult., John Watts, of Company F, 87th Indiana Volunteers.

He was a good soldier, always at his post, and beloved by all his comrades. He was a consistent member of the Ebenezer Baptist church.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, January 14, 1864]

Letter From Capt. Troutman. Camp 87th Indiana Vols., Chattanooga, Tenn., Jan 3d, 1864.

Friend Fuller: . . . We enclosed the grave with timber and put a suitable inscription upon a neighboring tree. The graves of Captain Hughes and Adjutant Ryland were found near this and appropriately marked. Lieut. Bennett was found and buried near where he was left by those who bore him from the field. We carved his initials upon two trees near the grave; also left his initials and drove a post where he received the fatal wound . . . P. S. Troutman, Capt. Co E, 87th Ind Vols.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, January 21, 1864]

Resolution. In memory of Capt. Lewis Hughes, Co. D, 87th regiment, Ind. Vols., who was killed at the battle of Chickamauga, Sept. 20 last, while gallantly leading his company into the fight. Rochester Masonic Lodge No. 79, March 2, 1864. . . .

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, March 5, 1864]

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Died. In the Hospital at Nashville, Tenn., on the 24th ult., John W. Biggs, aged 24 years, 4 months and 20 days. The deceased was a soldier in Co. D, 87th Indiana volunteers, and is another added to the list of martyrs in our country's cause.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, March 31, 1864]

We are pained to hear that Lieutenant John McClung, of the 46th Indiana, was killed in the late battle on Red River, in Louisiana. We have not yet seen a list of the losses in company K, but fear that others of the brave boys have fallen . . .

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, May 5, 1864]

From the 46th. Grand Ecore, La., April 12, 1864.

Mrs. McClung: It is with a heavy and sad heart that I seat myself this morning, my earliest opportunity, to notify you of the death of your noble hearted son . . . Our loss was Lieut. Col. A. M. Flory, seen to fall; Capt. Wm. DeHart, seen to fall; Lieut. John McClung, known to be killed; Lieut Jacob Hudlow, missing; Chaplain Robb, missing; Capt. Frank Swigart, wounded. Co. K suffered heavier than any other company. The following is a list of the casualties of Co K:

KILLED: Lieut, John McClung and private Thomas Scott.

WOUNDED: Jefferson Marshman, shoulder, very slightly.

MISSING: Orderly Sergeant John M. Vanmeter; corporals David C. Jenkins and Jesse Shamp; privates William Cook, Samuel Johnson, Wm. Kreighbaum, Ambrose McVoke, Geo. Moore, Geo Mathews, Elihu Shaffer, Elmore Shelt and John Stallard . . . I have the Lieutenant's sword and effects that were left back with the teams. I shall do my utmost to take care of them and see that you get them. If they send us home from here, I shall do myself the honor to call upon you. Very respectfully Ob't Servant, R. M. Shields, Capt. Co. K, 46th Reg Ind Vols.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, May 12, 1864]

Resolutions of Respect Fulton Lodge No. 79 F&AM, March 30th, 1864 . . . on the death of Banner Lawhead . . .

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, May 19, 1864]

Died. At Pleasant Grove, Fulton Co., Ind., on the 26th of April, 1864, H. H. Dixon, aged 19 years, 6 months and 6 days.

In 1862 he volunteered for three months in the Union army; was taken prisoner near Richmond, Ky., was parolled and returned home. In the winter of 1863 & 4 he served the Union army about Camp Nelson, Ky., as teamster, 4 months and 7 days, he there, through hard labor and capture, lost his health. He arrived at home on the 13th of April, and on the 15th was confined to his bed with inflammation of the outer membrane of the bowels, which spread gradually until the whole system became much disorderd.

While his worldly friends can rejoice that through his love of Country he has written his young name high in the patriotic Firmament, his religious friends may rejoice to learn that he met his exit calmly, believing that through the merits of Jesus Christ, he was prepared for blissful mansions above.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, May 19, 1864]

Resolutions. Fulton Lodge No. 79, Mar. 30 1864. . . death of Brother Banner Lawhead . . . death of Brother E. M. Jewett . . .

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday May 21, 1864]

Died. At the Hospital in New Orleans, on the 9th of April, M. A. Collins, a soldier in Company A, 26th Indiana Volunteers. His funeral services were held, on Sunday, May 30th, by Rev. W. R. Mikels, at the residence of Philemon Weber. The deceased was 22 years old, and the testimony of his comrades is that he was a faithful soldier, a true patriot.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, June 9, 1864]

Death of James Abbett. Naval Academy Hospital, Annapolis, Md., June 2, 1864.

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Mr. Richard Abbett: Dear Sir: your son, James Abbett, has for a short time been a patient in my Wards, and it is my painful duty to write you of his death.

A Richmond prisoner, he suffered like hundreds of our brave boys from the effects of severe treatment, and was greatly reduced when he arrived here. All the kindness of friends failed to restore him to health, and God took him from this suffering, sorrowing world, to dwell with Him in heaven. For your dear boy had the sweet Christian hope of everlasting rest.

I talked with him before his death much upon this subject. He expressed a willingness to die and trusted sweetly in his Savior. Oh, you have much to thank God for, even in your affliction. May He be with and comfort you.

James was buried in the Soldier's Cemetery - very nicely buried - among thousands of his fallen comrades He died the 26th of May. I should have written before, but my duties have been very pressing.

Praying God to be with you in your affliction, I am in sincerity your friend, Helen M. Voor.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, June 16, 1864]

Death of William Irvin. We are pained to learn that our friend, William Irvin of this village, was instantly killed on the 14th inst., in a skirmish in Georgia. He enlisted as a recruit in the 87th Indiana last spring, having previously served six months in the 118th. He leaves a wife and three small children, as well as many friends to mourn his loss. May God comfort his stricken wife and protect his orphaned children.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, June 30, 1864]

Resolutions of Respect. I.O.G.T. Hall of Akron Lodge No. 64, June 21, 1864 . . . death of our brothers, Lieut. Edward C. Sutherland and Orderly Sergt James Fenters . . .

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, June 30, 1864]

Resolutions of Respect. I.O.G.T. . . Bro. William Irvin a worthy member of this Lodge, was instantly killed in a skirmish with the rebels in Georgia, on the 14th ult . . .

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, July 14, 1864]

We are pained to learn of the death of Col. Collins, better known as Captain and Major Collins, late of the 29th Indiana Volunteers. He died of disease and his remains were brought home last week for interment, at Bourbon, in Marshall county.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, October 20, 1864]

Another Patriot Dead. James L. Clayton of Co. F 154th Ind Vols died at Carrington, Indianapolis, on the 10th day of March 1865. -- His remains were brought home to this county and interred last Saturday . . .

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, March 30, 1865]

CIVIL WAR - DESERTERS

We learn that Provost Marshal Wallace arrested two deserters while in this county, and sent them to Indianapolis. One of them was Mr. Rush, of this township who went as a substitute for Wm. Sturgeon, Esq.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, June 25, 1863]

CIVIL WAR - DISCHARGED

Pvt. A. M. McFall, of Capt. Truslow's company, 87th regt., honorably discharged on account of ill health.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, December 13, 1862]

Returned From the 87th Regiment . . . [among others], Col. Shryock, at home on a short visit; E. B. Chinn and J. F. Graham, discharged; and Wm. H. Storm and Mr. Rhodes.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, January 17, 1863]

CIVIL WAR - DRAFT

Committee appointed by democrats to "see that equal and exact justice be done" concerning draft: Joseph J. Davis, James R. Dales, Levi M. Montgomery and Dr. A. H. Robbins.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, July 4, 1863]

How to Avoid the Draft . The citizens of Rochester and vicinity are requested to meet at the Court House, on Monday evening next to take into consideration the propriety of a mutual aid society, to relieve all persons from military duty, who may be conscripted at the ensuing draft.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, July 25, 1863]

CIVIL WAR - DRAFTED MEN

The following were drafted from Fulton County last Monday to serve for nine months in the army:

AUBBEENAUBBEE: Levi Shadle, C. Campbell, John Baker, J. Rumbaugh, Moses King, George Dick, J. H. Sutley, E. R. Polly, H. Ginther, G. Mahler, E. Wilson.

RICHLAND: Wm. Sturgeon, George Merley, Milton Tibley, A. W. Brooks, A. Watkins, Isaac Walters, A. Jerris, David Ralstin.

HENRY: Enos Sheets, A. Clevenger, Joshua Miller.

Mr. Lawhead Enrolling Commissioner of the militia of Fulton County, assisted by R. P. Smith, A. L. Robbins and C. E. Fuller, conducted the draft . . . Nearly all the above drafted men are democrats. In Richland twp., seven out of the eight drafted, are democrats . .

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, October 11, 1862]

AUBBEENAUBBEE: George Rarrick, Henry Worman, Thornton Jolly, Wm. Harris, Moses Worman, Levi Shadle, Isaac Frazier, Samuel Millizer, Jerome Kinder, Wm. Mogle, Stephen J. Rarrick, Geo. Hay, Lewis Frazier, Solomon Newcomer, Hugh Sturgeon, Isaac Millizer, Andrew Fike, B. F. Killen, Samuel Shadle, Adam Ditemyer, Nicholas Hartman, Samuel Brickle, Henry Walter, John Moller.

HENRY: David Secor, Jacob Sippy, Samuel Dawson, Henry Huffman, Abram Whittenberger, Andrew Cutshall, Levi Buck, Caleb Wolf, Arthur Tullis, Adam Clevenger, John W. Galyan, Wm. Bitters, Ashford Ward, John M. Parsons, Isaac Pontious, Philip Spaugy, Abram Grindle, Jeff Pontious, Samuel Kamp, Christian Cole, John Prill, Abram J. Ream, Philip Cutshall, Philip Swartzlander, Geo. H. Wideman, Frederick Harter, David Moonshower, Oliver Shriver, David Prill, James Sapp, W. C. Millinger, Jacob Emory, Alexander Sheets, John Nicodemus, Perry Oliver, Samuel Bemenderfer, Joseph Wilhoit, Daniel Melvin, Geo. Solinger, Geo. Fish, Jacob Putnam, John Stall, Welcome Nixon, David Russell, Jonathan Burns, Shannon Cutshall, David Bryant, James Ross, John Coon, Mark Bowen, Geo. Wreichter, Abner Thomason.

NEW CASTLE: Cyrenus Coplen, Jesse B. Emmons, Benj. F. Montgomery, Alex Dunlap, Harvey Smith, Ellis Strosnyder, John Brown, Sylvester Kenady, James Severns, Otho N. Rhodes, Henry Bowman, John E. Hamlet, Geo. Halterman, Jesse Emmons, John O. Mow, Patrick Shoemaker, John Large, James Coplen, Geo. Perchbaugher, John Kay, Jesse Bechtelheimer, Jesse Dillman, Lewis Herrold, John W. Black, James Walling, Jacob M. Fultz, Jacob Wilt, Joshua Rollins, Manuel Imboden, Samuel P. Davis, Nathan Baker, Solomon D. Creiver, Samuel R. Frantz, Henry Fisher, James Love, Jr., Isaac Meredith, Wm. Burns, Joseph Mull.

RICHLAND: John Rouch, Josiah Bower, Harrison Walker, Baker Newcomb, Luther Russell, Thos. White.

LIBERTY: Sebastian Goss, Matthias Stingley, Dures Leisa, Joseph W. Druno, Wm. J. Christler, Francis N. Jones, Samuel McCarty, Jacob Rouch, Jr., Amos Harsch, Tobias Goss, Philip Williamson, Jacob Linden, Edward Medary, Enos W. Butler, Asa Deweese, James Ferguson, Parker Gregory, Thos. J. New, David Longwell, Abram Frost, Alfred Martin, Jesse M. Davis, Jas. A. Marshall, McKindie Green.

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WAYNE: Edwin Hendrickson, Kyran Walsh, Jeff Hizer, Geo. Lease, Alex Steward, John Mullen, Edwin McLaughlin, Robert A. Evans, Valentine Zimpleman, Jeremiah Sparks, Isaac Henderson, Wm. H. H. McDowell, Benj. Armstrong, Jeremiah Williams, Wilson Marsh, Henry Shaffer, Hugh McCann, Henry Wargon, Isaac E. Andrus, Wm. Moore, Thomas Mogle, John Kneebly, Thompson McLaughlin, Harmon Hiatt.

UNION: Daniel Huff, Rufus W. Cox, Stephen Bibler, Michael Hogan, Wm. Potter, Edward Wentzell, Julius P. Collins, Geo. W. Hueston, James W. Needles, Isaiah Jones, Cyrus S. Graham, James M. Singer, Christopher Boyer, Wm. Sheridan, Hinson H. Bennett, Peter Heckart, Eli Deitrich, Joseph C. Cannon, Geo. Grubb, John Skelton, Samuel Walter, John H. Singer, James Warfield, Andrew J. Toner, Edward M. McGraw, Arnold Poling, Edward Toner, Levi Harris, John Shine, Isaac J. Lucas.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, November 17, 1864]

CIVIL WAR - ENROLLING COMMISSIONER [Fulton County]

B. Lawhead, Esq., has received the appointment of Enrolling Commissioner for Fulton county. He has appointed deputies in the several townships. . . .

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, August 21, 1862]

CIVIL WAR - FLORENCE PRISON

See: Miller, Samuel

CIVIL WAR - FORD CAMP

See: Stallard, John R.

CIVIL WAR - GIFTS TO FAMILIES OF SOLDIERS [Fulton County]

Eighty-three loads of wood, from William Carter Esq., farm, were hauled by charitable residents of the county, to families of absent soldiers.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, January 24, 1863]

CIVIL WAR - GIFTS TO SICK AND WOUNDED

Communication. Mr. Editor: Please publish the following list of articles sent to the sick and wounded in the hospitals at Nashville, with the names of those contributing the same: Mrs. Hannah Fairchild, 1 can whortleberries. Miss Sarah E. Hamlett, 1/2 bushel onions, 15 lbs dried apples and 6 lbs butter. Mrs. Angeline Chamberlain, one can whortleberries and 21 lbs dried apples. Mrs. Nancy Clay, 1/4 bushel onions. John Ralstin, one can blackberries, and 7 lbs dried apples. Jesse Bechtelheimer, 3 cans blackberries and 1 barrel potatoes. Mrs. F. C. Hamlett, 68 lbs dried apples, 27 lbs honey, 2-1/2 gallons current jelly, 7 cans peaches, 2 cans each of blackberries, tomatoes and gooseberries, 2 cans raspberry jam, 1 can plum butter, 2 cans cucumber pickles, 1 jar mango cabbage, 6 lbs butter, and 1 lb bandages. Elizabeth Hamlett, New Castle, Oct 19th, 1863.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, November 19, 1863]

CIVIL WAR - GONE TO WAR

William Orem, our apprentice, better known as the printer's devil has laid down the composing-stick, and taken up one of Uncle Sam's shooting-irons. He, in company with William Chamberlain, William Irvin, and several others, was mustered into the service at Indianapolis, on the 23d inst. . . .

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, July 30, 1863]

CIVIL WAR - GRAVE DISINTERRED

FIENDISH OUTRAGE! THE CORPSE OF A UNION SOLDIER DISINTERRED BY THE COPPERHEADS!

On Wednesday of last week was perpetrated, in our county, one of the most disgraceful acts which it has ever been our lot to record, and which will brand the guilty participants with infamy through their whole future lives.

Our readers will remember the announcement in our columns, a few months since, of the death of our esteemed fellow-citizen, F. C. Hamlet, a soldier in the 29th Indiana Volunteers. About three months after his death, his body was sent home for burial among his friends, in accordance with his last wish, and was duly interred in a graveyard not far distant from his late residence, in New Castle Township. So long a time having elapsed since his death, the body was, of course, much decayed, especially as it was impossible for his son, who is still a member of the 29th, to obtain an air-tight coffin immediately, and for these reasons, it was deemed injudicious to open the coffin when it arrived here.

It was but a short time until some cowardly copperhead started the story that Mr. Hamlet's body had not been brought home, but that the coffin contained arms with which the Abolitionists were about to commence war upon the innocent and unsuspecting Democrats. With eyes starting from their sockets, these *brave men* retailed the silly falsehood; and, absurd as the stupid invention seemed to men of sense, the whole hungry pack of cowardly New Castle hyenas swallowed it with delight, and threatened to disinter the coffin. -- Few, however, deemed it possible that the wretches would carry out thir threats. -- It seemed scarcely possible that *things* could be found in the form of men, that would desecrate the grave of a neighbor, who had fallen in the service of his country. But partisan cowardice and hate reach far enough to insult even the dead!

Accordingly, on Wednesday of last week, a party of some 30 or 40 of the New Castle Copperheads, armed with rifles, shot-guns, revolvers, &c., proceeded to the grave, and having stationed their pickets, to prevent interruption, commenced their infamous work.

In the mean time, the wife of the deceased, and Mr. Henry Hamlet, a brother, having arrived, protested against the proceedings, but in vain. The coffin was soon reached, and taken from the grave. The hyenas then proceeded to open it, but finding the lid well secured, they split it off with an ax, and found--- the body of the dead soldier! Their devilish malignity being gratified, they replaced the coffin in the grave, and again filled it with earth.

We have been unable to obtain a list of the names of all the perpetrators of this outrage as the leaders threatened to kill any person who should give the names of those engaged in it, to Mr Hamlet. The following are the names as far as furnished us, for our ROLL OF INFAMY:

GRAVE ROBBERS:

Orange Meredith, George Emmons, B. F. Montgomery, Wash. Horn, Israel Dilley, George Baxter, Alex. Barrett, James Coplen, James Nellens, Robert Coplen, Israel DeBolt, Ellis Strosnyder, Peter Sanns, Moses Nellens, Martin Duett.

Let the poor soldier, who may fall in battle or by disease, far away from home and friends, be buried among strangers, for there his bones may rest undisturbed, no vandal will desecrate his grave, it remains for the freedom-hating poltroons at home, to commit such fiendish sacrilege.

We are glad to say that a portion of the so-called Democracy denounce this outrage, though many of them approve it.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, February 26, 1863]

The Grave Robbers. We are pleased to see that the hyenas and jackals who recently robbed the grave of Mr. F. C. Hamlet, have a little human feeling left, enough to make them feel the deep and damning disgrace they have bro't upon themselves by their sacrilegious violation of a soldier's grave. They have obtained notoriety, which if it has not made them famous, has rendered them *infamous*.

The Toledo *Blade*, Chicago *Tribune*, St. Joseph Valley *Register*, Mishawaka *Enterprise*, Peru *Republican*, Logansport *Journal*, Marshall County *Republican*, LaPorte *Herald*, and Nashville (Tenn.) *Union*, have each given them a fitting notice, and their names are just at present about as widely known as they can desire, especially in connection with so disgraceful an outrage.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, March 12, 1863]

LETTER TO THE EDITOR. [undated]

"The Grave Robber Hobby" . . . On the 26th of Dec. 1862, the body of the deceased soldier, F. C. Hamlet, was brought home for burial. The day afterwards, Mrs. Hamlet, the widow of the deceased, requested J. C. Dille, Esq., and myself to open the coffin. But as the body was to be buried the next day, we thought it best to defer the opening of the coffin until that day. On the day the deceased was buried, the widow of F. C. Hamlet requested Mr. Henry Winbigler to superintend the opening of the coffin. He proceeded to comply with her request, when Mr. Henry Hamlet stepped forward and declared that the coffin sho'd not be opened, that if it was, his team should not convey the body to the grave and that he would shoot the first six men that attempted to open the coffin. It was conveyed to the place of burial unopened and placed in the tomb. Some three weeks afterward the widow of the deceased grew suspicious, and she reequested four men to come secretly, without the knowledge of Henry Hamlet, and take up the body of her deceased husband, that she might be satisfied that all was right. The gentlemen that she selected for that purpose, are Asa Coplen, Stanford Beverly, Ellis Strosnider and Wm. Hamlet. But Henry Hamlet hearing of the arrangement, again flew into a passion, declared that the body of the deceased soldier was his property, and that the grave should not be opened. All these circumstances naturally aroused great suspicions, and the public became greatly excited. In order to allay such excitement, the people of the neighborhood decided that, without intending any indignity whatever, to the dead soldier, the grave ought to be opened and the matter set at rest. Accordingly on the 18th of Feb. 1863, a delegation of citizens including democrats, republicans and abolitionists proceeded to the grave and opened the grave and the coffin sufficiently to satisfy themselves that the dead soldier had been really brought home, according to the wish he expressed before he died. This done, the coffin and the grave were properly reclosed, and the assemblage quietly retired to their homes. If it had not been for the unjust and unreasonable opposition of Henry Hamlet, the affair never would have happened. When at the grave, a vote was taken whether the tomb should be opened or not - there was no dissenting voice but that of Henry Hamlet. The widow of the deceased was present and made no objection. If she had done so, the tomb would not have been opened. The coffin was not split open with an axe, and it was opened by a republican . . . -- Orange Meredith.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, April 4, 1863]

Another of the Grave Robbers. We have recently learned, that one Abner Woods, of Kosciusko county, was engaged in the cowardly and hyena-like desecration of the grave of F. C. Hamlet. This Woods is known as a preacher of the Christian Church, and we mention the fact to state that he is repudiated by the church wherever he is known best . . .

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, June 18, 1863]

LETTER TO THE EDITOR, Signed Abner Woods.

[Answering attack upon him in the *Chronicle*, a few weeks ago. Mention is made of C. E. Fuller. The letter indicates that Abner Woods is a resident of Palestine, Kosciusko Co., and a preacher in that area. He disclaims any connection with the opening of the F. C. Hamlet grave.]

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, August 8, 1863]

GROCE, CAMP

See: Stallard, John R.

CIVIL WAR - HOME GUARDS, THE [Rochester, Indiana]

A military organization in Rochester.

It did police duty at the Fulton County Fair held during WW1.

See: Green Oak Guards.

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Military. The Rochester Guards completed their organization on last Saturday and elected the following as temporary officers until the regular election is held. Captain, A. J. Holmes; 1st Lieut, Daniel Van Trump; Orderly Sergeant, Jacob Leiter; Company clerk, R. P. Smith. We understand that William H. Wood's company five miles east of town is about full. Several other companies are forming under the new Military Law.

[Rochester *Mercury*, Thursday, June 20, 1861]

Capt. Wood's Company of Home Guards will meet at his house, on Saturday next, (September 14th) at 1 o'clock p.m. for the purpose of being sworn into the service and electing officers.

[Rochester *Mercury*, Thursday, September 12, 1861]

See Green Oak Guards.

CIVIL WAR - INDIANA REGIMENTS

We give below the stations of a few of Indiana Regiments. All of these Regiments contain volunteers from this vicinity. Captain Miner's Company is Company A 26th Regiment; Captain Collins' is the 29th; and Captain Grover's is Company K 46th Regiment. 13th Regiment, Col. Sullivan, Romney, Va. 17th Regiment, Col. Hascall, New Haven, Ky. 20th Regiment, Col Brown, Fortress Monroe, Va. 26th Regiment, Col. Wheatley, Otterville, Mo. 29th Regiment, Col. Miller, Nolinville, Ky. 46th Regiment, Col. Fitch, Bardstown, Ky.

[Rochester *Mercury*, Thursday, January 23, 1862]

CIVIL WAR - LADIES PATRIOTIC ASSOCIATION OF ROCHESTER

. . . The Ladies of Rochester met on Thursday evening at the residence of D. W. Lyon, on Jefferson street and organized by selecting the following officers: Mrs. A. K Plank, President. Mrs. D. W. Lyon Vice Pres. Miss C. E. Dinsmoor, Sec't. Miss Cintha Fitzgerald, Treas. Committee to Solicit Donations: 1st Ward, Miss Cintha Fitzgerald, Miss Lottie McDonald. 2dn, Miss Merriam Miss Indiana Chinn. 3d, Miss C. E. Dinsmoor, Mrs. Eliza Shryock. . .

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, November 2, 1861]

CIVIL WAR - LETTERS

LETTER FROM MISSOURI

In Camp, near Otterville, Dec. 13th, 1861.

Dear Sentinel: . . . Lieuts. Kelsey and Rader still wax fair and fat. . . The following is the staff: Col. Wm. M. Wheatley; Lieut. Col. Robt. O'Neal; Major John G. Clarke; Adjutant Henry Schraeder . . . I have to state the painful fact that David Zartman and Samuel Clemmens privates in Co. A died the latter part of last month. The official notice has only been received in the case of Clemmens, who died at Benton Barracks Hospital. His disease was chronic diarrhea. Zartman was in the Hospital at Jefferson City. . . -- Mc.

[Rochester *Sentinel* Saturday, December 21, 1861]

LETTER FROM J. McCLUNG, CAMP WICKLIFFE, KY.

To the Ladies of Rochester and Vicinity: The members of Company K, 46th Regiment of Indiana Volunteers, request me to return you their sincere thanks for the package of needle cases and other little necessary articles sent to my care, and distributed among them, as directed. Yours respectfully, J. McClung, Camp Wickliffe, Ky., Jan 19, 1862.

[Rochester *Mercury*, Thursday, January 30, 1862]

LETTER FROM DR. BRACKETT

Camp near Jacksonport, Ark., Tousall's Plantation, June 23, 1862. . . Hooker's men to the number of 180, fired on our boys, firing at about thirty paces, wounding thirteen, and unhorsing one private, Strong, and Captain Cameron . . . Private Strong, disabled by his horse falling on him, was unable to walk, and after trying in vain to get on the horse with Private Joseph B. Chamberlain, who was also wounded with a ball in his left side . . . he crawled off to the side of the road, when the captain of the secesh, or cammander of one company, came up to him, and using insulting language, threatened to have him shot. Strong, a perfect lion for courage, snatched a pistol from him, and shot him through; this so charmed the barbarians that they took good care of Strong, and he is now safe among them, occupying a tent with Lieutenant Easton, who is taking good care of him. How natural this is for a semi-barbarous people! They would have shot him, as they did poor Prindle, of Company G. some time before, if he had shown any symptoms of fear or non-resistance. They are about on a par with the clique in your place, who last season brought on a cargo of revolvers, and carried them with the avowed purpose of shooting Lincolnites, when at the same time, they were circulating through New Castle township, the absurd rumors, that Charles J. Stradley and I, with other Republicans, were intending to destroy the Democracy from New Castle, when they visited the town . . . Charles Brackett.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, July 31, 1862]

LETTER FROM MISSOURI

In Camp, near Otterville, Mo., Jan. 5, 1862.

Dear *Sentinel*: . . . R. C. Teeters, Green Cannon and A. J. Dixon were victims of robbery on their way from Tipton to camp. . . returning to camp after furlough . . . Co. A. has been organized nearly six months. . . I will here give a list of those composing the company, copied from the last monthly report: Capt. M. L. Miner. 1st Lieut., P. G. Kelsey. 2nd Lieut., D. Rader. 1st Sergt., A. H. McDonald. Sergts. H. H. Carter, P. Fenters, J. H. Wait, L. Coplen. Corporals, W. B. Wharton, G. Griffin, J. Atchinson, W. Cannon, J. Barnett, C. Swisher, G. G. Long, J. Ward. Musicians, H. Hazel, J. Quivey. Wagoners J. Glesner, E. Carr, J. Adams.

PRIVATES: J. Adamson, M. Barnett, W. Baker, C. & M. Barber, J. Burns, O. Barnes, J. Bennett, I. Barrett, H. Binn-mon, J. Bibler, E. Borders, L. E. Carpenter, G. Cannon, W. Carr, C. Carter, E. F. Clear, J. Clemmens, M. Clemmens, C. Cleland, W. B. Collins T. Collins, J. Collins, L. Culver, A. J. Daugherty, A. J. Dixon, W. Fowler, M. Galyean, J. Griffis, J. S. Hathaway, W. Hoover, D. Harrington, T. Hurst, J. Keel, Wm. & J. Locke, J. Marshall, A. E. McClure, G. M. [McLaughlin ?], J. Nichols, J. R. Onstott, A. Osman, S. Overly, S. Peterson, V. Quivey, H. Ralstin, J. Rankin, T. R. Riley, H. B. Scott, F. Sell, J. F. Schaeman, J. Slick, J. Smally, J. Smith, H. G. Smith, S. Smith, P. Spaugy, S. Sparks, D. Stayton, S & W. H. Strong, D. & O. Troutman, R. C. Teters, H. Watson, H. Wardlow, J. Weikle, J. Wheatly, G. Wilcox, M. Wright, T. Woods, A. Wait, J. Young, J. Zartman.

Upon comparing the above with the original muster roll, a number of changes will be observed: H. H. Carter has been promoted to the rank of Sergeant; J. Ward to that of Corporal; Private Ira D. Way received an honorable discharge Nov. 13, on account of disability. Four have died, to-wit: Samuel W. Moore, Nov. 20, 1861, at Jefferson City; John Zartman, Nov. 29, at Jefferson City; Samuel Clemmens, Dec. 6 at Benton Barracks Hospital, St. Louis; David Craft, Dec. 13, at Jefferson City. We have one new recruit, A. Wait, enlisted Dec. 1st.

We number 75 men present - 18 are absent; a part of those absent are in the hospitals at Tipton and Jefferson City, some of them sick, others as nurses, while a number are home on furlough . . . donations from the good people in the neighborhood of Gilead, Miami Co., was received by Sergt. Wait and distributed to those for whom intended. I am informed that a quantity of clothing, sox, blankets, etc., have been shipped from Fulton County for Company A . . . we have received but the one box . . . packages should be directed to J. B. Routh, Quartermaster 26th Ind. Vol. Regt for Company A . . .

Lieut. Rader, while on a scout the other day, . . . took a severe cold . . . and has not fully recovered. I visited him today in company with Lieut. Kelsey and found him much improved. He is stopping for the present with Dr. Martin in town. So also is Capt. Miner and Lady.

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A number of our boys who have been on the sick list some time will be furloughed home shortly. Among the number are, W. H. Hoover, the Barber boys and others. Since my last I have been the lucky recipient of two papers. One at the hands of A. J. Holmes, Esq., the other from R. P. Smith, Esq. . . . --Mac.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, January 18, 1862]

LETTER FROM MISSOURI

In Camp near Otterville, Mo. Jan. 17, 1862.

Dear *Sentinel*: . . . [the letter details camp life] . . . [mentioned are]: Sgts. Carter, Fenters and Coplen; Corporals Atchinson and Swisher; Privates, Culver, Collins, Galyean, Clear, Woods and Daugherty; Corp. Griffin; Corp. Jo Ward; Corp. Wharton, late of Bloomingsburg; Corp. Cannon; Corp. Bennett; Corp. Long, known as "Little Corporal."

. . . . I believe it is the intention to make James Quivey drum major . . . -- Mac.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, January 25, 1862]

LETTER FROM MISSOURI

From Camp near Otterville, Mo., Feb. 2, 1862 . . . [letter explaining details of a battle] . . . -- L.M.C.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, February 15, 1862]

LETTER FROM MISSOURI

From Butler, Bates Co., Mo., April 10, 1862.

Dear *Sentinel*: . . . The recruits stood the trip well and arrived in good spirits. They were mustered into service and uniformed at Indianapolis. . . [Letter also mentions Sergt. Carter, Capt. Kelsey, (----) Collins, John Smalley, George Hazen], and R. C. Teters, who met with a serious accident from the accidental discharge of his gun, whereby he lost a first joint of the fore finger of his right hand. Since I last wrote we have met with a severe loss in the death of Private Green Cannon. His remains were sent home in charge of his brother, Corp. Wm. Cannon, and repose in the burying ground near Pleasant Grove.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, April 26, 1862]

LETTER FROM MURFREESBORO

Feb. 9, 1863.

Dear Cousin: . . . [he writes that he is anxious to return home, that he is fighting for the Union and not for abolition of slavery] . . . -- Calvin Finch.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, March 14, 1863]

LETTER FROM TENNESSEE

From Camp near Triune, Tenn., March 20, 1863, [signed by all officers, non-commissioned officers, and privates of Co. F, 87th regiment, Ind. Vols, expressing regret that Capt. George W. Truslow left the service due to ill health. Letter signed A. G. P. (A. G. Pugh?) with his post-script stating] Van Dorn is said to be advancing upon us, and I expect before this reaches you we will hear the roar of battle.

OFFICERS: Horace C. Long, Capt.; Jacob H. Leiter, 1st Lieut; Joseph W. Beeber, 2nd Lieut; A. G. Pugh, 1st Sergt; C. S. Hickman, 2nd Sergt; Jonas Myers, 3d Sergt; C. W. Clay, 4th Sergt.

CORPORALS: J. W. Squires, 1st Corp; J. L. Martindale 2nd Corp.; J. H. League, 3d Corp.; Henry Platt, 4th Corp.; J. Roth, 5th Corp; J. L. McMahan, 6th Corp; A. E. Batchelor, 7th Corp.

PRIVATES: Wm. Alleman, Wm. Apt, John Apt, P. B. Apt, J. J. Babcock, J. Barrett, S. P. Berry, S. A. Berrier, J. Craine, H. Carpenters, J. E. Cates, J. N. Dunlap, Wm. R. Farry, S. J. Frear, P. Gripp, A. L. Goodrich, J. T. Garrier, P. Hoffman, J. House, S. H. Hickman, L. Jenkins, S. Kessler, Geo. W. Keslar, G. Kessler, J. Leisa, J. A. Love, H. Micky, L. D. Middleton, B. McElfresh, R. McAlexander, B. B. Patton, H. Parschal, A. Reiminsnider, H. Rodgers, E. Short, H.

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Stotler, J. J. Smith, Jas. W. Squires, H. Swartz, J. B. Taylor, G. Tothman, S. M. White, J. N. Wilson.

D. W. Shryock, Quartermaster Sgt.; J. Carpenter, Commissary Sgt.; Banner Lawhead, Adj. Clerk.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, April 11, 1863]

LETTER FROM SAVANNAH

Camp, 87th Ind Vols, Near Savannah, Dec. 15, 1864.

Ed. *Chronicle*: . . . The health of the army has been exceedingly good during this whole campaign but few have died and but few are now sick. The casualties of the 87th Regt are very light. Company B lost one man by the name of James Lidgett; he was either killed or captured while on detail foraging for the regiment. Klins S. Wilson, of Company D died on the 7th of December, of flux, and was buried about thirty-five miles from Savannah . . . Captain Elam has been sick during the greater part of the campaign, but I believe is not considered dangerously ill . . . Yours in F. H. & C., Jerome Carpenter.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday January 12, 1865]

LETTER FROM LEXINGTON

Lexington, Ky., Jan. 1, 1865.

Editor *Chronicle*: Through your valuable paper, we, the undersigned, officers and members of Company K, 46th Regt., Ind. Vet. Vols., take this method of expressing our gratitude to our much esteemed Captain, Robert M. Shields, for his many manly virtues displayed by him, while associated with us in the capacity of Commanding Officer . . . He entered the service in 1861 as 1st Lieutenant of Co. K., and was promoted to Captain immediately after the fall of Vicksburg. . . We part with him with heartfelt sorrow, and our best wishes for his welfare will follow him wherever he may go. . . . Lieut. Chamberlain, Sergt. F. IM. Reid, Sergt. A. G. Sinks, and thirty others.

[Rochester, *Chronicle*, Thursday, January 19, 1865]

LETTER FROM LOUISIANA

Camp 12th Indiana Cavalry, Carrolton, Louisiana, March 26, '65.

Dear *Chronicle*: . . . a little history of our campaign from Nashville to New Orleans . . . I met our old friend and fellow townsman, Archy McDonald; he is well, and has a good situtaiton; he is mustering officer in the city. I also saw J. Atkinson, and several of the old boys . . . I was sorry to hear of the death of William Osgood, but that is the road we must travel . . . D. W. Shryock.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, April 13, 1865]

CIVIL WAR - LIBBY PRISON

Major Collins of Newcastle twp, in this county, arrived at his home a few days ago. The Major was one of the officers who recently escaped from the Libby prison, at Richmond. He looks decidedly well, although somewhat thinned by the hardships and exposures he has borne in prison and on the tented field. Major Collins is a brave and efficient officer, and has been in the thickest of more than one desperately contested battle.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, March 5, 1864]

CIVIL WAR - NEWCASTLE REBELLION [Newcastle Township]

Rebellion in Newcastle. We are sorry to chronicle the disgraceful fact, that the insane teachings of the Copperhead leaders has resulted in open resistance to the laws in New Castle township. Capt. Truslow, the Enrollment Commissioner, for this county, under the Conscription Law, appointed John Mow, a returned soldier, and son of John S. Mow, Esq., as his assistant to enroll that township. Mr. Mow commenced his duties on Tuesday of last week, and found no serious difficulties until Thursday evening, when he was assaulted by two persons, who demanded

his books. He refused to give them up, whereupon they seized hold of him, and throwing him to the ground, succeeded in taking the books from him. They then told him that they had determined that the township should not be enrolled, and if he attempted to proceed with his duties, they would kill him and burn his father's property and that any man who would attempt to enroll that township, would do so at the peril of his life. They then gave a whistle which was promptly answered, and a large number of pistol shots were fired, from parties concealed in the brush.

The facts were reported to Capt. Truslow on Friday morning, and he immediately left for LaPorte to lay them before Provost Marshal Wallace, who telegraphed to Indianapolis for assistance, and on Monday evening, Provost Marshal Wallace and Captain Farquhar arrived here, who were followed on Tuesday, by a company of the 71st Ind Vol., in command of Capt. Mc---. The Union citizens of this village invited the soldiers to their several homes, and gave them their dinners, and after resting until 5 o'clock p.m., they loaded their pieces with ball cartridges, and took up their march for Bloomingsburg. At 9 o'clock on Tuesday evening, all was "quiet on the Tippecanoe."

We have no idea that the cowardly dogs who talk in school houses and fence corners of fighting the United States, will attempt to resist the force sent out to see the laws executed. Their courageous hearts are strong enough to attack dead soldiers, but they will be exceedingly careful how they expose their worthless hides to Uncle Sam's Minnie balls.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, June 18, 1863]

CIVIL WAR - PENSIONS

List of PENSIONERS in Fulton County, showing their disabilities and the amounts received per month:

KREIGHBAUM, Wm.	diseased eyes		\$6
SHELT, Elbridge N.	chronic diarrhoea	4	
STRONG, Ely	wounded right arm		4
ONSTOTT, Geo. W.	gun shot w hip	4	
STRONG, Spencer	wounded right hip	8	
SCHMOUDER, Michael	g s w hand		8
HARSH, Cevilla, widow			10
MEREDITH, Orange	injury to abdomen	8	
BAUGHER, Henry	wounded hand	4	
WALL, James J.	wounded left thigh		4
NICHOLS, Geo. W.	loss right arm	24	
UEBELE, John	chr ulcer left leg		8
RANS, Emanuel	diseased eyes		6
RUSH, John W.	gun shot w r lung	6	
GRADY, Jeremiah O.	chr diar g s w r a	16	
JULIAN, Margaret, Widow 1812			8
ELKINS, Geo. W.	gun shot wounded left hd	3	
OLIVER, David C.	wounded left thigh		4
FENIMORE, Wm. L.	gun shot w left thigh		4
MILLER, Abraham	gun shot w left leg		4
COPNER, Alexander H.	diseased eyes		4
DAGUE, John W.	chr diarr	6	
LEAVELL, Francis M.	diseased eyes		8
REED, Stephen H.	chronic diarr	6	
PATTON, Henry C.	gun shot w right hip	6	
POWELL, Job V.	gun shot w r shoulder	2	
ROUCH, George	chronic diarr		4
PATTON, Sarah D., mother		8	
NEW, Isom R.	wounded chest		8

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NEW, Jethro	loss left eye, chronic diar	15	
PATLY, Thomas W.	loss left leg	18	
HAMELTON, John	diseased eyes	24	
WILSON, John F.	diseased lungs	4	
BARNETT, Michael Isaac	g s w r shoul		8
ROGERS, Daniel M.	dis lungs, chr diar	10	
BARKER, Isaac H.	diseased eyes	10	
WARE, Philip	dis o abdominal viscera		6
TROUTMAN, John G.	chronic diarr		8
HUBER, Gotlieb	w r hand & thigh		18
LAWS, Wm. H.	gun shot w right thigh		18
CLARK, Julia, widow			8
SMITH, Mary, widow		8	
HILTON, Mary, widow			10
APT, Frederick W., minor of		10	
CLAY, Clements W.	wounded r thigh	4	
HIGHT, Albert M.	gun shot w left hand	6	
FERGUSON, Wm. A.	chronic rheum	6	
O'BLENNIS, Henry F.	gun shot w left leg		4
HESSENPLUG, Henry E.	scurvy, dis m		4
LONG, Horace C.	abscess left side neck	5	
HOFFMAN, Samuel H.	inj to abdomen		6
JONES, Wm. I.	injured back		6
COLLINS, James F.	chr diarr dis lung	4	
CHRISMORE, Geo. W.	injured left eye		4
COOVERT, John N.	gun shot w head	6	
COOK, Wm.	gun shot wound left arm	4	
DURBIN, Lawrence A.	gun shot w head		8
DAVIS, Columbus	fractured r humerus	6	
DELP, Edward J.	w left scapula & arm		18
DRAKE, Hezekiah S.	gun shot w left arm	4	
BRACKETT, James W.	inj to abdomen		25
KIRKENDALL, John N.	w left should & leg		8
GOODRICH, Alfred L.	gun s w left thigh	6	
NICODEMUS, Isaac	injury to abdomen	8	
GINGRICH, David K.	w left shoulder		6
HILL, John G.	wounded left thigh		12
FISHER, David P.	spurious vace	18	
STALLARD, John	diseased eyes	8	
WESTFALL, Wm. N.	diseased lungs	6	
WYCOFF, James F.	gun shot w r foot	2	
BEVERLY, Stanford	dis of abd viscera	12	
BROCH, John W.	wounded left foot	6	
CARITHERS, David	wounded left arm	4	
DAULBY, Jonathan W.	inj to abdomen		8
WORTHINGTON, Henry	wounded left foot		2
YOUNT, John	injury to abdomen		4
PORTER, Benj. F.	g s w thighs & back	10	
PLOUGH, Wm. M.	diseased eyes	6	
ALEXANDER, Wm. R.	w r breast & shoul		4
RADER, David	loss right eye		15
POLLY, Edward B.	loss right arm	24	
SWEET, Ira M.	injury spine		14

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WARREN, Seth	injur left jaw	10
POWNALL, Wm. H.	chronic diarr	14
STEFFEY, Abraham	gun shot w left hip	4
SHIELDS, Samuel	chr diar dis lungs	8
WRIGHT, John B.	gun shot w left knee	4
HEIGHWAY, Albert H.	gun s w left shoul	8
FRITZ, Jacob	wounded right thigh	4
OSGOOD, Ovid P.	chronic diarr	10
MILLER, Clark B.	archy finger	2
LOY, Jacob	gun shot w right side	8
OLIVER, Henry C.	gun shot w head	6
GREEN, John W.	gun s w right knee	4
HOFFMAN, Peter	g s w left thigh & hip	8
IZZARD, Jabez	am-r eyes	24
DAVIS, John M.	injured back	8
ALEXANDER, John M.	wounded left hd	4
FOSYTHE, Chas. A.	injured spine	18
GIBERSON, Israel W.	wounded right s	15
NEISWONGER, Henry W.	dis lungs	18
MOORE, David	gun shot w r leg & thigh	6
GANDY, James	wounded right foot	14
MOORE, John B.	loss right leg	18
HATTERMAN, Geo. W.,	minor of	10
SEDLERS, Samuel W.,	minor of	10
RANS, Mary A., mother		8
SHIELDS, Susan, mother		8
McMAHAN, Mary J., widow		12
BARRETT, Rachel, widow		8
ROSS, Sarah C., widow		16
RUSH, Sarah, widow		8
RYLAND, Electra J., widow		17
WILEY, Rebecca, widow 1812		8
BRYANT, Nancy, widow		8
JONES, Gilbert, surv. 1812		8
NEWTON, John M.	gun shot w right hd	6
SURGUY, Wm. H.	total blind	72
CHINN, E. B.	disability of right leg	8

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, November 10, 1883]

CIVIL WAR - POEM

“Home” [By John E. Cates, 87th Regt. Ind. Vols., Chattanooga, Tenn., sent to the Rochester *Sentinel*]:

Home, is the sweetest thought
That lights the soldier’s mind;
Could but the battles all be fought,
And Liberty’s sun still shine.

Oh! his home and friends, how dear,
He feels the kindred ties;
But still he feels no coward fear,
Though he for his country dies.

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He hopes and trusts and prays,
To meet his friends again;
But he must save his country first,
That Law and Peace may reign.

May God, in all his good,
Lend His helping hand,
And strengthen all our firmness,
To save our glorious land.

Oh, may both North and South,
Be bound in one Christian band,
And live as brethren in one house,
In a Christian, happy land.

Lord! Stop the maddened strife,
And give us grace to see
The worth of human life,
And Christian Liberty.

CIVIL WAR - PRISONERS

Letter from Prisoner of War. Camp Instruction, near Shreveport, La. Dear Wife: . . . I am well and hearty, and still a prisoner of war. I was taken on the 29th of September, 1863, near the Mississippi River . . . John A. Barnett, Sergt., Co. A, 26th Ind Vols.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, April 14, 1864]

List of Prisoners of War from Company A, 26th Reg Ind Vols.

SERGEANTS: Philip Fenters, Lyman Coplen and John A. Barnett.

CORPORAL: John Zortman.

PRIVATES: Calvin Ball, M. J. Barnett, W. T. Barnett, J. Bibler, E. Cleland, D. Clemens, M. Clemens, J. Collins, G. Griffin, D. Herrington, J. Keel, R. Kniss, A. McClure, N. McLaughlin, J. Nichols, T. Riley, J. Smith, A. Smith, S. Strong, O. Troutman, G. Wilcox, H. Wardlow and J. Young.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, April 14, 1864]

Safe. We are pleased to learn that the boys of Company K, 46th Indiana, who were reported missing after the battle in Louisiana, are well, though prisoners at Tyler, Texas. The following is a list of their names:

John Van Meter, Jesse Shamp, David Jenkinson, Ambrose McVoke, Elihu Shaffer, John Stallard, George Mathews, George Moore, Samuel Johnson, William Kreighbaum and Elmore Shelt.

Lieutenant Col. Flory who was reported killed, is also a prisoner, and reports that the rebels treat them well. We hope they may be fortunate enough to soon be restored to their friends.

The remainder of the regiment are expected home within a few days.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, June 16, 1864]

CIVIL WAR - PROVOST MARSHAL

K. G. Shryock, Provost Marshal of the 9th district, by N. G. Shaffer, gives notice that bounty to volunteers will be limited to \$100.00 after January 5.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, January 2, 1864]

CIVIL WAR - RECRUITING

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Volunteer Company. We learn that a recruiting office has been opened in this place for the enlistment of 100 men to serve three years or during the war.

M. L. Miner is the recruiting officer and he has twenty days to fill up his company. Men will receive \$13 per month and a bounty of \$100 in gold and 160 acres of land, and all the glory thrown in. The rendezvous is in J. Yost's building, three doors South of the Mansion House.

[Rochester *Mercury*, Thursday, July 18, 1861]

John Miller of Rensselaer, formerly of this County, is in town recruiting for the cavalry service. Those who wish to enlist for the war cannot do better than to join his company, as he is an old warrior having served his country during the Mexican war.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, September 21, 1861]

Volunteers Wanted . . . I have determined to raise a company of men for the Cavalry service, but want such men as will have no objections to Infantry service, providing the Company cannot get into the Cavalry service.

Dr. C. L. White is authorized to recruit for said Company. . . . -- John Miller.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, October 5, 1861]

Headquarters Co. A, 26th Ind., Lamine Cantonment, Mo. Feb. 24, 1862.

Editor *Sentinel*: . . . Please allow me space in the columns of your paper to inform the citizens of Fulton county that Co. A, having lost 12 men, 4 by disease, and 8 discharged, we would be very happy to receive a few recruits. . . P. G. Kelsey, Lieut. Commanding Co. A.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, March 8, 1862]

Our old friend, A. H. McDonald, formerly proprietor of this office, has returned home for a short stay. As Second Lieutenant of company A, 26 Regiment, he is on recruiting service for his company, now in Missouri. . .

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, March 22, 1862]

Lieut. A. H. McDonald of Capt. Kelsey's Company, 26 Regt., who has been home recruiting for some time, left on Thursday last for Otterville, Missouri where the Regiment is encamped. He took with him as recruits the following persons from this county: George Hazen, William Murphy, Geo. W. Ernst, Hiram N. Troutman, Royal Kniss and Joseph Carter. . . .

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, March 29, 1862]

Messrs Plank & Truslow have a full company and several men to spare, and will probably leave for camp next Monday. Many of our best citizens are in its ranks as privates; men who have left a good business, and pleasant homes, for the privations of camp life.

Dr. Banks, of Mill Ark, opened a recruiting office, in this village, last Monday morning, for a Cavalry company, and during that day and Tuesday he swore in fifty recruits, and will probably have a full company by tonight.

-- Married. On the 9th inst., by Rev. Isaac Stallard, Mr. William A. Broakaw and Miss Catharine E. Swisher, all of this county.

We are informed that the above ceremony was performed in the road, and that the patriotic bridegroom left with Capt. Wood's Company on Monday morning. Success to him and a safe and speedy return.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, August 14, 1862]

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Capt. B. F. Grover, Lieut. McAfee and Sgt. Jas. Beeber are in Rochester recruiting volunteers. Bounty to veterans is \$402, and to citizens \$302.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, November 7, 1863]

Recruiting for Fulton County. Mark C. McAfee, assisted by David T. Evey, of Akron, and others, is engaged in recruiting a company for the 129th new regt., Infantry. 45 men are necessary to secure an organization in the regt., after which if you will not volunteer, the company will be filled by draft. We learn that about one third that number has already been raised. Old Henry will raise her quota, will not other twps do the same, come forward enlist and save the good credit of your county.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, November 28, 1863]

The work of recruiting in this county is progressing slowly. Lieut McAfee, Sergt Brown, Sergt Hoober, Serge Beeber and Sergt Newhouse, aided by a number of our citizens, are making energetic efforts to raise the requisite number so as to avoid the draft.

The second series of War Meetings is now being held, and strong hopes are entertained by those who ought to know, that the task will be accomplished.

Col. Shryock spent some time making speeches, but has now gone to Washington. Capt. Grover also gave his efficient aid, and B. Lawhead has been indefatigable in his efforts. It will be strange if all these gentlemen fail to induce 112 men to enter the country's service, especially when the war seems so near its termination.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, December 3, 1863]

We learn from Lieut. McAfee that he has now 22 recruits for the infantry, and that quite a number have enlisted in the cavalry. David T. Evey, of Akron, is assisting in raising recruits, and has obtained quite a number . . .

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, December 10, 1863]

Returned. Our young friend, Chester Chamberlain, of the 49th Regt. returned from the army a few days ago. He is attached to the recruiting service. He was all through the terrific fight at Vicksburg, and fought bravely.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, January 2, 1864]

Off to Camp. The volunteers recruited by Lieut. McAfee, left last Monday morning, for the camp at Michigan City.

Lieut. Joseph W. Beeber, now nearly recovered from the wounds received at the Battle of Chickamauga, has also left, we believe, for his regiment. Sergts. James M. Beeber and B. F. Brown have had orders to rejoin their respective regiments and left last Monday.

Ho! Ye Fighting Men! All those wishing to enlist in the 87th Indiana Regiment, should call on the undersigned at the Mansion House, Rochester, Ind. Now is the time to get the large bounties offered by the Government and County - \$502 in all. Serg't. B. F. Brown, Co. D 87th Ind. Vols.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, February 27, 1864]

Joseph Beeber left Wednesday with a number of recruits for the 87th.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, March 5, 1864]

Sergeant Thomas McAnnally, of Co. F, 20th Indiana Volunteers, is now at home on furlough, and wishes to secure a number of recruits for this gallant regiment . . .

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, March 17, 1864]

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Capt. G. W. Truslow is recruiting for the 100 days' service, at this place. We have not learned the number of recruits obtained.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday May 7, 1864]

A Call to Arms. I wish to obtain some Volunteers for the 46th Indiana Regiment, now home on furlough. . . Volunteers can enlist for one, two or three years as they choose. . . The regiment returns about the (25th?) of July. R. M. Shields, Capt., Co. K, 46th Regt., Ind. Vols.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Friday, July 22, 1864]

Sergt. Jasper L. Atkinson, of the 26th Indiana Veteran Volunteers, is now recruiting for his regiment . . .

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, November 3, 1864]

We call attention to the card of Capt. (R. M.) Shields Recruiting Officer for Fulton and Starke Counties . . .

Fulton County ever awake to the interest and call of her country, now offers a county bounty of \$500 to each recruit for one year; while the Government pays \$100. . .

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, February 2, 1865]

Recruits. The following young men from Gilead passed through our Town today on their way to the general rendezvous. A. Case, O. Case, A. Hurlbut, G. Overly, B. Craige, O. McNabb and Wm. Alexander.

The above named young men have been known to us from childhood. They are of the highest standing in the society of home. George Overly served three years as a faithful soldier and was honorably discharged.

Quota for Fulton County. The quota of the different Townships of Fulton county are as follows: Henry 27; Liberty 9; New Castle 25; Union 20; Wayne 27; Aubbeenaubbee 14; Rochester 52; Richland --. The above are entitled to credits for enlistments from January 1st, 1865.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, February 9, 1865]

Bounty Continued. The Commissioners met on Tuesday last and ordered the Bounty to be paid to enough men to fill the quota of this county. The quota is 174 men, and up to Tuesday morning, Feb. 14, there were received about 70 men.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, February 16, 1865]

G. P. Anderson has been appointed Recruiting Officer in this county for the 157th Reg. . . George wants 50 more men to fill the quota of Fulton County . . .

--- We are happy to learn that Colonel [Kline G.] Shryock has been appointed chief Recruiting Officer for the 157th Regiment to be raised in the 9th Congressional District . . .

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, March 23, 1865]

CIVIL WAR - REGIMENTAL BAND, 36th

S. E. Jewell and Horace Long, musicians in the 36th Regiment of Indiana Volunteers, arrived at home three or four days since. Their return is owing to the fact of the discharging of a large number of the Regimental Bands, connected with the different Regiments.

[Rochester *Mercury*, Thursday, February 6, 1862]

Off to the Army. O. P. Osgood, Esq., left Rester a few days ago to join the old Regimental Band of the 20th Regiment. The Band is now reorganizing and is engaged for the 87th Regiment. Success to brother Obe and all the rest of his musical comrades.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, September 26, 1863]

CIVIL WAR - REGIMENTAL BAND, 87th INFANTRY

Directed by O. P. Osgood.

Accompanied Sherman on his march to the sea, and played at the reviewing stand at Washington, D.C., when the troops were mustered out after the Civil War.

CIVIL WAR REGIMENTS - 13th REGIMENT

Camp of the 13th Ind Vols. Folly Island, N.C., Nov. 3d, 1863.

Editor *Chronicle*: . . . there has been a great deal of sickness and ten men have died, including 1st Lieut. Scott of Co. D. four men, members of Co. B. have died; Sergt. John R. Cassady, Corporals Levi Conser and Wm. H. H. Stevenson, and Private Robert Watson . . . Yours respectfully, R. S. Mow.

[*Rochester Chronicle*, Thursday, November 26, 1863]

CIVIL WAR REGIMENTS - 26th REGIMENT

We are informed that Captain Miner's Company is nearly full, and expects to march for the place of rendezvous, on Wednesday of next week ...

[*Rochester Mercury*, Thursday, July 25, 1861]

Our Volunteers. The election of officers was held last Tuesday afternoon, and M. L. Miner, Esq., was unanimously chosen Captain and P. G. Kelsey 1st Lieutenant and A. H. McDonald, Orderly Sergeant . . .

Yesterday afternoon the Company was presented by the Ladies of Rochester with a beautiful Flag. The presentation was made by Miss Mary Lakin in a neat little speech to which an appropriate response was made by Capt. Minor.

At six o'clock last evening the Company left for Indianapolis, via Logansport. Our patriotic citizens furnished means of conveyance to the Railroad ...

[*Rochester Mercury*, Thursday, August 1, 1861]

Camp Sullivan, Indianapolis.

August 3d, 1861.

Editor *Mercury*: I thought that I would write you a few lines to let you know how we have fared since we left Rochester. We arrived in Logansport about 2 o'clock a.m. Aug 1st. The citizens of Logansport had a fine breakfast prepared for us. A short patriotic speech was made by Rev. Mr. Layton, and responded to by Captain Minor. At 11:40 we started from Logansport and arrived here about 3 o'clock p.m. We were marched from the Union Depot to the State House, and were received there by the proper officers and marched to Camp Sullivan, where we are at present. Our officers are untiring in their efforts to make us comfortable. We are not deceived in our officers; they are very kind to us and the men like them very well. We will get some of our camp equipage today and in time we will be fixed up comfortable. Colonel Brown's regiment leaves here today for the seat of war. Captain Minor has the entire control of Camp Sullivan. No more at present; if my health permits, I will keep you posted from time to time.

B. Lawhead, Jr.

[*Rochester Mercury*, Thursday, August 8, 1861]

Capt. Miner and Lieut. Kelsey are here, as well as a number of the privates of their company, who are home on a furlough . . .

[*Rochester Mercury*, Thursday, August 29, 1861]

[Letter from Camp Sullivan, Indianapolis, Sept 4, 1861] . . . We are Company "A": Officers: Captain, Milton L. Miner. First Lieutenant, Percival G. Kelsey. Second Lieutenant, David Rader. Sergeants: 1st Archibald H. McDonald, 2d Lemuel Coplen, 3d Robert C. Teters, 4th Philip Fenters, 5th Joseph H. Wait. Corporals: 1st William B. Wharton, 2d George Griffin, 3d Jasper L. Atchinson, 4th Jonathan Smith, 5th William Cannon, 6th [not readable], 7th Carson Swisher, 8th Granville G. Long. Musicians: Henry Hayden, James Quivey. Wagoner: John T. Ellesever. Privates: I. Adams, J. Adams, M. Barnett, Wm. Baker, M. Barbour, C. Barbour, J. Burns, J. Barrett, O. Barnes, J. Bennett, H. Binnaman, J. Bibler, E. W. Borders, Luther E. Carpenter, G. T. Cannon, E. Carr, W. R. Carr, H. H. Carter, Chas. Carter, E. T. Clear, M. Clemmens, J. Clemmens, C. N. Cleland, S. Clemmens, W. B. Collins, M. Collins, T. Collins, S. Collins D. Craft, L. Culver, A. J. Daugherty, A. J. Dixon, W. Fowler, M. Galzean, J. Graffis, J. T. Hathaway, D. Harrington, W. H. Hoover, T. J. Hurst, J. Keel, W. Locke, J. Locke, J. Marshall, A. E. McClure, G. N. McLaughlin, S. W. Moore, J. Nichols, J. K. Onstott, A. Osman, S. W. Overly, S. Peterson, V. Quivey, H. Ralstin, J. Rankin, T. B. Riley, H. B. Scott, F. Sell, J. T. Schueman, J. Slick, J. Smalley, C. F. Smith, S. M. Smith, P. Spaugy, S. Sparks, D. Stayton, S. Strong, W. H. Strong, D. Troutman, O. Troutman, H. M. Watson, H. Wardlow, I. D. Way, J. W. Ward, J. Weikle, J. Wheatly, C. Wheldon, G. Wilcox, M. Wright, T. Woods, J. Young, J. Zartman, D. Zartman,
[Rochester *Mercury*, Thursday, September 12, 1861]

On Board Steamboat White Cloud. Cambridge, Mo., Sept 20, 1861.
Editors *Sentinel*: . . . The 26th Regt. Col. Wheatley, left Indianapolis on Saturday, 7th inst., for St Louis, after a pleasant ride of 24 hours we reached our destination, in good spirits. We went into quarters at Benton Barracks six miles north west of St. Louis. We spent a pleasant week there, though it proved rather sickly. Three of our boys were taken to the Hospital, where they now remain; their names are Henry Carter, Andrew Dougherty and Frank Sell. . . At Jefferson City, Mrs. Miner left us for home, . . . I was standing between the two ranks of Com A. from Fulton Co, by the side of Frank Clear, relating to Lieutenants Kelsey and Rader the facts of Major Tanner, when the fire opened upon our Company, and the bullets fell thick and fast around us, one passing through Clear's coatsleeve, and narrowly missed me. . . Our company escaped without any being killed; our wounded as follows: J. D. Way, slight flesh wound in the hip, from musket ball, and the skin on left elbow "ruffled." Lieut. Kelsey received a slight bayonet wound on the cheek and left shoulder. Capt. Miner a slight wound on the left ear . . . -- Mac.
[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, October 5, 1861]

Our young men will notice the letter of Lieutenant Kelsey, in today's paper, calling for a few volunteers for the 26th Regiment now in Missouri. Captain Miner, we learn, resigned some time since, and Lieutenant Kelsey is in command of the company . . .
[Rochester *Mercury*, Thursday, March 6, 1862]

Lieut. McDonald returned home from Missouri last Friday evening. Since the resignation of Capt. Miner, the under officers have been promoted, so that P. G. Kelsey is now Captain, and D. Rader and A. H. McDonald, 1st and 2d Lieutenant. Lieut. McDonald is enlisting a few recruits for his company . . .
[Rochester *Mercury*, Thursday, March 20, 1862]

Volunteers. Lieut. McDonald leaves today for his Regiment in Missouri. The following persons accompany him as recruits: Geo. Hazen, Hiram N. Troutman, Royal Kniss, Joseph Carter, William Murphy.
[Rochester *Mercury*, Thursday, March 27, 1862]

Letter from the 26th Ind. Volunteers. Prairie Grove, 10 miles from Fayetteville, Ark., Dec. 10, 1862.

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Kind Uncle: . . . The gallant 26th fought like heroes, and suffered severely. Ninetwen were wounded and two killed in our company. William J. Cannon and William H. Hoover were killed dead on the field; Michael Barnett and Henry Hazen were mortally wounded . . . A woman came in yesterday to see if she could find any of her kindred among the killed. She found her father, her brother, and her husband, all killed! O, she just tore around all day. One of our boys found his brother killed on the field! The brother was a secesh, and our soldier buried him, and never shed a tear!

O, it looks horrible to see the dead, piled up like wood! They begin to smell rather strong, and the men they sent back to bury them are going to join our army, and let them lie there and rot! The hogs are eating many of them up. . . Yours truly, M. A. Collins, P. B. Wever, Esq.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, January 8 1863]

From the 26th Regiment. Camp 26th Indiana Volunteers, Near Hazel Wood Mo., March 6th, 1863.

Editor Chronicle: . . . In conclusion we speak of Captain D. Rader and upon him too much praise cannot be bestowed . . . J. L. Atkinson, Co. A, 26th Reg. Ind. Vol.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, March 26, 1863]

A voice from Indiana in the Field. At a meeting of company A, 26th Regiment Ind. Vol. Infantry, the following preamble and Resolutions were unanimously agreed to . . .

[signed by]: OFFICERS: David Rader, Captain. A. H. McDonald, 1st Lieut, Philip Fenter, O. S. Joseph H. Wait, Sergt. J. L. Atkinson, Corp. G. G. Long, Corp. Darius Troutman, Corp. John Zartman, Corp. John Graffis, Corp. James Quivey.

PRIVATES: John T. Glessner, James Adams, Isaac Adams, William Baker, Calvin Ball, Michael J. Barnett, William T. Barnett, Isaac H. Barrett, James Bennett, James Bibler, Ezra W. Borders, George A. Burkhart, John W. Burkhart, James A. Burns, Edward Carr, William R. Carr, Alfred B. Carter, Charles Carter, Joseph Carter, Elihu F. Clear, Charles N. Cleland, David Clemens, Joseph Clemens, Marion Clemens, James F. Collins, Marenius A Collins, Lorenzo M. Culver, Andrew J. Daugherty, Wesley Fowler, Martin Galyman, George Griffin, David Harrington, Joseph S. Hathaway, George S. Hazen, Adolph Hunneshagen, Thomas J. Hurst, John Keel, Royal Kniss, Andrew E. McClure, George J. McLaughlin, Jonathan Nichols, Samuel Overly, Jacob K. Onstott, Virgil Quivey, Hazard Ralstin, Thomas R. Riley, John F. Schuerman, Franklin Sell, John T. Smalley, Henry Smith, Stephen Sparks, Peter Spaugy, David Stayton, William H. Strong, Hiram Troutman, Orlando Troutman, Abener C. Wait, Joel W. Ward, Hasen Wardlow, Hiram M. Watson, William B. Wharton, Charles Wheeldon, Joseph P. Wright, Thomas Woods, Jacob Young, A. J. Barret, Sergt. Major, 26 Ind. Vols.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, June 25, 1863]

LOSSES OF CO. A, 26th IND. VOLS. The following are the extent of our casualties in the 26th Indiana. There are but few really dangerous wounds, and with few exceptions they will all recover.

COMPANY A.

KILLED: Samuel A. Wright.

WOUNDED: Capt. David Rader, nose, right eye and fracture of skull; Isaac H. Barrett, arm and shoulder, severe; Mark R. Wright, flesh wound severe.

MISSING: Orderly Sergt. P. Fenters; Sergt. Lyman Copelin; Sergt. John A. Barnett; Corp. Jasper L. Atkinson; Corp. John Zartman; Calvin Ball, Michael Barnett, Wm. T. Barnett, Jas. Bibler, Chas. N. Clelland, David Clemans, James F. Collins, Geo. Griffin, D. Herrington, John Kell, Royal Kniss, Andrew E. McCleve, G. N. McLaughlin, J. Nicholas, Thomas R. Riley, Henry Smith, Johnathan Smith, Spencer Strong, Orlando Troutman, Abner E. Wait, Hazen Wardlow, George W. Wilcox, Jacob Young, Marion Clemans.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, October 29, 1863]

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Letter from J. L. Atkinson. Natchez, Miss., Dec 18th, 1863.

Mr. Editor: . . . I will now give you the names of my Company who are yet prisoners of war in Texas or at least as nigh as I possibly can, without having a list of their names. I may fail to give them correctly, but I will insert the name of no one who is not a prisoner.: Sergrts. P. R. Fenters, L. Coplen and J. A. Barnett. Corporal J. Zartman. Privates, Calvin Ball, M. I. Barnett, W. T. Barnett, James Bibler, William Carr, Marion Clemens, David Clemens, J. T. Collins, Charles Cleland, George Griffin, David Harrington, John Keel, Royal Kniss, A. E. McClure, G. N. McLaughlin, Johnston Nichols, R. Riley, Jonathan Smith, Henry Smith, Spencer Strong, Orlando Troutman, Hiram Troutman, Hazen Wardlow, George Wilcox and Jacob Young. . . Jasper L. Atkinson, Co. A., 26th Ind Vols.

[Rochester Chronicle, Thursday, January 14, 1864]

Home. Several of the boys of the 26th Indiana are now at home on thirty days' furlough, the regiment having reenlisted as veterans. George Hazen, Granville Long, Lorenzo Culver, and Amos Barrett, are among those who are at home. A large portion of the regiment are still prisoners at Tyler, Texas.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, April 7, 1864]

CIVIL WAR REGIMENTS - 28th REGIMENT

Letter From the 28th. Point Isabel, Texas. November 8th, 1863.

Dear Father: . . . I got a letter yesterday from George W. Ernst, who is at St. Louis, Mo. He was clerking for Gen. To[-]ten. . . I give you the casualties in Company A. in the engagement at Morganzies Bend in the Capalia River:

KILLED: Private Samuel A. Wright.

WOUNDED: Capt. D. Rader, right eye; Privates Isaac H. Barrett, right shoulder; Mark R. Wright, left ankle.

CAPTURED: Sergrts Philip Fenters, Lyman Coplen, John A. Barnett; Corporals J. L. Atkinson, John Zartman. Privates James Bibler, Calvin Ball, Michael I. Barnett, William T. Barnett, James F. Collins, Charles Cleland, Marion Clemens, David Clemens, George Griffin, David Herrington, John Keel, Royal Kniss, Andrew E. McClure, George McLaughlin, Jonathan Nicholas, Thomas R. Riley, Henry Smith, Jonathan Smith, Spencer Strong, Orlando Troutman, Hazen Wardlow, George W. Wilcox and Jacob Young. Alfred B Carter, a brother to Lieut. Carter, died of disease, October 24th. Total number that has died, been killed, wounded and captured in less than a month is 34. . . . Your son, G. G. Long.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, December 10, 1863]

CIVIL WAR REGIMENTS - 29th REGIMENT

Letter from Lieutenant New. Pittsburg, Tennessee, April 10, 1862.

Mr. Editor: I have taken the liberty of writing you a few lines, which you will please publish for the information of our friends, in regard to the great battle of the 6th and 7th of this month.

Our Company, (Capt Collins', 29th Regiment Indiana Volunteers) was in the hardest of the fitht. We lost but one man killed -- William Landon, of Stark county, - - and six wounded - - Harvey Green, John Geller, Riley Craig and Joseph Herron.

Our army lost a great meny officers, but we gained the day, as you have no doubt heard long before you will receive this.

We have just got orders to march again; so I mu st close. Yours truly, Jethro New.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, April 24, 1862]

Quartermaster A. C. Sheppard, of the 29th Regiment Indiana Volunteers, arrived here last Friday evening. He will leave here on his return tomorrow, and will cheerfully take letters or small packages to soldiers in any of the following regiments: the 6th, 29th, 30th, 32d, or 39th. Parcels or letters may be left at the Drug store of Plank & Dawson.

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[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, July 24, 1862]

Letter from the 29th. Camp Battle Creek, Tenn., August 4, 1862.

Mr. Editor: We are sending home from the 29th Regiment Indiana Volunteers two commissioned officers of the Regiment and two enlisted men of each Company to recruit.

I have sent B. W. Worden and William T. Baker of Company D to recruit for said Company . . . Jethro New, Captain Co D, 29th Ind Vols.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, August 28, 1862]

Our old friend, A. C. Shepherd, arrived in town last Saturday. He is looking well, and soldiering evidently agrees with him. He left his regiment, (the 29th) at Tullahoma, and will leave here on his return today.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, August 6, 1863]

Tullahoma, Tenn. July 10th, 1863. Mr. Conn . . .

[signed by]: N. B. Bennett, H. C. Oliver, H. C. Sellers, George Foltz, James P. Wilson, S. W. Bennett, Samuel Lamb, P. C. Hincle, James Ward, J. B. Graham, William H. Jones, J. V. Pownal, M. Foltz, J. Fouts, J. R. Fallis, H. C. Pownall, S. Clark, J. V. Reed, S. B. Helper, Edward Campbell, Daniel Smith, Aaron Booth, B. A. Louderback, Thomas Athow, Sylvanus Bishop, A. C. Myers, John Humes, R. B. Reed, J. W. Martin, G. Martin, John H. Grable, R. F. Elliott, Alexander Sedam, J. W. H. Louderback, O. E. Filley, C. A. Goodwin, William J Kline, Enoch H. Jones, H. Grow, Robert W. Smith, Joseph Calkins, William Griswold, A. Brown, Enos Studebaker, Members of Co. E, 29th Ind Vols.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, August 13, 1863]

Our Loss in the Late Battle. We give below a complete list of the killed, wounded and missing, in the four companies raised in this county, that were in the late engagement. We copy the list from the Indianapolis *Journal*, of Saturday last, which is official, and no doubt correct. The loss is very heavy, and shows that the 29th and 87th were in the thickest of the fight.

OFFICERS: Major J. P. Collins, 29 missing. Adjutant F. Ryland, 87th, killed.

TWENTY-NINTH REGIMENT, Co. D:

KILLED: Wm. H. H. Daugherty.

WOUNDED: 1st Sergt, Isam R. New, in the breast, severely; Sergt. Alex. Young, left shoulder, severely; Byron W. Worden, head, slightly; Sergt. James Short, in groin, slight; John Burton, wrist, slight; George H. Burch, left shoulder, severe; W. H. H. Coffin, right hand, slight; William Herrill, in spine, severe; David Hay, in hand, severe; Nathaniel Rebstock, right leg, severe; Abraham Shafer, left hand, slight; Jeremiah Smith, left arm, severe; William Zook, right hand, severe.

MISSING: Corp. Oliver J. Carpenter, James Abbott, Oakley Askridge, Barzilla Askridge, Edward Case, James S. Collins, H. P. Collins, David W. Rhodes, Joseph Johnson, John Smith, E. A. Smith, E. J. Smith, Capt. McCaslin Moore.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, October 8, 1863]

CIVIL WAR REGIMENTS - 46th REGIMENT

Sergeant J. C. Moses is home for the purpose of enlisting a few recruits for Co. K., Capt. B. A. Grover, 46th Regiment Indiana Volunteers. The 46th is now at New Madrid, where our brave boys had the honor of participating in the recent battle. . . . Volunteers report to J. C. Moses or R. P. Smith, at the Post Office in this place, or Isaac Whittenberger, of Akron.

[Rochester *Mercury*, Thursday, March 20, 1862]

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4thth Indiana Volunteers, Helena Ark., Dec 8, 1862.

Dear Mother: . . . The health of our regiment is better now than at any time since coming here. We sent H. A. Bruno to the hospital yesterday; he is the only real sick man in the regiment; he is very bad, and I am afraid well never be better . . . Your son, J. . .

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, December 25, 1862]

Muster Roll of Co K, 46th Regiment, Ind Vols., December 31, 1862:

OFFICERS: Captain, B. A. Grover. 1st Lieutenant, Robert M. Shields. 2d, John McClung. 1st Sergeant, Jacob C. Moses. 2d, John Van Meter. 3d, Chester Chamberlain. 4th, Ambrose McVoke. 5th, Frank M. Reid. Commissary Sergeant, George Horn. 1st Corporal, John Marshman. 2d, John Vice. 3d, Simon Miller. 4th, William Suydam. 5th, D. C. Jenkins. 6th, A. G. Sinks. 7th, Adam Gandy. 8th, Miller Truslow. Musicians, John Stradley and Albert Beauchamp.

PRIVATES: Larkin Adamson, Robertson Adamson, Daniel R. Ball, Henry A. Bruno, Simon Camp, William Cook, C. W. Colwell, William Davis, David Haller, Levi Haskell, William Hunter, Roscoe Hutchins, John Hoover, Samuel Hoover, John Johnson, Samuel Johnson, William Johnson, William Krichbaum, Jefferson Marshman, George Moon, George W. Mathews, Lewis Messner, Frisby Richardson, Michael Rooney, John Ritchie, Joseph Ross, Thomas W. Scott, Andrew Shamp, Jesse Shamp, John Stallard, Enos O. Stringham, Theo. W. Stringham, Elihu Shafer, Stephen Shepherd, Elmore Shelt, Lyman White, William Wood, Hiram Whittenberger.

DISCHARGED: A. B. Andrews, Isaac Bemenderfer, Jesse Bryan, Levi Burch, A. P. Collins, Samuel Drake, Joseph Hardy, Sherman Haskell, John Huffman, Israel Johnson, Ellis Ross, Samuel Shields, Orlando C. Smith, Wallace True, Francis Wilkinson.

DIED: J. R. Bell, Thomas Blacketor, William Brockus, Elijah Clise, Daniel Clise, Joseph Gandy, Asbury Johnson, Hickson Jones, William Moore, John P. Ream, H. S. Ritchie, Henry Saylor, Nelson G. Sippy, William E. Sutton, George Updegraph, George Van Meter, J. B. Whittenberger, Timothy Williams.

RESIGNED: Lieut. Jacob H. Leiter.

DESERTED: Jacob H. Head.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, February 26, 1863]

Our friend Charles J. Stradley has just returned from Helena, Ark. He left there on Tuesday of last week and reports that the 46th had left for Vicksburg, by the way of the Yazoo.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, March 5, 1863]

From the 46th Regiment. On the Battlefield of Champion Hills, Miss., May 19, 1863 . . . None of our company were killed and only three wounded: John Hoover, severely in the foot, but he is getting along very well -- it will not have to be amputated; Wm. Cook was wounded in the left arm by a buckshot, and Thomas Scott in the right side by a rifle ball; neither of the two are much hurt, both are now with the company . . . A. G. Sinks, Co. K, 46th Ind. Vols.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, June 11, 1863]

Capt. B. A. Grover, of the 46th, arrived here from Vicksburg, a few days since. He has resigned on account of an order mustering out the colonels and 2d Lieutenants of all Regiments that had less than half the maximum number of men. The Captain by resigning gave his Lieutenants a chance for promotion, thus leaving the 2d Lieutenancy vacant. . . .

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, August 13, 1863]

CIVIL WAR REGIMENTS - 73rd REGIMENT

We learn that our friend John H. Beeber has been chosen 1st Lieutenant of the company he has been recruiting in Marshall county, for the 73rd Regiment.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, July 31, 1862]

SEVENTY-THIRD REUNION VERY ENJOYABLE AFFAIR

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The two day reunion and camp fire of the 73rd Indiana Regiment of Indiana came to a close Thursday noon with a dinner at the American Cafe after which the attending members departed for their homes. Twenty-four of the surviving members were present here to greet their old comrades.

The feature of the affair was the camp fire Wednesday evening at the court house when the old soldiers and others who filled the court room listened to a delightful program under the direction of Mrs. Laura Beeber. It was opened with singing of "America" and the invocation by Rev. Noah McCoy. George Brower rendered a vocal solo and Rev. H. E. Butler welcomed the visitors to the city. Then followed a reading by Mrs. Rose Wiley after which Rev. McCoy gave an address. Mrs. Kestner gave a reading and Mrs. Gordon Harraden rendered a vocal solo, being accompanied by Miss Francis Jones. A reading by Mrs. Rhoda followed; Hugh A. Barnhart spoke of National Defense Day; Mrs. Laura Beeber recited; Mrs. Harraden sang "Tenting Tonight", and then Judge R. R. Carr was called upon to speak. Benediction was pronounced by Rev. McCoy.

The reunion opened Wednesday with registration and a social gathering. Dinner was served in the evening by the W. R. C. to the veterans in the Eagles' Hall. Thursday morning a business session was held at which it was decided to hold the next meeting at Logansport about the same time. Officers elected were W. B. Enyart, Logansport, president; John W. Cost and Julius Welch, vice-presidents, while W. E. Gorsach, of South Bend is permanent secretary.

The 73rd Indiana was recruited from the then Ninth Congressional District and left South Bend on August 20th. Although 1047 men enlisted originally and 139 recruits were added later, there were only 325 of these originals on duty when the outfit was mustered out.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, August 21, 1924]

CIVIL WAR REGIMENTS - 87th REGIMENT

See: Brown, Ben Franklin

Colonelcy of the 87th. We are pleased to learn that Hon. K. G. Shryock of this place is the choice of this new regiment for Colonel. A petition for his appointment received the signatures of all the Captains and Lieutenants in the regiment, with the exception of three who were absent.

The Judge will no doubt make a good officer, and the position must be the more gratifying to him, as it was entirely unsought.

The 73rd Regiment left Camp Rose, at South Bend, for Indianapolis yesterday morning. The 87th has orders to leave tomorrow. The 87th will be the regiment in which our citizens will feel the deepest interest, as we have three companies in it, and probably the Colonel, the Quartermaster and his assistants, and the Sutler will be from this county.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, August 21, 1862]

[Letter from Louisville, Ky., Oct 27, 1862 to editor, from T. F. Rannells, Sutler, 87th Ind. Vols. Too lengthy to include herein. Ed. W.C.T.]

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, November 6, 1862]

Lieut. McAfee, of Company D, 87th Indiana Volunteers, expects to leave for the regiment the latter part of next week . . . and he will take charge of and endeavor safely to deliver any letters or small packages which may be entrusted to him, for members of Capt. Wood's and Truslow's companies . . .

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, November 20, 1862]

Letter from Jerome Carpenter. Camp 5 miles North of Gallatin, Tenn., November 27, 1862.

Friend Fuller: . . . In regard to the health of our regiment, I suppose it is as good as could be expected. There are several, however, who are absent from us, that I hear are not sick. I do not envy them their position. I will mention a few that I recollect, who are on the sick list. Banner Lawhead is tolerable sick, but is under the treatment of Dr. Vernon Gould, and I think is much

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better than he was a day or two ago. He is lying in our tent, and is receiving all the attention necessary for his speedy recovery. He has the lung fever. George Loomis has an attack of inflammatory rheumatism and has been quite sick for several days. He was sent to Gallatin, to the hospital, this morning. Dr. Gould has been tending on him also, and thinks it may be some time before he is able for duty. James Barnett is also at Gallatin. Lieutenant D. Mow is very poorly, and in all probability will have to resign his position, his health being so poor that he cannot stand the exposure of camp life . . . I almost forgot to say that Lieutenant Truslow has been promoted to Captain in place of Captain Plank, and Lieut. Mow, from the 2d to 1st Lieutenant; and Orderly H. C. Long to 2d Lieut; also in Company D, Lieut. Hughs has been promoted the Captaincy and Abel O'Blennis to 1st Lieutenant. I suppose you have heard that I was lucky enough to get the appointment of Commissary Sergeant for this regiment. This places me on the list of non-commissioned staff officers. I am well pleased with my situation, and shall endeavor by strict attention to business, to make myself worthy of the favor conferred upon me by Colonel Shryock. . . Yours until Death, Jerome Carpenter, Commissary Sergt., 87th Ind. Vols.

--- T. F. Rannells, Sutler of the 87th, is at home on a short visit. . . He is looking as well as ever and that is saying a good deal, as he is a very good-looking fellow.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, December 4, 1862]

Notice. All persons who have furnished articles to be sent to members of the 87th Indiana Volunteers, in the care of T. F. Rannells, will please call at his store without delay, as the Express Company refuses to forward the box without an invoice of its contents.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, December 25, 1862]

Lieut. David Mow will leave for his Regiment (the 87th Ind. Volunteers) on Tuesday, Jan 20, 1863, and will take light parcels, letters &c., which friends may desire to send to members of the Regiment. Articles may be left at his office until Saturday evening, the 17th inst.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, January 8 1863]

Col. Shryock, of the 87th, arrived at home last Saturday. E. B. Chinn and James Graham of the same regiment, are also home.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, January 15 1863]

Capt. Truslow, of Company F, 87th Indiana Volunteers arrived at home on Tuesday last. He has been compelled to resign on account of failing health. He left the company 24 miles beyond Nashville.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, March 26, 1863]

Col. K. G. Shryock arrived at home on Saturday last. He has resigned his commission on account of failing health.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, April 9, 1863]

Home. R. N. Rannells, Quartermaster, and G. Brainerd, Sutler, of the 87th Indiana Volunteers, arrived in town last Monday evening. The Doctor seems from appearances, to thrive on camp fare, and is as good looking and jolly as ever.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, August 6, 1863]

Our Loss in the Late Battle. We give below a complete list of the killed, wounded and missing, in the four companies raised in this county, that were in the late engagement. We copy the list from the Indianapolis *Journal*, of Saturday last, which is official, and no doubt correct. The loss is very heavy, and shows that the 29th and 87th were in the thickest of the fight.

OFFICERS: Major J. P. Collins, 29 missing. Adjutant F. Ryland, 87th, killed.

COMPANY D, EIGHTY-SEVENTH REGIMENT:

KILLED: Capt. Lewis Hughs, Sergeant James Osborn, Corp. William Ewer, and Frank M. Smith.

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WOUNDED: Sergt David C. Shelton, severely, in neck; Corp. James H Moore, severely in the leg; Kline S. Wilson, slightly in arm; William Cole, severely in jaws; Joseph A. Collins, slightly in leg; Henry H. Moore, slightly in thigh; David Moore, slightly in arm; William Oliver, slightly in arm; Benj. F. Porter, slightly in legs; Christ. Rice, severely in legs; Levi M. Sherow, slightly in foot; Ely Strong, severely in the head; John Wright, slight in leg; David C. Oliver, severely in thigh and arm.

COMPANY E, EIGHTY-SEVENTH REGIMENT:

KILLED: 2d Lieut. Franklin A. Bennett, Simon Fall, Aaron Fall and Robert Tribbett.

WOUNDED: Sergt. Jonas Clark, severely in arm and breast; John n. Carter, severely in hip; John W. Ferrell, severely in head; George H. Riplinger, slightly in the head; Richard B. Linning, severely in the thigh; John W. Rush, severely in the side; Robert Smith, slightly in arm; Julius B. Starr, slightly in ear; James H. Thomas, slightly in head; John F. Yagle, slightly in foot; William F. Seaper, severely in groin.

MISSING: Orlen Smith.

COMPANY F, EIGHTY-SEVENTH REGIMENT:

KILLED: John House.

WOUNDED: 2d Lieut. Joseph W. Beeber, severely in legs; Sergts, Albert G. Pugh, slightly by tree top; and C. W. Clay, severely in the thigh; Corporals John Roth, severely in neck; James L. McMahan, severely in eye, and Isaiah D. Webb, severely in heel; James J. Babcock, slightly in leg; William Farry, slightly in thigh; Simeon J. Freer, severely in ankle; Alfred L. Goodrich, slightly in thigh; Peter Huffman, severely in hip; Jonathan Clay, severely in testicles; Jonathan Robbins, severely in neck; Harrison Stotler, severely in arm; Joseph B. Taylor, severely in leg; Harper Rodgers, slightly in arm.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, October 8, 1863]

Lieut. Joseph W. Beeber, of the 87th, who was shot through both legs just above the knees, in the late battle of Chickamauga, has arrived in town. He uses his crutches part of the time, though he can walk short distances without them, but is still a little lame. He is anxious to get back to his regiment, in order to settle old scores with the rebels. Joseph has hosts of friends about here, and they all rejoice that he came out of the battle with no worse wound.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, November 5, 1863]

Resolutions. Taylor Lodge No. 37, I.O.G.T. . . our esteemed brothers, Captain Lewis Hughs and Sergeant James B. Osborn, of Company D, 87th Indiana Volunteers, worthy members of this Lodge, were slain in the late battle of Chickamauga . . . D. S. Gould, W.C.T. C. E. Fuller, W.S.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, November 12, 1863]

Sergt. Frank Brown of Company D, 87th Ind, arrived here last Saturday. He is not looking very well, but we hope will rapidly improve now that he can enjoy the comforts of home. We understand that he is authorized to enlist recruits for the noble regiment of which he is a member. Capt. P. S. Troutman, of Company E, same regiment, has also been at home for a few days past, though we believe he has returned to his regiment.

Sergeant Brown brought us a line from Jerome Carpenter, Commissary Sergeant of the 87th, in which he promises shortly to write us a letter for publication. . .

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, November 26, 1863]

From the 87th. Camp 87th Reg. Ind. Vols. Ringgold, Catoosa Co., Ga. April 24th, 1864.

Mr. Fuller: . . . Dr. Plank, formerly Captain of Co. F, is with us tonight, looking somewhat as we do-- as though he had been in the "front" sometime. His regiment (128th) is on its way marching to London, Tenn. He is Sutler of that regiment. Capt. Shepherd, our Division Commissary, was up to our quarters today looking fine and lively. Capt. Elam, of D, is at Chattanooga yet, on detached duty with the Pioneer Brigade. Sergeant Andrew Hattery left for the "Settlement" on a furlough for thirty days. The recruiting officers of this regiment from Fulton

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County, are all here with recruits, which make our companies look somewhat like they did when we started out . . . Yours truly, L. M. Spotts.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, May 5, 1864]

From the 87th. Ringgold, Georgia, April 14, 1864.

Friend Fuller: . . . (mentions death of Lieutenant Franklin H. Bennett) . . . Lieut Bennett entered the service of his country on the organization of the company as Third Sergeant, was promoted to First Sergeant November 19th, 1862, in which capacity he served the company faithfully, winning the confidence and respect of all, until the 16th of July, 1863, when he received a commission and was mustered 2d Lieutenant. Although his career was a commissioned officer was short, yet it was long enough for him to prove his real worth . . . my company lost 3 killed, to-wit: Simon Fall, shot in the head; Aaron Smith, shot in the breast; and Robert Tribbet, shot in the head. Seven were wounded, as follows: Sergt. Jonas Clark, in the shoulder, mortally, since died; John W Ferrel, in the head, mortally, since died; Walter F. Soaper, in the groin, severely; John W. Rush, in the side, severely; George Kiplinger, in the head, slightly; Roobert Smith, in the arm, severely; James W. Thomas, in the head and leg, severely . . . Very respectfully, P. S. Troutman, Capt Co E, 87th Ind Vol Inft.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, May 19, 1864]

In Camp near Atlanta, Ga, July 29th, 1864.

Friend Fuller: . . . The fighting was equal along our whole line on that day, the 87th having four wounded, and among them Lieut Leiter of Co. F., and A. Hizer of Co. E from Fulton county, the former severely. . . The health of our regiment considering the season and character of the campaign, is remarkable good, and our losses in the field so far very light, one only killed upon the field, William Irvin of our place who was universally respected by his comrades . . . Vernon Gould.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, August 18, 1864]

Letter from Capt. Troutman. Camp 87th Ind Vols, Near Atlanta, Georgia, August 15, 1864.

Friend Fuller - Dear Sir: . . . To sum up, the fighting of the 87th during the present campaign amounts to but very little. We have, however, been in several hot places, in reconnoitering the enemy's front, and from his shells, from all of which we have lost, in killed, five or six; in wounded, about twenty. Company E's casualties are as follows: Sergt. Samuel Leavitt, wounded in the shoulder, slightly, June 10; Alfred Hiser, in scrotum, severe, July 20, from which he died at Kingston, Ga., Aug 9th; Jesse Oldham, in foot, contusion, Aug 5; Isaac H. Cannon, in shin, slight, Aug 13 . . . Company E left Ringgold with forty- one men, and now has thirty-eight; nine having been sent back sick as follows: E. M. Rans, Wm. E. Dukes, H. S. Ross, Sergt. Richie, Daniel Herald, Martin Brunson, John Anderson, James Hurst and A. Hiser, wounded. Gained from hospitals, Corporals Bennet and J. W. Rush; J. R. Smith, J. G. Minton, James Shreves and Moses Heckert. Very Respectfully, P. S. Troutman.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, September 1, 1864]

EIGHTY-SEVENTH WILL HOLD ANNUAL REUNION

The 87th Indiana Infantry will hold its annual reunion in Rochester next Friday and plans have been made for the carrying out of an interesting program. The meeting will be held at the Eagle's Hall in the afternoon and will be preceded by a dinner at the same place served by the W. R. C. All of the members of the McClung post have been invited to attend the sessions as guests of the 87th. Persons who will donate their cars to take the visitors for a ride about the city are asked to get in touch with John Apt.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Wednesday, September 17, 1924]

VETERANS OF THE 87TH HOLD ANNUAL REUNION

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The veterans of the 87th Indiana Regiment Civil War Volunteers [met] today in the Eagles hall in this city. Only 20 of the old soldiers of the regiment were present. A number of visitors and veterans of other regiments however swelled the number to 50.

After the business session was held C. E. Clark of LaPorte was elected president of the volunteers for the coming year and Ed Bair of Mill Creek vice president and J. P. Taylor of Walkerton secretary. During the past year James J. Babcock of Tiosa president of the volunteers passed awsy. A resolution was passed which will be sent to his family. The Women's Relief Corps served dinner at noon for the veterans.

Following the names of the Volunteers of the 87th who were present at today's meeting: Newton Stuart, Star City; Thomas Deweese, Horace Mackey, Thomas O'Brien, John Apt, Jacob Wright, and William Zellars of Rochester; William Packard, Logansport; John Thomas, Danville, Ill.; George Wright, Macy; James Thomas, Grass Creek; Alfred Baker, Grand Haven, Mich., Madison Stoops, Plymouth, E. C. Clark, LaPorte; Benjamin BAER, Mill Creek; John Taylor, Walkerton, Dan Dressler, South Bend, John Martin, Osceola; George Martling, Kansas City, Mo.; and Lawrence Miller, of South Bend.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, September 19, 1924]

[NOTE: For a definitive, interesting, understandable story of the 87th, see Jack K. Overmyer, *Indiana's Indomitable 87th Infantry Regiment*, 1994; Jack K. Overmyer, A Stupendous Effort, 1997 -- WCT]

CIVIL WAR REGIMENTS - 118th REGIMENT

This regiment left Indianapolis Wednesday evening of last week, destined as was reported, for Cumberland Gap. Among the volunteers from this village and vicinity, who are in Capt. Alfred Martin's Company, in the 118th, are Howard Taylor, William Gould, William Irvin, William Orem (who went from this office), William Chamberlain, John B. DeMotte, Jr., William Downey, Frank Parker, and many others whose names we do not now call to mind . . .

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, September 15, 1863]

CIVIL WAR REGIMENTS - 142nd REGIMENT

Capt. P. G. Kelsey has been appointed Adjutant of the 142d Ind Vols to be raised in the (th District . . . P. G. Kelsey, Adjutant, 142 Regt. Ind. Vols., Akron, Ind.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, September 8, 1864]

CIVIL WAR REGIMENTS - 155th REGIMENT

We give below a list of the Officers and non-Commissioned Officers, of Company G, 155th Regt. Ind. Vol. Inf. Captain, Geo. P. Anderson. 1st Lt, Joseph Slick. 2d, S. Lowe. 1st Sergeant, F. M. Ernsperger. 2d, Hartford Livingston. 3d, Allen Durkee. 4th, W. J. McKahin. 5th, John Henderson. 1st Corporal, N. Valin. 2d, J. H. Brookaw. 3d, J. G. Crouse. 4th, E. H. Durand. 5th, Frederic Sturkin. 6th, Thomas Davis. 7th, Samuel Wood. 8th, Samuel Hood.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, April 27, 1865]

CIVIL WAR - RESIGNATIONS

We learn from the State *Journal*, that the resignations of Captains Plank and Woods of this county, have been accepted by the Department.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, December 6, 1862]

CIVIL WAR - RETURNED FROM THE ARMY

We notice the arrival from the army of Capt. Plank, Capt. Woods, S. C. Jewel, Geo. Ralstin and E. E. Brown, (who left the 87th Regt in Kentucky just after the battle of Perrysville.)

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, October 25, 1862]

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Capt. Truslow, Co. F 87th Ind. Vols., returned home last Tuesday, account failing health. He left the regiment 24 miles beyond Nashville.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, March 28, 1863]

THE RECEPTION. On Sunday last, the soldiers of the 87th Regiment, I.V., or a portion of them, arrived in town. A thousand glad hearts had met at the Court House to welcome them home.

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[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, June 29, 1865]

BACK FROM WAR

John Farnum ate breakfast in Peru and on coming back was in good time for supper. But there were more than forty-four years elapsing between the meals. Mr. Farnum lived in Peru during the Civil war. His father was Amos Farnum, a cooper, who lived first across the river on the Armstrong place, and later near the Wabash railway station. He was anxious to get to war, and several times made the attempt to get away. Finally he succeeded, leaving March 22nd, 1864. He was then eighteen years of age. He had no money, but started to Indianapolis to enlist. The conductor of the train was going to put him off, but could not do so on being told the young man was on his way to enlist, as that was the rule of war times.

Mr. Farnum served in Co. B, 87th Indiana, and came out with little wear or injury. He has been living at different places, and for two years has been at Toledo. He came to Peru to attend the annual reunion of his regiment.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, September 19, 1908]

CIVIL WAR - ROCHESTER GUARDS [Rochester, Indiana]

Attention Company. The Rochester Guards will meet at the Court House Square next Saturday at 4 o'clock p.m. for Drill. By order of the Company. Jacob Leiter, O.S.

Military. The Rochester Guards completed their organization on last Saturday and elected the following as temporary officers until the regular election is held. Captain, A. J. Holmes; 1st Lieut, Daniel Van Trump; Orderly Sergeant, Jacob Leiter; Company clerk, R. P. Smith. We understand that William H. Wood's company five miles east of town is about full. Several other companies are forming under the new Military Law.

[Rochester *Mercury*, Thursday, June 20, 1861]

An election of officers for this company was held last Saturday, Hon. K. G. Shryock, assisted by Messrs J. J. Smith, I. Walker and G. P. Beeber, constituting the Board of Inspectors. The election resulted in the choice of the following officers: Captain, A. J. Holmes. First Lieutenant, Geo. W. Truslow. Second Lieutenant, Daniel Van Trump. Orderly Sergeant, R. P. Smith. 1st Sergeant, Jacob Leiter. 2d Sergeant, F. B. Ernspurger. 3d Sergeant, Levi Mercer. 4th Sergeant, J. Q. Oliver. 1st Corporal, Wm. Hornberger. 2d Corporal, J. H. League. 3d Corporal, Jonas Myers. 4th Corporal, David Mow. Company Clerk, C. J. Stradley.

[Rochester *Mercury*, Thursday, July 25, 1861]

CIVIL WAR - SOLDIERS AID SOCIETY [Akron, Indiana]

The citizens of Akron and vicinity assembled at the Methodist Church on the evenings of the 14th and 15th inst., and after listening to the able address and earnest appeals of Judge Andrews, organized an auxiliary Soldiers' Aid Society, to operate in connection with the United States Sanitary Commission. The Society already numbers a hundred members. The following persons were elected permanent officers: President, Mrs. N. C. Hall. Vice Presidents, Mrs. William Whittenberger, Mrs. Metsker. Secretary, Mrs. Sarah M. Terry. Treasurer, Mrs. Sarah Strong.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, May 19, 1864]

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Akron Soldiers' Aid Society. This auxiliary Society organized last May, numbers at this time, one hundred and thirty members. The Society held a festival on Saturday the 4th inst. An address was delivered by Mr. Medsker . . . A report from our able and efficient treasurer, Mrs. C. Yagley . . . An election was held . . . : President, Mrs. N. C. Hall, Vice Presidents, Mrs. Medsker and Mrs. Adamson, Treasurer, Mrs. C. Yagley, Secretary, Mrs. S. Terry. The officers were all re-elected, save Vice-President Mrs. Wm. Whittenberger, who was superceded by Mrs. Adamson . . . S. M. Terry, Sec'y, Akron, Dec. 30 1864.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, January 12, 1865]

CIVIL WAR - SOLDIERS' AID SOCIETY [Fulton County]

. . . meeting . . . held at the Court House in Rochester, on Saturday last, the following business was transacted:

A Constitution was adopted, and permanent officers elected, as follows: President, D. W. Lyon. Vice President, W. P. Ball. Secretary, A. J. Holmes. Treasurer, E. L. Bennet. A committee of one from each township was appointed: Wayne, Thomas Deckard. Union, Thomas W. Barnett. Aubbeenaubbee, J. R. Dales. Liberty, Robert Aitken. Rochester, L. J. Brown. Richland, A. C. Hickman. Union, W. P. Ball. Newcastle, Dr. Fish. Messrs Lafayette True and F. K. Kendrick are the assistants for Rochester Township.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, August 28, 1862]

CIVIL WAR - SOLDIERS' AID SOCIETY [Rochester, Indiana]

In pursuance of a call for aid in supplying our volunteers with sundry articles, necessary for their health and comfort, a Society has been organized under the name, Rochester Soldiers' Aid Society, and the following officers chosen: President, Mrs. A. K. Plank, Vice Presidents, Mrs. D. W. Lyon and A. J. Holmes, Esq., Secretary, Miss C. E. Dinsmore, Treasurer, Miss C. Fitzgerald, Executive Committee, Miss D. Merriam, Miss Lottie McDonald, Mrs. L. E. Shryock, Mr. D. W. Lyon and Mr. Robert Gould..

[Rochester *Mercuty*, Thursday, November 6, 1861]

Soldiers' Aid Society. A meeting of the Rochester Soldiers' Aid Society will be held at the Masonic Hall, on Tuesday Afternoon, December 31st. The business of the Society will at that time be closed up, for the present and all persons who have pledged articles which have not been delivered are eanestly requested to deliver them at or before that time.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, December 21, 1861]

Mutual Aid Society meeting at Court House next Tuesday, Aug. 11, to receive members. Dues, \$25.00. "We think this is a good opportunity for all those who are unable to raise \$300.00" to avoid conscription. Officers: Enoch Sturgeon, Pres.; Geo. Renberger, Vice-Pres; A. J. Holmes, Secy; A. H. Robbins, Treas.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, August 8, 1863]

Wood for Soldiers' Families. The citizens of Rochester and the adjacent country, who are willing to devote a day to prepare wood for the families of our brave volunteers will meet on Tuesday next (Jan 26th), at 8 o'clock a.m., at the store of Levi Mercer, where they will be assigned to duty. Bring along your axes.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, January 23, 1864]

Soldiers' Aid Society. The citizens of Rochester were addressed on Thursday and Friday evenings of last week by Judge Andrew, of LaPorte, in behalf of the U S. Sanitary Commission, and as a result, the Ladies organized themselves into a Soldiers Aid Society, electing the following officers: President, Mary P. Fuller. Vice Presidents, Lydia Pearson, Mrs. Craven. Secretary, Mrs. E. F. Grover. Treasurer, Mrs. Keith. . . . committees appointed: Disbursements, Mrs. Keith, Mrs.

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D. W. Lyon, Mrs. Kendrick, Mrs. R. N. Rannells and Mrs. Truslow. Directors, Mrs. Myers, Mrs. Gould and Mrs. Newhouse. To Solicit Cash Donations in town, Matilda Osgood, Lottie McDonald, Josephine Elam and Ellen Powers. To Solicit Supplies in town, Lucy Clouse, Ada Hunt, Mrs. Mary Prince and Susan J. Stradley. In Country, Mrs. Brackett, Mrs. Mercer, Hester Mackey and Mrs. Mary Loomis . . .

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, May 19, 1864]

CIVIL WAR - SOLDIERS' PICNIC [Rochester, Indiana]

Grand Soldiers' Picnic. In honor of the return of the soldiers of the 26th, 29th, 46th, 87th and other regiments who are expected home, at Rochester on Saturday, Oct. 8th, 1864.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Friday, September 30, 1864]

CIVIL WAR - UNION RIFLE GUARDS [Green Oak, Indiana]

Attention, Green Oak Guards! The members of this company will meet at Green Oak on Saturday, September 21st at 1 o'clock p.m., to be sworn into the State service, to elect permanent officers and for military parade.

There will also be some good Union speeches made. K.G. Shryock and B. Lawhead have been invoted. Good music will be in attendance . . . Green Oak, Sept. 9th, 1861.

[Rochester *Mercury*, Thursday, September 12, 1861]

Union Rifle Guards. This company, organized at Green Oak under the Indiana Militia law, held an election of officers on the 5th inst., which resulted in the choice of the following persons: Captain, Lemuel W. Shelton. 1st Lieut., Jacob C. Moses. 2d Lieut., T. J. Holcome. Orderly Sergeant, Gilbert M. Califf. 1st Sergeant, Jacob Hight. 2d Sergeant, John Carothers. 3d Sergeant, John L. Willard. 4th Sergeant, John W. Brock. 1st Corporal, William J. Ewer. 2d Corporal, Simeon J. Freer. 3d Corporal, James Keel. 4th Corporal, Dennis R. Smith. Company Clerk, Andrew Hattery.

[Rochester *Mercury*, Thursday, October 24, 1861]

Attention, Union Rifle Guards! You are hereby commanded to appear at Green Oak, on Saturday, August 2d, 1862, to hold an election for a 1st Lieutenant to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of J. C. Moses, and for drill and other business of the company . . . L. W. Shelton, Capt Union Rifle Guards.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, July 31, 1862]

CIVIL WAR VETERANS [Fulton County]

FULTON COUNTY'S LONG LINE OF BLUE NOW NUMERS EIGHT

Fulton County's once long line of blue, that of veterans of the Civil War, has not shrunk until a check which was made today show but eight survivors in Fulton county, three of whom reside in Rochester. Blue was the color of the uniforms of this service organization.

At one time there were three, G.A.R. posts in Fulton county, but only one remains now, that of the McClung Post of this city and meetings of that organization were suspended several years ago due to the infirmities of its members. At one time the three posts' rosters showed a membership of nearly four hundred.

The Civil War veterans who remain in Fulton county are Rev. H. E. Butler, John Shelton and William E. Bick of this city; John F. Smith, R.R. 3, Rochester; William S. Gray and James Snepp, Fulton; George W. Brooks, Disko, and A. B. "Doc" Surgy, Talma.

There may be other living Civil War veterans in Fulton county but a reporter for The News-Sentinel was unable to obtain their names. If an error has been made in the service record in the above published list or any one knowing additional G.A.R. Veterans word to The News-Sentinel would be appreciated.

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William S. Gray, who is 95 years of age, is perhaps the most active veteran in the county, with the possible exception of Rev. Butler. Until six months ago when his eyesight started to fail, Mr. Gray drove his car everywhere he cared to go.

During the past year three Civil War Veterans died in Fulton county. They were Thomas E. Bowen, Rochester; Chauncey Coplen, Talma and Elbridge Shelt, who died at the home of relatives in Indianapolis but was returned to his former home in Akron for burial.

Thoughts of Civil War veterans are brought to the minds of many older residents of Rochester and Fulton county at this time of year or just prior to Decoration Day which was the day set aside by Congress to commemorate their dead.

For many years the McClung post used to visit the Odd Fellows and Citizens' Cemeteries in Rochester each Decoration Day headed by the Citizens Band and the posts drum corps to hold memorial services and to decorate the graves of all of their dead comrades. These ceremonials were witnessed by hundreds of young and old residents of the city and others who returned here to honor their dead relatives and friends.

[The News-Sentinel, Saturday, May 29, 1937]

CLARK, GEORGE [Rochester, Indiana]

POOL ROOM CHANGED HANDS

The pool room and cigar store operated for the past several months by Otis Keel, west of the court house, was sold Tuesday afternoon by the proprietor to George Clark. The new owner took possession at once and will strive to run an up-to-date place of business. Mr. Clark has lived in the vicinity of Rochester for a number of years and no doubt will be able to draw considerable patronage from his many friends. The retiring owner has not decided on his future course of action.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, February 14, 1912]

GEORGE CLARK POOL ROOM SOLD

The pool room and cigar store operated for the past couple of months by George Clark in the Heilbrun room west of the court house, was sold Wednesday afternoon by the proprietor to O. O. Replogle of Walkerton. The new owner will take possession of the place the first of May and will try and give the public an up-to-date place. He has had considerable experience in the cigar store business and will no doubt prove successful. Mr. Clark has not fully decided what he will do, but it is likely that he will soon leave for the West, where he expects to locate permanently.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, April 25, 1912]

CLARK & BLAIR [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Mitchell, Charles A.

CLARK & WEAVER STAVE AND HEADING MANUFACTORY [Rochester, Indiana]

Through the kindness of Mr. Weaver, we looked through their establishment and were much surprised at the amount and various kinds of work assiduously manufactured and turned out by them. The first place we visited was the engine room, which is a model of cleanliness and perfection. The engine, a seventy-five horse power capacity, is the Buckeye, manufactured at Salem, Ohio. It is different in construction from any we ever saw, and not possessing much knowledge of steam machinery will not pretend to give a description of it other than to say it seemed to be very perfect in every particular, and the proprietors are well pleased with it. From thence to the main building where are the planing, jointing and circular machines for the manufacture of barrel-heads, which, after going through the various processes, are packed in barrels and shipped to barrel manufactories in various parts of the Union. Twenty-five set of heads are put in a barrel, and from 60 to 75 barrels can be put up per day, which would be an average of

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four thousand heads daily. The machinery for this work is intricate and complicated and would therefore be difficult to describe. This department is 60x28 feet.

The dry house next claimed our attention, which contains 800 feet of steam pipe, which creates a great heat, drying the lumber used for barrel heads in a very short time. Another dry house, a safe distance from the other buildings, is heated with stoves.

So we went from one department to another until we came to where the staves are "shelled" out. Here we found twelve employes using up the giant oak at a rapid rate. One man was wheeling from the several steam vats near by, where the large oak blocks had been placed to be thoroughly steamed and made pliable for chopping into staves by the terrifying jaws of the stave cutting machine, it requiring several persons to operate it, one to place and hold the timber in proper position, which is a dangerous occupation, requiring great presence of mind and precision, one to receive the staves as they come out, one to sort the good from the bad, one to load on a large barrow, one to wheel them into the dry sheds, and two to four to pile up. In this way, Mr. Weaver says, they can use up about five thousand cords of timber per year.

The sheds for drying and seasoning aggregate five hundred feet in length and are twenty-four feet wide, containing now about \$3,000 worth of staves and other material.

They have also machinery for the manufacture of wagon spokes, which branch of business, however, for some cause has been suspended for the present. A new steam boiler, 28 feet long, is now on the way and will be placed in position in a few days, which will increase their facilities for steaming and seasoning timber for use, which improvement we will mention in due time.

The only difficulty in the way of greatly enlarging their manufactory is that the timber cannot be secured in sufficient quantities at this season of the year. The demand for staves is constantly in the increase, and their reputation for good work and good count has become wide spread. They are both careful, honest men, and are well worthy the confidence, esteem and patronage they receive.

[Rochester Union-Spy, Thursday, November 13, 1873]

CLARY, E. E. [Rochester, Indiana]

[Adv] E. E. CLARY, Professional Auctioneer. Farm Sales a Specialty - - - Clary & Onstott's Barn.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, January 25, 1906]

CENTRAL BAKERY SOLD

The Central Bakery and Restaurant owned and operated by D. Robbins and M. Fultz for the past several years has changed hands, E. E. Clary becoming the new proprietor.

Mr. Clary has already taken possession and is ready to cater to the wants of the public in whatever way his business affords. Mr. Clary has long been a resident of this city and his many friends will be glad to see him in his new business venture. The retiring firm are both successful business men and will be missed from the restaurant. Mr. Fultz will move on his farm in Starke county, while Mr. Robbins will continue in the stock buying business.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, April 16, 1909]

CLARY & PHILLIPS [Rochester, Indiana]

LOCAL NEWS

The livery barn formerly owned by Cotton & Hodge, but which has recently been under the proprietorship of Cotton & Phillips, has again changed hands. Mr. E. E. Clary, the liveryman on Washington street has purchased Mr. Cotton's interest in the business. Mr. Cotton will go to Hartford City to engage in similar business.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, October 26, 1900]

CLARY & ONSTOTT LIVERY [Rochester, Indiana]

Located S side of E 7th E of the alley.

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[Adv] Livery and Feed Barn. All kinds of horses bought and sold. Clary And Onstott.
[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, June 17, 1914] [sic]

HORSES BOUGHT HERE FOR WAR

Fifteen horses were bought at the Clary and Onstott livery stables Monday by U. S. Lemert of Plymouth. The horses were bought by Mr. Lemert for an agent of the Allied governments in Chicago to be used in their war against Germany and Austria. They were taken to Plymouth this morning and from there will be sent to Canada and then to England. These are the first horses to be purchased in this county for this purpose, but many horses are being bought over the country by the agents of England, France and Russia.

The horses purchased here will in all probability be used to haul artillery as the majority of them were too heavy for the cavalry. The cavalry limit is 900 pounds and the horses bought here weighed about 1200. Mr. Lemert has also purchased many more horses in surrounding towns.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, December 29, 1914]

CLARY & ONSTOTT TO QUIT BUSINESS, MAR. 20

After 16 years in the livery business, E. E. Clary and James Onstott will hold a dissolution sale March 20th, and will retire.

Neither man would state what they intended to do, only that they were through with the livery business. For 10 years they have been operating the two barns on east Seventh street. The barns belong to L. M. Brackett, who will probably secure another renter.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, March 10, 1915]

CLARY & SHOBE [Rochester, Indiana]

[Adv] Are you looking for a livery stable or feed barn? Let us direct you to the up-to-date place kept by CLARY & SHOBE, rear of Arlington Hotel.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, August 3, 1903]

CLARY RESTAURANT [Rochester, Indiana]

Bert Cole has purchased a half interest in the Clary restaurant. Mr. Cole is a pleasant gentleman of good business qualities and with Mr. Clary will make a firm that will surely get the business.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, November 22, 1909]

CLASS MINERAL FUME HEALTH BATHS [Rochester, Indiana]

[Adv] New Sanitarium - Class Mineral Fume Health Baths - Cor. 5th and Fulton Ave. - - - -
Testimonials furnished upon request as to cures of Rheumatism, Asthma, Nervousness, Cancer, Goitre, Eczema, Brights Disease, Dropsy, Sugar Diabetis and other forms of Blood and Kidney diseases. Mgr. D. L. Parks.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, October 20, 1922]

CLAY & CROWEL [Rochester, Indiana]

CLAY & CROWEL OPEN TRACTOR-TRUCK SERVICE

Clay and Crowel today announced they had taken on the sales and service of Minneapolis-Moline tractors and farm implements at their garage at 1419 South Main street. They will feature a full line of tractors also power and horse-drawn farm machines as a supplementary service to their truck and tractor service.

They will enlarge their quarters to facilitate handling an increased business in truck and tractor repairs. Backed by a combined experience of over 50 years the two men are enthusiastically setting out on the new sales-service enterprise.

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[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, February 13, 1940]

CLAYBURN "PECK" [Rochester, Indiana]

LEASES SERVICE STATION

Emerson (Bud) Braman, former local resident, has returned to this city to take over the management of the Standard Service Station located at the southwest corner of Third and Main streets. He has leased this station, which was formerly managed by "Peck" Clayburn. The service station is now open with Mr. Braman in charge.

[The News-Sentinel, Wednesday, August 5, 1942]

CLAYPOOL NEWS [Claypool, Indiana]

NEWSPAPER SUSPENDS

This week marked the farewell edition of The Claypool News which was edited by Stanley Dustman. The editor was forced to cease the publication of the paper because of the small amount of advertising received.

[The News-Sentinel, Friday, May 25, 1934]

CLAYTON, BERNARD, JR. [Akron, Indiana]

LIFE MAGAZINE "GOES" TO ZIONSVILLE PARTY

In the November 3rd issue of the Life Magazine appeared a two-page illustrated feature article on a "kids Hallowe'en party" which was held in a Zionsville, Ind., home.

The story was written by Bernard Clayton, Jr., former resident of this city and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Clayton, of Zionsville. The younger Clayton is one of the associate editors for the Life and Time magazines with offices in Chicago. Prior to his connection with Life, Bernard was on the staff of the Indianapolis News.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, November 6, 1941]

BERNARD CLAYTON JR. TO MANAGE HAWAIIAN OFFICES FOR "LIFE"

Rochester friends of Bernard Clayton Jr., former resident of this city, have been informed that he will soon depart for Honolulu, Hawaii, where he will supervise an office for the Life and Time magazines.

Bernard is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Clayton of Zionsville, Ind., and a nephew of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Sisson of this city. For the past several months he has been in charge of Life and Time offices at San Francisco, Calif.

[The News-Sentinel, Saturday, September 2, 1942]

FORMER AKRON RESIDENT KNEADS REJECTION INTO RECIPE FOR SUCCESS

Dateline: Akron

By Ann Allen

A rejected manuscript and a fragrant loaf of home-made bread wouldn't have much in common for most writers. but for Bernard Clayton, Jr. they became the means to a productive new career.

With a healthy stack of cookbooks to his credit and another due out this year, the former Akron resident has been described as "a genius in the kitchen" by epicure Craig Clairborne and as "one who has won over even the most timid bakers" by his publisher.

That wasn't the recipe for success Clayton had in mind when, after a lifetime of covering news in Chicago, New York, San Francisco, Hawaii, the Phtlippines and Japan, he and his wife took a year's working holiday with the idea of publishing a book about their odyssey. After bicycling from France to Norway, they crossed Ireland in a gypsy wagon, savoring regional breads everywhere they went. "We loved the European breads," Clayton said. "And the Irish soda breads were wonderful."

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Returning to Indiana, Clayton finished the book that prompted their travels and, while waiting for the manuscript to make its unsuccessful rounds, decided to try his hand at making some of the breads they'd enjoyed so much. "By the time I'd tried 50 or so, I knew I had the makings of a good cookbook," he said. "I didn't like the ones available back then (1973), so I decided to write one that was as simple as possible. I arranged my recipes in easy steps so people would know what to expect."

When it was time to market the book, he opted for a different approach. "I queried the editor who'd written me the nicest rejection letter on the other book," he said, "but I took it one step further and sent him a loaf of sourdough wholewheat bread as a surprise."

And it was a surprise. The bread, neatly packaged and tied, arrived in the middle of a bomb scare.

"He told me later that he almost didn't open it," Clayton said with an amused chuckle. After gingerly removing the wrapping, the editor sampled the loaf and found it very much to his liking.

Unfortunately, his publishing house didn't handle cookbooks, but he recommended Clayton query to publishing industry giant Simon and Schuster. That publisher since has issued all of Clayton's books except one. "They now consider me a house writer," he said.

As for the rejected book manuscript, he said, "I've picked its carcass clean. Parts of it appear in all my books."

Bakers who follow recipes in Clayton's books find them sprinkled with observations from all over the world and filled with such personal anecdotes as, "My mother won a prize at the state fair with this one."

The son of an early 1920s editor-publisher of the Akron News, Clayton attended school here as a first and second-grader. He recalled riding the Interurban and playing with Billy Leininger, whose sister, Peggy, taught him to tie a necktie. "That was very important to me," he said. After leaving Akron, the family moved briefly to Tipton and then to Zionsville where they edited another country newspaper.

Clayton left Indiana University in 1937 to join the Indianapolis News as a cub reporter. "I covered everything," he said, "but I was especially interested in stories I thought 'Time' and 'Life' magazines would be interested in." Before long, he joined Time-Life and was put in charge of Life's Chicago office and, then, with the advent of World War II, was sent to Time-Life's San Francisco bureau. Eventually, he was transferred to the magazines' Hawaiian offices before being sent to Manila to open an office there as the war drew to a close. He flew into Japan the same day General Douglas MacArthur arrived and was on the USS Missouri for the signing of the peace treaty that ended the war.

Leaving the magazines, he and his wife, Marge, moved to Hawaii where he served as director of public relations for a steamship company. They later returned to San Francisco where he opened his own public relations business. The couple's two children continue to live in California while their parents pursue a more nomadic lifestyle.

"For a time, we traveled all over the United States in an Airstream camper while I wrote travel articles," Clayton said. "We were still in it, down at Zionsville, when Indiana University called to see if I'd come to work as editor for the School of Business." Expecting to be there a few months, they moved to Bloomington where he also wrote speeches for University Relations. That was 31 years ago.

"Coming back to Bloomington was good," Clayton said in a recent telephone interview. "It let me keep a promise I made to Marge's mother. I'd told her that if she let her daughter drop out of college to marry me, she could finish her degree later. And she did - thirty years later."

Now retired from IU, Clayton said, "I don't consider myself retired since I'm still writing."

In addition to his books and the work he did for Time-Life and Indiana University, Clayton has earned writing credentials from 'March of Time,' 'Fortune,' the 'New York Times,' 'Gourmet' and a variety of food magazines.

Titling those articles wasn't difficult, but books have been a different situation. "I called the first book 'Bread to a Man's Taste,'" Clayton said. "The publisher said that was chauvinistic and

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changed it to 'Bernard Clayton's Complete Book of Breads.' I now have more say with the titles, but most of them are The Complete Book of whatever."

Now considered a modern classic, 'The Complete Book of Breads' was followed by 'Bernard Clayton's New Complete Book of Breads,' 'The Breads of France,' 'The Complete Book of Pastry,' 'The Complete Book of Soups and Stews,' and 'Cooking Across America.' His books have been Literary Guild and Book of the Month Club selections, have earned English and French Tastemaker awards and one has been printed in Spanish. His latest book, which has a working title of 'The Complete Book of Small Breads,' is due out this year.

"It's filled with recipes for small breads, like bagels, croissants and crackers," Clayton said. "A lot of people don't want to make big recipes. They want smaller sizes and quantities.

Before a recipe is included in one of his books, Clayton tries it in his own kitchen. If it doesn't suit him, it's not included. And that goes for dog biscuits, too.

"I was intrigued with the biscuits my friends fed their dogs," he said, "so I ate one. It tasted awful." Realizing that many children munch their pet's snacks, he decided he could do better. The result was a biscuit that is filled with vitamins and minerals. "They taste good," Clayton said. "I get Christmas cards from dogs all over America."

But Christmas giving is not a one-way affair with Clayton. Never forgetting the loaf of bread that helped launch his career, he sends loaves to his editor and publisher every year. "It just seems like the thing to do," he said.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, April 2, 1997]

NOW IN HONOLULU

A picture of Bernard Clayton, Jr., war correspondent for Life magazine, appeared in today's edition of the Indianapolis Star, together with six other Hoosiers, who are now stationed at Honolulu, Hawaii. Bernard is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Clayton, of Zionsville, former residents of this city.

[The News-Sentinel, Wednesday, November 18, 1942]

B. CLAYTON BROADCASTS MARCH OF TIME PROGRAM

Several Rochester people reported today that they heard Bernard Clayton, Jr., of Honolulu, Hawaii, conduct the "March of Time" broadcast program over an N.B.C. hook-up Thursday evening.

Bernard, who is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Clayton, of Zionsville, Ind., is a former resident of this city and has a wide acquaintance of friends here. Among the few who were interviewed by Clayton was the commander of the U. S. sub which had sunk six Japanese ships in the Far East waters. Mr. Clayton is manager of the Hawaiian offices of "Life" and "Time" magazines, as well as a war correspondent in the Southwest Pacific. He is a nephew of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Sisson, of this city.

[The News-Sentinel, Friday, February 12, 1943]

BERNARD CLAYTON, JR., GREETED BY ROOSEVELT

In one of the press photos released by the U. S. Navy News Service, Bernard Clayton, Jr., is shown shaking hands with President Roosevelt. The photo was taken at a news conference which President Roosevelt held with press representatives during his trip to the Hawaiian Islands. Clayton, who is correspondent for Life and Time magazines, has been stationed at Honolulu for the past three years. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Clayton of Zionsville, Ind., former residents of this city. Bernard, Jr., who has a host of friends in Rochester, is now spending a brief vacation with his parents at Zionsville.

[The News-Sentinel, Friday, September 22, 1944]

CLAYTON, GEORGE W. [Rochester, Indiana] BIOGRAPHY

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George W. Clayton, Rochester's efficient town marshal, was born in Fulton county, Ind., July 4, 1860. He was brought up on his father's farm and at twenty years of age decided to change his occupation for one more promising. He placed himself in the hands of Philip Hoot to learn the trade of plasterer. He has made this trade his life work and has resided continuously in Fulton county except four years, when he was temporarily absent, doing work in the states of Kansas, Nebraska, Minnesota and Iowa. May 8, 1885, Mr. Clayton married in Rochester, wedding Minnie Stigietz, daughter of Christian Stigietz, now of Chicago. Mr. and Mrs. Clayton's children are: [Bernard], L. Jay and Marie. Our subject is a son of George W. Clayton, deceased, born at Harper's Ferry, Va., 1815. He emigrated to Ohio in 1834 with his father, John Clayton, who was a miller and who died in Logan county, Ohio. Our subject's father came to Fulton county in 1841 and married here, wedding Ann Hurd, a Canadian lady. He located east of Rochester, where he died in 1871. George W. Clayton is a republican in politics, and was nominated for his office against several competitors and defeated a popular democrat by 130 votes at the election held May 4, 1896. He is an I.O.O.F. and a K.O.T.M.

[Elia W. Peattie, *Fulton County History*, National Publishing Co., Chicago 1896, pp. 53-54]

HOME TOWN TALES

"By Pioneer"

Eighteen years, is the record of George W. Clayton, as Town Marshal and Night Watchman. Sixteen years of that period he carried no firearms whatever. Armed with a cane, more for companionship than effectiveness, in his long and lonesome nightly rounds, there was peace and quiet and due respect for "the law" at all times.

Realizing that a belt of pistols was both display and excess baggage he inaugurated and introduced "the Clayton foot", a type of law enforcement that soon became known far and wide. One "adjustment" administered with the "Clayton foot" to an offender's middle rear section restored law and order more quickly than a Governor's call for troops.

Every old offender walked "the straight and narrow" for the remainder of his days, for he had received a sample, and it was sufficient. Clayton's approaching form, two blocks distant, somehow, caused wobbly legs to suddenly gain complete control, turn down an alley, and seek the bosom of his family a perfectly sober man. On call "That will do," from the dark recess of a down town stairway, cut short a barber shop quartette's rendition of "Down on Mobile Bay", just as the tenor was about to get in his best notes. Then too, both railroad water tanks were heavily chalked with Hobo Sign Language, advertising "the Clayton foot," to the extent that those brave enough to venture up town, worked the back streets exclusively.

We recall one recipient - now a grand-father - who took seriously of having an end put to the "Clayton method" through political drag and etc. But the "method" had proven so completely satisfactory to town board and citizens alike, that the protest and demand for a change, failed to gain much momentum.

"Maybe I needed it" - he admitted - "But I want to tell you, it is darn humiliating."

[The News-Sentinel, Saturday, March 2, 1935]

CLAYTON, JAY [Rochester, Indiana]

BUYS BAKERY IN CHICAGO

Friends in this city have been advised that Jay "Clayton, for 30 years head baker at the Karn Bakery here, has purchased a bakery at 5919 South Halstead street in Chicago. Mr. and Mrs. Clayton, who are now residing in Chicago, took possession on April 1st.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, April 14, 1942]

CLAYTON, SAMPSON [Aubbeenaubbee Township]

BIOGRAPHY

Sampson Clayton. - He is the son of George W. and Anna Clayton. The former was born near Harper's Ferry, Va., and when seventeen years old came with his parents to Ohio and settled near Dayton, where his father died nearly one-half century ago. He then came to this county in

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June, 1839, and purchased land about four miles east of the town, where he died May 6, 1871. The latter's maiden name was Hurd; she was born in Howard County, Canada, December 23, 1825, and came with her parents to Michigan when only ten years old. They remained there only one year, when they came to this county and settled on a farm three miles east of Rochester, where the father, James Hurd, died October 5, 1851. Her mother, Pheby Hurd, is now living in Minnesota. The subject of this sketch was born in this county September 29, 1852. With the exception of one year, which he spent in Kansas, he has lived with his mother, and she now resides with him in her old days, and is a member of the Christian Church.

[T. B. Helm, *Fulton County Atlas*, A. L. Kingman, 1883, p. 33]

CLAYTON GROCERY [Rochester, Indiana/Akron, Indiana]

GROCERY CHANGES HANDS

Thru the agency of E. H. Henderson, of Akron, Earl Adams has sold his grocery on north Main street to Ora Clayton, of Roann, who has taken immediate possession. Mr. Clayton has had considerable experience in the grocery business. Mr. Adams has made no definite plans for the future.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, April 15, 1921]

GROCERY CHANGED HANDS

The Ora Clayton Grocery, on the corner of Main and W. Fifth Sts., was purchased by Roy Williams, former owner and proprietor of the south side grocery, which was purchased last week by P. O. Cornell and Son. Mr. Williams expects to take possession at once. Mr. Clayton has no definite plans for the present but expects to go into some kind of business in the spring.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, December 10, 1921]

ORA CLAYTON PURCHASES AKRON GROCERY STORE

Ora Clayton, who came here from Roann some time ago and purchased the Earl Adams grocery store on the corner of Main and Fifth streets, which he later sold to Ray Williams, has purchased the Lautzenhiser grocery store at Akron. Clayton has already taken possession of the store at Akron, where he plans to make his future home.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, March 10, 1922]

CLEAR LAKE [Lake Manitou]

See: Hotels - Fairview

CLEMANS, THOMAS [Allen Township, Miami County]

BIOGRAPHY

Thomas Clemans, a venerable and aged citizen of Allen Township and pioneer of the county, was born in Champaign County, Ohio, November 10, 1811. He was the fifth in a family of eleven children born to Isaac and Elizabeth (Carpenter) Clemans, who were natives of New Jersey and Virginia, respectively. He chose for his life work the occupation of a farmer. As early as 1835, he came to this county and settled in the woods of Allen Township, where the deer, wild turkeys and Indians were plenty. He immediately set about clearing a farm, and to do this, naturally devolved upon him a great deal of hard work. His strong constitution and iron will, however, proved equal to the emergency, and these coupled with an indefatigable pluck and energy, enabled him to convert his wilderness home into beautiful and well-filled fields. Unlike most of the early settlers he did not stop at one conquest over the forest, nor two, but for a third time he settled down in the woods and experienced the hardships of the sturdy pioneers. Three of the best farms in Allen Township were placed in a state of cultivation through labor performed by his own hands. He was not only courageous but fearless as well. Nothing will serve better to illustrate his bravery than the following incident, which occurred one day while he was riding on horseback, in the vicinity of his habitation, with some loose horses that belonged to him in his advance. His attention was suddenly attracted by the yell of an Indian, whereupon he faced about and two Indians, armed with guns and tomahawks were seen approaching him some two or three hundred yards distant. They

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ordered him to wait which he did until they came up. One of them approached a loose horse, adjusted a rope around its neck in a manner indicating that he intended to take possession. An exclamation of "Let loose that horse," from Mr. Clemans failed to cause the Indian to desist, whereupon the former bounded to the ground, gathered a well seasoned club and, drawing it over the Red-skin's head, repeated the command. The Indian, not yet ready for a journey to those Happy Hunting Grounds, immediately obeyed and, joining his companion, walked peaceably away. On the 18th of January, 1836, Mr. Clemans was united in marriage to Delilah Wildman. She was born in Jefferson County, this State, June 24, 1820, being the daughter of Joseph and Mary (Underwood) Wildman, who were respectively natives of Virginia and Kentucky. For more than half a century Mr. and Mrs. Clemans have stood side by side, administering to each other's wants and sharing, alike, each other's sorrows and pleasures. They are the parents of twelve children--seven sons and five daughters. Their names are James, Mary, Joseph, David, Samuel, John, Elizabeth, Eliza J., Thomas A., Catharine, Silas and Maggie, of whom James, Joseph, Samuel and Eliza J. are deceased. Our subject and his wife are members of the M. E. Church. In politics the former is a Republican. They have a comfortable home where they are among the worthy and honored citizens of the township.

[*History of Miami County, Indiana*, 1887, Brant & Fuller. pp. 511-512]

CLEMENS, JAMES [Argos, Indiana]

See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Letter From James Clemens)

See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Second Letter From James Clemens)

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See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Fifth Letter From James Clemens)

CLEMENS & CLEMENS [Rochester, Indiana]

EX-JUDGE CLEMENS HEADS NEW CITY LAW FIRM

Rochester has a new law firm which opened up today in the office rooms of the Masonic building. The barristers are former Judge C. I. Clemens and his son, R. K. Clemens, both of Gary, Ind. The elder member of the firm is a former resident of Fulton county, he having taught school in Fulton, Akron and Athens for a number of years.

Mr. C. I. Clemens practiced law in the steel city for a number of years and also served 12 years as judge of the Lake County Circuit Court. He is a member of the Gary, Lake County and 10th Dist. State bar associations. The junior member is a graduate of the Valparaiso college and Indiana University law courses. Mr. and Mrs. C. I. Clemens have taken up their residency at 440 East 9th street. Mrs. Clemens was formerly Miss Clara Burns, of this city.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, April 17, 1933]

CLEMONS BLACKSMITH SHOP, FRANK [Grass Creek, Indiana]

Located N side of street first door E of Harrison Funeral Home and furniture store.

CLENDENNING, EPHRAIM B. [Macy, Allen Township, Miami County]

BIOGRAPHY

Ephraim B. Clendenning, a native of this county, and at present one of the leading business men of Macy, was born in Union Township Feb. 16, 1841. He was the oldest child born to Robert and Cynthia (Clymer) Clendenning, the former a native of Ireland, born Oct. 15, 1810; emigrated to American in 1835 and to this country about 1837; the latter was a native of Ohio, born Feb. 22, 1817; came to this country about 1837 and on the 8th day of December, 1839, was married to Robert Clendenning. She died in this county March 14, 1863. When Ephraim was about eight years old his parents removed to Richland Township, where he grew up to manhood working upon his father's farm. He remained at home until July 26, 1863, at which time his marriage occurred

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with Martha E. Bell. She was born in Wayne County, Ohio, April 22, 1838, being the daughter of Eben and Elizabeth Bell, natives of Ohio and New Jersey, respectively. After his marriage Mr. Clendenning engaged in farming for himself. That was in Richland Township. In 1866 he returned to his native township, where he was engaged in agricultural pursuits until in February, 1874, when he located at Macy and engaged in the mercantile business. This has received his attention ever since. He is now the senior member of the firm of Clendenning & Waite. They have a good store room well-stocked with dry goods, groceries, boots, shoes and general merchandise, and are doing a profitable business. During his early life Mr. Clendenning acted in the capacity of a school teacher for eight years. He is the father of six children: Mary A., Amanda E., Alabama E., Lydia A., Viola B. and Laura M. Of these Amanda E. and Viola B. are deceased. In politics our subject is an ardent Republican. In September, 1874, he received the appointment of postmaster at Macy, in which capacity he acted until September, 1885. As such he discharged his duties with credit to himself and satisfaction to the public. He is an industrious and successful business man and a good citizen.

[*History of Miami County, Indiana*, 1887, Brant & Fuller. pp. 512-515]

CLERKS' ASSOCIATION [Rochester, Indiana]

THE CLERKS ELECT OFFICERS

The clerks of this city, about seventy-five in all, have at last perfected an organization and from now on all matters coming before the clerks will be referred to that body known as the Clerks' association. The organization meeting was held in the Commercial club rooms Tuesday evening and at that time the following officers were selected: Omer Ross, president; Jonathan Busenburg, treasurer; Miss Maud Morgan, secretary. A committee of five was selected to draw up by-laws and they will be considered at the next meeting, which will be held Friday evening of this week. On the social side of the question it is proposed to hold a clerks' picnic at the lake in the near future. The question of petitioning of the store proprietors to close at 6 o'clock each evening of the week, with the exception of Wednesdays and Saturdays, did not come in for any consideration at this meeting.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, July 17, 1912]

CLEVENGER, CHARLES [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Letter from Charles Clevenger)

CLEVENGER, HAROLD DEAN [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Letter From Harold Dean Clevenger)

See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Second Letter From Harold Dean Clevenger)

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See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Seventh Letter From Harold Dean Clevenger)

See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Eighth Letter From Harold Dean Clevenger)

CLINE SILK SKIRT COMPANY, OTTO [Rochester, Indiana]

SILK SHIRT FACTORY

That Rochester is becoming more popular as a factory city is evident from the fact that new industries are seeking entrance.

The latest factory to locate here is the Otto Cline Silk Skirt Company of Logansport, which will move from Logansport about August 1. The industry, which is in its infancy, now employs four or five families and they will also move here from that city.

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Mr. Cline, who is at the head of the concern, has visited Rochester and is well pleased with the city. While here he interested several local people and it may be that the Commercial club will take up the matter later.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, July 11, 1910]

CLINGER, E. L. [Rochester, Indiana]

[Adv] YOU NEED: Wood, Mill Feed, Corn, Oats, Hay, Straw, Flour, Meats, Buckwheat, Prussian Stock Food, Etc. WE HAVE IT - - - - Phone 69. E. L. CLINGER.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, December 14, 1901]

[Adv] CLOSING OUT SALE. My entire stock and fixtures consisting of a full line of stock and poultry supplies, incubators, farm and garden seeds, cigars, tobacco, show cases, scales, big truck, store feed grinder, corn sheller, fanning mill, 1 horse, 1 buggy, 1 carriage, 1 set carriage harness, 1 set work harness, lawn mower and many other articles. Sale Saturday, June 26 at 3 p.m. E. L. CLINGER. L. L. Wood, Auctioneer.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, June 24, 1909]

CLINTON HARDWARE [Rochester, Indiana]

CLINTON HARDWARE SOLD SATURDAY TO PERU BUSINESS MEN

A deal was signed at noon Saturday whereby the A. H. Clinton Hardware store passed into the hands of Andy Stehle and L. A. Shively, of Peru. Approximately \$34,000 was involved in the trade of what is known as the Mark Collet farm, on the Michigan road near Metea for the hardware store. The change in ownership will take place at once.

A. H. Clinton said Saturday that he had no plans for the immediate future. He came to Rochester three years ago, purchasing the store of Morris & Son.

The new owners of the store are well known in Miami county. Mr. Shively is a farmer and auctioneer, while Stehle has been engaged in the hardware business and is just now connected with the Peru Canning Co. The new owners plan to make an up-to-date store here and one of them will be directly associated with George Black, of this city, in the management. In speaking of his advent to Rochester business circles, Mr. Stehle declared that he expected Rochester people to be proud of their new business associates and their place of business.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, July 21, 1921]

BABCOCK GROCERY HAS CHANGED HANDS AGAIN

Arley P. Morris, former proprietor of the now Clinton Hardware Store, has purchased the Ray Babcock grocery and will take possession of the business Monday. Mr. Morris has had former experiences in this line of work. Mr. Babcock states that he has no plans for the immediate future.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, March 25, 1921]

[adv] Overland agency, A. E. Shobe, Rear of Clinton Hardware.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, March 6, 1923]

CLOUD & SONS [Macy/Rochester/Fulton/Bourbon]

OTTO CLOUD & SONS BUY EWING'S I.G.A. GROCERY

A business transaction of considerable import to the people of this community was transacted late yesterday, whereby the firm of Cloud & Sons, well known merchants of Macy, became the owner of the J. D. Ewing I.G.A. grocery store in this city.

The Clouds, who have been in the mercantile business for the past 50 years, now have stores in Macy, Fulton, Bourbon and Rochester, all of which are reported to be doing a thriving business. When interviewed today, Otto Cloud, the elder member of the firm, stated that either he or his son Richard would be in charge of the local grocery and market and that their sole aim would be to give courteous treatment and perfect satisfaction to every customer. Paul Cloud is the other member of the Cloud and Sons firm.

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Mr. Ewing, the retiring owner, has no definite plans for the immediate future. The I.G.A. store which is the only one of its kind in this city was established five years ago by the Ewing Bros.

An announcement advertisement of Cloud & Sons which explains the policies of their new store appears elsewhere in this issue of the News-Sentinel.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, August 4, 1932]

[Adv] "The Store With A Smile" The Country's releasing CURRENCY The BANKS are releasing CASH. If you release your PURSE STRING, BUSINESS goes ahead with a dash. - - - CIGARETTES Wings, Twenty Grands and Sunshines 9¢ Luckies, Camels, Old Golds, Chesterfields 10¢ - - - Cloud's Values - Are "The Talk of the Town"

[The News-Sentinel, Friday, March 17, 1933]

HARRY KARN PURCHASES CLOUD STORE AT MACY

The Cloud & Son grocery and department store at Macy has been sold to Harry Karn it was announced today. The purchaser who has been employed in the Coffee Shop here for several years is well known in this city. He has taken possession of the store. Mr. Karn will discontinue some of the departments of the store at Macy. He has considerable experience in the business in which he is now engaged. A store bearing the name of Cloud has been in operation at Macy for the past 56 years. For the past 27 years Otto Cloud has been the manager of the Macy store. Mr. Cloud will now devote his entire time to his stores in Fulton, Bourbon and Rochester.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, June 13, 1933]

CLOUDS OPENED STORE IN NAPPANEE SATURDAY

Otto Cloud of Macy, owner of the local Cloud's grocery, opened a department store in Nappanee, Ind., Saturday.

This store handles ladies' and men's ready-to-wear garments, floor coverings, cosmetics and other articles and is managed by Henry Erwin, son-in-law of Mr. Cloud.

Mr. Cloud owns, besides the new department store, three groceries, located in Bourbon, Fulton and Rochester.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, December 5, 1935]

CLOUD'S OPEN APPLIANCE STORE SATURDAY JUNE 27

A new household appliance store will open for business in this city, Saturday, June 27th, in the double room store building, situated directly south of the C. K. Kepler Auto Co.

This new business house is being opened by Cloud & Sons, of this city. The household appliance line is not a new departure for this firm as it has had years of experience in the appliances field in connection with general stores, which it now operates in other northern Indiana towns.

The Cloud & Sons appliances store will carry a complete line of electric refrigerators, electric ranges, sweepers, washers, ironers, radios for home or auto, in fact almost every kind of labor-saving device for city or farm homes alike.

A large advertisement, appearing elsewhere in this issue of The News-Sentinel, announces the opening of this new establishment.

[The News-Sentinel, Friday, June 26, 1936]

OTTO CLOUD IS FEATURED IN ARTICLE IN PRAIRIE FARMER

Otto Cloud, owner of the Cloud Grocery and the Cloud Appliance Store in Rochester, was made the subject of an extensive article in a recent number of the "Prairie Farmer" nationally known farmer publication.

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The article was an interview which Mr. Cloud gave to a reporter for journal as to the kinds of brands of goods which are carried in the various stores owned by Mr. Cloud which also includes units at Bourbon and Fulton in addition to the ones in this city.

The article applied more particularly to the Cloud Store at Bourbon, but the principles which Mr. Cloud uses in merchandising are applicable to all of his stores. Following are excerpts from the "Prairie Farmer" article.

Advertised Goods

To say you can buy anything from a toothpick to a tombstone in Cloud's general store at Bourbon would be closer to fact than exaggeration. But both the toothpick and tombstone would have to have reputations of advertising back of them before Cloud's would put them in stock.

The general store at Bourbon carries complete inventories of men's, women's and children's clothing, groceries, meats, fruit and vegetables, housewares, floor coverings and dry goods, packaged items. Every article stocked is a brand name known to readers of state farm papers.

"Many tradesmen wonder why they have shelf warmers," continued Mr. Cloud, "yet in the majority of instances if it's merchandise farm folks have learned to count on, the store keepers could sell out and restock if they told enough of their customers that they stocked the product."

Courtesy Good Habit

"Another good habit is courtesy: to keep old customers and acquire new ones as they grow up requires constant vigilance to be certain of not offending anyone. If you enter Bourbon over any of the highways you will find large bill boards lettered: Trade in Bourbon (on first line) Cloud's (in scrip on second line) appreciate your business (on third line).

"Those signs have made many customers for us. First, the salutation is unselfish; we say "Trade in Bourbon." Second, we thank the customer or prospect before he even enters our store by saying, 'Cloud's appreciate your business.'"

Play Up Name

"When we advertise washing machines, radios, electrical refrigerators or other similar household devices," said Mr. Cloud, "we play up the brand name and economic features of the product.

"Another policy we follow religiously is to subscribe to all trade papers and each department head is expected to keep himself informed with the latest information and news affecting his department."

Local Advertising

Mr. Cloud believes in extensive advertising in local papers that have great rural circulations, but also canvasses the territory with a staff of men who spend part of their time selling on the floor at the stores. The firm still has two huckster wagons with regular routes in the country.

"When rural electrification seemed to be taking hold," continued Mr. Cloud, "we immediately lined up several dealerships on household appliances we knew had farmer acceptance like Thor washers, Briggs & Stratton motors, R. C. A. radio, a refrigerator that was being advertised regularly in the national women's magazines and set out selling them.

We stock practically all merchandise advertised in the magazines that a store like ours can sell.

[The News-Sentinel, Wednesday, December 16, 1936]

[Adv] BUY FOODS WHOLESALE AT CLOUD'S SUPER MARKET, opposite Char-Bell Theatre.

Following the new trend in merchandising, we have joined our complete Food Store and our large Appliance Store into one immense new Super-Market, just one square north of our Food Store and opposite the Char-Bell Theatre. It is the largest market of its kind in this part of Indiana, a combination of Serve-Yourself and Service Super-Market. You will feel perfectly at home and you may shop as you choose - wait upon yourself or be waited upon AND SAVE MONEY.

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It is something new - something different - A place you will like and PRICES it will pay you to travel miles to get. - - - - Opening Saturday, October 30th.

[The News-Sentinel, Wednesday, October 27, 1937]

CLOUD'S OPEN A NEW SUPER MARKET ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30th

Otto Cloud, for years one of the business leaders in this vicinity will open a new super market Saturday in a wholly re-vamped, re-decorated, re-equipped location on north Main street. Cloud's grocery, formerly located at 715 Main street, has been moved into the front of the room occupied by the Appliance Store at 617-619 Main. The complete appliance department has been moved to the rear of the building.

Store Re-decorated

Everything is spotless white. Walls, displays, refrigerators and counters glisten. New merchandise has been piled high for Saturday's selling. The appliance section has been changed to include more models of every line.

The new store combines self-service and service features. Baskets will be provided for those who wish to shop leisurely and choose their own food-stuffs.

A gigantic sign across the store front, accented by a neon sign and giant floodlights will make the store stand out as one of the leading stores of Rochester.

Employees in the grocery section include: Orvan Van Lue, manager, Harrison Halterman, Fred Perschbacher, Marietta Barnhart, Doris Slonaker, Manford Newell, Arthur Miller, Dan Young, and Harold Newcomer, manager of meat department.

In the appliance department the following persons will be employed: Otis Halterman, Harriet Hurst and Robert House.

[The News-Sentinel, Friday, October 29, 1937]

NAMED MANAGER

Harrison Halterman has been appointed manager of the Cloud & Son store at Fulton. He will succeed Ray Felty who has been the manager of the Fulton store for several years. Mr. Halterman has been employed in the Cloud & Son store in Rochester for the past three years. The change in managership will be made Monday, May 2.

[The News-Sentinel, Wednesday, April 27, 1938]

RECEIVER IS APPOINTED FOR CLOUD & SONS STORES

Aden U. Cloud and others today filed an application in the Fulton circuit court for the appointment of receiver for Otto Cloud, Paul Cloud, Richard Cloud and Sarah Cloud who have been doing business here under the name of "Cloud & Sons." Aden Cloud is a member of the firm of Cloud Brothers, South Bend, dealers in electrical appliances.

The request was granted by Judge Robert Miller who named Boyd Peterson, former sheriff, as receiver. Peterson was required to furnish bond in the sum of \$30,000.

Cloud & Sons have operated grocery and electrical appliance stores in Bourbon, Fulton and Rochester with the Rochester store located at 617 and 619 North Main street.

Otto Cloud operated a general store at Macy for a number of years. Several years ago he opened a grocery store at 715 Main st. here and later an appliance store. These stores were merged last fall in the room at 617-619 Main street.

The receivership proceedings was a friendly suit and it is believed that with proper supervision the same can be ended satisfactorily to all parties concerned. No estimate of the liabilities and assets were made, this to be determined by the receiver after he has made an inventory.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, June 9, 1938]

WILL SELL STORES

Judge Robert Miller Friday in the Fulton circuit court ordered Boyd Peterson as receiver of Cloud & Sons to sell the firm's three stores, which are located in Rochester, Fulton and Bremen,

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at private sale to the highest bidder. The sale was ordered after Aden Cloud and others had filed a receivership proceeding against Otto Cloud and others.

[The News-Sentinel, Saturday, June 18, 1938]

PAUL CLOUD IS ACCUSED OF FORGERY AT WARSAW

Warsaw, Ind., June 22. - Paul Cloud, 33, Bourbon, posted a \$500 bond last night and was released from the Kosciusko county jail a few hours after he had been arrested by Sheriff Burton S. Foulke and Deputy Charles Ward on a charge of forgery. He was taken into custody at a cottage at Lake Manitou.

In an affidavit filed on June 20 by Robert R. Knepper of the Etna Bank of Etna Green, Knepper alleges Cloud passed to the bank certain false and forged conditional sales contracts, which contracts promised payment in eight installments of \$10 each, and one installment of \$8 to Cloud & Son.

These conditional sales contracts were purported to have been made and executed by James Coffel in favor of Cloud & Son, which contracts are alleged to have been false and Knepper claims the bank was defrauded of \$80 as the bank relied upon Cloud's representations and paid him the \$80. He is accused of defrauding the bank of the sum mentioned.

[The News-Sentinel, Wednesday, June 22, 1938]

CITIZENS STATE BANK OF MACY, IND. CLOSED

ACTION TAKEN IN WAKE OF CLOUD FIRM RECEIVERSHIP

The Citizens State Bank of Macy was closed Wednesday afternoon by the directors of the bank, according to an announcement which was posted on the door of the financial institution. Ross H. Wallace, state director of financial institutions, is in charge and two state bank examiners today were making an audit of the books.

Samuel Musselman, president of the bank, stated that the closing was voluntary and that every depositor would be paid in full. Mr. Musselman says that as soon as few more collections are made the bank will be able to make an initial payment of fifty per cent of their total deposits and that this payment would be made in the near future.

"Nobody will lose a nickel in the bank," Mr. Musselman said.

Capital Stock

The Citizens State Bank of Macy had capital stock of \$10,000, surplus of \$4,800, undivided profits \$4,900, deposits of \$180,000 and loans \$120,000. The bank had been in operation since 1908. The bank was not a member of the Federal Depositors Insurance Corporation, a government institution. All other banks in Fulton, Cass and Miami counties are members of the FDIC, in which the United States government guarantees deposits to \$5,000. The banks in Rochester, Akron, Fulton, Kewanna and Leiters Ford are members of the FDIC.

Until a secret meeting of the bank's board of directors, June 5, Otto Cloud was president and chairman of the board of directors of the Citizens State Bank at Macy. At that time Mr. Cloud resigned and Samuel Musselman, who had been cashier, was named president, and his son, O. E. Musselman, who had been the assistant cashier, was promoted to the cashiership. Plans for reorganizing the bank were made at that time.

Followed Receivership

The closing of the Citizens State Bank at Macy followed close on the receivership proceedings which were brought in the Fulton circuit court against stores owned by Otto Cloud, which he operated in Rochester, Fulton and Bourbon. Boyd Peterson, former sheriff, was named receiver of three stores by Judge Robert Milller and he last week filed his report showing that the stock of goods in the three stores had an appraised value of \$12,201.64. Mr. Peterson was attempting to sell the store at Bourbon today.

Mr. Cloud in addition to operating the three stores at Rochester, Fulton and Bourbon, also sold electrical appliances not only in the three stores, but also at offices in Indianapolis and Detroit. The Cloud's often took notes for balances due on electrical appliances and then sold them

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to financial institutions. Among the banks where they sold these notes was the Citizens State Bank at Macy.

Gave Bonds

Following the closing of the stores Paul Cloud was arrested for forgery after charges had been filed against him by a banker at Etna Green. He is now at liberty under bond on this charge. Otto Cloud is under \$5,000 bond at South Bend on a charge of obtaining money under false pretenses. This charge was filed by a South Bend investment company. The charges against the Clouds were filed by the financial institutions, it is said, because they had purchased some of the Cloud notes and found them not as represented.

Willard V. Waltz, South Bend, prosecutor of St. Joseph county today told International News Service that the Clouds had defrauded 21 financial institutions through irregularities in their contracts. "It is the worst case of its kind I ever heard of," said Mr. Waltz who stated a St. Joseph county grand jury would begin an inquiry into the case Friday.

County Grand Jury

In the meantime, the Fulton county grand jury, it is said, is also conducting an inquiry into the Cloud financial matters. Today after making their routine inspection of the county jail, court house and county infirmary as they are required to do under the law, the grand jurors started their deliberations.

It is said that heads and employees of financial institutions from various parts of Indiana were among those who went into the grand jury room this afternoon. The grand jurors will be in session for several days before they conclude their deliberations.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, June 30, 1938]

RECEIVER SELLS STORES AT BOURBON AND FULTON

Boyd Peterson, who was named receiver of the three stores operated by Cloud & Sons in Bourbon, Fulton and Rochester, announced today that he had sold the stores at Fulton and Bourbon.

Ray Babcock who operates a grocery store at Fulton bought the stock of groceries in the Fulton store and A. Stewart of Chicago the dry goods.

John Molebash and James Shere purchased the grocery and meat department of the Bourbon store. The purchasers formerly operated the store at Bourbon and sold to the Clouds.

Mr. Peterson is seeking a buyer for the stock of linoleum and other goods carried in the Bourbon store. The Rochester store was sold to R. Kondor, South Bend, who had the formal opening of the establishment today.

[The News-Sentinel, Saturday, July 9, 1938]

6 MEMBERS OF CLOUDS' FIRM ARE ARRESTED

HELD IN SOUTH BEND JAIL PENDING BAIL ARRAIGNMENT

South Bend, Ind., July 20. (INS) - Charged with conspiracy to commit a felony, five members of the family of Otto Cloud, former Macy banker and merchant, whose financial affairs are under investigation, were under arrest today.

Those arrested were Richard Cloud, 29, of Rochester, and Paul Cloud, 33, of Bourbon, his sons; Mrs. Paul Cloud, 27, Mrs. Virginia Erwin, 23, a daughter, and her husband, W. Henry Erwin, 24, of Bourbon.

Orvan Van Lou, 29, manager of the Cloud store in Rochester, also was arrested.

Probe Follows Closing

The charges followed an investigation by the St. Joseph County grand jury, one of three inquiries begun after the Citizens Bank of Macy, which Cloud formerly headed, was closed for liquidation.

The Fulton county grand jury and state bank examiners also are conducting investigations.

The Citizens Bank was closed June 30th by the State Department of Financial Institutions. Investigations center on Cloud & Sons, an electrical appliance firm which operated stores in

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Rochester, Fulton and Bourbon and sales offices in Indianapolis and Detroit. The firm now is in receivership.

Cloud Seriously Ill

Investigators inquired into reports that the elder Cloud, seriously ill at his Macy home, over a period of years persuaded customers to sign two or more copies of conditional sales contracts and then obtained loans on each copy, and that he also used the same securities to obtain several loans from different institutions.

Cloud is at liberty under \$5,000 bond in a South Bend court on a charge of obtaining money under false pretenses through manipulation of notes and sales contracts given a finance firm to obtain loans.

The arrests were made Tuesday night of the six defendants by Sheriff William Hosinski of South Bend and two deputies. The South Bend officers first drove to Bourbon where they placed the Erwins and Mr. And Mrs. Paul Cloud in custody. They were taken to South Bend by a deputy sheriff.

Sheriff Hosinski and another deputy sheriff then drove to Rochester. Sheriff Lester King had been notified by the South Bend sheriff to hold Richard Cloud and Van Lue for him. The two Rochester men were at the county jail when Sheriff Hosinski arrived. He returned to South Bend with them shortly after 9 o'clock Tuesday night.

Reduce Bond

Efforts were being made at South Bend today to have the bonds of the defendants reduced from \$5,000 to \$1,000. This petition was filed before Judge Dan Pyle from whose court the grand jury which returned the indictments had been instructed as to their duties.

It was thought that the bonds of some of the defendants would be reduced this afternoon and that they would be released from jail under bond. No effort was made to move Otto Cloud from his home to South Bend because of his physical condition. He with his son, Paul Cloud, are already at liberty under bond. Paul Cloud was required to furnish bond at Warsaw on a complain filed against him by the cashier of the bank at Etna Green.

Sold Bourbon Store

Boyd Peterson, who was named receiver of the Cloud and Sons stores in Fulton, Bourbon and Rochester after a hearing in the Fulton circuit court, announced today that he had completed the sale of the three stores, leaving only the accounts receivable to be collected.

Mr. Peterson sold the dry goods, linoleum, carpets, furniture, electrical appliances and fixtures in the Bourbon store to B. J. Weiner, Chicago. Previously the grocery department in the Bourbon store had been sold to Floyd Molebash and John Schere, who for a number of years operated the store at Bourbon. The store at Fulton was sold to Ray Babcock, Fulton merchant, and to Abe Cantor, Chicago, while the Rochester store was sold to R. Kondor, South Bend.

[The News-Sentinel, Wednesday, July 20, 1938]

CLOUDS CASE TO BE GIVEN HEARING IN ST. JOE COURT SOON

South Bend, Ind., July 21. (INS) - One member of the family of Otto Cloud, 58-year-old merchant and banker of Macy, was at liberty today on \$5,000 bond but four other family members, all charged with conspiracy to commit a felony, remained in jail.

Released upon posting of bond was Richard Cloud, 29, of Rochester, a son of Otto Cloud, and Orvan Van Lou, 29, of Rochester, a former employee of Clouds. Others still in jail include Paul Cloud, 33, of Bourbon, another son, and his wife Mildred, his sister, Mrs. Virginia Erwin, 23, and her husband, W. Henry Erwin, both of Bourbon.

Trials in September

The sheriff's office refused to reveal the identity of the eighth man sought in connection with alleged frauds uncovered by the St. Joseph county grand jury which returned the indictments.

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Charges pending against the six persons and Cloud, who is ill at his home in Macy, and is under technical arrest, will be aired within a few days in circuit court. Trials of the defendants will be held in the September term court.

Prosecutor George N. Beamer declared that the evidence indicated that Cloud and his associates conspired to defraud financial institutions in Indiana out of \$75,000. This was said to have been accomplished through the double and triple financing of chattel mortgage papers.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, July 21, 1938]

CLOUD ARRESTED AT HIS HOME IN MACY BY COUNTY SHERIFF

Sheriff Lester King Saturday afternoon caused the arrest at his home in Macy of Otto Cloud, aged 58, banker and merchant on two Fulton county grand jury indictments charging him with forgery and with obtaining money under false pretenses.

The bond on each of the indictments had been fixed at \$5,000 by Judge Robert Miller after he had drawn bench warrants against Cloud. The defendant furnished bond of \$10,000 after his arrest. He is too sick to be moved from his home.

Indicted July 13

The indictments against Cloud were returned by the Fulton county grand jury on July 13 after the jurors had deliberated since June 25. Each of the indictments is in six counts and charges Cloud with defrauding financial institutions in the sale of conditional sales contracts for electrical appliances.

Each of the indictments covers the same offenses - that is on each of the conditional sales contracts which were sold by Cloud he was charged with forgery and with obtaining money under false pretenses.

Signatures Attached

The contracts which were sold to obtain money from financial institutions bore the alleged signatures of George Porter, Argos; Myrtle Silberg, Nappanee; L. Glen Hibbits and William Lelmer, Bourbon; Raymond Stahley, Warsaw and Mrs. Henry Myers, Rochester.

The contracts were dated at various times from July 10, 1937 to Jan. 24, 1938. The names of twenty persons are attached to each of the indictments as witnesses.

Third Arrest

The arrests which were made Saturday of Otto Cloud by Sheriff King marked the 2nd time that day that he was placed in custody. A short time after Sheriff King served his papers on Mr. Cloud Deputy Sheriff James L. Neenan, South Bend, served Cloud with notice that he had been indicted by the St. Joseph county grand jury for conspiracy to commit a felony.

Cloud had made arrangements to furnish bond on this count which was in the sum of \$5,000 and he did not have to accompany Deputy Neenan to South Bend. Cloud was one of eight persons who were indicted by the St. Joseph county grand jury. Six others named in the indictments returned against Cloud are free under bond. An eighth person indicted has not been located.

Prosecutor George N. Beamer of South Bend will attempt to arraign the persons named in the St. Joseph County grand jury indictments with Cloud before Judge Dan Pyle in the circuit court at South Bend some time this week. No date for the arraignment of Cloud in the Fulton circuit court has been set. Mr. Cloud is suffering with a nervous breakdown and is confined to his home. His wife is also under a physician's care suffering with a nervous breakdown.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, July 25, 1938]

VAN LUE IS EXONERATED IN CLOUD CASE REVIEW

The case against Orvan Van Lue in St. Joseph circuit court in South Bend, that was coincident with the Cloud & Son situation, came up for hearing Friday and was thrown out of court.

George Beamer, prosecuting attorney, stated that an indictment was returned against Van Lue as well as the Clouds, because there were facts which complicated matters and facts which have now been explained to his full satisfaction.

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Thereupon, Judge Dan Pyle stated that there was no intent on the part of Van Lue to commit a crime. He stated further that he would release the bond, would discharge Van Lue and would dismiss the case.

Accordingly, Van Lue was completely exonerated from all criminal liability.

[The News-Sentinel, Saturday, July 30, 1938]

CLOUDS FILE BANKRUPTCY CLAIMS IN UP-STATE COURT

South Bend, Aug. 3. (INS) - A petition for involuntary bankruptcy was filed in U. S. District court here today on behalf of Otto Cloud, 58-year-old banker of Macy, his wife, Sarah and his two sons, Paul and Richard, individually and as co-partners doing business as Cloud & Son in Rochester.

Cloud is charged with fraud in grand jury indictments in St. Joseph and Fulton counties and his sons are charged with conspiracy in double and triple financing of chattel mortgage paper.

[The News-Sentinel, Wednesday, August 3, 1938]

HAMMOND MAN IS NAMED RECEIVER IN CLOUD CASE

South Bend, Aug. 11. - Appointment of Charles L. Surprise, of Hammond, Ind., as receiver in the involuntary bankruptcy case of Cloud and Sons, Rochester, Ind., made at a hearing Wednesday morning before United States District Judge Thomas W. Slick.

The suit is filed against Otto Cloud, Sarah, his wife, and sons, Paul and Richard Cloud, individually and as copartners of Cloud and Sons.

Claims amounting to \$547.51 have been filed by petitioning creditors Butler Brothers of Chicago, Samuel Kunin and Sons, Incorporated, Chicago, and the National Mill Supply company of Fort Wayne.

Cloud recently resigned as president of the Macy, Ind. Bank, which has been taken over by the state department of financial institutions.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, August 11, 1938]

CLOUDS LIST LIABILITIES OF \$152,000 IN U. S. COURT

South Bend, Ind., Sept. 22. - Liabilities of \$152,838.82 were filed Wednesday in the federal clerk's office in South Bend by four persons as partners in Cloud and Son company, store operators in Bourbon, Fulton and Rochester, Ind., who at present are out on bond on charges of fraudulent sales contracts to 31 Indiana financial institutions.

The four, Otto, Richard, J. Paul and Sarah Cloud in listing their liabilities and assets before the clerk declared themselves in possession of \$71,286.91 in assets as against the \$152,838.82 in liabilities. In listing their individual liabilities and assets the record shows Otto E. Cloud with debts of \$14,112 and assets of \$3,075, Richard M. Cloud with debts of \$147.53 and assets of \$600, J. Paul Cloud with debts of \$5 and assets of \$800, while Sarah Cloud listed no debts and assets of but \$50.

The Clouds are being forced into involuntary bankruptcy by Butler Brothers, incorporated, Chicago; Samuel Kunin and Sons, also of Chicago, and the National Mill Supply company of Fort Wayne.

Otto Cloud, a former Macy banker, and head of the string of stores, is under indictment in St. Joseph and Fulton counties, while his two sons, J. Paul and Richard, are under indictment in St. Joseph county for conspiring to commit a felony. The cases are pending in circuit court in this county on a plea in abatement, attaching the jurisdiction of the grand jury in the cases.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, September 22, 1938]

OTTO CLOUD ENTERS PLEA OF GUILTY TO GRAND JURY BILLS

Otto Cloud, 57, banker and merchant of Macy for many years, waived arraignment in the Fulton circuit court Monday morning and heard his attorney, Paul Butler, of South Bend, enter a plea of guilty for him in two grand jury indictments in which he was charged with forgery and obtaining money under false pretenses.

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Judge Robert Miller this afternoon passed sentence on Mr. Cloud, giving him a total fine of \$500 and costs and a term in the Indiana State Prison at Michigan City. On the first count for forgery the court gave Cloud a fine of \$500 and two to 14 years in prison.

On each subsequent count for forgery or five in all, Cloud was given a fine of \$10 and costs and a two to 14 year term. On the first count for obtaining money under false pretenses, Cloud was given a fine of \$100 and costs and one to seven years in prison for each of the subsequent five counts for obtaining money under false pretenses, a fine of \$10 and costs and one to seven years in prison.

Asked For Leniency

The defendant's attorney made a plea for leniency for Mr. Cloud stating that the Cloud family had been in business in this community for over sixty years and that the defendant did not profit from his financial transactions all of the money he thus obtained was later lost in his business enterprises.

Mr. Cloud was charged in two grand jury indictments each with six counts and covering the same offenses with having defrauded the First National Bank and the Farmers' and Merchants' Bank of this city in the sale of six conditional sales contracts which bore the forged signatures of the following persons, George A. Porter, Argos, Myrtle Silberg, Nappanee, Glen Hibbets, Bourbon, Raymond Stahley, Warsaw, William Lemler, Bourbon, and Mrs. Henry Myers of Fulton.

Operated Many Stores

Mr. Cloud with other members of his family operated stores in Macy, Rochester, Fulton, Bourbon and Nappanee and offices for the sale of electrical refrigeration in Detroit, Indianapolis and Evansville. Mr. Cloud was indicted by the Fulton county grand jury July 13, 1938 since which time he has been at liberty under bond. Other members of his family are under indictment at South Bend.

Mr. Cloud following the trial stated to newsmen that despite bankruptcy proceedings he hoped at some time to pay all of his creditors in full. By pleading guilty, Mr. Cloud saved the taxpayers of Fulton from the expense of what possibly would have been a long and costly trial.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, October 9, 1939]

BUYS ROOM AT FULTON

Mr. and Mrs. Harry McCarter who operate a grocery and dry goods store in Fulton have purchased a cement block store building in Fulton from A. A. Gast and will move their store into it. The Gast room was occupied for a number of years by Cloud & Son.

[The News-Sentinel, Friday, July 12, 1940]

CLOVERLEAF CREAMERIES, INC. [Rochester, Indiana]

Located at 513 Main in 1931.

CLUB CAFE [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Hawkins Cafe

CLUB CAFE SOLD

Walter Eckart, owner of the Club (Hawkins) Cafe, 719 Main street, today announced the sale of the business to Mrs. Goldie Hindel, of Plymouth. Mrs. Hindel, a former owner of the cafe, is also the owner of the Puritan cafe, Plymouth, which she has leased. Following new decorations and certain changes, she will open the Club for business, probably sometime next week. The sale was made through the Fred Moore real estate agency of this city. Mr. Eckart has not as yet announced his future plans.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, March 8, 1945]

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CLUMSIES, THE [Bloomingsburg, Indiana]

In a game of base ball at Bloomingsburg [Talma] last Friday, between the Maple Leaf club of Argos, and the Clumsies of Bloomingsburg, the score stood 30 to 20 in favor of the Bloomingsburg club. It was an easy victory for the Clumsies and they are considerably elated over the manner in which they "done" the brag nine from Argos.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, August 25, 1886]

CLUTE, CHARLES D.

See: Blue Products Co.

CLYDE BEATTY CIRCUS UNIT, INC. [Rochester, Indiana]

See Cole Bros.-Clyde Beatty Circus.

CLYDE BEATTY FILES PAPERS FOR CIRCUS

Indianapolis, Dec. 21. - Clyde Beatty, circus wild animal trainer, has incorporation papers on file with the secretary of state here today for the Clyde Beatty Circus Unit, Inc., of Rochester.

Cole Brothers circus, with which Beatty played last summer, cut the road trip short because of financial difficulties.

Other incorporators of the new firm are Harriett Beatty and F. E. Schortemeier. The capital stock consists of 1,000 shares of \$10 par value. The object is listed as "to operate circus and other amusement enterprises."

[The News-Sentinel, Wednesday, December 21, 1938]

CLYMER, C. A. [Rochester, Indiana]

[Adv] WANTED - Everybody to go to C. A. CLYMER, the Jeweler - - - -My stock is all new - - - Jewelry store opp. the court house.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, February 21, 1885]

CLYMER, NEWTON J. [Rochester, Indiana]

BIOGRAPHY

Newton J. Clymer. - The subject of this sketch was born in Miami County, Ind., March 24, 1837. His father, Joseph Clymer, having settled there as early as 1832, when it was a wilderness, inhabited by wild beasts and the dusky sons of the forest. He came from Warren County, Ohio; and in order to get a desirable locality was compelled to cut a road through the forest from Miamisport, below where Peru now stands, to Wesaw Creek, three miles above the village of Mexico, on Eel River.

Joseph Clymer was the son of Henry Clymer, a native of Pennsylvania, who was a cousin to George Clymer, of Declaration fame, and was of the first generation after their removal from Germany.

Henry was among those who saw service in the Revolution. At one time he was wounded, and to avoid being taken captive by the Indians, he hid himself in the fallen trunk of a hollow tree, where he remained with his wound undressed for three days before he could successfully make his escape. After the war closed, he married Mrs. Phebe Wharton, a native of his own State. He subsequently located on the Ohio River, being one of the early settlers of Cincinnati, where Joseph, the father of the subject of this sketch, was born in 1805. Some time after this, he located near Lebanon, in Warren County, Ohio, where Joseph was united in marriage to Elizabeth Keever, about the year 1827.

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Her father, Martin Keever, was a Revolutionary soldier, and also connected with some of the Indian wars which followed. While on one of these campaigns he discovered a nice location near a beautiful spring of sparkling water which he selected as a future home for himself. He marked this spot by climbing a small sugar tree and cutting the top off with his knife. Here he afterward located, and preserved the tree, which yet stands as a landmark.

Dr. Clymer, the subject of this sketch, having passed his childhood in the wilds of a newly settled and heavily timbered country, and among savages who then were numerous, was early put to hard labor in the field, and to assist in clearing away the forest with which his father's farm abounded, and was kept at work until he reached his twentieth year. His educational advantages were of a necessity very limited, the public school being almost unknown. There were not more than three months' school in the year of which he could avail himself; and that taught in a log cabin with a rude puncheon floor, and benches of primitive style for seats. However, he tried to make the best of his advantages, and at the age of eighteen years was enabled to take charge of one of the schools of his native county, in which he gave such general satisfaction that he was chosen by the patrons to teach the next term; but wishing to avail himself of another term at school, he refused the offer and went to school.

At the age of twenty, he left the farm and took up medicine, studying for two years with an older brother, Keever Clymer, at Waupecong, in his native county. He then began practice in LaSalle County, Ill., but in consequence of the scarcity of inhabitants and the prevailing good health, he came to the conclusion at the expiration of one year that a physician would starve to death trying to make a living there by his profession. He therefore removed and located at Bourbon, Marshall County, Ind., in September, 1859.

In 1860, he located at Laketon, in Wabash County, where he remained only a few months until he returned to Bourbon, whence he removed and located at Bloomingsburg, July 22, 1862.

The Dr. was united in holy matrimony, February 9, 1860, to Miss Leonora A. Moore, of Bourbon, Ind., a native of Ashtabula, Ohio.

This couple have now traveled the rugged pathway of life together, and shared each other's fortunes and failures, joys and sorrows, for more than twenty years, but they now are enjoying the fruits of their past labors. To them have been born five children, Charles A., Bianca M., George M., Florence and Harrison C. Of these, Bianca has passed on before; and Charles is a successful jeweler in business at Rochester, Ind., while the other three enliven the home circle.

At the age of nine years, the Doctor was deprived of the counsel and care of a father by death entering their home and taking away the head of the family; but with the ingenuity of the mother, with which woman is ever provided, the family of six children were kept on the farm until they reached manhood and womanhood. Of this family four were sons and two daughters, and one son had in infancy preceded his father over the dark river.

This was rather a remarkable family, the four brothers all becoming prominent and successful physicians. Two of these have deceased, Merritt, the youngest, at Seneca, Ill., in October, 1868, being at that time a resident of Baxter Springs, Kan., and Henry, the eldest, at Akron, Ind., December, 1879. Keever, the second one, is practicing at Seneca, Ill., where he has acquired a considerable fortune. The two sisters are residents of Illinois, and enjoying a competency.

Upon locating at Laketon in 1860, the Doctor opened a dry goods and grocery house in connection with his practice, but was unsuccessful, and in less than a year became a bankrupt, having lost all that he received from his father's estate, and some eighteen hundred dollars besides, which he paid from his practice after locating at Bloomingsburg.

Upon closing up business at this place, he saved nothing but one five-dollar bill, a small supply of medicines, one Indian pony and his scanty supply of household goods. He now concluded that the cash system was the better way of doing business, and from his practice paid for everything he got, being frequently reduced to the necessity of purchasing but 25 cents worth of quinine at a time in order to pay for it. Often at meal-time, they ate every mouthful of food there was in the house, not knowing where the next meal was to come from; yet they always obtained a sufficiency.

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When he located at Bloomingsburg in 1862, there was but one physician in the vicinity, and this one went into the army, leaving the field entirely to Dr. Clymer, who remained in undisputed possession of it for more than ten years, the nearest physician being eight miles away.

Having a large field and being energetic and eminently successful, he soon obtained an extensive and profitable practice, which enabled him to pay off his indebtedness and to accumulate something on which to maintain his growing family.

Shortly after locating at Bloomingsburg, he again embarked in the mercantile business, dealing exclusively in groceries. Having had hold of the lion at Laketon, he knew better how to handle him this time, and made a complete success; more than doubling his money in six months; at the expiration of which he sold his stock to other parties.

During the twenty years he has resided in this vicinity, he has had a lucrative practice, which has enabled him to accumulate a handsome fortune. He owns at present a valuable farm of 80 acres of land, several lots in the village of Bloomingsburg, and a flouring mill property which alone is worth \$10,000.

He has bought and sold several pieces of land and moved twice, locating in the spring of 1868 on the farm on which he now resides, one mile southwest of Bloomingsburg.

He has constantly tried to improve in his profession, being a constant reader, and graduating at the Cincinnati Eclectic Medical Institute in the class of 1879.

The Doctor is a very prominent member of the A., F. & A. M. and I.O.O.F. orders. He was initiated in Fulton Lodge, No. 79, A., F. & A.M. in Rochester, Ind., October 4, 1871; of which lodge he remained a member until Bloomingsburg Lodge, No. 489, was organized under a dispensation granted by the Grand Master, in December, 1873, or January, 1874, and confirmed by the Grand Lodge in May, 1874, when a charter was granted, with the Doctor as W. M., John W. Black, S. W.; Alonzo Stuckey, J. W., and James Colvin, Secretary. It was principally through the Doctor's efforts that this lodge was organized; he having been the first to propose it and the most efficient in securing a hall in which to meet and in maintaining it after its organization. Having passed its chairs first, he was chosen its first representative to the Grand Lodge. He is also a member of Rochester Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, being initiated in 1877; and he and his lady are members of the Bloomingsburg Chapter, order of Eastern Star, No. 46, and was its first Worth Patron.

As a member of the I.O.O.F., he has also been somewhat noted. He was initiated into Center Lodge, No. 435, in March, 1874, of which he remained a member till December, 1875, when he received a withdrawal card for the purpose of instituting a lodge at Bloomingsburg, a dispensation having been granted by the Grand Master upon the petition of eight members of the order. Bloomingsburg Lodge, No. 516, was instituted on December 21, 1875, and all the other petitioners having refused to accept the position, the Doctor was chosen as Noble Grand, which office he filled acceptably, and was elected representative to the Grand Lodge at its first session thereafter, of which body he is yet a member. He has been District Deputy Grand Master of this district for two years, his last term having just closed. He has filled the office of Permanent Secretary and that of Trustee for two or more terms.

It may be proper in this place to add a little more with regard to his ancestors. His grandfather, Henry Clymer, spoken of above, was the father of eleven children, six daughters and five sons. The names of the sons were John, Joseph, Levi, Henry and Christian. Henry was killed by a falling tree when a small boy. The other brothers followed Joseph to the wilds of Indiana and settled on Eel River, but afterward located south of Peru, near Pipe Creek, where John died in 1874, but Levi and their descendants yet live. Some of the sisters with their husbands followed their brothers, while the others remained in Warren County, Ohio. Leonora A. Clymer, the wife of Dr. N. J. Clymer, was born in the city of Ashtabula, Ohio, on November 16, 1844. She is the daughter of George W. and Elizabeth Moore.

When she was but two years old, her parents removed to Canada, thence to Detroit, Mich., in June, 1849, where in August, of the same year, her father was stricken down with that fearful malady, cholera.

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Mr. Moore was the father of seven children--Eli B., Sophronia A., Julia, George W., Ann E., M. Augusta and Leonora A., the subject of this sketch.

After the death of her husband, Mrs. Moore managed by keeping boarders to keep her family of five children, who were yet at home, together and in school for four years. At the expiration of this time, her health having failed, she visited her eldest son, who had located at LaPorte, Ind. Not regaining her health, she collected her family together here except one daughter, who had married and remained in Detroit.

In the autumn of 1853, Leonora, the subject of this sketch, went to Buffalo, N.Y., to reside with an elder sister and to attend school. Here she remained until June, 1855, when she returned to LaPorte.

She attended school at this place awhile, then again at Detroit, then at Bourbon, Ind., where she formed the acquaintance of and was united in marriage with Dr. N. J. Clymer, this event occurring February, 1860. We will now give some account of her ancestors. Her father, George W. Moore, was the son of Washington Moore, and was born at Lockport, N.Y., June 20, 1805. Of his father we can say nothing more than that he was the son of Fairbanks Moore, a Baptist minister, and that he was a Drum Major in the regular army, and died at New Orleans about three months prior to his son's birth.

Mrs. Clymer's mother was a descendent of the Dobbins, of Dobbin Castle, Ireland. A son of the proprietor of the Dobbin Castle having been compelled to marry his father's choice instead of his own, immigrated at an early day to America, to escape the presence of the one he wished to wed.

From information in our possession, we are not able to give his Christian name nor where he located; but his son, Lodowick Dobbin, was the father of Gen. Hugh Dobbin, connected with the U. S. Army in the war of 1812, where he spent his large fortune for the good of his country, and received for it a pension of \$1 per day for life. His father, Ludowick Dobbin, was married prior to the Revolution to Miss Betsy Jackson, an aunt of President Andrew Jackson. Of this union were born six children, the youngest of whom was Jane, who united in marriage to Bergun Huff in the year 1800. Mr. Huff was descended from a family who emigrated many years before from Germany to New Jersey, and settled at Somerset, his father, Richard Huff, settling some years later between Seneca and Cayuga lakes, in New York.

To these were born ten children, three sons and seven daughters. Of these, Elizabeth, the fourth, was born in the town of Ovid and State of New York, December 14, 1807. She was united in marriage to George W. Moore in the town of Lyons, N.Y., December 24, 1825.

Having given somewhat detailed account of her ancestors, we now return to the subject of this sketch. It is a somewhat difficult task to say much that will be of interest to the general reader, her history being so closely connected with that which immediately precedes this. But we can say that from the time of her marriage she took great interest in her husband's affairs, always striving to do what she could to promote his happiness and make his business enterprises successful.

She always had a word of cheer and comfort when he was downcast, and in all his financial difficulties never yielded, but always said they would overcome. She has always been a loving, affectionate mother, and a kind neighbor. Always cheerful, her merry laugh is the life of the society in which she moves.

Having known by experience what poverty means, she is ever ready to lend a helping hand to those who need; and the poor cannot say they have been turned empty-handed from her door.

As was stated in the preceding sketch, she is a member of Bloomingsburg Chapter, No. 46, Order of the Eastern Star, and has done as much and perhaps more than any other lady to secure its organization and maintain its existence, making it successful and worthy the well-wishes of the society in the midst of which it exists.

She and her husband were also charter members of Bethlehem Degree Lodge, No. 195, Daughters of Rebekah, instituted at Bloomingsburg in April, 1875, of which they are yet prominent members. She has passed the various chairs of the lodge, filling every position in which she has been placed with distinction and honor to herself and credit to the organization. Of

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her father's family, two have deceased, and Eli is a resident of Trenton, Mo.; Sophronia, of South Bend, Ind.; Julia, of Detroit, Mich.; Ann, of Appleton, Wis., and her mother resides with her.

[T. B. Helm, *Fulton County Atlas*, A. L. Kingman, 1883, pp. 46-47]

[Adv] Physician and Surgeon. Day or night calls promptly attended. Office in Arlington Block, residence three squares west of Dawson's drug store.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, January 4, 1895]

N. J. CLYMER (Biography)

No man in the county has a wider acquaintance throughout the Northeastern part of the county than Dr. N. J. CLYMER, who located at Bloomingsburg in 1862. Previous to this time the Doctor had a rough experience in the business world having tried mercantile pursuits with his profession and the two failed to harmonize to such an extent that he opened business in Fulton county with a five dollar bill, an Indian pony, a few household goods and a wife who knew no such word as discouragement. He devoted his entire attention to medicine and soon built up a practice which rapidly made him one of the solid men of the county. His wife was Miss Leonora MOORE, of Bourbon, and they have four children, Charles, George, Harry [CLYMER] and Florence, wife of Mahlon HAIMBAUGH. The doctor is an active Odd Fellow and Mason, a life long democrat and one of the county's most popular citizens. Two years ago he moved to Rochester and expects to make this his future home.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, September 20, 1895]

BIOGRAPHY

Newton J. Clymer, M.D. - The birth of this physician and surgeon occurred March 24, 1837, in Miami county, Ind., where his parents, Joseph and Eliza (Keever) Clymer, settled as early as 1832. The father was a son of Henry Clymer, who was a native of Pennsylvania, and a cousin of George Clymer, of Declaration fame. At the close of the Revolutionary war, in which he was a soldier, he married Miss Phebe Wharton, whose father was also a soldier in the war of Independence. Subsequent to this marriage Henry Clymer came West and located on the Ohio river, becoming one of the early settlers of Cincinnati, where his son, Joseph, our subject's father, was born in 1805. Later he removed to Warren county, Ohio, where his death occurred. He was the father of six sons and five daughters. When the subject of this review was nine years of age his father died, and the care of six children was thrown upon the mother; but possessing that magnificent ingenuity with which woman is ever provided with she managed to keep her family of four sons and two daughters upon the home farm until they reached manhood and womanhood. Dr. N. J. Clymer spent his youth upon the farm. At eighteen years of age he was fortunate enough to be the teacher at a neighboring school. At twenty years of age he began the study of medicine in the offices of his brother, Dr. Keever Clymer of Wawpecong, Ind., where he remained for two years, and then located for the practice of his profession in LaSalle county, Ill., but one year later returned to Indiana and located at Bourbon, and in 1862 he came to Fulton county and from that time until the fall of 1893 he was located at Bloomingsburg (now Talma), where for many years he had an extensive practice. Near this place the doctor now owns two valuable farms. Feb. 9, 1860, occurred the marriage of Dr. Clymer to Miss Leonora A. Moore, who was born at Ashtabula, Ohio, Nov. 16, 1844, a daughter of George W. and Elizabeth Moore. When she was but two years of age her parents removed to Canada, and from thence to Detroit, Mich., in August, 1849, in which year her father died, leaving the mother and the following children, viz.: Eli B., Sophronia A., Julia, George W., Anna E., M. Augusta, and Leonora A. Mrs. Clymer received her education at the schools of Buffalo, N.Y., and at Bourbon, Ind. To bless the union of Dr. and Mrs. Clymer there have come four children, viz.: Charles A., George M., Florence and Harry C. Dr. Clymer has taken an active part in social and fraternal affairs. He was one of the organizers of the Masonic lodge, No. 489 and I.O.O.F. lodge, No. 516 at Bloomingsburg. He and wife are members of the order of Eastern Star and the order of the Daughters of Rebekah. Politically Dr. Clymer is a democrat. But once has the doctor sought political preferment and that was quite a number of

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years ago, when he was a candidate for joint representative for this county and Pulaski, and on account of the fusion of the republicans with the greenback element he was defeated by fifteen votes. He is a clean man socially and politically, and one whose character and ability stands free and unquestioned. Since November, 1893, the doctor and his amiable wife have been residents of Rochester, and are among its most highly esteemed citizens. Dr. Clymer is a successful physician, is a graduate of the Eclectic medical institute of Cincinnati; since 1870 has been a member of the Eclectic medical association of Indiana, and is a member of the Northwest medical association of Northern Indiana, of which at this time he is treasurer. July 27, 1893, he was appointed examiner for the bureau of pensions at Rochester.

[Elia W. Peattie, *Fulton County History*, National Publishing Co., Chicago 1896, pp. 54-55]

COACHING SCHOOL [Lake Manitou]

Also see Basketball

W. LAMBERT WILL OPEN COACH SCHOOL AT LAKE

Word reaching the News-Sentinel this morning assures this city of having a Coaching School, located at Lake Manitou this summer. Coach Ward Lambert of Purdue University, who has for the past two years conducted his basketball coaching institution in Illinois and also serves as instructor in this division of athletics at the Illinois university coaching school, will bring his men to Lake Manitou this year. The school will open on August 9th and continue until August 21.

Lambert has secured the use of the Whitmer Gymnasium for actual practice and demonstration work, while his lectures and special instruction classes will be conducted at Lake Manitou. The exact number of High school coaches that will embody the class is not known but in all probability close to fifty men will enroll for this special instruction work. The Purdue mentor has engaged several cottages for those who do not desire to reside at hotels. In the formation of this class Mr. Lambert states he sent out over a thousand letters advertising Lake Manitou, in connection with the solicitation of prospective entrants in his coaching school.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Thursday, June 24, 1926]

WARD LAMBERT TO HOLD COACHING SCHOOL HERE

Official announcement will soon be made by Ward Lambert, famed coach of Purdue University, that he will hold the second annual basketball coaching school at Rochester and Lake Manitou for two weeks during the summer from August 8th to the 29th. It is thought that at least 100 high school coaches will come here to take instructions in the work.

Lambert, who is a regular summer resident at Lake Manitou, held his first school here last year and despite the fact that notices were sent out late there were 53 men here taking the course. Most of these asked that the course be repeated. Accordingly Mr. Lambert is now having considerable advertising matter prepared and pamphlets and reading matter telling of the course of Rochester and Lake Manitou will be mailed out next week.

The school will be held in the Whitmer Gym here while the students will live in cottages and hotels at Lake Manitou. The combination of an instructor with the reputation of Mr. Lambert and the location at Lake Manitou makes the course doubly attractive to the high school coaches, as it gives them a two weeks intensive course in their work and two weeks of vacation and play as well.

Mr. Lambert has made an unusual record at Purdue University with his basket ball teams. In seven years that he has been there his school has finished in the first division of the conference six times, several times near the top and has tied for that coveted position more than once. In the season just finished a team that was given no chance at all early in the season tied with Indiana for second place in the race while Cummings was the high individual scorer of the Big Ten teams.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, March 17, 1927]

LAMBERT'S BASKETBALL SCHOOL FINISHED TODAY

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The two-week Basketball Coaching School, conducted by Ward Lambert, mentor of the Purdue "Boilermaker" squad came to a close at noon today. Close to 40 high school coaches from Indiana and surrounding states were enrolled in this, the second annual course of this nature to be held at Rochester.

A substantial gain in enrollment was registered this year over that of the initial course and the Purdue Coach, who for the past number of years has kept the "Boilermakers" well to the front in the Big Ten conference contests, indicated today that his summer school would become a regular annual institution for Rochester and Lake Manitou.

The high school coaches were very enthusiastic over the instructions received during the past two weeks and incidentally enjoyed the various forms of recreation and amusements afforded them at Lake Manitou, where the majority of the students resided.

Shorthand notes and graphic sketches of the instructions and plays were recorded by Lambert's secretary, Miss Grayce Ward, of Lafayette, and although it was not definitely stated, it is believed the Purdue mentor will in the very near future publish a book about the finer points of basketball.

[The News-Sentinel, Friday, August 19, 1927]

LAMBERT TO HOLD THIRD COACHES SCHOOL IN JUNE

Ward Lambert, Purdue basketball coach whose teams hold the edge over all other teams in the Big Ten in the matter of games won and lost during the ten year period from 1919 to 1928, inclusive, will conduct his third annual basketball coaching school at Lake Manitou, June 4 to June 16, it was announced at Lafayette today. Lambert, recognized as one of the leading hardwood strategists of the country, is also chairman of the rules committee of the National Association of Basketball Coaches, and his schools have been growing in popularity from year to year.

The course at the school will be comprehensive, including instruction in the development of offenses of the type that have enabled Lambert's teams to win 76 out of 113 Big Ten games in ten years, or nearly 70 per cent victories; fundamentals; tip-off plays; mass, line, zone and other variations of defensive systems, and other details of the game that will make the school a thorough one. Demonstrations by star players under the instruction of Lambert will be one of the features of the school. All instruction will be given at the Rochester high school gymnasium.

School Starts Earlier

The dates selected for the school this year, June 4 to June 16, will make it possible for basketball coaches who attend to spend a profitable two weeks immediately after the closing of school and at the same time combine the basketball instruction with an enjoyable vacation, for Lake Manitou offers plenty of recreational facilities. Swimming, boating, golf and tennis are all easily available at either the Lake or Rochester, and arrangements have been made to secure cottages near the lake at a moderate rate for the school attendants.

Last year 30 coaches attended the school here. This summer at least 50 mentors will be as pupils, Lambert stated.

[The News-Sentinel, Saturday, April 14, 1928]

LAMBERT TO BRING COACH SCHOOL TO LAKE MANITOU

Ward "Piggy" Lambert, Purdue basketball mentor who has piloted four Boilermaker teams to titles or shares in titles and three teams to the runner-up post in Big Ten basketball in the last ten years, will conduct his fourth annual basketball school at Lake Manitou, Rochester, from August 13 to August 24, he announced today. Lambert's schools annually attract high school and college coaches from Indiana and adjoining states anxious to observe the system that has given Lambert's teams by far the best rating in the Big Ten over the ten year period.

The Boilermaker mentor is recognized as one of the greatest hardwood strategists in the game, for he is able to adapt his play to fit the opponent, and his teams have always had high scoring proclivities. During the past season, the Purdue five set a new all-time scoring record for the Big Ten in a single game when it defeated Chicago, 64 to 16.

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The school will be a thorough one, touching upon all phases of the game from rules to the details of actual play, but at the same time the site of the school provides an excellent opportunity for the coaches to combine two weeks of intensified basketball education with an enjoyable vacation. Lake Manitou provides facilities for all of the water sports, while golf and tennis are available near the site of the school.

Important topics that will be taken up during the school include selection and placing of men, coaching hints, team offense, breaking through defensive formations, tip-off plays, out of bounds plays, held ball plays, free throw plays, the training season, and high school tournaments.

Applications for the school are now being taken by Lambert at Purdue University. Further information regarding the school may be secured by addressing him at Purdue University, Lafayette, Ind.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, April 2, 1929]

HUNDRED COACHES WILL ATTEND LAMBERT SCHOOL

Lafayette, Ind., July 19. - Close to 100 high school and college basketball coaches from Indiana and neighboring states have already expressed interest in attending the fourth annual Lambert Basketball School which will be conducted at Lake Manitou, Rochester, Ind., by Ward Lambert, Purdue net mentor, from August 12 to 24. Lambert, who is recognized as one of the keenest hardwood strategists in the country, has been in great demand for coaching schools this summer, and has made a cross-country tour that carried him to the Pacific Coast conducting classes in the art of the net game.

Lambert's summer school assignments this year in addition to his own school at Rochester, which is expected to draw a larger registration than ever before, were at Washington State at Pullman, Wash.; Cass Lake, Minn., and Shawnee, Okla. At Washington State and Shawnee, Okla., Lambert was associated with Pop Warner, famous football coach, in conducting the coaching schools, while at Cass Lake, Minn., he was associated with Doc Spears, Minnesota's football pilot.

Lambert's fourth annual school at Rochester the latter part of August will afford an ideal opportunity for high school and college coaches to secure additional instruction on the net game, as basketball will be the only subject taught. Lake Manitou, the site of the school, is ideally situated, with bathing, boating, fishing and golf facilities available, so that school attendants may combine two weeks of effective instruction with a pleasurable outing.

The Boilermaker mentor will teach all phases of the net game that has given his teams a topheavy edge over all other members of the Big Ten since he assumed the coaching reins at Purdue. Plenty of time will be devoted to open discussion of problems of the various coaches, while practical illustration of plays will be a feature.

[The News-Sentinel, Friday, July 19, 1929]

LAMBERT'S COACH SCHOOL STARTS AT WHITMER GYM

The fourth annual Basketball Coaching School under the personal supervision of Ward Lambert, Purdue University coach, opened at the Whitmer gym Monday morning with an enrollment of 32 high school and college coaches. At least five to ten more entries are expected within the next few days.

Among those who are here taking instructions are Alvah Stagg, of Anderson, B. B. Gullion, Earlham College, Abe Duvall, of Columbia City and Don White of Washington College, St. Louis. A complete list of all the students will be carried in an early issue of the News-Sentinel. The men are quartered in the Iona Ford and Kat-Kam cottages on the East Shore of Lake Manitou where they will have the afternoons and evening throughout the two weeks of the course to enjoy the pleasures of the summer resort.

The school, which is now underway, is the fourth to be conducted by Lambert during this season, the others being held at Washington State College, Pullman, Washington, Cass Lake, Minnesota and the Oklahoma Baptist College, Shawnee, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. Lambert are residing at Locust Point cottage, Lake Manitou.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, August 12, 1929]

38 MIDWEST COACHES ARE TAKING LAMBERT'S COURSE

With an increase of six enrollments on the second day of the Lambert Basketball coaching school making a total of 38 the fourth annual course of instruction now bids to prove more popular than that of the opening year in 1926 when 40 coaches were here. Two high school coaches from Central Indiana and Hamilton, Ohio vocational college coach will arrive Wednesday for the remaining work in the two-weeks school which is being held at the Whitmer gymnasium.

Tim Campbell, coach of Indianapolis Tech was among the new arrivals on the second day. Campbell, who is well known in this city, piloted his quintet to the enviable position of runner-up in the last state tourney. Enrolled for the '29 school are ten prominent coaches who have attended the Lambert classes in former years these men are: Ed Lippold, Bunker Hill, Fonzo Lawler, Hobart, (former coach of R. H. S.); Geo. Laurent, Decatur; L. Wood, Zionsville; Alva Staggs, Anderson; B. B. Gullion, Earlham; Don White, St. Louis, and D. Conrad, Richland Center.

Many Stars Here

The Lambert style of offense and defense will be illustrated by Gullion, White, Wheeler, former Purdue stars who were All Conference selections, Lyle a flashy floor guard of the Purdue Team for the past three years and DeVol a star who was under Lambert at the Lebanon H. S., "Stretch" Murphy high school man of the Big Ten conference and all star pivot man for Purdue will arrive next week and assist the Purdue Coach in the demonstration of various plays.

Following is a list of the coaches now attending the school:

Raymond B. Anderson, Roann, Ind.; A. A. Alexander, Albany; L. O. Bell, Charlottesville; D. C. Bowen, Sullivan; D. Conrad, Richland Center, Rochester; Ray Commings, Hanover; N. E. Davis, Hymera; H. M. Dunkle, Bentonville; A. M. Emerson, Pleasant Lake; J. F. Hammond, Milltown; C. H. Herrman, Hampshire, Ill.; A. A. Key, Plainville; Ed Lippold, Bunker Hill; H. T. McCollough, Shelbyville; A. McIntyre, Tippecanoe; H. F. Newman, Shaker Heights, Ohio; O. H. Rhinehart, Francesville; E. W. Scales, Wauconda, Ill.; L. Shinkel, St. Louis, Mo.; Alvain Shumm, Bloomington; A. M. Taylor, Indianapolis; O. W. Wills, Fairview, Ill.; Leonard Wood, Zionsville; Ferris Thompson, Cortland [sic]; R. E. Fleenor, Petersburg; Olen Marsh, Berne; Fonzo Lawler, Hobart; A. Devol, Columbia City; Alva Staggs, Anderson; R. B. Gullion, Earlham College, Richmond; C. W. Goodman, Mentone; R. C. Hampton, Evanston, Ill.; O. W. Funkhouser, Xenia, Ill.; George Laurent, Decatur Catholic School; Tim Campbell, Technical High School, Indianapolis; Don White, Washington U., St. Louis, Mo; H. L. Wheeler, Seymour; C. S. Lyle, Rossville.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, August 13, 1929]

COACHING SCHOOL WILL OPEN HERE ON MONDAY

Plans are all complete for the Fifth Annual Coaching School to be held in Rochester and at Lake Manitou by Ward Lambert, famed Purdue mentor. The school opens next Monday when the students will register and be assigned their quarters and on Tuesday the schedule will get away for a steady grind daily for two weeks.

All of the lectures and demonstrations as well as actual basketball games will be held in the high school gymnasium here which is well suited for the school. The gym is donated by the school board to Mr. Lambert each year and it makes an ideal place for the coaches to work out.

The coaches will live in cottages at Lake Manitou while here, four having been rented for them. Mr. and Mrs. Lambert will occupy the Locust Point cottage. The entire mornings will be devoted to coaching instructions at the gym while the afternoons will be free to allow the students time to work out their own problems and to enjoy the vacation facilities of Lake Manitou.

While no announcement has been made by Mr. Lambert it is thought that this year will see all records broken for attendance at the coaching school. The Purdue leader has brought a number of leading athletes here each year and the school has always been very popular due to the instructor and the location at a summer resort. Lambert has been engaged in conducting basketball schools

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in various places during the last two months and will arrive here Sunday to take charge of the one here.

[The News-Sentinel, Friday, August 8, 1930]

COACHING SCHOOL STARTS AT WHITMER GYMNASIUM

Ward L. LAMBERT, Purdue basketball coach, is conducting his fifth annual basketball school at Lake Manitou. The coaches are quartered in cottages at Lake Manitou and the classes are conducted in the Rochester gymnasium.

Many well known coaches are in attendance, including Pete JOLLY of Muncie, whose team won the State championship in 1928, and was runner-up this year, Alva STAGGS, of Anderson, Paul LOSTUTTER, of Delphi, Melvin TAUBE, of Marion, Paul NEWMAN, Lebanon's new coach, and Hoyt MILLER, of Durango, Col. The enrollment not only includes many Indiana coaches but a number from the state of Illinois, Ohio, Kentucky and Michigan. More have signified their intention of attending the second week of the school, which is devoted entirely to different styles of defense and offense. Former Purdue players will be on hand to help demonstrate the Lambert system, which has won five conference titles for Purdue in the past ten years.

A complete list of coaches who have enrolled for this special course of instruction will appear in an early issue of The News-Sentinel.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, August 11, 1930]

WARD LAMBERT TO HOLD COACHING SCHOOL HERE

Coach Ward Lambert, Purdue basketball mentor whose teams have won or tied for the Big Ten title nine times in the past seventeen years, will resume his summer coaching school at Lake Manitou the week of August 16-21.

Lambert, the dean of Big Ten Mentors, intends to use a number of former Purdue basketball stars in demonstrating various phases of the game during the week of practical instruction. Although ample theory will be included in the instruction offered, the main emphasis of the school will be focused on practical phases of the game that can be immediately utilized by the attending coaches. Every phase of the game, as well as a number of different systems, will be covered, and ample time will be allowed for open discussion and individualized instruction on particular problems.

The probable effect of the elimination of the center jump will be thoroughly covered, along with practice methods, and considerable time will be devoted to the technique, uses, value and disadvantage of the dribble.

Lambert has one of the most remarkable records in the history of the hardwood game, his teams at Purdue for the past nineteen years holding the edge over all Big Ten foes in the matter of games won and lost.

In resuming his popular summer coaching school after a lapse of a few years, Lambert again selected Lake Manitou as the site because it makes possible the examination of basketball instruction with an enjoyable vacation.

[The News-Sentinel, Wednesday, July 7, 1937]

LAMBERT'S B.B. COACHING COURSE STARTS AT GYM

Coach Ward "Piggy" Lambert, dean of the Big Ten basketball mentors, opened his '37 basketball coaching school at the Whitmer gymnasium, this city, Monday morning.

The morning session was devoted exclusively to enrollment and registration, and the exact number of the class of H.S. and College coaches who will take advanced instructions from the Purdue University mentor will not be ascertained until late today, it was stated.

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The Purdue coach is regarded as one of the foremost basketball instructors in America, and in his 17 years of competition in the Big Ten division he has piloted nine championship quintets. The '37 school is the sixth to be brought to Rochester.

Many Stars Here

Former Purdue BB stars who will assist Coach Lambert in demonstrating the offensive and defensive points of the hardwood technique are Norm Cotton, Ralph Permeter, Paul Newman, Johnnie Wooden, Clyde Lyle, Glen Downey, Charles Stewart, Herman Boots, Abe Masters and Pete Joley.

The school will terminate Saturday afternoon, August 21. The coaches during their stay here are living in the Holden and Minnehaha cottages on the east shore of Lake Manitou.

A list of the coaches who are taking the '37 course will appear in an early issue of The News-Sentinel.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, August 16, 1937]

CLOSE TO 40 COACHES ARE ENROLLED FOR B.B. SCHOOL

With enrollment for Coach Ward Lambert's basketball coaching school still arriving in Rochester, Tuesday morning, it was believed the class for the 1937 course in basketball instruction would reach two score by late today.

The instruction work and actual demonstrations of the noted Purdue mentor's style of offensive and defensive plays were started during Tuesday morning's session which got underway promptly at eight o'clock at the Whitmer gymnasium, this city.

Coaches enrolled for the week's course are: W. E. Abell, of Mitchell, Ind.; Andrews, of Medaryville; M. S. Caim, of Hagerstown; W. Fenstermaker, of Mentone; A. E. Harshbarger, of Buck Creek; A. A. Keys, of Indianapolis; S. Sanders, of Stewartsville; H. B. Shook, of Liberty; A. S. Verrill, of Goodland; R. T. Wyatt, of Sulphur Springs; G. F. Irwin and O. R. Hodson, of Frankfort; C. Showman, of Webster Grove, Mo.; E. Smith of Winslow; H. Winebrenner, of Wolf Lake; M. Farrol, of Michigan City; W. A. Zartman, of Huntington; Gerald Fander, of North Manchester; Tom Downey, of Plymouth; Norman Cottom, of Terre Haute; Ralph Garmenter, of Hinesville; C. Craig, of Gas City; Coach Domte, of Ft. Wayne (Central); Morman Boots, of Columbus; Abe Masters, of Lafayette; Paul Newman, of Lebanon; Johnnie Wooden, of South Bend; Charles Stewart of South Bend; Mark Wakefield, of Evansville; Pete Jolley, of Muncie; Glen Downey, of Attica, and Clyde Lyle, of the Rochester H.S.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, August 17, 1937]

COAKLEY, DONNABELLE [Rochester, Indiana]

BUYS FINE HARP

Timothy E. Coakley, who lives just north of this city, recently presented his daughter, Donnabelle, who is an accomplished musician, with a thousand dollar string harp. The young lady is only 12 years old but she is quite talented, playing on both the piano and the cornet. She will begin lessons immediately of Miss Hays, of Chicago, where she will go about every two weeks.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, March 17, 1921]

COCHRAN, CHARLES [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Letter From Chas. Cochran)

See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Second Letter From Chas. Cochran)

See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Third Letter From Chas. Cochran)

COCHRAN JEWELRY STORE [Rochester, Indiana]

Removal. Mr. C. W. Cochran, our new enterprising Clock and Watch Maker, has removed his establishment to the Book Store in the old Post Office corner. . . Charley has an entire new stock. .

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, January 25, 1866]

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Jewelry Establishment . . . C. W. Cochran of this place. He has secured the services of D. A. Hauk, an experienced workman . . . fine engraver . . .
[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, January 31, 1867]

COFFEE SHOP [Rochester, Indiana]

Located at 710 Main Street; owned by Oren I. Karn.

KARN TO OPEN COFFEE SHOP HERE NEXT MONTH

Announcement has been made that Harry Karn will in the near future open up a "Coffee Shop" in the American Bakery Retail store on Main street where dairy lunches will be served either on the cafeteria plan or by ordinary cafe service, all according to the desire of the customer. At the present time the establishment is being made ready for the special equipment that is expected to arrive so that it can be installed and the new institution opened up ready for the public not later than November 10.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, October 21, 1921]

TO OPEN RESTAURANT

Harry Karn, manager of the Coffee Shop [in Rochester], owned by his brother Oren Karn since its establishment some time ago, has resigned and plans to open a restaurant in Fulton. In the meantime Russell Karn has taken over the management of the local lunch room.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, February 2, 1923]

TO MANAGE RESTAURANT

Fred Alexander, who during the past summer was the steward at the Rochester Country Club, on Thursday morning assumed the managemership of the Coffee Shop. Mr. Alexander is an experienced cafe manager and chef. He served for 15 months overseas as a cook with the American Expeditionary forces.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Thursday, October 1, 1925]

NEW COFFEE SHOP OPENS DOORS SATURDAY MORNING

With the opening the Coffee Shop this morning, at its new location, 710 Main street, Rochester can now boast of real modern, big-town restaurant. Visitors to this establishment throughout the day were astounded with the beauty and neatness of the place, and Mr. Oren Karn, proprietor was accorded countless complimentary remarks concerning the beauty of the new establishment.

The interior of the cafe has been remodeled and finished in a mottled gray effect with a narrow black line trimming, while the side walls and ceiling fades away into a mellow ivory. Indirect lighting fixtures in the form of Mammoth bowls and individual table-wall candleabras give the room a bright and cheerful appearance. The floor is covered with inlaid pattern of gray and black linoleum. New fixtures, tables and linen all in lily whiteness add greatly to the attractiveness.

Floral offerings, received from local business associates, line the counters and side walls from end to end of this spacious room making a veritable bower of beauty and fragrance. The formal opening of this shop will start Monday at 11:30 and continue until the middle of the afternoon. Van LYNN and his orchestra will furnish music for this occasion and plans are being made to accommodate over three hundred people during the hours of the opening.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Saturday, September 4, 1926]

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[Adv] Announcing to the Housewives the installation of an up-to-the-minute PASTRY DEPARTMENT at the Coffee Shop. - - - on sale at retail prices - - - THE COFFEE SHOP, Oren I. Karn, Proprietor.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, April 29, 1930]

COFFING, JOSHUA [Macy, Indiana]

BIOGRAPHY

Joshua Coffing, one of the enterprising young farmers of Allen Township, was born in Delaware County, Ohio, November 9, 1849. He was the oldest in a family of seven children born to Thomas D. and Sophia (McDaniel) Coffing, who are now prominent citizens of Allen Township. When he was five years old his parents located in Defiance County, Ohio, where his boyhood and early youth were spent working upon his father's farm. At the age of seventeen he accompanied his parents to this county and located with them where the latter now reside in Allen Township. There he continued to work on the farm until he reached the age of twenty-three, when, on the 22nd day of December, 1872, his marriage with Cynthia Ann Burket occurred. She was born in Tipton County, Indiana, January 29, 1855, being the daughter of Asa and Lucinda (Fouts) Burket, now of Allen Township. That marriage resulted in the birth of five children. The first was a daughter that died in infancy, unnamed. The others were Effie E., Edger E., Arthur E. and Emma J. On the 17th of August, 1881, Mr. Coffing suffered the bereavement of losing his first wife, and the 4th of April, 1882, he was married to Mrs. Jane Lichty, daughter of Jeremiah and Barbara Ann (Study) Rigel, natives of Pennsylvania. She was born in Defiance County, Ohio, September 28, 1853. This latter union has resulted in the birth of three children: Mary E., Joshua D., and a daughter that died in infancy. Joshua D. also died in infancy. Mr. Coffing is a member of the Patrons of Husbandry, the F. & A. M. Lodge, and independent in politics. At the time of its organization he was chosen secretary of the Macy District Fair Society, which position he has filled in a creditable manner ever since. He is an industrious farmer and a good citizen.

[*History of Miami County, Indiana*, 1887, Brant & Fuller. p. 516]

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SANTA CLAUS REALLY EXISTS BOTH AS TO LOOKS AND PERSONALITY IN JOSHUA COFFING OF MACY

(Editor's Note - This story was written by Mrs. Grace Mullican, The News-Sentinel correspondent at Macy.)

One of the most interesting, enchanting and delightful characters in the fairy world is Santa Claus, but when you come to know him personally and know that he really possesses all the attributes allotted to him in Fairyland, that interest is increased and the delight far surpasses childish dreams.

Our Santa Claus lives at Macy, Indiana, and in private life is known as Joshua Coffing.

This fine old gentleman, regal with his crown of white hair, long white beard, laughing eyes, jolly face and physique is typical of all the pictures of Santa Claus.

Always an Optimist

All through his life he has carried his optimism with him wherever he went and the cheer he has dispersed has gladdened many a heart and hope has revived again in many a discouraged soul.

Mr. Coffing was born November 9, 1849, in Delaware county, Ohio, the son of Thomas Davis Coffing and Sophia (McDaniels) Coffing. The year 1849 reminds one of the gold fever and Uncle Joshua has proven to be a veritable gold nugget of happiness in the world.

When almost seventeen years of age he came with his parents and their family to Indiana and for sixty-two years has lived in Allen township, Miami county, the last three years at Macy, on what is known as Piety Hill.

There are over eight in his family altogether. You know Santa Claus is so big hearted that he takes his step-children, their families, his sons-in-law, his grandchildren and their "in-laws" and

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everybody he can under his wing. Always having been a great lover of children, as his family increases, his love increases and supplies every need.

Guided by Six Women

Uncle Joffy carries the pictures of six grand women, according to his own expression in his heart and he says their influence has had a great effect on his life. They are his mother, step-mother, both his wives and both his mothers-in-law. He has fathered twenty children in his home, which includes his step-children. Eleven are living so you see Uncle Joffy has exercised his love until it has grown and grown and now he calls every child his own. He first started his career as Santa Claus in the home of Dr. H. O. Shafer at Rochester, Ind. We have a picture of him seated in a big arm chair with a pointed cap over his hoary head, telling stories to little David Shafer, who is happily seated on his lap, clasping a toy Santa Claus had given him. Beside the chair on the floor is a bag of toys and over the fireplace of brightly blazing fire are three little stockings waiting to be filled.

Recently when Mr. Coffing attended a church service, a little boy came up to him and said, "Santa Claus, I'll tell you what I want," and gave him an oral list of his heart's desires. A little girl came up to him and said, "Santa Claus, I'll tell you what I want for Christmas. I want an aeroplane, a doll bed with mattress, pillows and quilts for it."

Children Question Him

One day when he was walking on the street, a little boy accosted him with, "Say, Santa Claus, do you care if I give away that watch you gave me last Christmas?" Mr. Coffing replied, "Well, now if it's a real sweet, nice little girl you want to give it to, it will be perfectly all right with me," and he proved correct in his guess and the little boy was happy to get Santa Claus' sanction.

One of the stories we have heard Uncle Joff tell the kiddies is the story of the fish, which we relate for your enjoyment. "There's a place in the lowlands of Florida where part of the land is covered with water and part of the water is covered with land and both have quite a growth of brush and bushes in which the birds of times past built their nests and raised their young, it being close to water and food they needed; but later the fish got wise to the situation and climbed the bushes and robbed the nests of the eggs and young birds. Then the old birds found a safer place on higher land and taller trees for their nesting place.

"The fish, not to be outdone, still continued to climb the bushes and lay their own eggs in the nests when abandoned by the birds and they hatched in the sunshine, and three weeks earlier than the fish eggs laid in the water, which gave the sun-hatched fishes quite a start over their water-hatched mates."

School Children Write Him

Seventy-four school children celebrated Uncle Joffy's seventy-ninth birthday anniversary Nov. 9 by writing letters to him expressing their love and high esteem for him.

Every Christmas season Santa Claus may be found at Cloud & Son's department store at Macy, Indiana, from 4 to 5 p.m. and from 7 to 9 p.m., where he tells stories to the youngsters and gladdens their little hearts, not to mention the big hearts who like to hear Santa Claus' tales.

About His Family

And now a word about Mr. Coffing and his family.

He was married to Cynthia Ann Burkett Dec. 22, - - - [sic] who died August 17, 1881. To this union four children were born, who are living. They are Effie Coffing, South Bend; Edgar, who lives south of Fulton; Arthur of Garrett and Emma, of South Bend. He was married to Mrs. Jane (Rigel) Lichty April 14, 1882, in the Grange hall at Macy, what is now the Masonic hall. The Grangers were having a banquet and Mr. Coffing and Mrs. Lichty surprised everybody present by being married before them that evening. This union was blessed with five children, viz Elizabeth now Mrs. Harry Weller, of Rochester; Pearl, now Mrs. Wm. Wagoner, of Wagoner's Station, Ralph, of Wagoner's Station, who lives on the home place; Russel of Twelve Mile and Grace, now Mrs. John Shadel of Macy.

Mrs. Levi Horton, of Wagoners Station, and Mrs. Josephine Sanders, near there, are sisters of Mr. Coffing.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, December 18, 1928]

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MACY'S SANTA CLAUS HAS BUSY HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Macy's inimitable Santa Claus (Joff Coffing) was in Rochester today and according to "Uncle" Joff there's no busier man in this section of America than himself, unless it is Old Santa in person. "Uncle" Joff, who is up in his 90's and still quite agile in both body and mind is an exact replica of Santa Claus, and during the holiday season for the past number of years he has been in demand at various schools and business houses in this section of the country.

This week's itinerary of Macy's Santa Claus includes a visit to the Fulton schools on Thursday; Friday afternoon he journeys to the Orphans Home at Mexico where he will gladden the hearts of a hundred or more homeless kiddies; Saturday afternoon and evening will find Santa Claus Coffing doing his Christmas cheer program at Bourbon. All next week he will make daily appearances in the Macy stores as well as visit to the school of that town.

Last Saturday, this jolly, rollicking old Santa dropped in at the News-Sentinel for a short visit with some two hundred or more youngsters, who had been told of his pending visit. During his brief stay Santa found time to shake hands with all of his youthful admirers and topped his visit off with two or three Christmas songs. The crowd for his occasion was so large that Santa couldn't make his way out through the front door of this office and his special chauffeur was sent word to pick him up at the rear of the newspaper plant.

After completing his visit in Rochester "Uncle" Joff headed northward making stops in Argos, Plymouth and Bremen.

[The News-Sentinel, Wednesday, December 16, 1931]

WELL KNOWN MACY COUPLE TO CELEBRATE GOLDEN WEDDING

SUNDAY, APRIL 3rd.

Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Coffing, of Macy, and well known residents of Miami county for over a half century, will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary on Sunday, April 3. The family all expects to be home on that day and at the noon hour a sumptuous dinner will be served. The hours from three until five will be open for their many friends to call and extend congratulations to them and wish them many more years of happy wedded life.

Joshua, son of Davis and Sophia (McDaniel) Coffing, was born in a log cabin in Delaware county, Ohio, Nov. 9, 1849. He later moved with his parents to Knox county, Ohio, and at the age of five years moved to Defiance county, Ohio, and settled on the banks of the Maumee river. Here he spent 12 years of his boyhood and many interesting scenes were found here. Among them was a fish story of pioneer days along the old Maumee. There were many fish of many kind here and many men of many minds tried to catch them and sometimes did, but this story is about a special kind of fish known as a Sturgeon, a very large and thorny fish, similar to our Buffalo or dog fish, only much larger. In the springtime when the water was high these fish would go up stream as far as they could, then in late summer and fall they would start down stream and sometimes the water was so low on the riffles that they could not swim over, then in very large numbers they would turn themselves crossways of the river, thus forming a dam that would hold the water back until it was high enough to push them over, then they would go rushing on to the next riffle to do the same thing over until they would get down towards the mouth of the river where there is a long stretch of rapids where the water comes through the rocks at a great speed and here the fish would go down stream tail first so they would not bump their heads on the rocks and still we say "feed fish."

In October, 1866, Mr. Coffing came to Miami county, Indiana, and located on what was then known as the George Heckerthorne farm but is now known as the Coffing farm. Here he worked at farming in the summer time and in the winter he would work in the woods. He cut and hauled over 300 cords of wood to the Hopewell school house to keep the kiddies warm while in school. As a passtime outside of working hours, he taught singing school and helped to keep a Sunday school at Hopewell school house.

On Dec. 23, 1872, he was married to Cynthia Ann Burkett, daughter of Asa and Lucinda (Fouts) Burkett. To this union four children were born: Miss Effie Edith Coffing, of So. Bend;

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Edgar Earl, of Fulton, now deceased; Arthur Emerson, of Garrett, Ind., and Miss Emma Jane Coffing, of South Bend. On Aug. 17, 1881, the wife and mother was called to her reward.

On April 4, 1882, he was married to Mrs. Jane Lichty, of Defiance county, Ohio. Jane, the next to the youngest of 12 children born to Jeremiah and Barbara (Study) Rigel, there were six boys and six girls born in a big cabin near the Bend in Defiance county, Ohio. On Sept. 28, 1854, when Jane was but a small child, her mother was left a widow with the large family, but she kept her family all together until Jane was 12 years of age when the mother died and the family home was broken and she was left to make her own way the best she could, mostly among strangers. In October, 1871, she was married to James A. Lichty and to this union was born five children, two dying in infancy. These daughters who are Ida B. Lichty, of Cleveland, Ohio; Ada Mae, of Iona, Mich., now deceased, and Almeda, now Mrs. E. M. Shafer, of Swayzee, Ind.

On the 26th of May, 1880, the husband and father died and later Mrs. Lichty came to Indiana with her children to make her home with her brother. The first of March, 1882, she came with her children to keep house for Joshua Coffing and her work was very much more satisfactory than what the Coffing family had been used to for some time and as both needed help to care for their children, they agreed to try and help each other and on April 4, 1882, they were married in what is now the Mason hall in Macy at a 4th degree meeting of Feast of the Grange. W. J. B. Fennimore tied the nuptial knot. The wedding was a complete surprise to all present and of course, the bride and groom got the first place at the table and here was where Joshua met his waterlo on cherry pie. To this later union were born five children that grew into man and womanhood. Marieta Elizabeth, now the wife of Harry Weller, of Converse, Ind; Pearl, the deceased wife of William Wagoner, near Wagoner Station; Ralph W., of near Wagoner Station; Yacha Russell, of Twelve Mile and Grace U., the wife of John Shadel, of Macy.

There are twelve children in the three families. They have 41 grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren, four daughters-in-law and 5 sons-in-law. Mr. Coffing has two sisters now living near Wagoner Station who are Mrs. Levi Horton and Mrs. Josephine Sanders.

Hopewell Grange No. 636 was organized in Mr. Coffing's home on Nov. 28th, 1873 with 15 charter members and he is the only one surviving. He has been a "died in the woods Granger ever since." He was instrumental in getting Grange organized at Possum Holler, at Prairie Union, at Fulton, Fletchers Lake in Fulton County and Pleasant Hill and Deedsville in Miami County. He was active in the organization work of the Macy Fair. He attended the first fair at the old Fair Ground in Rochester. Was for several years a member of the board of directors and an Exhibitor for 85 years. Was for many years a Breeder of Registered Devon Cattle, Shropshire sheep and Berkshire hogs. He was the second man initiated in the Lincoln Lodge No. 523 F and A. M. of Macy and is the only surviving member of the lodge at that time. In politics he has always been Independent - never allowing any Political party to pin their Official badge on him and has never been a candidate for any Political office.

The entire family except one have been baptized into the Christian church at Macy and while Mr. Coffing has not been an active church worker, he is trying to live a conscientious Christian life. Mr. Coffing quotes the following verse, he says,

"I have traveled about a bit in my time
And of trials I've seen a few
And found it better in every Chime

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To paddle my own canoe.

Then love your neighbors as yourself
As this world you go traveling through
And never sit down with a tear or a frown
But paddle your own canoe."

On account of Mr. Coffing's failing eyesight, Mr. and Mrs. Coffing were compelled to sell their farm home to one of their sons and five years ago they moved to Macy. They purchased a two acre farm on Piety Hill, known as a suburb of the Incorporated city of Macy.

Mr. Coffing has a very nice garden, truck patch, pasture patch, a few chickens, a goat and a cow. He milks the goat on a table and when it comes time for the cow to be milked - the cow gets on the table also for the cow does not intend to be slighted.

Mr. Coffing is well known in Fulton and Miami Counties by the old and young. He has a striking appearance due to a long thick snow white beard which gives him the bearing of a hale and hearty pioneer. He walks erect, has a fine sense of humor and is able to tell stories with the best of them. Whenever he comes to Rochester he always calls at The News-Sentinel and tells a few stories, some true and some not so true but all good. He tells it himself that when a young man he suffered from colds and throat trouble and that he was advised by a friend to grow a beard which would end his colds. He did this and his colds left him, he said. But several years later one day in the month of July and one of the hottest on record, he thought he could safely get rid of throat protector and so he had his beard shaved off. Within a short time a cold settled upon him. He then let his beard grow out again and has kept it intact ever since.

For the past several years Mr. Coffing at Christmas time voluntarily acts as Santa Claus at the schools and stores in Macy and elsewhere. He dresses the part but uses no mask as he looks like the original old Kris Kringle himself and talks like him. The children often try to pull off his whiskers but always find them real. The youngsters all love him and it is his wish to have them all that can visit him on his Golden Wedding Day and ordered their toys for the next Christmas. Mrs. Coffing is a very kind and loving mother and wife and she, too, has many friends that are withing both her and "Uncle Joff" more happiness. -- By Susan Skinner.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, March 29, 1932]

MANY WITNESS THE LAST TRAIN PASS THRU CITY

A large delegation of Rochester business men assembled at the Nickle Plate railroad station this afternoon at 2 o'clock to see the last passenger train probably that will ever be operated over the road arrive and depart from this city. The public service commission several weeks ago granted the railroad company permission to annul train service on the road because it was unprofitable. Passenger trains have been operated over the road since 1867. At Macy Joff Coffing was present to see the last passenger train leave that city. He stated that he wanted to keep his record clear as he was present when the first passenger train over the Nickle Plate, then known under another name, arrived in that town and he wanted to see the last one operated.

[The News-Sentinel, Saturday, April 16, 1932]

JOFF COFFING WRITES TO HIS SISTER ABOUT THE MEMBERS OF HIS FAMILY

Six years ago Joff Coffing, the sage of Piety Hill in Macy, wrote to his sister "Tink" to tell her about the Coffin family. Today Mr. Coffin, 84 years of age, lies quite ill at his home but he continues to be his old cheerful self with a kindly feeling towards everyone particularly his family and children. And recently he sent a request to the editor of The News-Sentinel (who prides himself in being listed among his legion of friends) that the letter be printed for the benefit and enjoyment of the Coffings and others. And so here is the letter just as it was written by Joff a few years ago.

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Macy, Indiana
March 26, 1928

Dear Sister:-

And the spirit said write and I wrote - not Paul's letter to Timothy, but Joffy's letter to Tink. I shall write mostly about the Coffing Family - not that they are better than other people but because I know more about them. No better than others, because we are all molded out of the same old clay pile.

Joshua Coffing was born (I suppose in Pennsylvania) August 9, 1788; Mary Davis was born Septembers 25, 1791 and grew to man and womanhood and were married December 31, 1809. Mary Davis Coffing died August 23, 1850 and Joshua Coffing died August 29, 1850. To this union was born five sons and six daughters that grew to man and womanhood.

In the early fall of 1832 Joshua Coffing and his brother, Elysak, Nathan, a son-in-law of Joshua and another family whom I cannot remember, loaded their household goods and families in four Emigrant wagons and began a journey toward the setting sun and late in October of the same year landed in Knox County going some two or three miles farther into the dense forest than the other pioneers had gone and here camped in their wagons and under the trees until their cabins could be built and the last cabin was finished and all comfortably housed on their first Christmas day as real Pioneers.

Here the large family grew up and chose for themselves life's partners and began the activities of life for themselves.

Thomas Davis Coffing, our father, chose for his companion Sophia McDaniel, next youngest daughter of a family of two sons and six daughters born to Joel and Catherine Smith McDaniel who also came here from Southwest Pennsylvania. Davis, as he was mostly called by those who knew him, divided the first five years after marriage between living in Delaware and Knox Counties Ohio.

But late in October 1854, our parents loaded their worldly belongings in a covered wagon and with a very uncertain team - one a balker and the other a kicker, started for a newer and wilder country stopping a couple of days in Oceola, a little village in Crawford County, Ohio, with two of his brothers, Curtney and Alfred. After a short visit - we then took up our journey to Carrie Town and Finley, I think in Senica County and the Black Swamp in Putman County - staying over night at the edge of the swamp where we ate bear meat for supper and breakfast and continuing our journey - we landed at Thomas Sherman's on the bank of the old Maumee River about nine miles west of Defiance County seat.

The Sherman family was four in number and there were four of us and he had two men helping him husk corn and all of us found comfortable shelter in this little one room cabin house. We remained here six weeks until the old Pioneer Cabin we were to live in which had not been occupied for some time could be repaired. This was a real pioneer cabin. I judge about 18x22 or 24 feet with one window, small at that, one door made of split boards fastened to the cross pieces or bats with wooden pins. The door hung on wooden hinges and I don't think there was a nail in the construction of the house. It had a stone fire place and stick and mud chimney, wooden door latch and catch and a leather string through a little hole in the door to lift the latch and if the latch string hung out it had a hearty welcome to all to come in - but if the latch string was drawn inside, it said no one at home and no trespassing. Pass on, the roof of this house made of four foot clap boards and held in place by weight pies [sic] let in some of the sunshine and most of the rain but we were happy here.

Here on the 6th of March, 1855, the same being your Father's 27th birthday, you first saw the light of day - a little black haired squalling brat but we thought you kind of sweet at that.

For the first couple of years you seemed to divide your time between walking, sleeping and sitting on the floor with your toe in your mouth. Your next vocation was to watch the wiggle tails in the rain barrel and the tadpoles in the mud puddles along the little creek near the house. When you was about four years old or in 1859, we moved from the old pioneer cabin to what was known as the McAnally place; this seemed about like going from a hovel to a palace as this house was much more modern in its make up - being built of hewed logs - had three windows, a brick

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fireplace and chimney and was sealed overhead with thin lumber and the cracks was daubed with lime and straw mortar instead of mud and short straw daubing in the cabin.

Here you began your school days going to the little white school house about 100 rods from our house following a foot path and often your big brother carried you over the worst places which was often most of the way. The little school house was, I judge about 20x40, or 26 feet and set on big blocks sawed from a large oak tree and sat up on end - this made the foundation for the house. We lived in this place two years and then moved back to the old cabin for one summer and in the fall of 1861 moved to the hewed log house on the bluff of the old Maumee where we lived until October 1866 when we came to Miami County, Indiana landing here October 23, 1866 - just as the sun went down.

It was with many regrets that we left the old river as while there was some inconvenience about it as we could not always get across when we would like to have been on the other side - it had many advantages - as when it got on a rampage and overflowed all the lowlands it looked like it was doing much damage but it was a blessing in disguise as the silt deposit made by the overflow was equal to a coating of manure or a broad washing of commercial fertilizer as the farmers said they could afford to lose one crop every three to five years for the benefit of the overflow. But the river had many other advantages. It furnished an outlet or gate way for the surplus water from all the lands for miles on either side and when at medium height was a transportation company carrying much of the surplus timber such as hewed September stores saw logs and hoop poles to the hills and factories farther down - even clean to the eastern coast.

And - last but not least the fun of fishing and many stomachs were satisfied by the inroads made on the finney tribe and the wading in the water and hunting pretty stones and muscle shells and sliding on these in winter.

Well - now adieu to the River - but we miss you still but now back to Indiana.

Here you finished your school days and took on the greater responsibilities of real life - helping in the field and home and oh! the gooseberry and strawberry pies you used to make when "Levi" was coming. I can taste them yet but have not smelled them since. You have played your part well in the social features of the community, the spelling school, singing schools, Sunday school, Grange and Church - have been an ever ready helper in the sick room and death chamber and Father Time has dealt generous with you - allowing you the full three score and ten and you are now living on borrowed time and let us all hope that the lender will be generous and the receiver appreciating and that this may continue for years yhet to come.

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[The News-Sentinel, Wednesday, June 6, 1934]

JOFF COFFING SUBJECT OF FEATURE STORY IN PAPER

Joff Coffing, well known patriarch and "Sage of Piety Hill" at Macy was the subject of a feature story in The Indianapolis Star on Saturday. The write-up was mainly about Joff playing Santa Claus to the kiddies and emphasized the fact that the children of that neighborhood had old Santa with them every day in the year. The story which bore a Macy date line follows:

"It's tough on the children in Macy. They have Santa Claus right in their midst all the time, so they have to watch their step from one Christmas to the next instead of the few weeks before Christmas in order to keep in the good graces of the head man of Christmas eve programs.

"For Joff Coffing, the 84-year-old Sage of Piety Hill, lives at the north edge of Macy. And if Joff isn't Santa Claus himself, the children all agree that he must be his twin brother and many children in the community know him by no other name than Santa Claus. For in both character and physique does Mr. Coffing measure up to St. Nicholas of chimney climbing fame.

He Wears No Mask

"So close is the resemblance that Mr. Coffing needs wear no mask when playing Santa. A Santa costume is sufficient.

"Mr. Coffing's jolly disposition has made him much in demand around Christmas time for Santa impersonations in stores and entertainments in northern Indiana where his fame has spread

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for many miles from the little town of three hundred residents where he lives. 'And the joy of playing Santa would be lost were I to accept pay from the churches,' Mr. Coffing says.

"From his home on Piety Hill the Sage contentedly watches events and voices philosophy, most of them approving mankind.

Likes to Play Santa

"I like to play Santa Claus all the time forgetting the bad, looking only for the good in humanity.' And that, in brief, reveals why, at the age of 84, Mr. Coffing is able to see so much that is fine and good to live for.

"Born in Delaware county, Ohio, eighty-four years ago, Mr. Coffing was brought to Indiana in an immigrant wagon 'drawn by one balky horse and another that kicked' when 6 years old to settle in a 'log house made without a nail, only one window and a roof through which a little sun and most of the rain came.'"

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, December 10, 1934]

JOSHUA COFFING DIES FOLLOWING FEW DAYS ILLNESS

Joshua COFFING, 85, better known to a host of friends throughout northern Indiana as "Uncle Joff" [COFFING], passed away at 10:35 Saturday morning at Woodlawn hospital. Mr. Coffing, who for scores of years resided on Piety Hill at Macy became afflicted with a bowel obstruction a few days ago and was brought to the hospital on Thursday where in the afternoon he underwent an emergency operation. However, attending physicians early despaired for his life due to his advanced years and "Uncle Joff" gradually grew weaker until the end.

Perhaps no other person in Indiana had endeared himself in the hearts of both youngsters and grownups alike as did Mr. Coffing, who in latter years of his life was a living image of Santa Claus. Mr. Coffing during the yuletide season always found great delight in playing the role of Santa Claus for the kiddies in and around his own neighborhood and many adjacent cities as well. His characterization of Santa both in actions and appearance required but a minimum of make-up and no change in personality.

Mr. Coffing, throughout his long residency in Macy became known as a philosopher of no little note in the up-state territory and hundreds of his friends often sought "Uncle Joff's" advice relative to historical data and various civic and social problems. He was a pioneer in every sense of the word. Coming to Indiana when still but a lad he endured the hardships and vicissitudes of the early pioneer life and saw the gradual advancement from the covered wagon mode of travel up to the automobile and airplanes. In all this procession of events Mr. Coffing maintained a keen interest and was a delightful conversationalist on current as well as historical affairs.

Joshua, son of Thomas Davis and Sophia COFFING, was born on a farm in Delaware County, Ohio on November 9th, 1849. Mr. Coffing had been a resident of Macy since he was a youth of 17 years. Upon reaching manhood he was united in wedlock to Anna BURKETT and to this union four children were born. Mrs. Coffing passed away while still a young woman. A few years later Mr. Coffing was married to Mrs. Al LICHTY, a native of Ohio and five children were born to them. Mrs. Lichty was the mother of three children by a previous marriage. Until ill health forced his retirement "Uncle Joff" followed the occupation of farming and stock raising and in the latter branch of vocation he became known as one of the best cattlemen in Indiana, his stock often capturing high awards in various exhibits made throughout the state. He was a member of the Macy Christian church, the Masonic Order and the Grange lodge.

The following children survive: Arthur COFFING, of Garrett, Ind.; Emma [COFFING], Jane [COFFING] and Effie COFFING, all of South Bend; Mrs. Elizabeth WELLER, of Marion, Ind.; Mrs. Ida LICHTY, Mrs. E. M. SHAFER, Ralph COFFING, of Macy; Russell COFFING, of Twelve Mile, and Grace SHADLE, of Macy. Two sisters, Mrs. Josephus SANDERS, of Macy and Mrs. Levi HORTON, of Wagoners Station, also survive.

Funeral arrangements had not been announced as this issue of the News-Sentinel went to press.

[The News-Sentinel, Saturday, January 19, 1935]

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The funeral services for Joshua "Uncle Joff" COFFING, who passed away Saturday morning at Woodlawn hospital here, were conducted at the Christian Church, Macy, two o'clock Monday afternoon.

Rev. Ernest LAUGHLIN was in charge of the services Interment was made in the Mt. Zion cemetery, southeast of this city. An exceptionally large crowd attended the rites.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, January 21, 1935]

[Wendell C. & Jean C. Tombaugh, *Fulton County Indiana Cemeteries, Rochester Township, Mt. Zion Cemetery*: Joshua Coffing, Father, 1849-1935; Jane Coffing, Mother, 1854-1935. NOTE: these two bodies were moved from Plainview Cemetery, Macy, Miami County, Indiana. - WCT]

"UNCLE JOFF" COFFING

[an editorial]

Although the jovial and pleasing personality of "Uncle Joff" COFFING must forever more be denied his legion of friends in this section of the state, his deeds, his robust and homespun type of Hoosier citizenship will be imbedded forever in the memory of grown-ups and youngsters alike. "Uncle Joff" with his keen philosophies of human nature and his fondness for little children had made himself an ambassador of good will and good cheer for all of those with whom he came in contact.

In the role of Santa Claus, which he so ably impersonated during the Christmas season, Mr. Coffing's kindly mannerism made one wonder if they were not face to face with the real St. Nick and that the mythology of childhood dreams had not been transformed into a reality. However, "Uncle Joff's" long and interesting career was not all so tranquil and serene as were the closing chapters of his life.

When but a lad of tender years, he in company with his parents came to Indiana by way of the covered wagon route, established their residence in a roughly hewed log cabin, and began the long and hard battle of establishing a productive piece of farmland. In this environment of the early Hoosier pioneering, the Macy philosopher brushed elbows with hardships and fortunes alike, which melded into his soul a characterization of sound Americanism and humanitarianism that none of the present generation, perhaps will ever experience.

In worldly weal greater successes have been accredited to many, but only to a few have come that sympathetic understanding of their fellow man, which was the greatest asset of "Uncle Joff" Coffing's, the Sage of Piety Hill.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, January 21, 1935]

COFFING, THOMAS D. [Allen Township, Miami County]

BIOGRAPHY

Thomas D. Coffing, a prominent farmer and stock-raiser of Allen Township, was born in Fayette County, Pennsylvania, March 26, 1828. He was the youngest son born to Joshua P. and Mary (Davis) Coffing, both natives of Pennsylvania, the former of Dutch and the latter of Irish descent. When Thomas was eight years old his parents came westward to Ohio and located in Knox County, where his youth was spent, working upon his father's farm. There, on the 29th day of April, 1848, he was married to Sophia McDaniel. She was born in Bedford County, Pennsylvania, March 13, 1826, being the daughter of Joel and Catharine (Smith) McDaniel who, also, were natives of Pennsylvania, the former of Irish and the latter of Dutch descent. Immediately after his marriage, Mr. Coffing and wife removed to Delaware County, Ohio. There they resided on a farm about eighteen months. They then returned to Knox County, but a year and a half later they located upon a farm in Defiance County, Ohio. They came to this State and located where they now reside in the fall of 1866. The chief occupation of Mr. Coffing has been that of a farmer and breeder of fine stock. He owns a handsome farm of 160 acres of land, fitted up with good fences and buildings, and altogether a very desirable location. He has always taken

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especial pains to secure the best grades of stock possible. He now has some excellent specimens of Cotswold sheep, Berkshire hogs, Clydesdale and Norman horses, and his large herd of Devonshire cattle is the finest of the kind in Northern Indiana. Mr. and Mrs. Coffing are the parents of seven children, Joshua P., Mary E., Joel, Susan C., Isabel A., Lucy A., and Jackson. Of these Mary E., Joel, Isabel A. and Jackson are deceased. Mr. Coffing is a member of the Patrons of Husbandry, and independent in politics. He is also a member of the American Devon Cattle Club. He is an industrious, pushing and enterprising farmer, and a worthy and honored citizen.

[*History of Miami County, Indiana*, 1887, Brant & Fuller. pp. 515-516]

COFFMAN, CHARLES C. [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Letter From Charles C. Coffman)

See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Second Letter From Charles C. Coffman)

See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Third Letter From Charles C. Coffman)

See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Fourth Letter From Charles C. Coffman)

See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Fifth Letter From Charles C. Coffman)

See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Sixth Letter From Charles C. Coffman)

COFFMAN, RALPH [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Louderback Garage

COGSWELL, NATHANIEL [Akron, Indiana]

NATHANIEL COGSWELL WEAVES CURIOUS THREAD THROUGH AKRON'S PAST

By Ann Allen

By all accounts, Nathaniel Gates Cogswell was an unmarried man when he arrived in Indiana from Medina County, Ohio, on July 4, 1836, to help settle the town that eventually became Akron.

That's what Ina Brundige reported in her centennial history and other writers have since echoed. "Dr. Sippy, the leader, William Whittenberger, Asher Welton, Alfred T. Welton, Moses Worden, Henry Bristol, Uriel Bragg, and their families and Nathaniel Cogswell, an unmarried man, numbering forty-seven people, constituted the colony" Mrs. Brundige wrote. There was almost added emphasis on Nathaniel Cogswell's marital status.

The indomitable Mrs. B., William Whittenberger's granddaughter, was an interesting writer, but she failed to mention the names of any of the men's wives or the fact that Nathaniel Cogswell didn't remain an unmarried man.

She did, however, note that he was a brother of Mrs. Sippy and Mrs. Bragg and that their mother was a sister of General Gates of Revolutionary fame, Bragg was a nephew of Gen. Bragg, Mrs. Whittenberger was Dr. Sippy's sister, the Weltons were brothers and Mrs. Bristol and Mrs. Worden were sisters.

Armed with that tangled information and the knowledge that all the original settlers except the Whittenbergers left Newark before it became Akron, I've spent months endeavoring to learn more about them while attempting to trace the routes they took. In the process, I've learned that some of the reported relationships were as skewed as Nathaniel Cogswell's curious trail in and out of Akron.

Cogswell, it seems, was a man unafraid of challenges, new frontiers or marriage.

The date of his birth is uncertain, but it appears he was the son of William and Chloe Gates Cogswell. His grandfather was not Gen. Horatio Gates but Lt. Gibson Gates, a Revolutionary soldier who was one of the first white men in Medina County.

Young Nathaniel grew up hearing his grandfather's war stories and both grandparents, accounts of frontier life. His grandmother, a native of Connecticut, survived the massacre at Fort Wyoming after watching prisoners sacrificed at the stake and seeing natives fill a man's body and limbs with dry splinters, tie him to a tree and set fire to him. She was crouched on the ground, praying and weeping, when an Indian approached her with a bloody tomahawk. When she

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attempted to divert his attention by offering him some bread and beef, he demanded to know where her papooses were.

After she reluctantly pointed to the spot where she had concealed her children, the brave told her to take them to a corner of the fort and sit down. She did as she was instructed, and she and the children were spared..

Grandfather Cogswell, a fearless hunter whose game included bear, deer and wild turkey, recalled seeing a tree where a squaw had been hanged. The squaw had predicted there would be darkness on the face of the earth in June. The tribe found her guilty of witchcraft and executed her. A month after her death, the elder Cogswell said, there was an eclipse of the sun..

Hearing these stories and living in an area in which men often slept soundly while three or more inches of snow accumulated on their makeshiftbeds prepared young Nathaniel Cogswell for adventures of his own. When the Sippys, Braggs and the others readied their ox teams and horses for their journey to the Indiana frontier, he decided to go along.

The group eventually made its way to the spot Dr. Sippy had surveyed a year earlier. In the process, the wagon train detoured through White Pigeon, Michigan, to avoid the black mud of Fort Wayne. Beginning at the present site of Mentone, the men had to hew a crude road through the forest. At last, they reached the crossing of the trails that eventually became State Roads 14 and 19, and Dr. Sippy shouted, "This is the place!"

By August 1, 1836, Cogswell had purchased 80 acres of land, according to Fulton County Cemetery Inscriptions, Vol. 1, compiled by Wendell and Jean C. Tombaugh.

Joining in the work of establishing a new community, he was on call to help others when needed.

When it became apparent that Asher Welton's daughter, Adaline, was going to die, Cogswell and William Whittenberger Jr. drove a team of oxen to Goshen to get a coffin. Although the trip took ten days, the young woman was still alive when they returned.

That must have been difficult for everyone involved--imagine looking at a coffin and knowing you, or your child, would soon occupy it. Shortly after Adaline died, her sister, Fannie, also passed away. Pall bearers for both funerals walked bare footed since all their shoes had worn out. It was a case, Mrs. B. said, of having neither money nor a shoemaker.

By 1841, Nathaniel Cogswell had married. He and Susannah Cogswell were witnesses for a warranty deed when a tract of land was transferred from one owner to another.

Four years later, Susannah Cogswell was dead. Her weathered tombstone in Akron's Citizen's cemetery with its simple inscription "Susannah, wife of N.G. Cogswell, died July 14, 1845, at age 37 yr. 5 mo. 9 da." is the only tangible evidence that Nathaniel Cogswell ever lived here.

According to two sources, Susannah Cogswell's maiden name was Carnaby. In a tiny community where Sippys married Weltons and Whittenbergers and then repeated the pattern, Carnaby remains unique in that there is no record of another family with the same name. In death, however, Susannah forged a link with the other families by being buried in the same row as some of the Whittenbergers and Sippys and near the grave of Akron's only Revolutionary War veteran, Samuel Lane, whose second wife was Dr. Sippy's mother.

Nathaniel Cogswell did not remain unmarried very long. Six weeks after Susannah's death, on September 1, 1845, he married Polly Beebe in Kosciusko County. That marriage apparently did not survive the seven-year itch because, according to the Tombaugh's books, he divorced her in the April 1852 term of the Fulton Circuit Court.

But Cogswell's story doesn't stop there. His divorce merely complicates what Mrs. Brundige wrote when she described Akron's Forty-Niners. According to her, in 1850 six men--Thomas and Abram Whittenberger (two of William Whittenberger's ten sons), William Sippy (one of Dr. Joseph Sippy's sons), George R. McCloud Jr., William Wilcox and Nathaniel Cogswell--put two wagons into repair, hitched up the oxen and headed for the gold fields of California.

Since the Gold Rush started in 1849, they were already a year late, but this did not deter the intrepid men from Newark. They headed west over prairies, through forests and desert, knowing that if the oxen became unfit for travel they would be unable to obtain replacements.

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All went well until the group contracted cholera. McCloud died first and was buried in a coffin made from the boards of one of the wagons. There was nothing left for a coffin when Sippy died, so the other four wrapped his body in blankets and left it in the desert. They eventually recovered from their own illnesses and continued to an area described as "some distance from Sacramento," where they selected and staked a claim. Mrs. B. did not report if any gold was discovered, but she noted that when supplies ran low, the Whittenbergers went to Sacramento, leaving Cogswell and to guard the mine. When the Whittenbergers returned, Cogswell and Wilcox were gone and strangers claiming to know nothing of the pair were in charge.

Eventually, the Whittenbergers sold their remaining gear, booked passage on a boat and returned to Newark via the Isthmus of Panama and New York.

Cogswell and Wilcox were never heard from again.

Until I began my research, I assumed Nathaniel Cogswell remained an unmarried man until claim jumpers murdered him. After learning he had married twice, I began to wonder if he had children. I recently learned he and Susannah had a daughter, Ellen (or Helen, depending on the reference checked) whom they nicknamed Nellie. The child was two when her mother died and nine when her father and stepmother divorced. Nothing is known of the girl's upbringing, but in 1871 she married Albert Sippy, Dr. Joseph Sippy's nephew, in Richland County, Wisconsin. They had at least one daughter, Myrtle Delta, who in turn made them grandparents, great-grandparents and on into many generations removed from Nathaniel Cogswell.

Continued research prompts more questions than it answers: If Cogswell left Akron in 1850, how did he divorce Polly in 1852? That's the same year Dr. Sippy closed his Underground Railroad station and led many of the original settlers to Wisconsin. What happened to create the mass exodus?

What did Cogswell look like? Where was his 80 acres located? Did he really die in California? Did he return to Indiana? Did he move to Wisconsin? Or did he go farther?

In 1853, there was a sea captain from Yarmouth, Massachusetts, who repeatedly raced from that port to San Francisco. Did Cogswell book passage on one of the return trips? Is he the same Nathaniel Cogswell who listed his address as Yarmouth when he married Rebecca Jameson in New Hampshire in 1857?

The more I pursue the elusive Mr. C., the more I wonder how many other descendants he left via his two or, possibly, three marriages and how much more twisted his route out of Akron became. (By the way, the town's name was changed in 1855 by George R. McCloud Sr., the father of one of Cogswell's fellow treasure hunters.) Rebecca McCloud, the widow of George R. McCloud Jr., moved to Wisconsin with her parents, Dr. Joseph and Martha Sippy, where she married Valentine Stoddard. Anne Elizabeth Jones Sippy, the widow of William and an early owner of the tract of land on which my husband and I reside, married Dr. A.K. Plank of Rochester. The Whittenbergers led long and fruitful lives in this area, but no one knows William Wilcox. Maybe no one really knew Nathaniel Cogswell, either.

Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, January 3, 2001

COLE, BERT [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Clary Restaurant.

See: North End Restaurant

COLE, FRANK [Rochester, Indiana]

NORTH SIDE POOL ROOM SOLD

The north side pool room and cigar store, which has been operated for the past several months by Jesse Chamberlain of this city, has been sold. Frank Cole, formerly of this city but for the past year residing in Oklahoma, is the new owner and he has already taken possession. Mr. Cole is well known to a wide circle of Rochester friends who predict that he will meet with success in his late undertaking. The place has already a wide patronage and Mr. Cole expects to cater to the wants of his customers in a manner that cannot fail to win their friendship.

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[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, July 26, 1912]

HALF INTEREST SOLD

Daniel "Runt" Hudkins has purchased a half interest in the pool room north of the court house from Frank Cole. Business has increased to such an extent that Mr. Cole was compelled to take a partner. The proprietors intend to make several improvements in the next few weeks and make the place first class in all respects.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, June 9, 1913]

DISSOLVE PARTNERSHIP

Frank Cole and Daniel "Runt" Hudkins, who have been conducting the pool room and restaurant north of the court house, have dissolved partnership. Hudkins will move his share of the fixtures to Leiters Ford, where he will start a new and similar business, while Cole will refurbish the old stand and conduct the place by himself.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, August 26, 1913]

SELLS OUT

Frank Cole sold out his restaurant and pool and billiard parlor Saturday to Peter Dane of Akron. Mr. Cole is undecided what he will take up in the future. The new proprietor is well known in Rochester and will make some extensive improvements in the room.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, December 1, 1913]

COLE, VIVIAN E. [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Letter From Vivian E. Cole)

COLLECTOR OF INTERNAL REVENUE [Rochester, Indiana]

Excise Tax Notice! . . . duties and taxes, for the year 1865 . . . that the undersigned, or E. B. Chinn, his deputy for (Fulton) County, will attend at his office in the Mammoth Building . . . John F. Dodds, Collector of Internal Revenue, 9th Collection Dist of Ind., Logansport, Indiana, July 18, 1865.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, August 17, 1865]

COLLETTA, THE [Fletcher's Lake, Indiana]

When Clint Miller had the store, it also contained an undertaking parlor and furniture store. Clint was the postmaster, having the post office in his store until the post office was discontinued in 1903.

Clint operated a 20-passenger boat, the "Colletta," on Fletcher's Lake. The "Colletta" and three other boats had gone up the Wabash River as far as possible, and they were sold. Miller purchased it for \$200. A six-horse team brought it to Fletcher's Lake.

COLLINS, AUGUSTUS J. [Liberty Township]

BIOGRAPHY

Augustus J. Collins was born in Liberty Township, Fulton County, Ind., December 3, 1846. He was the son of Salmon Collins, born in Massachusetts, December 22, 1805, and Sarah M. Smith [?], a native of New York, born April 6, 1820. This couple were among the early settlers of this county, coming from New York in 1838. Salmon Collins had four children by his first marriage, only one of whom is living. His first wife dying March 9, 1838, he married Sarah M. Smith [sic], her sister, in August 1838, by whom he had twelve children. He died March 30, 1879, four years after the death of his second wife, who was a member of the Presbyterian Church. Mr. C. was a Republican, having been an Old-Line Whig. The subject of our sketch, A. J. Collins, was married to Cynthia E. Calaway December 29, 1870, and is the parent of five children, viz.: Oscar J., Park L., Clarence G., Lucy E. and an infant son. Mr. A. J. Collins had three brothers who were

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in the war of the rebellion, viz.: Josephus A., who was a private in the Eighty-seventh Indiana Volunteers, and was wounded at the battle of Chickamauga September 19, 1863, from the effects of which he died in October of the same year at Chattanooga. The next was James S., a private in Company D, Twenty-ninth Regiment, who died from the effects of prison life in Anderson ville Prison, about four months after his release. And the last was Henry P. Collins, who was also in the Twenty-ninth Indiana, and was captured in September, 1863, and after about nine months' confinement died in Danville Prison. Mr. A. J. Collins was not old enough to enlist, but he belonged to a patriotic family, and is a firm Republican, and a thorough-going, enterprising and moral citizen.

[T. B. Helm, *Fulton County Atlas*, A. L. Kingman, 1883, p. 43]

COLLINS, E. B. [Rochester, Indiana]

[Adv] Buggies and Harness. - - - I have on hand and furnish to order any kind of buggy, carriage, trap or light rig the market affords, and I sell them very reasonably. I also handle all kinds of robes, whips, harness and horse furnishing goods. E. B. COLLINS, North of Arlington Hotel.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, March 16, 1900]

[Adv] In my new Buggy Room on Main Street, just north of the Arlington Hotel, I have set up, and ready for your inspection 100 different vehicles - - - E. B. COLLINS. Cash or Credit. Live Stock taken in exchange.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, April 25, 1904]

TWO BUSINESS CHANGES

There are two business changes in Rochester, one the selling out of E. B. Collins to Isom R. New and Lee Miller, and the other, Ike Onstott, buying a half interest in the J. D. Holman stock of shoes.

Invoicing will begin at the E. B. Collins store the latter part of the week, and the new proprietors will take charge as soon as that is completed. Messrs New and Miller were formerly associated in business, having conducted a large hardware store at Macy for several years. Mr. Miller has had twelve years experience in the business and had recently been employed at the Stoner & Black hardware store.

The J. D. Holman shoe store is at the present time being invoiced and upon the completion of this work Mr. Onstott will become a partner. The new member of the firm needs no introduction to Rochester people, he having been employed in different stores for the past eighteen years. The Holman & Onstott stock will be enlarged and the Turner Sisters will move their millinery store to the Baker room, two doors south of their present location, in order to make more room for the shoe store.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, February 13, 1906]

COLLINS, J. F. [Rochester, Indiana]

BIOGRAPHY

This gentleman was born in Miami County, Ohio, May 3, 1845. He came with his parents to Miami County, Ind., in 1847. He attended the district schools of that county, receiving therefrom a common school education. He early learned the barber's trade. When the war commenced, he took an active part for the Union. He enlisted in Company A, of the Twenty-sixth Indiana Infantry, in July 1861, and served in this company until 1863. He was taken prisoner at Morganza Bend, Miss., and was taken to Camp Ford, Texas, where he was kept ten months, suffering all the hardships incident to the prison pens of the South. He was finally released on exchange of prisoners at the mouth of Red River, July 27, 1864. He then received a recruiting commission from Gov. Morton, and was also engaged as an assistant to clear Fulton County of the draft in the winter of 1864-65. He entered the service again in April, 1865, and acted as Drill Master of

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Company G, One Hundred and Fifty-fifth Indiana Infantry, and was mustered out as Sergeant August 10, 1865. During the time he was in the service, he held a Captain's commission and drew his pay for said rank in 1868, through the influence of Gov. Morton. He may justly feel proud of his military record and of the humble part he acted in the hour of his country's peril. On May 28, 1868, he was united in marriage to Miss Hester A. Barrett, a native of Darke County, Ohio, and born May 28, 1847. His father, James Collins, was a native of Miami County, Ohio, born of German and Irish descent. He married Rachael Baker, a native of Pennsylvania. They became residents of Fulton County in 1864, and he died one year later; his wife deceased May 4, 1872. James Barrett, the father of Mrs. Collins, was a native of Ohio. He married Rachel Wise. They settled in this county in 1849. He deceased in service for his country in the hospital at Lexington, Ky., being a member of Company A, Eighty-seventh Indiana Infantry. The subject of this sketch is a member of the F. & A. M., No. 79, Rochester, Ind. Is an active member of the G.A.R. Post at Rochester. He commenced in the grocery business in 1870, in which he continues to the present time. He is one of Rochester's best citizens, and enjoys the full confidence of his many friends and justly deserves the high place he occupies in the general affairs of this community. Since the close of the war, Mr. Collins has been an active worker in the Republican party. Has been the leader in organizing several campaigns and held the position of chairman of his party's central committee for several years. Yet, in all his work he has held that principle is paramount to party.

[T. B. Helm, *Fulton County Atlas*, A. L. Kingman, 1883, p. 22]

COLLINS, NEWTON [Rochester, Indiana]

BIOGRAPHY

In the early days of Indiana a young married couple, Paul Collins and his wife, Susan Wagoner Collins, came from Virginia and settled in the district lying about eight miles west of Rochester. In their old age they lived with a son at Kokomo where they died both past eighty. These were the grandfather and grandmother of Newton Collins of whom we write. One of the sons of Paul Collins was William Collins who was born while his parents were still Virginians, in Westmoreland county, on February 4, 1830. He married Eliza Jane Johnston, took a tract of land, cleared it and raised a large family. The children of this union were Rachel, Susan, Alice, deceased; Candus, Amerinda, Robert P., Newton and Elmer D. Newton Collins attended the local schools and became a farmer like his father and his grandfather. He gradually acquired an extensive farm upon which he makes a specialty of Holstein cattle, Chester White pigs and Light Brahma chickens. He was married in 1902 to Pearl May Baldwin, daughter of Zeri and Amanda (English) Baldwin, the mother a native of Wayne county, Indiana, and the father of Licking county, Ohio. Farther back on the Baldwin side we find Eros and (Miss Hoover) Baldwin and on the English side, Joseph and Edna (Hopper) English from Culpepper county, Virginia. This couple emigrated first from Virginia to Ohio and then from Ohio to Indiana in 1848. Joseph English, the grandfather of Mrs. Newton Collins, was a school teacher and a man of good education. To Newton Collins and his wife were born, Loren, Crystal and Omer L. An uncle of Newton Collins, Matthew Johnston, served in the Civil war, was captured by the Rebels and held in the notorious Libby prison for months. He did not long survive his experiences and died shortly after the war.

[Henry A. Barnhart, *Fulton County History*, pp. 172-173, Dayton Historical Publishing Co., 1923]

COLLINS, SARAH [Liberty Township]

BIOGRAPHY

Sarah Collins was born in Miami County, Ohio, July 29, 1820, and when about six years old immigrated with her parents to St. Joe County, Ind.; seven years later came to this county and settled near Bloomingsburg. Her mother, a native of Pennsylvania, died September 12, 1847, and her father, a native of Vermont, died November 12, 1856. Mrs. Collins has been twice married. She married Russel H. Smith, August 3, 1845, and a few years later settled where she now lives

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and where Mr. Smith died, November 1, 1874, loved and respected by all. March 26, 1876, she married Salmon Collins, who died March 30, 1879. He, too, had the respect and esteem of all who knew him. Mr. Smith and Mrs. (Smith) Collins were the parents of ten children, of whom eight, Edwin T., Lois E., Lucy F., John F., Charles F., Albert R., Morton and Lenora, are still living. Mrs. Collins is regarded by all who know her as a kind, affectionate, industrious woman, and a good neighbor.

[T. B. Helm, *Fulton County Atlas*, A. L. Kingman, 1883, p. 43]

COLLINS, INDIANA [Rochester Township]

Located on 250E, less than a mile W of old US-31, S of Green Oak.

Salmon Collins built a log cabin there shortly after the Civil War for his daughter, Mrs. John Thomas Keel.

Collins school was near.

Had no post office.

Platted and divided into lots.

Nine families there in 1880.

This cabin was one of the cabins used to build the Bicentennial log cabin in Lakeview Park in 1980.

There are a few houses remaining.

COLLINS & CO. [Rochester, Indiana]

NEWS OF THE DAY

Call at Collins & Co's sewing machine and music store for your pianos, organs, piaolina, talking machines and records. South side court house.

[Monday, January 7, 1907]

COLLINS BARBER SHOP [Rochester, Indiana]

An Artist. Doc. Collins, whose tonsorial establishment is over Plank's Store, is an artist of acknowledged excellence.

[Rochester *Union-Spy*, Thursday, July 23 1868]

COLLINS RESTAURANT [Rochester, Indiana]

OPEN RESTAURANT

Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Collins have rented the room on east Eighth st., recently vacated by the Fish Market, and are making preparations to open a restaurant and lunch room. They will be ready for business in one or two days. Mr. Collins says that his wife is a wonderful cook and he expects to do a big business.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, April 28, 1916]

COLLINS SEWING MACHINE & MUSIC STORE [Rochester, Indiana]

[Adv] CLOSING OUT SALE - - - Pianos, Organs and Seqing Machines at COST - - - April 1st is positively Last Day of Sale. - - - COLLINS SEWING MACHINE and MUSIC STORE. South Side of Court House.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, March 25, 1909]

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COLLINS WHOLESALE GROCERY [Rochester, Indiana]

COLONIAL CONDOMINIUMS [Lake Manitou]

Situated on the site of the former Colonial Hotel & Terrace Gardens.

COLONIAL THEATRE [Rochester, Indiana]

See Kai-Gee / K.G. Theatre

COLONIAL STAGES [Rochester, Indiana]

NEW BUS LINE STARTED THROUGH THIS CITY

A bus line operating between Chicago and Cincinnati has been routed through this city according to an announcement made by the field man for the Interstate Transit Inc., who operate the Colonial Stages who was in this city Tuesday and completed arrangement for the opening of a station at the Arlington Hotel. The first buses were run Tuesday.

The Interstate Transit, Inc., is one of the largest operators of buses in the United States having lines which reach from New York to Los Angeles. Many of their lines are operated in connection with the Yellowway System. The local ticket office can also sell tickets to Louisville as direct connections are made in Indianapolis with another of their lines to that city.

Four buses two each way are now being operated by the company through this city. Others will be added if the business increases. The buses are of the latest type manufactured by the Macy Company with air cushion seats and reclining chairs.

The buses are scheduled to arrive in this city southbound at 1 p.m. and 11 p.m. and north bound at 3:30 a.m. and 3:05 p.m.. The buses are routed out of Chicago over Federal Road 30 to Plymouth thence to Indianapolis over 31 and from Indianapolis to Cincinnati by way of Greenfield and Richmond.

According to the charter under which the Interstate Transit, Inc., is operated they can not pick up passengers for intrastate business but can haul interstate passengers. The loop bus station in Chicago for the Interstate Transit is located at the Grand Hotel at the corner of Dearborn and Madison streets. The fare one way to Chicago is \$3.30 while round trip is \$5.95.

[The News-Sentinel, Wednesday, March 20, 1929]

COLORED CITIZENS [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Patton, Johnny

[the following by Earle A. Miller on October 28, 1959, and deserves to be printed in full. -- WCT]

The Master looked down, smiled and whispered to himself, "Well done my children."

The scene, a small abode of a colored gentleman. The time, present. Cast of characters, Christian white folks in the role of neighbors and friends. Other participants, a local physician, his staff, the local hospital and attendants.

Robert (Bob) Rickman, well-known, one-armed excellent laborer in his younger days, went home this week from a month's stay in Woodlawn hospital to find that during his absence his living quarters had been completely renovated by his landlord with the assistance of neighbors and friends. The interior of the residence had been repapered, repainted and in a degree refurbished through the replacement of a coal stove by an oil space heater, so that the aged citizen would not find it necessary to carry in wood and coal when the mercury drops.

Bob is not yet in the best of health and in his 90's can never again be expected to perform a day's labor, but through the interest and skill of a white physician, white hospital attendants and

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modern medicine, Rickman suffers no pain and has additional allotted time before his name is to appear on the call board.

This might not have been the case in many another locality and certainly not in communities of the anti-segregation calibre. And again it's quite possible that even here some persons might ignore or forget that the Master placed the colored race on earth along with the Orientals and the Whites and all are His children. The important thing here, however, is that Bob has been with us many years, has been a quiet peaceful citizen and a good neighbor to those who know him best.

Down through the years of Rochester's history, not many colored folks have taken up residence here, but those who came and remained were good citizens. There was Johnny Patton, the Jerry Barber family, the Black family, all of a half century or more ago. And there were others whose names are not immediately recalled, but only Robert Rickman remains today. Down in Aubbeenaubbee township a community of colored is growing around King's Lake, and these residents are peaceful and religious.

Fifty years ago Bob Rickman did more work with one arm than many a person could have been expected to do with two good arms. He did a day's work for a day's wages, lived much to himself and paid his bills; thereby earning the respect of the white folks with whom he came in contact. As it was then, it remains today except that the years have taken away his ability to labor as in yore. He is known not to complain, expresses deep appreciation for whatever be his lot, is Uncle Bob to the white children in his neighborhood.

When Gabriel calls, Bob will be laid to rest in the local Citizens' cemetery by a white mortician, his funeral sermon will be preached by a white Man of God, white pallbearers will carry his casket.

Each Decoration Day some person who remembers places flowers on the grave of Johnny Patton and without a doubt a carnation or a rose will find its way to the last resting place of the man for whom his white neighbors this week made the effort to welcome him home from the hospital.

[Earle A. Miller, *The News-Sentinel*, Wednesday, October 28 1959]

- - - Bob died as he lived - quietly, peacefully uncomplaining. Will he be missed? Yes. In some quarts he will leave a vacuum, especially wherein he gave of himself that those about him might find living a bit more worth-while. - March 14, 1962.

[Earle A. Miller, *Fulton Co Folks*, Vol. 1, Willard]

I remember the Rickman Brothers. They lived in the southeast part of town. They were about the only "blacks" in Rochester and could be seen about every day roaming the alleys with their two-wheeled cart picking up bottles, rags, and pieces of junk that they could sell. Somehow they existed. I don't know how. The heavier brother died first, then Bob Rickman died about fifteen years ago. He lived in a shack close to 18th Street not too far from the east city limits.

[Hill Family, Clarence Hill, *Fulton Co Folks*, Vol. 1, Willard]

Colored Case. John Peters vs R. N. Rannells. This is the first case ever brought in our county by a colored man. John sues Rannells for work and labor performed . . . Trial had -- John gets a judgment for \$15 and his costs. Foote for plaintiff and Enyart for defendant.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, June 6, 1867]

Stealing. The premises of J. Barber (a colored man) were entered Saturday night, and a pair of his pants, \$10 in money, and an album abstracted. The family were absent on a visit, and Jerry was at his shop shaving the public. . . The affair occurred in the Mammoth building.

[Rochester *Union-Spy*, Thursday, September 17, 1868]

The colored men of Rochester, to the number of six, deposited their ballots in favor of the railroad tax las Saturday. The Democratic friends of the enterprise did not object to the aid thus afforded their views, and the heavens seem to be in about the same place they occupied before the dreadful darkeys were allowed a voice in their own government.

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[Rochester *Union-Spy*, Friday, April 15, 1870]

COLUMBIA PARK [Lake Manitou]

[See LAKE MANITOU, LAKE MANITOU'S EARLY HISTORY - Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, March 11, 1922]

LOCAL NEWS

Philip Cook has leased Columbia Park for this season with the privilege of remaining next year. He will take possession immediately. There are now some boats at the landing, and he will obtain more.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, May 7, 1901]

NEWS OF THE DAY

Columbia Park has been leased for the season to William Dugan, of Marion, who will take possession of the resort in the early spring, and make some improvements which will add to the attractiveness of the place. Mr. Dugan intends to run excursions to the lake from the Gas belt, and says that he is already assured about all the business he can handle from Marion, Muncie and other cities.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, March 22, 1905]

COMMERCIAL CLUB [Rochester, Indiana]

See Rochester Commercial Club.

COMMERCIAL EXCHANGE [Rochester, Indiana]

See Credit Bureau

COMMON SENSE BEAUTY SHOP [Rochester, Indiana]

NEWS OF THE DAY

Leave your order at the Common Sense Beauty Shop for hair work. Match guaranteed.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, September 21, 1912]

[Adv] Common Sense Beauty Shop - - - Mrs. Anna Ream. 822 Main Street, over Marsh's grocery.

Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, April 2, 1913]

COMMUNITARIANS [Akron, Indiana]

Everett O. Strong was president of Communitarians, a noon lunch club made up of businessmen.

COMMUNITY CANNERY [Rochester, Indiana]

[Adv] Community Cannery. We are now prepared to can any amount of fruits or vegetables at any time. Pint cans 7 cents and quarts 8-1/2 cents. We guarantee everything to keep or refund money. Why take a chance when we are experienced? Save your surplus for winter use. C. J. AUGHINBAUGH, Factory on North Jay Street. Phone 511-01

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, July 16, 1917]

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COMMUNITY FARM NEWS [Mentone, Indiana]

See Mentone Gazette

MENTONE PAPER QUILTS WITH LAST WEEK'S ISSUE

"The Community Farm News" - weekly newspaper published in Mentone for some time suspended publication with its issue last week and now is no more. Julius Perlman, a young man, was the editor and publisher.

Mr. Perlman stated that the merchants of Mentone and subscribers generally did not support the paper sufficiently with advertising and that the income was not enough to pay the expenses. Mr. Pearlman plans to leave Mentone and return to his home in Wisconsin.

The paper was printed in magazine size and was a newsy sheet giving the items of Mentone and community. The job plant in which the paper was printed will be continued in operation by its owner it is understood. The predecessor of this paper the old Mentone Gazette suspended several years ago and the Farm News was started as a newspaper by Perlman.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, May 31, 1932]

COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTER [Rochester, Indiana]

Located NE corner of Seventh and Pontiac streets, former location of the Joint High School.

COMMUNITY SALES COMPANY [Rochester, Indiana]

SALE GOES WELL

The first public auction held by the Community Sales Co., Saturday afternoon, was very successful, despite the unfavorable weather. The sale was held in Romig's barn opposite the jail and the place was crowded all day. About \$3,000 worth of goods were disposed of by the auctioneers.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, April 18, 1921]

COMMUNITY SALES CO. TO SEEL REAL ESTATE

Real estate will be sold by auction in this vicinity from now on, according to the announcement made by the Community Sales Company which will hold its next sale May 7th. The regular sale will be held as usual and then those interested in city lots or farms will be conducted to the ground and the land sold to the highest bidder. This plan has been carried out with great success in other cities and it is thought it will push the sale of real estate here. All other articles will be sold at the regular auction as usual. The two sales held so far have been very successful and attended by large crowds.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, April 29, 1921]

TO BUILD SALES PAVILION

The Community Sales Company has purchased the large livery barn on east 8th street owned by Chas. Sisson and according to their announcement, they will start shortly to remodel the place into a modern sales pavilion. A cement floor will be laid and seats erected while the sales will be conducted from a large platform. Real estate will be sold from large plats. The improvement will be much appreciated by the people who attend the sales as they can be held inside in the dry and warm. It is the purpose also of the company to hold high bred stock sales in the barn. Tom and William McMahan are the men behind the movement.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, May 3, 1921]

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JOINS COMMUNITY SALES CO.

Ira Bastow, well known auctioneer, has become a member of the Community Sales Company of this city and will hereafter be associated with that organization in the promotion of their sales in their pavilion on 8th street. Mr. Bastow will have charge of crying the sales.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, May 5, 1921]

[Adv.] Auction of Furniture, Saturday, May 20, 1:30 p.m. Three sets of household goods to be sold to the highest bidder - - - Also one barn in extra good shape, located on the rear of the Mrs. Drake property - - - COMMUNITY SALES COMPANY, Tom McMahan, Auctioneer.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, May 17, 1922]

CAR LOAD OF FURNITURE

A carload of new and second hand furniture was received in the city Friday morning by The Community Sales Co., which will auction all of it off at the Community Sales Barn Saturday afternoon. The auctioneer says he has everything from rolling pins to pianos on the list. The furniture comes from the Chicago Storage plant of the American Express company, it being lost and missent pieces.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, May 19, 1922]

BASTOW AND COPLEN BUY SALES COMPANY

The Community Sales Company which has been under the management of Tom McMahan has been taken over by Ira Bastow, auctioneer, and Herman Coplen, cashier of the U. S. Bank and Trust Co. The new managers have rented the large barn on East Eighth Street and will conduct the sales on every Saturday. The name of the company from now on will be the Peoples Auction Company. It is the intention of Mr. Bastow and Mr. Coplen to make the local sales a regular bi-monthly event in the county.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, July 18, 1922]

COMPANION CIRCLE [Rochester, Indiana]

NEWS OF THE DAY

Grant Waller, of this city, is the founder of a fraternal and social order known as the "Companion Circle" and is meeting with success in launching the enterprise. The plan embraces fraternal principles, with many improvements, and provides for a club room with various amusements. He has been successful in establishing a chapter at Logansport.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, August 23, 1909]

COMPTON VARIETY STORE [Rochester, Indiana]

[Adv] Here Are Your Real Dish Bargains. Every Piece 10 cts. - - -Best Bargains In Rochester. - - - J. W. COMPTON VARIETY STORE.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, January 18, 1924]

ROCHESTER MERCHANT OPENS NEW BUSINESS

Warsaw, Feb. 4. -- The J. W. Compton Variety Store, located the first door south of the State Bank, opened for business in Warsaw on Saturday morning. From the opening hours at 9 o'clock until late in the afternoon the store was thronged with buyers and did an exceptional business. The J. W. Compton Store is under the management of Carl Perry and the new store is quite attractive in appearance. Compton also has a variety store in Rochester.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, February 4, 1924]

Mrs. Charles GRIMES, of Denver, who was killed in a tornado at Roosevelt, Wisconsin, Sunday, was a sister of Samuel FRIEND of this city and Mr. Grimes, who was killed at the same time was a brother of Mrs. Mattie DAVIS of Akron. The Grimes eight years ago were residents of

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this city at which time Mr. Grimes managed the Groceteria which was in the room now occupied by J. W. Compton variety store. Clinton and Gordon GRIMES, son of the deceased Wednesday afternoon brought the bodies of their parents back to Denver, the funeral party arriving over the Vandalia at 3 o'clock. The funeral will be held from the Grimes home at two o'clock Thursday afternoon.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, September 24, 1924]

COMPTON VARIETY STORE SOLD; CLOSED FOR WEEK

The Compton Variety store at the corner of Main and Seventh streets has been sold to Messrs Morgan and Meredith who operated stores at Fort Wayne and Plymouth, it was announced Wednesday. The store has been closed Monday and Tuesday for invoice, and will be closed the remainder of the week. J. W. Compton, retiring owner, and his wife will spend some time traveling. They still own a store in Warsaw.

The local store will continue in operation, but will be known as the M. & M. store. The owners are Ray A. Meredith and Virgil Morgan, whose headquarters are at Plymouth. John France, now of Fort Wayne, will manage the store here.

Some remodeling of the room will be undertaken, and a cleanup sale will be held within a week or 10 days.

H. L. Warren is assisting in the invoicing.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Wednesday, June 24, 1925]

[Adv] NOTICE! The old Compton Variety Store will be open Wednesday Morning at 10 o'clock. A Big Removal Sale. - - - New Owners in Charge. M. & M. 5 and 10¢ STORES WITH VARIETY.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, June 29, 1925]

CONDON, CLARK [Rochester, Indiana]

CLARK CONDON (Biography)

Clark CONDON has stood at the ticket office window and telegraph table at the L. E. & W. station for nearly fifteen years. He took the position of train dispatcher in 1881, soon after his arrival here from his birth place in Ohio, and from that was promoted to assistant station agent and then to agent. Mr. Condon has worked his way up in the railroad business by devotion to mutual pleasant relations between his road and the public and his standing as a reliable and accommodating railroad man is above question in this community where he is so well known. He married Miss Mattie WISE in 1884 and their family consists of four children.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, September 20, 1895]

LOCAL NEWS

Clark Condon has purchased the Mrs. Mann house and will move it to South Madison street and fix it up for a nice residence.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, August 7, 1901]

LOCAL NEWS

John Hill, who is moving the Mrs. Mann house to Clark Condon's property on south Monroe street, is having a great deal of trouble with the work. Several men have been at work all week and but little progress has been made. Soon after the house was gotten to the street the sills broke, and after new ones had been supplied the rollers used were found to be too small. Larger ones were secured this morning.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, August 16, 1901]

HOME TOWN TALES

By "Pioneer"

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Down at the old Nickel Plate depot you'll find Clark Condon now doing his 53rd year on the job.

Things have changed down there at the old depot during the past 53 years and Clark Condon has had a part in every one of them. Time was when the ticket seller stationed in the ticket wagon of the large three-ring circus was not half the busy man Clark Condon was subjected to. Before train arrivals the line of customers extended in a tripple row from the 8th street station door to the ticket window. There was anxious demands for tickets for every town, from Tiosa to Keokuck, Iowa, besides inquiries as to railway transfers, hotel rates and if special permission had to be secured from the superintendent's office in order to permit a dog to travel in the day coach. In perfect calm and without the least sign of ruffle Clark Condon plucked the correct ticket from the file cabinet, banged it through the station stamp, made the correct change, answered every question in the catalogue and pulled the ticket window blind just as the train was puffing away from the station.

Those were the days when Lake Erie and Western railway stock stood high in value and demand. Improved highways, motor truck and bus have robbed Clark Codon of many of his past duties and made the old depot take on the activity of a small town cemetery office. But Clark is still on the job, the same obliging, genial gentleman and a good citizen - regardless of the great change.

In a converstation with him the other day he remarked, "Well, we'll never see that big Union Depot over at the crossing that the editors of the Rochester newspapers used to build."

[The News-Sentinel, Friday, February 15, 1935]

CLARK CONDON RETIRES FROM R.R. SERVICE AFTER 54 YEARS

Back in October of '81, when Rochester's only lines of transportation were the Wabash ralroad and the Michigan road, a young telegrapher stepped off the northbound train and reported to Wabash Agent C. E. Glass at the depot on East Eighth St. His name was H. C. Condon. And on Nov. 1, 1935, 54 years and one month later, he was retired from the same office on pension - the oldest employee in point of service on the Nickel Plate road.

A volume might be written on those years of service. It might contain a different anecdote on every page, and yet prove inadequate to detail a fulsome account. But passing sketchily across the more than half a century of time - the years in which the name of Clark Condon was synonymous with transportation in Rochester, this city has witnessed the coming of another railroad, the electric light, the telephone, automobile, airplane, radio and the paved highway.

Huckleberry Route

Those whose memory antedate the Gay Nineties may recall the days when the Wabash name was changed and the Huckleberry Route as it was affectionately known, became the Indianapolis, Peru & Chicago. Others will remember when the same line took on the more auspicious cognomen of Lake Erie & Western. Most of us have seen it change from the Lake Erie to the New York Central Lines, and later to the Nickel Plate road. But Clark Condon, who began with the Wabash, has remained an employee outliving each of them except the last.

Mr. Condon's service as an agent began in August 1894 when he relieved the late C. O. Link who came here from Michigan City in the late 80's, having traded agencies with R. D. Couch, who was in charge of the local station during the era when the Chicago & Atlantic (now Erie) was building through this county; and a large amount of material for the new road was being shipped in via the I. P. & C.

"That period," said Mr. Condon, "was the most active railroad experience I have ever seen in Rochester. The book and accounting work necessary to handle the volume of rails, ties, etc., kept Mr. Couch and myself busy all day, and most of the nights."

Handled Western Union

"In addition to all the clerical duties, I had also to handle the Western Union message work. That was before the day of telephones, and we were the only telegraph office in the county. My first messenger boy was Ed Stradley who later became a telegrapher and well known railroad man,

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as did Claude Crockett, Tim Coakley, John Myers, Chas. Keel, Roy Cooper, Gaar Reed and Roy Robbins.

Others who learned telegraphy in the office on East Eighth street but who have since changed to other vocations were: Eugene Southard, Earl Sisson, Simeon Bailey, John Slaybaugh and Virgil Robbins."

Started Work in 1874

Mr. Condon began his railroad career at Denver Junction, Indiana, in 1874, as an employee of the old Eel River railroad. In 1876 he left the Eel River to spend a year in California.

In 1879 he toured Europe. Returning to America in the summer of 1880 he went to his home in Logoansport and took employment in the auditor's office of the Eel River road, then operated by the Wabash R.R.

A vacancy having occurred at Rochester in '81, he was sent here to relieve a discharged employee. He expected to remain here only a short time.

Lake Manitou Got Him

"Lake Manitou got me," he says. "I became interested in the possibilities at the lake, and stuck around. Then I got married, and Rochester was home."

As evidence of his early interest in the lake, he points to his investments in Big Island and several lots on the East Side, at a time when few local residents were considering Manitou as a coming playground.

Rode Last Passenger Train

In April, 1932, when passenger train service was discontinued on the Nickel Plate, after more than a half century of uninterrupted service, Mr. Condon, accompanied by Ike M. Wile and Frank M. Terry rode the train as far as Macy and returned by automobile.

"It was like attending the funeral of an old and dear friend," he says of that trip.

Has Traveled Extensively

During the last fifteen years of his service, Mr. Condon made it a rule to spend at least one out of each twelve months in travel. As a member of the National Association of Passenger Agents, he was a regular visitor to their conventions held annually. Accompanied by Mrs. Condon, he visited not only every section of the United States but attended reunions in Havana, Mexico City, Toronto and Winnipeg.

And now that he is free to enjoy further travels, he plans to spend much of his time making short visits among his six children who are scattered about the country. Mrs. Bernard Clayton at Zionsville, Ind.; Mrs. Ethel Young at Schuylkillhaven, Pa.; Mrs. Edna Bartlett, Greenwood, Miss.; Joe and Walter in Portland, Ore.; and Mrs. Frankie Kent at home. He returned recently from a trip to California and the Pacific Northwest and plans now to spend the winter in Mississippi.

Married in 1884

In November of 1884, Mr. Condon was married to Miss Martha Weiss, who passed away in January 1934, a few months prior to a planned Golden Wedding Anniversary.

Though sadly disappointed in this, he was permitted to enjoy two unique milestones on Time's road - the one hundredth birthday of his mother, and his own fiftieth service year anniversary.

Harry Brower in Charge

In leaving the service, Mr. Condon turned the office over to his assistant, Harry Brower, who will act as agent here until a regular successor is appointed.

"I am well satisfied to retire on pension," Condon said. "I have worked long enough. Notwithstanding the fact that I am still in good health, I feel that I have had my full share of the opportunities that steady employment brings. It is time that someone else has a chance."

And thus does the man who has served both his employer and the public efficiently and well, and for more years than is man's natural expectancy, bid adieu to an active commercial career, while a legion of friends join in wishing him the length of years to live and enjoy a well-earned rest.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, November 11, 1935]

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CONDON, JOHN W. [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Patents and Inventions

CONEY ISLAND [Lake Manitou]

Coney Island [also called Mitchell Island], located NW part of lake, SE of the dam, E of Manitou Heights.

CONGRESSIONAL BIOGRAPHIES

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CONKEY & SON [Richland Township ?]

Lumber for Sale. The subscribers have a quantity of seasoned Lumber at Conkeys Mill nine miles North of Rochester . . . Apply to D. Dunkle at the Mill. A. M. Conkey & Son. October 4, 1860.

[Rochester *Mercury*, Thursday, October 11, 1960]

CONKLE, E. C. [Rochester, Indiana]

NEW CHIROPRACTOR

E. C. Conkle of Huntington, who has just graduated from a Chiropractic school at Davenport, Iowa, is moving to this city where he will practice at 1125 Madison street. He has degrees in Osteopathy and Physiotherapy.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, August 28, 1914]

[Adv] Back Home Again. We wish to announce that after having spent the winter out of the city we are located here again and will be pleased to have all our old patrons, as well as new friends call on us. - - - - Offices at 917 Madison Street. Call Phone 202 for Appointments. CONKLE & CONKLE, Chiropractors.

[The News-Sentinel, Friday, April 3, 1925]

CONNER, ISAIAH [Rochester, Indiana]

ISAIAH CONNER (Biography)

One of the oldest and most successful practitioners at the Fulton county bar is ex-Judge Isaiah CONNER. He was born and raised near Marion, Indiana, and is 60 years old. His primary education consisted of a thorough course in the public schools and an academic course in Marion and then he entered mercantile pursuits. This he followed successfully for several years but took up the study of law in 1858 and gradually drifted into the practice until 1869, when he located in Rochester and entered the profession. Success at once crowned his energy and devotion to the interests of his clients and he rapidly approached the leadership of the bar and in 1884 was elected Judge of this Judicial Circuit. In this official capacity he served the people faithfully for six years, when he again returned to the practice and is today the head of the firm of Conner, Rowley & McMahan. He married Miss Telitha LINE in 1862, who departed this life two years ago.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, September 20, 1895]

BIOGRAPHY

Judge Isaiah Conner, one of the most favorably known citizens of Fulton county, was born in Marion, Ind., Aug. 4, 1835. His parents were Nelson and Sarah (Boots) Conner. The father was born in South Carolina, March 14, 1811, and died Near Marion, Ind., March 14, 1889. He was a son of Lewis and Margaret (McLaran) Conner. Lewis Conner was a native of South Carolina, and of Irish lineage. His wife was born in Scotland. He was the father of six sons and three daughters.

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He was a pioneer settler of Grant county, Ind., in which county he settled in the year 1828. There he lived many years and died. His death occurred in 1869, when he was eighty-seven years of age. Sarah Boots Conner, the mother of the subject of this mention, was born in Chillicothe, Ohio, March 27, 1813. She died near Marion, Ind., March 20, 1890. She was a daughter of Martin Boots, a Pennsylvanian, of German parentage. Nelson Conner and Sarah Boots were the first white couple married in Grant county, Ind. Their marriage was solemnized April 15, 1831. They settled down in life in that county, where they ever afterward lived, till death called them away. He was a millwright by trade. To a great extent he followed his trade, but he always lived on a farm, and at the time of his death he was engaged in farming. In politics he was a staunch democrat. He and his devoted wife were members of the Methodist Episcopal church. They had seven children, of which six are now (1896) living. Of the seven children Isaiah is the second. In the main he was brought up on the farm. His early educational training was obtained in the "Quakers' school," an institution supported by subscription funds. After leaving this school, he took an academical course at Marion, Ind. Upon leaving the academy he began the study of law at Marion, and in 1867 was admitted to the bar in Grant county, Ind. Two years later he located in Rochester, where he soon gained a large clientage, and won an enviable reputation as a lawyer. In November of 1884 he was elected judge of the circuit court, the judicial circuit being composed of the counties of Fulton and Marshall. He held the office one term, six years, and gained equally as excellent a reputation as a judge as he had gained as an advocate before the bar. Since retiring from the office he has continued an active practice of the law. He has always been a democrat in politics, and as a citizen he has always manifested a deep interest in public affairs, taking appropriate rank with the leaders in all movements intended for public benefit. On Jan. 26, 1862, Mr. Conner wedded Miss Talitha Line, a most estimable lady, who shared with him his joys and sorrows for a period of thirty-three years, and then answered the summons of death on July 18, 1895.

[Elia W. Peattie, *Fulton County History*, National Publishing Co., Chicago 1896, pp. 55-56]

CONNER, LAFE [Rochester, Indiana]

LOCAL NEWS

Lafe Conner opened his new meat market in the Holeman block on North Main street, this morning. Almost everything is new in the store, and the proprietor is an experienced hand with the saw and cleaver.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, August 3, 1901]

[Adv] Your wife won't scold if you take home meat that is sweet, tender and juicy. LAFE CONNER'S MEAT MARKET - - - LAFE CONNER, North of Downey's Restaurant, Telephone 55.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, November 1, 1901]

[NOTICE] Business changed by mutual consent. L. P. Conner is retiring from the Karn & Conner meat market. He will be in business for himself in the Holeman room, two doors north of Murphy's restaurant. This new up to date market will meet with all requirements of the pure food law.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, January 3, 1908]

[Adv] Swift's Premium Hams and Bacon - - - CONNER'S MEAT MARKET

[Rochester Sentinal, Thursday, February 20, 1908]

CONNER & ROWLEY [Rochester, Indiana]

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LOCAL NEWS

The well known law firm of Conner & Rowley will dissolve on April 1st, when Mr. Rowley, with his grandson, Floyd Mattice, who is soon to graduate from Chicago, will open a fine office in the ksuite of rooms over the Blue Drug store. Judge Conner will continue the practice in the present comfortable rooms in the Sentinel block.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, March 27, 1901]

CONNER, ROWLEY & McMAHAN [Rochester, Indiana]

Lawyers, Collectors, Pension and Patent Agents. West Side Courthouse.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, January 4, 1895]

CONNER DRY GOODS STORE [Rochester, Indiana]

New Store. Mr. William Conner, formerly Dry Goods merchant at Stockdale Ind., has brought to town a splendid stock of Dry Goods and Groceries. He has opened up his store in the room formerly occupied by Stradley & Elam, one door South of the Book Store. . .

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, March 7, 1867]

CONSCRIPTION REGISTRATION [Fulton County]

See: Draft Registration

CONSOLIDATED PRODUCTS COMPANY [Rochester, Indiana]

See Armour Creamery

CONSOLIDATED PRODUCTS COMPANY OPENS BRANCH

A new company started operations in this city Monday morning in the garage at the Armour & Compny plant on East Fourth street. The concern is the Consolidated Products Company of Danville, Ill., manufacturers of poultry and animal feeds.

C. Balthrop Louisville, Ky., has been named the manager of the local branch of the Consolidated Products Company. He has established a residence at 306 West Ninth street.

The company manufactures their poultry and animal feeds from pure creamery buttermilk which they purchase from the Armour Comp any, whose condensing plant they have taken over.

The company plans to prepare 4,000 pounds of feeds each day. The Consolidated Products Company has been in business for twenty years and has eighty-six branches in various parts of the United States.

[The News-Sentinel, Friday, June 5, 1936]

CONSOLIDATED PRODUCTS COMPANY OPENS BRANCH

The Consolidated Products Company of Danville, Ill., manufacturers of the well-known Semi-Solid Buttermilk, began operation of its new plant here in connection with the Armour Creamery recently. Carmack Balthrop, formerly of Louisville, Ky., is managing the local branch.

This new plant is one of a nation-wide chain operated by the Consolidated Products Company which is the only organization of importance devoted exclusively to the manufacture of buttermilk products. Dan Lewis, Jr., president, expressed pleasure in announcing the new branch because Rochester is centrally located and is in the heart of a highly productive section of Indiana.

Semi-Solid Buttermilk, which has been manufactured for 21 years by an exclusive process, is a condensed buttermilk used in all sections of the country for hog, chicken, turkey and calf feeding. The uniform solids and acid content is extremely valuable to the feeder because those qualities are important in obtaining good growth and in reducing mortality among livestock. In addition, this product, which contains the highest quality proteins known, enables the feeder to have a steady dependable supply of milk on hand at all times without spoilage.

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Just recently the company began marketing Semi-Solid Buttermilk in 200, 100 and 50-pound plywood drums in addition to the 500-pound barrel. These new containers, which are now nationally advertised, give the small poultryman and feeder all of the advantages of the product without the necessity of buying the large barrel.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, June 11, 1936]

CONSOLIDATED PRODUCTS MANAGER IS PROMOTED

James L. Donaldson, who for the past year and a half has been manager of the plant of the Consolidated Products company in Rochester, has received a promotion and will become manager of the plant for the same company in Kansas City, Mo. Mr. and Mrs. Donaldson will leave Rochester in the near future to make their home in Kansas City.

[The News-Sentinel, Saturday, August 19, 1939]

SWEITZER IS MANAGER OF CONSOLIDATED PRODUCTS

Russell Sweitzer of Kansas City, Kan., has been named manager of the local branch of the Consolidated Products Co., which is located in the Armour building on East Fourth street.

Mr. Sweitzer, a native of Lafayette, succeeds R. N. (Bob) Toole, who left with his wife and two children Friday for Okolone, Miss., where they plan to make their future home.

Mr. Toole has been the manager of the Rochester branch of the Consolidated Products Co. of Danville, Ill., for the past four years and was moved by his company from Rochester to Okolone, where he will also manage a branch plant for his company.

Mr. Sweitzer is married and has two children.

[The News-Sentinel, Saturday, March 18, 1944]

CONSUMERS COAL YARD [Rochester, Indiana]

ROCHESTER MAN OFFERS PLAN TO POLAR RESCUERS

Fred Rowe, of the Consumers Coal Yard, this city early today telegraphed to Secretary of State Kellogg a suggestion which may result in the rescue of the men marooned on the ice floes in the Polar region.

The plan proposed by the local man is for the relief plane to fly over the men at a low altitude and drop off a toboggan like sled with a strong steel hoop to which should be attached a network of rope large enough to hold a man, on this would be attached a long rope with a large noose on the free end. The loop could then be set by the stranded man and with the plane dragging two or three sets of grab hooks over the ice, the victim could be taken off without the plane making a landing and hoisted into the cockpit. The sled or toboggan would prevent injury to the men in the take-off and this work could continue until all were rescued. The plan is feasible although it may arrive too late to be put into practice.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Thursday, July 12, 1928]

COOK, ALBERT [Rochester, Indiana]

NOTICE

Is hereby given that I have this day sold all my interest in the grocery business in Rochester, Ind., to my sons who will conduct the business hereafter at the same stand under the firm name of Cook Bros., who assume the payment of all bills and all outstanding accounts are payable to them. ALBERT COOK. Rochester, Ind., Nov. 8, 1899.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, November 15, 1899]

COOK, E. B. [Rochester, Indiana]

BIOGRAPHY

E. B. Cook, general merchant at Grass Creek, was born in Marion, Grant county, Ind., March 21, 1851; and is a son of George Robert Cook, who was born in Virginia, of Scotch ancestry.

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George Robert Cook was married to Susan Speelman, in Wabash county, this state, in which county his and her parents were early settlers. She was born in Virginia, and bore her husband two children, namely, the subject of this sketch and George. R. The children were left orphans very early in life, and the subject of this biography was reared by a maternal uncle, Jacob Speelman, a farmer of Grant county. He was given a common school education, and at the age of sixteen went West and spent four years in Wyoming as a "cowboy." After returning to Indiana Mr. Cook accepted employment in Miami county, Ind., and there met and married (1873) Miss Isabelle Prior, daughter of John Prior, Esq. For ten years after his marriage Mr. Cook was employed by a lumber company of Logansport and resided in that city. In April, 1887, he located at Grass Creek, where he opened the first store of that place, which has since become a nice little village. Since the above date Mr. Cook has conducted a general store, with an increasing business, and in connection with this he has been also engaged in the lumber and cold storage business. He was postmaster for the village for the first six years after locating at the place and for sometime he has held the position of station agent for the Vandalia line at this point. Mr. Cook began life under adverse circumstances, being very poor, but by means of enterprise and industry he has succeeded in becoming a prosperous and representative business man. He is a representative and progressive citizen; a democrat in politics, and enjoys the confidence of a wide acquaintance. Mr. and Mrs. Cook have two children. Their elder, Myrtle M., is the wife of William N. Hendrickson, who is Mr. Cook's clerk. The younger child's name is George Robert.

[Elia W. Peattie, *Fulton County History*, National Publishing Co., Chicago 1896, p. 56]

GROCERY SOLD

The North End Grocery, formerly owned by Mrs. Ollie Baum, was sold Saturday afternoon to E. B. Cook, of Grass Creek. Mr. Cook recently moved here from Grass Creek and bought the Marion Carter property on south Jefferson street. It is not known what Mrs. Baum will engage in but she will probably move to Illinois with her daughter.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, December 15, 1913]

COOK, G. W. [Fulton, Indiana]

BIOGRAPHY

G. W. Cook, of Fulton, is the leading and oldest merchant in that village. He is an active and representative republican and has filled most efficiently and acceptably the office of township trustee for two terms, being first elected in 1886 and re-elected in 1888. His duties were such as are common to that office and were discharged zealously and in the public interest. Mr. Cook was born at Harrisburg, Pa., Nov. 10, 1850. His father, George Cook, left the keystone state when our subject was an infant and located in Circleville, Ohio. He soon moved to Columbus and in 1855 came to Indiana and settled in Fulton. G. W. Cook was schooled in the village of Fulton and finished his education with one term at Battle Ground college. Farming was his business till he was twenty-two, at which age he put his small capital into a stock of general merchandise and became a fixture as a Fulton merchant. He has continued a successful and prosperous man of business for twenty-four years. He carries a large stock, sufficient to satisfy the demands of the community. Mr. Cook was married in this township to Amanda L., daughter of Riley Martin, a Cass county farmer, now deceased. The children resulting from this union are: Flora, Bertha, Henry, Rosa, Elmer, Ray, Lee and Lalah. Our subject's father was born near Harrisburg, Pa. He died in Fulton about 1881, aged seventy-three. He married a Miss Albright, who is a resident of this county and is seventy-eight years old. Her children are: Catherine, wife of William Martin, of Fulton; Elizabeth, deceased, wife of Boyd Buchanan; Mary E., deceased; Hiram, deceased; Jesse, Emma, wife of Alex Hoover, near Macy, and G. W. The Cooks are Pennsylvania Germans, and settled in the keystone state very early in our history. They were thorough going and their histories would be only those of thrifty and successful toilers for bread.

[Elia W. Peattie, *Fulton County History*, National Publishing Co., Chicago 1896, pp. 56-57]

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COOK, HARRY M. [Rochester, Indiana]

[Adv] AUTO INSURANCE All forms. Safety - Service - Perfect Protection. HARRY M. COOK, Rochester, Ind. Phones - Res. 429, Office 15.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, May 2, 1924]

[Adv] HARRY M. COOK, Representing The Fyr-Fyter Company - - - Approved extinguishers of all types for Your Car, Your Business, Your Home. Phone No. 324-M. 309 East 14th St.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, October 5, 1926]

COOK, ISAAC H. [Aubbeenaubbee Township]

BIOGRAPHY

Isaac H. Cook, one of the representative citizens of Aubbeenaubbee township, was born in Crawford county, Ohio, Jan. 25, 1854. His parents were John and Rachel (Neff) Cook. His father was a native of Pennsylvania, born in 1826. He was twice married. He first married Rachel Neff, who bore him the following children and then passed away in death: David W., Mary, Sarah, George F., Emanuel, John, Isaac H., Maggie and Susan. When the subject of this sketch was a small boy he lost his mother in death. Subsequently his father married Sarah Neff, a sister of Rachel Neff. Unto this marriage one child was born, viz., Catherine L. Soon after John Cook's first marriage he moved to Crawford county, Ohio. He was an honest, toiling and respected farmer, and lived to a respectful old age, dying Feb. 10, 1895. His son, Isaac H., was reared on the farm, and was taught the lessons of industry and perseverance. He remained under the parental roof till twenty-four years of age, and then married Laura N. A. Myers, whose parents were Samuel and Elizabeth Myers. The marriage occurred in Ohio and later he came to Indiana and settled on his present homestead in Aubbeenaubbee township, where he has since grown prosperous as a farmer and gained rank among the leading citizens. He is a defined democrat, in politics, never swaying from the principles of the party. His wife, who is a most estimable lady, is a member of the Lutheran church, but Mr. Cook is a member of the M. E. church.

[Elia W. Peattie, *Fulton County History*, National Publishing Co., Chicago 1896, pp. 57-58]

COOK, MARCUS [Rochester, Indiana]

[Adv] Once More for Your Benefit I offer - - - These goods must be sold in thirty days from date, as I shall receive by that time a stock of SPRING & SUMMER CLOTHING valued at \$8,000, which was bought by my Agent at a Large Bankrupt Sale at half the cost of it. MARCUS COOK, Honest Clothier, North Room in Masonic Building.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, March 15, 1879]

[Adv] CLOSING OUT AT COST. Havng determined to change my business by the first day of September, I will offer my entire stock of Clothing and Furnishing Goods positively at cost. This is a rare chance to save 15 and 35 per cent. I have 100 overcoats on hand, bought at Bankrupt Sale which can be bought of me at one half their regular price. Come and convince yourself. MARCUS COOK, North Room, Masonic Building.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, August 23, 1879]

COOK, O. A. [Rochester, Indiana]

O. A. COOK (Biography)

Rev. O. A. COOK, Pastor of the Baptist church was born near Denver, Indiana, 34 years ago. He was a farmer boy and acquired such primary education as to enable him to become a useful teacher. Then he attended the State Normal one year and then entered Franklin College, from

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which institution he graduated in 1891. He then spent a year in Divinity school of Chicago University, and then entered the ministry. He preached at Mentone two years and was called to Rochester in April 1893, since which time his work has been one constant triumph. He married Miss Lou LEONARD and they have a family of four children.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, September 20, 1895]

COOK, OLIVER E. [Union Township]

BIOGRAPHY

Oliver E. Cook, a resident and native of Union Township, was born February 2, 1850. His father, William Cook, was born in Bristol, England, February 15, 1815, and died in this county April 10, 1876. His mother, Electa, is a native of Ohio and was born August 14, 1823. They were the parents of six children, five of whom survive. They emigrated to this county from Ohio in 1849, and purchased 160 acres of land where Mrs. Cook now resides. Oliver E. Cook was married to Margaret J. Wilson, November 2, 1876. She was born October 12, 1851, and is a daughter of Thomas and Agnes Wilson, father and mother of J. T. Wilson, elsewhere mentioned in this work. Mr. and Mrs. Cook have purchased 100 acres of her father's place, upon which they have built a splendid dwelling and made other permanent improvements. They are the parents of three children--Charles F., Hugh M. and Nettie (the baby). Mrs. Cook's father and mother reside with them.

[T. B. Helm, *Fulton County Atlas*, A. L. Kingman, 1883, p. 56]

BIOGRAPHY

Oliver E. Cook was born in Union township, Fulton county, on Feb. 2, 1850. He is a son of William and Electa (Richardson) Cook. William Cook was born Feb. 15, 1815, in the city of Bristol, England. He immigrated to the United States when sixteen years of age, and located in Muskingum county, Ohio, where he was engaged at the painter's trade, until failing health caused him to abandon that pursuit. He was left an orphan at a tender age, and his early years were passed under the guardianship of those who were utter strangers to him, and had not the interest of kinsmen in his welfare. Owing to this fact he grew up without educational advantages, and until after his marriage he was unable to write his name. But he possessed a mind naturally bright, and this, aided by the knowledge acquired from books in after years, qualified him to engage intelligently in the duties of an active life. Having abandoned the trade of painting, he engaged in agricultural pursuits, at which he continued until the close of his life. On Nov. 7, 1884, he was united in marriage with Miss Electa Richardson, in Marion county, Ohio, returning at once to his farm in Muskingum county, where he resided with his wife until 1849. In that year they came to Indiana and took up their abode among the pioneers of Fulton county. Mr. Cook purchased 160 acres of unimproved land in Union township, and erected upon it a log cabin, in which his family had their home until the present residence succeeded it. He devoted himself manfully to his work until his farm was cleared, and in the years that followed he amassed, by honest and industrious toil, a comfortable fortune, giving to each of his children \$550 as they reached maturity. He was quiet and unobtrusive in his manners, and honorable and upright in all his dealings. He was respected and esteemed wherever he was known, and was recognized as one of the best citizens of the community in which he lived. He died on April 10, 1876, mourned by a large circle of friends and a loving family. His wife, who still survives, was born Aug. 14, 1823, in Muskingum county, Ohio, and is the daughter of Manning and Lucinda Richardson. At the age of four years she accompanied her parents to Marion county, Ohio, where she resided until her marriage with Mr. Cook. She is an estimable lady, and has been a devoted wife and mother, rearing a family whose members are all recognized among the best citizens of the community. She has survived the hardships of pioneer life, and lives to enjoy the era of prosperity that has followed them, while she holds a warm place in the hearts of all who know her. Her family consists of five sons and one daughter--Jehiel A., Oliver E., Emma F., Francis M., William H. The subject of this sketch began life for himself at the age of twenty-one years. After spending a brief period in Illinois, where he learned photography, Mr. Cook returned to Fulton county, and since then has been actively and

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successfully engaged in farming and stock raising. Nov. 2, 1876, he married Margaret J., a daughter of Thomas and Agnes Wilson, father and mother of James H. Wilson, elsewhere mentioned in this work. Unto Mr. and Mrs. Cook the following children have been born: Charles F., Hugh W., Nettie, Elmer, Mabel Agenes and Cecil Earl. Mr. and Mrs. Cook are active members of the Methodist church, to which they have given material support.

[Elia W. Peattie, *Fulton County History*, National Publishing Co., Chicago 1896, pp. 58-59]

COOK, WILLIAM [Union Township]

BIOGRAPHY

William Cook was born February 15, 1815, in the city of Bristol, England. He emigrated to the United States when sixteen years of age, and located in Muskingum County, Ohio, where he was engaged at the painter's trade, until failing health caused him to abandon that pursuit. He was left an orphan at a tender age, and his early years were passed under the guardianship of those who were utter strangers to him, and had not the interest of kinsman in his welfare. Owing to this fact he grew up without educational advantages, and until after his marriage he was unable to write his name. But he possessed a mind naturally bright, and this, aided by the knowledge acquired from books in after years, qualified him to engage intelligently in the duties of an active life.

Having abandoned the trade of painting, he engaged in agricultural pursuits, at which he continued until the close of his life. On the 7th of November, 1844, he was united in marriage with Miss Electa Richardson, in Marion County, where he resided with his wife until 1849. In that year they came to Indiana and took up their abode among the pioneers of Fulton County. Mr. Cook purchased 160 acres of unimproved land in Union Township, and erected upon it a log cabin, in which his family had their home until the present residence succeeded it. He devoted himself manfully to his work until his farm was cleared, and in the years that followed he amassed, by honest and industrious toil, a comfortable fortune, giving to each of his children \$550 as they reached maturity.

He was quiet and unobtrusive in his manners, and honorable and upright in all his dealings. He was respected and esteemed wherever he was known, and was recognized as one of the best citizens of the community in which he lived. He died on the 10th of April, 1876, mourned by a large circle of friends and a loving family. His wife, who still survives, occupies the old homesteads with her son-in-law, Mr. Barger. Mrs. Cook was born August 14, 1823, in Muskingum County, Ohio, and is the daughter of Manning and Lucinda Richardson. At the age of four years she accompanied her parents to Marion County, Ohio, where she resided until her marriage with Mr. Cook. She is an estimable lady, and has been a devoted wife and mother, rearing a family whose members are all recognized among the best citizens of the community. She has survived the hardships of pioneer life, and lives to enjoy the era of prosperity that has followed them, while she holds a warm place in the hearts of all who know her. Her family consists of five sons and one daughter--Loring W., the eldest son, married Miss Jennie Slick, of Illinois, and now resides in that State; Jehiel A., the second son, married Miss Agnes L. Anderson, of Kewanna, Ind., and now lives in Union Township; Oliver E., the third son, married Miss Maggie J. Wilson, of Kewanna, and lives in Union Township; Emma F., the only daughter, lives at the old homestead with her husband, Samuel J. Barger; Francis M., the fourth son, died at the age of twenty-one years, in 1875; William H., the youngest son, married Miss Hattie J. Miller, and now lives in Union Township.

[T. B. Helm, *Fulton County Atlas*, A. L. Kingman, 1883, p. 56]

COOK & RICHARDSON GROCERY [Rochester, Indiana]

SHORE GROCERY SOLD FOR \$4,000

The K. W. Shore grocery was sold Monday morning to E. B. Cook and Chas. L. Richardson, both of this city, for a consideration said to be about \$4,000, the new owners taking possession at once. Mr. Cook was formerly in the grocery business and Mr. Richardson now has a small store

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on E. 12th St. Mr. Shore made no announcement as to his future intentions. The deal was made thru W. E. Mohler.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, February 21, 1916]

SELLS INTEREST

After six months partnership with Charles Richardson in the grocery on Main street which they purchased of Kline W. Shore, E. B. Cook Thursday sold his interest to his partner. He does not know what he will do.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, August 10, 1916]

COOK & SEE GROCERY & DRY GOODS STORE [Leiters Ford, Indiana]

Their huckster wagon was run by Earl See.

COOK & SON [Kewanna, Indiana]

KEWANNA

E. B. Cook and son, of Grass Creek, traded for the merchandise stock of Enyart & Son, and took possession Friday of last week.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, September 1, 1904]

COOK BROS. [Rochester, Indiana]

[Adv] - - - Since we have assumed the management of the Grocery store formerly owned by Sardis Robbins, located in the east room of the Citizen's Block, we have been very liberally patronized for which we feel very grateful, but our experience has taught us that it is always better to sell a vast amount of goods for small profits - - - Formal Grand Opening - - - Saturday, October 14, 1899 - - - COOK BROS, Managers, East room Citizen's Block, South of Court House.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, October 7, 1899]

NOTICE

Is hereby given that I have this day sold all my interest in the grocery business in Rochester, Ind., to my sons who will conduct the business hereafter at the same stand under the firm name of Cook Bros., who assume the payment of all bills and all outstanding accounts are payable to them. ALBERT COOK. Rochester, Ind., Nov. 8, 1899.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, November 15, 1899]

COOK GENERAL STORE [Grass Creek, Indiana]

Operated by E. B. Cook, who was also ticket agent for the Vandalia railroad.

COOK'S GROCERY [Akron, Indiana]

Located NW corner Rochester and Mishawaka streets.

Owned by Nabor Cook.

The Akron State Bank was later located on the site.

The site is where the Pottawatomi Indians (possibly Miami also) gathered to collect their "government money." (Probably payment for their lands being taken over by the expanding white settlers)

A plaque is attached to the wall of the building: "Placed by Manitou Chapter No. 840. This tablet marks the crossing of the Indian trails of the Pottawatomis, Black Hawk and Miami Tribes, from White Pigeon, Michigan, to the Indian Reservation in Miami County, and from Fort Wayne

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to Winamac, thence to South Bend and Michigan City. Original White Colony made settlement on July 4, 1836.”

Another plaque below this one reads: “Attested 1918 by Daniel Whittenberger, sole survivor of Original Colony.”

COOK’S RESTAURANT [Akron, Indiana]

PURCHASES RESTAURANT

Willis (Doc) Cook, who has resigned his position as salesman for the Finneren Motor Sales Company of this city, has purchased the Madeford Restaurant of Frank Medeford of Akron.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, June 16, 1923]

COOK TAXI [Rochester, Indiana]

NEW TAXI LINE

Ray Cook has added a new Ford taxi to the number now in the city. His headquarters are at the Palm cafe.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, July 6, 1918]

COOKSEY FURNITURE STORE [Akron, Indiana]

Located S side of street at 106 E. Rochester Street.

The building where the Cooksey Furniture store is now located used to be occupied by the Love Brothers Hardware. Then one brother was the sole owner and later it was Love and Secor.

[Thomas Carpenter Family, Walter F. Carpenter, *Fulton Co Folks*, Vol. 2, Willard]

COOKSEY’S SUPERMARKET [Akron, Indiana]

See Akron Band.

COONTOWN, INDIANA [Union Township]

Will Swango and Miss Sarah Swango [sic], aged respectively 18 and 17 years, were married by Judge Troutman at his office, Wednesday. They are residents of Coontown, Union township.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, May 9, 1902]

COOPER, FRANK C. [Kewanna, Indiana]

BIOGRAPHY

Frank C. Cooper. - The subject of this sketch was born in Kewanna, Ind., November 25, 1859, and is a son of Alexander and Margaret Cooper, the former a native of the State, and died November 23, 1881. Frank’s mother was born in Montgomery County, Ohio, and died March 25, 1872. He has two sisters younger than himself, Minnie and Mattie. He received his education at the public schools of Kewanna, and at the age of seventeen, commenced to teach in the common schools of the county. At this time he is one of the most successful teachers of the county. During the summer months he devotes most of his time to work at the carpenter trade. By his industry and economy he has saved a very respectable sum, which is judiciously invested.

[T. B. Helm, *Fulton County Atlas*, A. L. Kingman, 1883, p. 56]

COOPER, HARRY [Rochester, Indiana]

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See: Rochester Farm Equipment

COOPER, LEET [Rochester, Indiana]

[Adv] Try Him Once! LEET COOPER, will repair your Clocks, Watches and Jewelry cheaper and better than any jeweler in Rochester. Try Him Once!

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, September 25, 1896]

[Adv] New Jewelry Store. I have a complete line of Clocks, Watches, Silverware and Jewelry of all kinds. - - - Repairing of Watches and Clocks a specialty. LEET COOPER.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, December 11, 1900]

NEWS OF THE DAY

Leet Cooper has opened a watch and jewelry repair shop on the north side of the public square, where he will be glad to receive business in his line. Mr. Cooper is an expert in his line of work and will devote his attention strictly to satisfying his customers.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, May 9, 1912]

COOPER, RAYMOND [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Letter From Raymond Cooper)

COOPER, WILLIAM L. [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Patents and Inventions

COOPER & CRIM [Rochester, Indiana]

[Adv] AUCTION! Jewelry and Books. Cooper & Crim will begin an auction sale of \$5,000 stock of Watches, Clocks, Silverware and Books on Thursday, Jan 29th.

These goods were bought at 40 cents on the dollar - - - COOPER & CRIM. Odd Fellows Block.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, January 27, 1903]

COOPER & FERGUSON [Rochester, Indiana]

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between Cooper & Ferguson in the hardware trade, has been dissolved by mutual consent and that all bills and accounts due the late firm must be settled at once. Mr. David Cooper will continue in business at the old stand where settlements may be made. Unless settlements are made promptly the accounts will be put in the hands of a collector. COOPER & FERGUSON.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, February 25, 1882]

COOPERATIVE LIVE STOCK SHIPPING ASSN [Rochester Township]

ANOTHER FARMERS' BODY IS ORGANIZED

A. L. Lowe was elected president, Elmer New vice president, Gresham Bearss secretary treasurer and Chas. Pyle shipping manager of the Cooperative Live Stock Shipping Association formed by Rochester township farmers at the court house Saturday afternoon. The four officers also constitute the board of directors and the purpose of the organization is to protect and further the interests of farmers shipping live stock.

Three meetings are planned for next Saturday afternoon at 1:30, 2:00 and 3:00 p.m. The first meeting will be held for the purpose of considering the purchase of binder twine for the coming harvest season.

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At two o'clock the breeders' association will take up their problems and the last meeting will be for the purpose of organizing a Wool Growers Association along the same lines as the other organizations.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, March 31, 1919]

COPELAND, A. C. [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Rochester, Indiana [Historical Review]

NEWS OF THE DAY

Thirty-eight years ago today, A. C. Copeland opened the doors of his bank in Rochester.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, July 25, 1904]

COPELAND, A. P. [Rochester, Indiana]

See: First National Bank

DINES WITH THE PRESIDENT

A. P. Copeland, A. J. Barrett and Frank Stinson returned Thursday evening from a motor trip in Washington and other points of interest in the East. While in Washington Mr. Copeland, who has been a friend of President and Mrs. Harding since childhood, was the guest of the Chief Executive at the White House for luncheon. Senator Willis of Ohio was also there. While in the capitol the tourists called on their numerous friends in government service there and also drove to all the places of interest nearby. They were gone about two weeks.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, October 7, 1921]

COPELAND, ARTHUR C. [Rochester, Indiana]

See: First National Bank

See: Overmyer, Jack

COPELAND, EARL PERCY [Rochester, Indiana]

See: First National Bank

COPELAND'S BANK [Rochester, Indiana]

Located W side of street at 802 or 804 Main.

See: First National Bank

In the north half of the 800 block on Main street beginning from the intersecting alley, B. Levi operated a dry goods store. Next door Charley Mitchell conducted a card room with, I believe, a billiard table or so. The room later became "My Show," a popular movie house and now occupied by Adler's Dress Shop. Then Joe Levi Clothing Store and Charles Plank operated a shoestore. Ditmire's was next in line to Nobby True's Restaurant. A. C. Copeland's bank and on the corner occupied by People's Drugs (now Lord's) was Jonathan Dawson, one of Rochester's earliest dispenser of quinine, Brickle's linament, Dr. King's New Discovery and prescription and patent medicines long ago forgotten in this day of sulfa drugs, etc.

[Earle A. Miller, *The News-Sentinel*, Monday, July 14, 1958]

COPLIN, ASA {Rochester, Indiana]

Mr. Asa Coplen has taken out License as a Tavern Keeper under the Excise Law . . .

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[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, November 5, 1863]

COPLIN, EUGENE "GENE"

See: Coplen & Shafer

See: Coplen Taxi Co.

See: Dawson, George V.

See: Dawson & Coplen

COPLIN, FRANK [Rochester, Indiana]

[Adv] 32 Big Loaves of Best Bread for \$1 - ONE DOLLAR - \$1. We also have on hand at all times the ninest, lightest and sweetest CAKES ever made. Try them. We shall aim to keep a clean, bright store, well stocked with good things to eat in our line. Come in and see us. FRANK COPLIN.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, January 12, 1894]

COPLIN, M. V. [Talma, Indiana]

BIOGRAPHY

M. V. Coplen, farmer and miller of Bloomingsburg, belongs to that class of representative American citizens who promote the public welfare while advancing individual prosperity. He was born in Coshocton county, Ohio, a son of James Coplen, who was born in the same state and was a blacksmith and farmer. He died in June 1893, in his ninetieth year. The mother bore the maiden name of Betsy Horton, and by marriage had eleven children, of whom the following survive: Ceramus, a farmer of Nebraska; M. V.; Gilbert, who served his native county as recorder, and is now in Nebraska, and Orange, who is still living in Coshocton county. Mr. Coplen of this review became familiar with all the labors that fall to the lot of the abgriculturist in his childhood days, and began farming for himself on rented land in Coshocton county. After a year he came to Fulton county, Ind., locating four miles southeast of his present home. In connection with farming he also operated a saw mill. About a quarter of a century ago he removed to a farm west of the river, where ha has since maintained his residence. He today owns three hundred and seventy acres of rich and arable land, which is yielding him a good return for the labor bestowed upon it. In 1893 he purchased a grist mill in Bloomingsburg, which he has since profitably operated in connection with his other business, and his well directed efforts and untiring labors have brought to him a handsome competence. In January, 1860, Mr. Coplen was married to Sarah Severns, daughter of William Severns, by whom he has two children--Wilson, who married Ellen Burkett; and Elmer, who married Frances Rodabaugh. Both reside in Fulton county. The parents are members of the Christian church, and are most highly esteemed people. Mr. Coplen is one of the staunch adherents of democracy, is recognized as a leader of his party in the township, and by his fellow citizens was elected to the office of county commissioner, where he discharged his duties in a most prompt and capable manner.

[Elia W. Peattie, *Fulton County History*, National Publishing Co., Chicago 1896, p. 59]

COPLIN'S PIT [Newcastle Township]

Located in Section 32, between 700E and 800E and N of 200N.

COPLIN & ERDMANN [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Coplen & Shafer

COPLIN & SHAFER [Rochester, Indiana]

See Dawson & Coplen

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See: Dawson, George V.

GEO. DAWSON SELLS DRUG STORE INTEREST TO COPLIN-SHAFER

George V. Dawson, oldest merchant in point of years on Main street, today announced sale of his interest in Dawson & Coplen drug store to Gene Coplen, his partner since 1920 and Dave Shafer, Main street's youngest merchant.

* * * * Photo of George V. Dawson * * * *

The new store, Coplen & Shafer, will be operated by the two men in partnership.

Mr. Coplen has been associated with the store since 1909. Mr. Dawson began work in the store 54 years and one month ago. In 1884, after graduating from the University of Michigan, Mr. Dawson went to work in the store then owned by his father, the late Jonathan Dawson.

To Enjoy Vacation

"I'm going to take a vacation and have some fun," Mr. Dawson said today when asked about his plans for the future. "Might go out to see Carolyn," he added.

"I've enjoyed the association with Mr. Dawson over a long period of years. I wish him good luck and I look forward to the future with enthusiasm," said Mr. Coplen.

When Dave was asked how he viewed the future he said, "I've always liked Rochester and I want to stay right here. Gene and I have many plans for development of the store. We're anxious to continue serving old customers and we'll be happy to please new ones."

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, July 28, 1938]

REID ERDMANN PARTNER IN REXALL DRUG STORE

David Shafer, junior partner in the local Coplen and Shafer drug store, announced today that he has sold his interest in the concern to Reid Erdmann, Rochester pharmacist. The new change in management is the fifth since the building was first opened by Jonathan Dawson in 1870.

Dave Shafer entered partnership with Gene Coplen in July, 1938 when George Dawson retired from the firm. His exact plans for the future are indefinite pending information on his exact military status.

During Mr. Shafer's five and one-half years as partner in the firm the store was completely remodeled and many new features were added to the modern interior of the store.

The new partner, Reid Erdmann, moved to Rochester from Richmond, Ind., last July, to operate the drug store in the Times Theatre building, formerly owned by Floyd Brown.

Stock from Mr. Erdmann's drug store has been moved to his new location and he plans to sell the fixtures in the old store.

The present pharmacy was established by Jonathan Dawson in 1870. In 1887 his son, George Dawson, entered partnership with his father. Jonathan Dawson retired in 1898 and a partnership between Nels Richter and the younger Dawson was formed under the name of Dawson and Richter. In 1904 George Dawson purchased Richter's share in the store and in 1909 Gene Coplen began his duties there as a clerk.

Mr. Coplen went to Colorado in 1909 to work and returned to Rochester the following year and bought part interest in the store. The Dawson-Coplen partnership was dissolved in 1938 when Dave Shafer purchased Mr. Dawson's interest.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, February 21, 1944]

COPLIN & SMITH [Rochester, Indiana]

GIVEN ROAD CONTRACT

Coplen and Smith local contractors were low bidders on the Canater road in Kosciusko county. The bid was \$14,954.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, June 7, 1928]

COPLIN TAXI CO. [Rochester, Indiana]

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54 YEARS IN SAME SPOT IS TOO LONG SO TAXI LINE MOVES

One of Rochester's oldest businesses moved today to a different location after 54 years.

The Coplen Taxi Company, currently owned by Gene Coplen, has moved to what was known as Norman's Carmelcrisp shop, next to Gilbert's drug store.

The concern was located in the Arlington Hotel when the hotel was first built in 1889, way back in the days of horseless carriages and divorceless marriages. First owner of the then transfer-and-mail service was Hiram Morningstar. Reynolds and Sisson owned the hotel then and Benjamin Harrison was President of the United States.

The taxi's past ran through two wars, the Spanish-American and the first World War. The horseless carriage developed into the horsepower carriage and the crowd rode on.

Carter, Smith and Sangster took turns at owning the Arlington, but the Morningstar Taxi Company remained in its old spot.

In 1916 James Coplen, Sr. bought out the Morningstar interest in the business and operated it himself until his death last year.

Transfer of the taxi's office was said to have been necessitated because of the increase in business with the war.

[The News-Sentinel, Friday, July 30, 1943]

TAXI COMPANY SOLD

Announcement has been made of the sale of the Coplen Taxi Co. by Gene Coplen to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kofron, owners of the Rochester Taxi Co. The purchasers will consolidate the two taxi lines and operate them under the name of the Rochester Taxi Co., from their stand. The sale involved two cabs. The Coplen Taxi Co. has been in operation for 23 years and was founded by the late James Coplen, father of Gene Coplen. Mr. and Mrs. Kofron purchased the Rochester Taxi Co. a year ago from Attorney William Deniston.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, October 31, 1944]

COPPERHEADS [Fulton County]

See: Sons of Liberty

CORBET & HOOVER [Rochester, Indiana]

[Adv] A NEW FIRM. Having bought the stock of boots and shoes formerly owned by C. Hoover at 50 cents on the dollar we will sell the entire stock out, regardless of cost in order to make room for a mammoth new stock that will arrive in a few days. We have numberless pairs of odd sizes which can be bought at your own price. Come and see our stock and get our prices. B. H. CORBET, S. D. HOOVER.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, September 22, 1893]

CORBETT, A. J. [Rochester, Indiana]

TO THE PUBLIC

I wish to announce to my old friends and former customers and the public in general that I am again engaged in the restaurant business at my old stand, and respectfully invite you all to come in and see me, and I will cater to your wants as in days of your. [sic] A. J. CORBETT.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, August 4, 1886]

CORBIN, KENNETH T. [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Letter From Kenneth T. Corbin)

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COREY'S SALOON [Rochester, Indiana]

The room recently vacated by Corey's saloon is undergoing quite a change. The floor and entire front have been torn away, and extensive repairs will be made.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, January 8, 1901]

CORN CRISPETTE [Rochester, Indiana]

MANUFACTURING PLANT HERE

Few people know that a new manufacturing plant has begun operations in Rochester. It is located on Pontiac street and is owned by James ENOCH who will place upon the market a new confection called "Corn Crispette."

It is similar to cracker jack which made the fortune of one man several years ago. Mr. Enoch has entered upon a big advertising campaign and expects to employ several people. The article will be placed upon sale in the various stores in Rochester at once.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, June 8, 1914]

CORN KING HUSKER COMPANY [Rochester, Indiana]

HUSKER COMPANY NEWS

At the last meeting of the Board of Directors of the Corn King Husker Company the purchase of the patents was made and assignments delivered by W. B. Martindale and Albert Van Ness to the company, for which stock of the company was issued. Cash subscriptions to the stock of the company to the amount of \$9,000 were reported in addition to the original subscriptions of the incorporators. Of the subscriptions reported \$6,000 was for the common stock of the company at the par value. It is estimated that the company now has a sufficient amount subscribed to carry on its manufacturing operations the first year, unless it shall be determined to commence the erection of a factory. A site for the factory has been selected at the northeast corner of the crossing of the C. & E. and L. E. & W. railroads. It is expected that the first machine to be used as a model to manufacture from will be completed in Chicago this week, when the work of manufacturing will be started.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, May 23, 1902]

BUILDING CORN SHREDDERS

It may be good news for SENTINEL readers to learn that the corn shredder company recently organized here, are busy at work on the creating of a machine. Their present quarters is the old fire escape factory building, but this is only temporary as there is not room enough for them in this building and the management are seeking a more commodious factory building to be used until they can erect their permanent factory and shops. In the meantime, however, the Myers Bailey planing mill will turn out the wood work for the machines, and a car load of material for that purpose is already at their mill.

The first machine will soon be ready for exhibition and others will follow as fast as the material can be got out for them.

Making Improvements

Mr. VanNess, the inventor of the Corn King Shredder, is at work on an improvement in their corn shredder which will place this machine so far ahead of other corn shredders that they will not be in it at the sale of such a machine.

The new improvement consists of a separator and wind-stacker similar to those used on threshers, and will enable the machine to automatically place the shredded fodder in the loft or any place desired, thus saving the labor of two men, or the building of ground floor fodder bins for the reception of the shredded fodder.

Work is going on as rapidly as possible on the construction of the first machine and arrangements are making to build a temporary factory building 40x100 feet as soon as possible. The wood work for forty machines is being worked out at the Bailey mills, the casting is done at

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Niles, Michigan, and the machine work at the Ross shops, but as soon as the permanent factory is erected all the work will be done here.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, June 27, 1902]

LOCAL NEWS - THURSDAY

The Corn King Husker company has one of their machines completed and several others almost finished. One is sold to Illinois parties and will soon be shipped. It will be exhibited either at the factory or at a nearby farm, Saturday.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, October 17, 1902]

LOCAL NEWS

The Corn King Husker Co., wants to buy some corn in the shock. A Chicago firm offers to take all the huskers that the firm can make this year, if they make a satisfactory showing in operation, and this will be easily done if the firm can buy the unhusked corn.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, April 20, 1903]

LOCAL NEWS

The Corn King Husker Co., has turned out another complete machine which is already sold to a party at Hobart. They have been handicapped up until this time, on account of lack of material, but from now on work will progress rapidly.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, June 6, 1903]

NEWS OF THE DAY

The Corn King Husker had orders yesterday for five machines. The husking season will not open for a month or six weeks yet but Corn King Huskers seem to be in big demand.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, October 4, 1904]

NEWS OF THE DAY

The Corn King Husker has sold all the machines this year except two and the corn husking season is still a month in the future. It is probable they could sell twenty-five more this season, if they had them, as they had not yet sold one at this time last year. The Corn King is a good machine and there will soon be a market for it of large proportions.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, October 20, 1904]

SUED FOR THOUSANDS

A suit has been filed in the Fulton Circuit court, in which John E. Beyer, Abner J. Barrett, and Daniel Agnew are the plaintiffs and Warren A. Martindale and Theodore F. Lawrence are the defendants.

The suit is for ten thousand dollars which the plaintiffs claim is due them, they having previously contracted with defendants to construct thirty corn King Husking and Shredding Machines for \$15,000.

The machines were manufactured and delivered per contract and the plaintiffs, who had agreed to pay for such, ten days after day of delivery, have failed to pay but \$5,000. The suit will possibly be heard in the October term of court.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, September 4, 1905]

NEWS OF THE DAY

The Corn King husker suit was dismissed today. The claim of Agnew, Beyer and Barrett against Martindale and Lawrence was founded on the complaint that the latter offered what they claimed to be good notes from purchasers of huskers instead of cash. Everything was adjusted to the satisfaction of all concerned and the litigation stopped.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, September 15, 1905]

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CORNELIUS, FRED H. [Rochester, Indiana]

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION

Notice is hereby given that the firm of Keely & Cornelius, doing a hardware business in the down of Rochester, is dissolved by mutual consent. The business will be continued by Fred. H. Cornelius who is authorized to make collections of all accounts due the firm, and an early settlement either by cash or note must be made by all owing the firm. SAML. KEELY, FRED H. CORNELIUS.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, January 28, 1891]

FRED H. CORNELIUS (Biography)

German enterprise and prosperity has a typical representative in Fred H. CORNELIUS, the hardward dealer. He was born in Hanover, Germany, forty years ago and came to America when fifteen years old, locating in Rochester. He commenced his business career as a clerk soon after his arrival here, and from the beginning met with the success which rewards industry and enterprise. Eight years ago he purchased the Peterson hardware business and has conducted it with splendid success ever since. He married Miss Vida WALLACE, youngest daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Robert WALLACE, in 1888, and they own a very pretty home on Jefferson street. Mr. Cornelius is quite popular in both lodge and business circles, being a leading Mason and Knight of Pythias and enjoys a gun or a good horse for recreation.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, September 20, 1895]

[Adv] THE BEST HEATER. We sell the Genuine Round Oak. All others are imitations. 100 in use for coal alone in Rochester, and over one thousand are used for wood in Fulton county, and every one gives satisfaction. It is the only air-tight stove that will remain air-tight for 20 years and is guaranteed to hold fire over night. Call and inspect them. F. H. CORNELIUS.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, November 8, 1899]

[Adv] CLOSING OUT SALE. I have sold my stock of Hardware, and the inventory and change takes place on January 15th. In order to reduce stock I will sell \$5,000 WORTH OF HARDWARE AT COST - - - F. H. CORNELIUS, North Main Street.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, December 2, 1903]

NEWS OF THE DAY

C. F. Briles of southeast of Rochester, purchased the Tippecanoe dairy of Mrs. F. H. Cornelius today. Mr. Briles has rented the Cornelius farm and will continue to serve the dairy's old customers in first class style.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, March 1, 1911]

CORNELIUS & BRO. [Rochester, Indiana]

A. D. Cornelius & Bro. . . . Store at the old stand of Fred. Fromm, on the corner North of the Post Office . . . Rochester, Oct 29, 1863.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, October 29, 1863]

War on High Prices . . . Dry Goods, Groceries, &c Boots & Shoes . . . Cheap for Cash. . . . A. D. Cornelius & Bros. Rochester, July 21, 1864

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, July 21, 1864]

H. B. Jamison, H. S. Foote - Jamison & Foote, Attorneys at Law, Rochester, Indiana . . . Office on N.W. corner of Main and Washington Sts., over H. W. & A. D. Cornelius' Store.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, September 7, 1865]

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David M'Kernan, Attorney at Law, Rochester, Ind. . . Office on N.W. corner of Main and Washington Sts., over H. W. & A. D. Cornelius' Store.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, October 12, 1865]

Removal. Jamison & Foote Atty's at Law. . . have removed from their office over Cornelius & Bro's Store, to the South front room up stairs of Holmes and Millers building, immediately opposite the court house. . .

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, November 8, 1866]

Beef. James Rannells has started a new Butcher Shop under the new Store Room of Cornelius & Brothers . . .

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, August 8, 1867]

H. W. & A. D. Cornelius have moved into their New and Splendid Store rooms, situated on Main Street, East side opposite Fred Fromm's Grocery Store . . . [full column ad] Cornelius Bros. Rochester, Nov. 21st, 1867.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, November 21, 1867]

CLOSING OUT AT COST

Our entire stock of boot and shoes we will sell at cost as we intend to discontinue that branch of trade. Now is the time to buy goods at wholesale prices. Call and see us before you go elsewhere. A general stock of staple and fancy groceries, queensware and glassware at reduced prices. Respectfully, CORNELIUS & CO.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, January 31, 1885]

CORNELIUS DRY GOODS STORE [Rochester, Indiana]

See South Side Grocery.

. . . N. F. Cornelius, a man whose ability as a merchant cannot be disputed, and whose reputation for honesty and fair dealing no one can deny, has opened a superb stock of Boots & Shoes, Dry Goods, &c., in the new store one door north of A. J. Holmes & Co's building.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, February 9, 1865]

Zimmerman Boot & Shoe Shop. . . 3 doors north of Cornelius' Dry Goods Store . . Mending of all kinds. . . Valentine Zimmerman, Rochester, Ind., Dec. 5th, 1866.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, December 6, 1866]

CORNELIUS & KRAMP [Rochester, Indiana]

P. J. Kramp of the firm of Cornelius & Kramp poultry and produce company, will enter in business in Chicago and will therefore sever his connection with the above firm. Mr. Cornelius will continue the business and it is rumored that he is negotiating for the purchase of the Geo. Adams corner.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, February 4, 1904]

CORNELL, D. [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Letter From D. Cornell)

CORNELL, OSCAR [Fulton, Indiana]

See McMahan & Becker

FULTON FIRM TO INCORPORATE

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An important business change took place Saturday in Fulton when the McMahan, Becker Hardware firm decided to file articles of incorporation.

The new company will be known as the Fulton Hardware Company and will be incorporated with a capital stock of \$15,000. Two more members will be taken into the firm. They are Oscar Ocrnell, who has had 15 years experience in the business and Claude Studebaker, who formerly owned the business at Fulton.

The present firm has been doing a good business in Fulton and have constructed a store at Twelve Mile, where Mr. Studebaker has been in charge.

The officers of the new concern will be Oscar Cornell, president; Claude Studebaker, Vice President, Charles Becker, Secretary and Treasurer. Mr. McMahan, while retaining in interest in the concern will retire actively, and move on the former Hagen farm, southwest of Rochester.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, January 20, 1913]

CORNELL, WARREN L. [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Letter From Warren Cornell)

See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Second Letter From Warren Cornell)

See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Third Letter From Warren Cornell)

See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Fourth Letter From Warren Cornell)

See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Fifth Letter From Warren Cornell)

CORNELL, WILLIAM

See Fruit and Produce Stands

CORNELL GROCERY [Rochester, Indiana]

GROCERY STORE IS SOLD

J. T. Burns closed a deal whereby Wm. Cornell, of Fulton, became the owner of the Burns grocery store on north Main st. Mr. Cornell has had years of experience in the business. Mr. Burns has not yet decided what he will do in the future.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, July 10, 1916]

CORNELL GROCERY IS SOLD

The Cornell Grocery Co., North Main St., has been sold to Earl ADAMS, a young farmer living near Richland Center, who will take possession next Monday. William Cornell, who has been associated with his father, P. O. Cornell, will leave soon to take charge of a large grocery and meat market in a neighboring city. Mr. Cornell, Sr., with Harold Thrush, will remain in the employment of the new owner. The Cornells bought the store of J. T. Burns a year ago last July.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, November 29, 1917]

NEW GROCERY

P. O. Cornell has leased the room on North Main St., formerly occupied by the Hawkins saloon, and will open a grocery store there at an early date.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, April 8, 1919]

LOGANSPOUT MAN BUYS THE CORNELL GROCERY

Through a business deal consummated Tuesday, the Cornell grocery and fruit market located on the west side of the public square was purchased by Oscar Engles, of Logansport. P. O. Cornell, former owner of the grocery, has not announced his plans for the future.

Mrs. Engles arrived from Logansport early Wednesday morning and took over the operation of this popular store. Both Mr. and Mrs. Engles have had considerable experience in the grocery business in Logansport and they plan to move to this city as soon as they are able to procure a suitable residence, it was stated.

[The News-Sentinel, Wednesday, November 17, 1937]

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CORNELL GROCERY & MARKET [Rochester, Indiana]

CORNELLS PURCHASE HOBBS-WHISMAN STORE

A deal was completed Thursday afternoon whereby P. O. Cornell & Son purchased the Hobbs & Whisman grocery store which is located south of the court house. The new owners took possession at once, the invoice being completed Thursday night.

Cornell and Son will move their stock now in their north end store down to their present location after Saturday night when they will close their old place of business. They will conduct the new grocery along the same policy as followed before. Their delivery system will be continued. In addition to the grocery they will also conduct a butcher shop and sell all fresh and smoked meats.

Mr. Hobbs will return shortly to the oil fields in Kentucky where he has several holdings. Mr. Whisman will also probably go to the same place.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, May 7, 1920]

[Adv] Cornell's Specials . . . P. O. Cornell & Son, Telephone 85, South Side Grocery , We Deliver.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, March 8, 1922]

[Adv] Cornells' Grocery & Market - Saturday Specials . . . Don't forget to order your meats for Sunday dinner - Plenty of choicest cuts of all kinds of meat. We deliver. Phone 85. P. O. Cornell & Son.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, January 19, 1923]

[Adv. - Announcement. I wish to announce to the public that I have purchased the meat department of the Cornell Grocery & Market and will take possession Monday morning, July 9th . . . I will also have a special delivery boy. . . . Jake Karn]

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, July 6, 1923]

P. O. CORNELL SELLS OUT

The Daily Market House Co., a Warsaw concern, completed negotiations for taking over the P. O. Cornell grocery on the south side of the square and will take possession as soon as a man can be found to manage it for them. The purchase of the local store adds another to the already long list of grocery and meat market combinations of the organization. Cornell has not announced his plans for the future.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, October 23, 1923]

NEW OWNERS TAKE OVER CORNELL GROCERY STORE

L. F. Dailey and his son R. M. Dailey, Monday morning took, possession of the Cornell Grocery which they recently purchased. The name of the store was change to "The Dailey Market." The two men own a chain of stores with one each at Peru, Warsaw, North Manchester, Wabash, Auburn, Ind., and Paulding, Ohio. The store will be run along the same line pursued by the local groceries and the firm has taken a long time lease with the intentions of remaining in Rochester. A major portion of their stock will bear the "Dailey" label. Val Poffenbarger will be in charge. L. F. Dailey several years ago was a traveling grocery salesman and made Rochester on his regular route.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, October 29, 1923]

CORNELL SHOE STORE [Rochester, Indiana]

ONSTOTT SHOE STORE IS SOLD TO P. O. CORNELL

Announcement was made today that P. O. Cornell had purchased the shoe store at 822 Main Street of Isaac Onstott and has taken possession of the same and will continue the store in operation.

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Mr. Cornell will be assisted in the operation of the store by his son William Cornell. The purchaser and his son have both been in business in Rochester previously. At one time they operated a grocery and meat market here.

The name of the business firm will be changed from the Onstott Show Store to that of the Cornell Shoe Store.

Isaac Onstott, who has been one of Rochester's pioneer business men stated today he has no immediate plans for the future.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, June 3, 1937]

[Adv] The Dixie Sales & Salvage Co. of Nashville, Tennessee - - - Closing Out Sale of the entire \$5,000 stock & fixtures - - - - CORNELL SHOE STORE, 822 Main Street. - - - - - .

[The News-Sentinel, Wednesday, July 7, 1937]

CORNELL & THRUSH MEAT MARKET [Rochester, Indiana]

CORNELL AND THRUSH BUY MEAT MARKET

Hamlett and Eisenhour Saturday sold their butcher shop on North Main St., to William Cornell and Harold Thrush, who took possession at once. Cornell and Thrush were associated for over a year in the Cornell Grocery Co. in the stand now owned by Earl Adams.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, December 29, 1917]

CORY'S MEAT MARKET [Rochester, Indiana]

Remember Cory's Meat Market has re-opened and is ready to serve the public.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, August 9, 1901]

COSTELLO, JAMES [Wayne Township]

BIOGRAPHY

James Costello, a farmer and ex-soldier, was born in Hamilton, Butler county, Ohio, Nov. 20, 1844. His father, Patrick Costello, was born in county Leitrim, Ireland, March 26, 1807, and died in Fulton county March 23, 1863. Patrick Costello came to America when about eighteen years of age. He first lived in Cleveland, and later was employed in a packing house at Cincinnati. Becoming a railroad and pike road contractor, he grew prosperous, but reverses came upon him, and in 1853 he came to Fulton county and located in Wayne township, where he farmed until his death. At Hamilton, Ohio, Patrick Costello married Ann Guckien, who was also born in county Leitrim, Ireland, May 2, 1809. She died in this county April 16, 1891. She bore her husband the following children: Ann, James. George, Thomas, deceased; Charles, Mary, John W. and Catherine. The parents were members of the Roman Catholic church. James Costello, whose name heads this mention, was reared on the farm, and farming has been his life pursuit. Oct. 3, 1861, he enlisted in company C., Sixteenth United States infantry. He participated in the battles of Shiloh and Stone river, and was then transferred to Company F of the same regiment. This company became a part of company C on account of being broken up in battle. Mr. Costello was in action at Hoover's Gap, then Chickamauga, Mission Ridge, advance on Atlanta and his last engagement was at Jonesborough. Nov. 3, 1864, he was discharged by reason of the expiration of his term of enlistment. His captain, Robert P. Barry, in the discharge, bore testimony to his services, saying that his character was good and that he acted as teamster for the greater part of his enlistment. In 1866 Mr. Costello married Anastatia Hoynes, born in Kilkenny county, Ireland. She bore him the following children: Annie, music teacher; Patrick, farmer and resident of Union township; George, teacher, graduated at Indiana State Normal; Mary, teacher; Martha, teacher; Paul, farmer and Charles. Mrs. Costello died July 1, 1881. The family belongs to the Roman Catholic church, and in politics Mr. Costello has voted with the democratic party. He owns a very fine farm of 220 acres, which he has greatly improved.

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[Elia W. Peattie, *Fulton County History*, National Publishing Co., Chicago 1896, pp. 59-60]

COSTELLO, JOHN W. [Wayne Township]

BIOGRAPHY

John W. Costello, a young and thrifty farmer and stock raiser and dealer, of Wayne township, was born in Butler county, Ohio, June 6, 1852. He is a son of Patrick Costello and a brother of James Costello, who is mentioned elsewhere in this volume. The subject of this sketch was brought up on the farm and given a common school education. At the age of seventeen years he began the battle of life for himself. He began farming on very limited means, but nevertheless he has grown prosperous, and now owns a fine farm of 400 acres. He has dealt in stock to a considerable extent, and in business adventures he has been very successful. He was married to Margaret Maroney Jan. 23, 1883. The marriage has been blessed by the birth of six [sic] children, as follows: Mary Ann, born Feb. 26, 1884; Catherine Ellen, born Aug. 4, 1885; George Martin, born April 13, 1887, and died Nov. 9, 1887; Walter Edward, born Oct. 31, 1888; John William, born Oct. 28, 1890; Patrick Joseph, born March 12, 1893; and Clara Margaret, born Sept. 28, 1895. Mrs. Costello was born April 14, 1859. Mr. and Mrs. Costello and their children are members of the Roman Catholic church and are among the leading families of the community in which they live. Mr. Costello is democratic and is a member of the order of the Knights of the Maccabees.

[Elia W. Peattie, *Fulton County History*, National Publishing Co., Chicago 1896, pp. 60-61]

COTTAGES [Lake Manitou]

See Lake Manitou Cottages\

COTTON & HODGE [Rochester, Indiana]

See Cotton & Phillips

COTTON & PHILLIPS [Rochester, Indiana]

LOCAL NEWS

The livery barn formerly owned by Cotton & Hodge, but which has recently been under the proprietorship of Cotton & Phillips, has again changed hands. Mr. E. E. Clary, the liveryman on Washington street has purchased Mr. Cotton's interest in the business. Mr. Cotton will go to Hartford City to engage in similar business.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, October 26, 1900]

COTTON SEED [Rochester, Indiana]

We have received from the Patent Office a package of cotton seed which we will distribute to our readers. Those who wish to try the experiment of raising cotton in this latitude can have seed by calling at the Sentinel office.

[Rochester *Sentinel*, Saturday, May 17, 1862]

COUNTY PIG CLUB [Fulton County]

See Fulton County 4-H

COURT HOUSE VIEW RESTAURANT [Rochester, Indiana]

Located E side of street, 719 Main.

Wonder what Harry Capp, who operated a restaurant on the south side of the public square back in the gay nineties, would think of today's restaurant take? And then there was R. P. (Nobby) True who served a good farm meal for less than a half-dollar. Who remembers when Marion Fultz

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held forth where the Courthouse View Restaurant is now the Kiwanis headquarters? In the Fultz restaurant a ham sandwich cost a nickle and that was before the day of hamburgers.

[Earle A. Miller, *The News-Sentinel*, Tuesday, October 6, 1959]

COURT SERVICE STATION [Rochester, Indiana]

See Norris Oil Service.

COURTAD & CASS [Rochester, Indiana]

NEWS OF THE DAY

M. Courtad, of this city, and W. P. Cass, of Marion, Ohio, have leased the P. D. Lowe room, north of the court house, formerly occupied by B. Noftsgar, and will install an up to date laundry in the next fifteen or twenty days. To the person giving the best name for the new enterprise will be given free laundry of collars and for six months.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, January 8, 1908]

COURTER, INDIANA [Jefferson Township, Miami County]

NEWS OF THE DAY

The little town of Courter, south of Denver, on the Michigan City & Indianapolis line of the Lake Erie & Western, has been abandoned as a railway station by the company after an existence of over forty years' duration. Time was when this was an important point for the company. The trade gradually passed to other points and the place fell into decay. It now numbers less than one hundred population.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, October 9, 1903]

COURTNEY, CHARLES [Rochester, Indiana]

OPENS STUDIO

Charles Courtney of Logansport has opened a photograph studio in the rooms over the Schultz Bros. Variety Store.

[The News-Sentinel, Wednesday, September 21, 1932]

COWGILL, MARGARET (BRACKETT) [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Rochester, Indiana [Historical Review]

COWGILL & BEARSS [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Bearss, George Russell_____

COWGILL & BEARSS, LUMBER DEALERS

The long continued snow has been very favorable to Lumbermen getting logs to the mill; a larger business is being done now than at any previous season. Messrs. Cowgill & Bearss, Lumber dealers here are doing a large business in buying and shipping. . .

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, January 31, 1867]

COWGILL & CO. [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Brackett, Lyman M.

COWGILL LUMBER CO. [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Downs Sawmill

COX, HENRY [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Letter From Henry Cox)

COZY CORNER CAFE [Fulton, Indiana]

A. Garfield Mills operated the former Cozy Corner Cafe in Fulton for several years.

CRABBS, LESTER [Rochester, Indiana]

PATRIOTIC SONG IS COPYRIGHTED BY LESTER CRABBS

Lester Crabbs, an insurance agent of this city, has received many compliments on a new patriotic song which he composed in its entirety a few weeks ago. The song, which is entitled "Sons of Freedom," has a most pleasing melody. "Sons of Freedom" was first introduced publicly by James Williams at the Berghoff Cafe. It was also featured at the Talma Institute and the Professional Women's club meeting by Kline Reed and at the Legion Auxiliary meeting by Mrs. Bernice Zolman. Mr. Crabbs received a limited course in music while in the Rochester high school and later he played a saxophone in the Rochester band. He has had "Sons of Freedom" copyrighted and may compose additional patriotic numbers. The words of the local composer's song follow:

"SONS OF FREEDOM"

America has called each loyal man
To stand united every day and hour,
And we who know how dearly freedom's won
Do make a vow to break the tyrant's power.
The Sons of Freedom, rise again today
O'er land and sea Old Glory leads the way.
We'll follow through in all the work we do
United for the Red, White and Blue.
The Sons of Freedom take up arms once more
With courage of our fathers gone before.
We'll fight each day the good old Yankee way
To Vic-to-ry for the U. S. A.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, February 17, 1942]

WILL SING OVER RADIO

Mrs. Von Kochenderfer, this city, a member of the Fulton County chorus, Saturday received word that she had successfully passed an audition held last Tuesday at Chicago and is entitled to appear on the Maurice B. Sachs amateur hour, broadcast each Sunday afternoon from five to six o'clock over station WLS, sometime in the near future. Mrs. Kochenderfer is to sing "Sons of Freedom," patriotic song composed by Lester Crabbs, this city.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, March 30, 1942]

LOCAL MAN'S SONG TO BE BROADCAST SATURDAY

"Sons of Freedom," a patriotic war song composed by Lester Crabbs, of this city, will be broadcast from station WLW, Cincinnati, Saturday morning, April 11th at 9 a.m. (CWT) on the "Friendship Corner" program.

The song will be sung by the Boone County Buccaneers, who are all Indiana boys. The program is announced by Cecil Hale, who takes the role of "Editor Smiley," in the "Friendship Corner" weekly feature.

[The News-Sentinel, Wednesday, April 8, 1942]

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CRABILL, HARRISON [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Rochester Boxing Club

See: Rochester Flying Club.

FAA HONORS FLYER CRABILL FOR YEARS OF INSTRUCTION

By Christina M. Seiler

Rochester's Harrison Crabill, a Mentone Flying Club member 40 years and its president 21 years, has been honored by the Federal Aviation Administration for outstanding contribution to aviation safety.

Three others were given FAA awards during the club's 40th anniversary party at its Fulton County Airport hangar, Oct. 22.

John Cash, Rochester, received his Phase 1 wings in the WINGS FAA Pilot Proficiency Award Program, Mari Lynn Border, Bourbon, received her Phase Six wings and Tom Tucker, Mentone, received his Phase 10 wings.

Their awards were planned, Crabill's was not. "I never dreamed of it happening. It was quite a surprise," he said.

With 12,000 pilot hours, nearly 5,600 of them as an instructor, Crabill has a long aviation history in Fulton County.

He learned to fly in the Air Force and flew stateside during World War II. He received his civilian wings on March 11, 1945.

"I've just been at it for so long," he said. "I've been instructing 50 years in December."

Crabill was a member of the Rochester Flying Club, begun in 1949, when interest in a Mentone club began. "I remember very clearly the morning we stood over an old stove and adopted these rules we had from the Rochester club," he said. That was in 1957.

For a while, he instructed for both clubs, but the Rochester Flying Club went by the wayside.

Crabill said his lessons are now limited to command pilots, who need to upgrade their pilot's licenses or pass their biannual check rides. He also flies with pilots who are checking out new airplanes for the first time.

He owns an Aeronca 7AC Champion. "Just a little trainer," he said of the single-engine two-seater.

A recent highlight of his flying career, Crabill said, was flying a vintage World War II B-17 bomber at Lafayette. The plane was airborne for an hour and 10 minutes, all of it pure pilot joy, he said.

Crabill was president of the Mentone Flying Club for 20 years. He moved aside to let younger members have their chance in the club's pilot seat, but was re-elected a year ago. The club has about 100 members, 60 of whom fly.

Besides flying planes, Crabill worked for three or four years at the Fulton County Airport. He also operated a Sapp doughnut franchise for 10 years, worked at Moore Business Forms eight years.

He's made plenty of friends, he said, through his aviation interests. He was honored to see a former Rochester resident, Vince Voleski, receive his U.S. Air Force aircraft assignment at Columbus, Miss., this week. It's the same base where Crabill received his military wings.

Voleski, as a boy of six or seven, lived near the airport and watched the planes come and go. "He came to me at the airport one day. 'You got any aviation books?' he said. He was a sharp boy," Crabill recalled.

Crabill dropped some books at the boy's home that night. Although Voleski and his family moved from Rochester, he said, they've stayed in touch.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, November 7, 1997]

CRABILL & BROOKER [Bruce Lake Station, Indiana]

Judd Crabill and Ed Brooker.

CRABILL & STETSON [Rochester, Indiana]

[Adv] SOUTH END BARBERSHOP, Crabill & Stetson, props. Largest and neatest shop in town. None but skilled workmen employed. Hair cut, 25 cents.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, February 11, 1899]

CRABILL GENERAL STORE [Bruce Lake Station, Indiana]

Located N side of street.

Operated by Harrison and Nettie Crabill.

Harrison bought this store from Guy Smith in 1917 by trading his farm for it. Elmer Smith bought this store from Mrs. Polly before 1900. His brother, Guy Smith, also owned the store before it was purchased by Crabill.

Harrison carried a full line of groceries and hardware along with jewelry, dry goods and clothing. There was a small ice cream parlor at one end of the store, and a large candy and cookie assortment.

Harrison Crabill was appointed postmaster at Bruce Lake Station, on May 10, 1917, and his successor was appointed on May 10, 1935. The postoffice was located in one corner of the store. There was a structure next to the railroad tracks with a bar attached. Harrison would then sort the mail, place it in a bag and hang it on this bar. As the trains passed they would catch the mailbag and throw the in-coming mail from the train at the same time. Harrison would then sort it and place it in the individual mail boxes in the store. Woodson Nelson had a water tower one-fourth mile north of the store to serve the trains. The trains would stop at the station when they had supplies to deliver or when there were shipments to send or for passengers.

There was also a "ware-room" where he kept farm supplies and had his own Delco power plant. Nettie ran a cream station here, and farmers would bring their cream to be tested and their eggs to be sold; they were then picked up by Frank Hendricks for delivery to the creamery.

Upstairs was a large hall complete with a stage where The Grange lodge met, and many forms of entertainment were held.

There was also an apartment upstairs, and this was where Frank and Marie (Crabill) Summers first lived when they came from Whitley County. Whenever anyone came to the community and needed a place to stay, Nettie would give them room and board.

Attached to the store was a seven-room house which had a bedroom, living room, dining room and kitchen downstairs, and three bedrooms upstairs.

Harrison also sold gasoline, the pumps being in front of the store. This store burned in 1932. After the fire Harrison had the store and postoffice in his house south of the original store. Later Bill Price rebuilt a smaller store there, but the post office was removed by that time. Harold and Mildred Nutt (Crabill's daughter) bought the store in 1933. Herb and Chloe Washburn owned and operated the store 1936-41. Woody Nelson owned it 1942-43, then sold it to John Harris on whose farm the store was located. Harris closed the store and returned the land to farm land.

[William Crabill Family, Catherine Crabill Kough, *Fulton Co Folks*, Vol. 2, Willard]

CRAIG, GEORGE F., REV. [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Churches - Methodist Church [Rochester, Indiana]

CRAIG, JOHN [Perry Township, Miami County]

BIOGRAPHY

John Craig is a native of Clark County, Ohio, where he was born May 7, 1822, being the eldest of a family of ten children born to Robert and Fannie (Rogers) Craig, who were both natives of Vermont, the former of Irish descent. Their marriage occurred in Ohio, to which their parents had removed in an early date. Our subject was reared on a farm in his native State and county, and remained at home with his parents until he attained the age of 22 years. He received a limited education in consequence of the poor facilities of those days. January 25, 1843, his marriage with

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Paulie Laybourn was solemnized, and to their union twelve children have been born, of which these four are now living: Benjamin F., who married Clara A. Russell; Jasper, whose wife was Phoebe R. Brausser; Thomas, whose present consort was Fannie Akright, and Ida V. Mr. Craig came to Indiana and Miami County in 1846, and located permanently on the land where he now lives. He has always made farming his occupation, and he has been very successful. He now owns 300 acres of well-improved land. In politics he is a staunch Republican, but has never sought political preferment.

[*History of Miami County, Indiana*, 1887, Brant & Fuller. pp. 727-728]

CRARY, D. H. [Rochester, Indiana]

D. H. CRARY (Biography)

D. H. CRARY, the gentlemanly proprietor of the Brunswick Billiard and Ice Cream Parlors, was born in Hicksville, Ohio, in 1870, and up to two or three years ago has followed the profession of telegraph operator and station agent, having held this position on several prominent lines during his life. In 1889 he was united in marriage to Miss Maggie CHINN, of this city. About the first of this year he returned to Rochester and opened up The Brunswick, a strictly temperance billiard and ice cream parlor where he has four new Brunswick & Balke tables of the latest pattern, and handles the celebrated Reed's ice cream, made in Chicago. Mr. Crary is winning many friends by his gentlemanly and courteous treatment of his patrons.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, September 20, 1895]

CRAWLEY, LILIAN [Rochester, Indiana]

[Adv] BARGAIN SALE OF MILLINERY. Having purchased the millinery store of Miss Wilson I have concluded to sell the goods in stock at prices never before quoted in Rochester. - - -
- LILIAN CRAWLEY.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, September 6, 1895]

CRAVEN, FRED [Rochester, Indiana]

NEWS OF THE DAY

Having decided to seek another location Fred Craven, the north end barber, sold his shop yesterday afternoon to Claude Brubaker, who has been working in the Arlington barber shop about two years. Mr. Craven has been in business at that place for the last ten years, and has always enjoyed a good patronage and it was quite a surprise to many of his friends that he should wish to move away. Mr. Brubaker is a first class barber and will continue to give patrons of the shop the best of treatment as they have always received.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, March 8, 1907]

CRAVEN, N. [Rochester, Indiana]

N. CRAVEN

Wagons, Carriages & Sleighs

The subject of this sketch, [Noah CRAVEN], is well and favorably known to the readers of the *Sentinel*, having occupied his present place of business for the past eight years.

Mr. Craven is one of the oldest manufacturers of vehicles in Fulton county, having been in the business for the past thirty years, and today, the best evidence he can give that his work has been satisfactory, is that persons who began as his customers thirty years ago are his customers today, and they are so well pleased with his work that they never go to other factories for anything in his line. This confidence and continual patronage can be accounted for in a few words: good work,

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honest construction of the same, the best of all kinds of material, fine and artistic finish, and the making of his work good in every transaction.

It is a well known fact that wagons, carriages, sleighs &c that are made from carefully selected stock and put together by competent workmen, are far superior to work made by machinery and put together by boys. Mr. Craven allows nothing but the best of material to be used in the construction of his work, and every piece of wood, iron, or steel is carefully inspected before being placed in the vehicle.

He does all kinds of repairing, repainting, trimming, and all kinds of blacksmithing &c &c., and right here Mr. Craven wishes to say to the readers of the *Sentinel*: "When wanting a good first class hand made buggy, carriage or spring wagon, come to my factory, I will sell it to you from five to ten dollars cheaper than you can buy the same grade of work for in any place in the State. I mean business, and will demonstrate it to anyone who will call." His charges are always low as the lowest. Mr. Craven owns the buildings he occupies and besides being one of the best mechanics, is counted among our most respected citizens.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, February 29, 1888]

CRAVEN & HILL [Rochester, Indiana]

Located - - - -

Firm composed of Noah Craven and John G. Hill

CRAVEN KNITTING [Rochester, Indiana]

Knitting Machine. Mrs. I. Craven is prepared to do machine knitting of all kinds . . . Her residence is two squares west of the National Hotel, on Pontiac street.

[Rochester *Union-Spy*, Thursday, November 26, 1868]

CREAMER & DAVISSON [Rochester, Indiana]

NEW GARAGE TO BE WONDER

A new garage and machine shop, which will be one of the finest in Indiana, will grace the lot north of the Arlington hotel, where the Creamer garage now stands, according to the plans of the firm of Creamer & Davisson, which has just been formed and which will be an incorporated company. The deal, whereby A. C. Davisson of this city acquired a half interest in the business, was made a couple of days ago and since that time the plans for the new building have been announced by Mr. Creamer and approved by Mr. Davisson. The work of tearing down the old building will start Monday and as soon as possible the new structure will be erected. The building, which will be of reinforced concrete or brown brick, yet to be decided upon, will be one story high and will be lighted by a series of skylights, which will cover almost the entire roofing space. The building will cover the entire lot -- 42x170 feet -- and will be divided off into every separate department. The idea of Mr. Creamer, who planned the building, is to have something different than other garages and the first step in this direction was taken when the plan calls for the machine shop to be located in the front. There all of the work will be done and a traveling crane, capable of picking up any sized car, will be used to transport the machines from one part of the shop to another. A driveway in the rear, where storage cars are to be kept, will run the entire length of the building on the north side. Six pits will be employed for the purpose of working under cars being repaired and every other convenience known will be put into practice. A turntable, upon which to turn storage cars, will be stationed in the center of the building and another feature will be the checking out of tools to the employees so that track of them can be accurately kept. Besides this the company will carry the largest line of accessories in this part of the state.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, October 10, 1912]

NEWS OF THE DAY

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The plans for the new Creamer & Davisson garage building, as announced several days ago, have been changed so that the building will be two stories for the first twenty-five feet from the front. This additional room will be used for a vulcanizing department.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, October 12, 1912]

NEW ROCHESTER MACHINE SHOP

The new Rochester Machine Shop building, which was recently completed by Creamer & Davisson, north of the Arlington hotel, is rapidly nearing perfection when it comes to machinery to take care of any and all sorts of work that may be left there. Today a mammoth lathe was installed, which weights more than 9,000 pounds. It is twenty-two feet long and has a thirty-inch swing. Lathes of this size are few in this section and much work can be accomplished on it that would be impossible on the small make.

Ed Creamer, of the firm, will go to South Bend Saturday morning, where he will figure on the making of the parts for a steel step ladder company, which is located in that city. Ray Cunningham, formerly of this city, was instrumental in the selling of the stock for the concern and just recently he purchased the plant and all rights.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, December 27, 1912]

CREDIT BUREAU [Rochester, Indiana]

F. R. BROWN, who is the head of an advertising agency in Rochester, has announced that he will form a Commercial Exchange here in the near future for the benefit of the Fulton county merchants. The exchange will be open to all business firms which wish to join and will keep its members posted on credit ratings of all individuals in the county, publish a bulletin, pass on advertising schemes, and do the general work that a credit bureau usually undertakes.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, October 11, 1923]

CREDIT BUREAU OF FULTON CO., INC. [Rochester, Indiana]

Started in 1958 by William Tribbett (Trib) Biddinger.

Later owned by Charles L. Spohn.

[Peter Biddinger, Biddinger Family, *Fulton Co Folks*, Vol. 2, Willard]

CRESCENT PAPER COMPANY [Indianapolis, Indiana]

SELLS PAINT BUSINESS

A deal was made the latter part of last week in which Marion Young, of this place, who has been manufacturing a brand of roof paint, known as "Young's Elastic Roof Paint" and selling it to the wholesale and retail trade through the central states for more than twenty years, sells his interest to the Crescent Paper Company, of Indianapolis, who will employ Mr. Young to superintend a factory where the paint will be manufactured.

The company was desirous of establishing the factory at Indianapolis but as it can be manufactured here at less expense the factory will be located here. Mr. Young has rented a building near the Lake Erie & Western stockyards and will begin at once to prepare the paint for market. At first the factory will be quite small but it is the hope of the Crescent people to enlarge it until the list of the employed will number about twenty. Mr. Young received a very liberal compensation for his receipt and business the amount being in the thousands and is given a life position in superintending the making of the paint.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, July 13, 1906]

CRIBB, ROBERT [Fulton, Indiana]

See: Fulton Leader

CRIBB ACCEPTS JOB ON INDIANAPOLIS TIMES

Robert Cribb of Fulton, former owner of the Fulton Leader, has accepted a position in the advertising department of the Indianapolis Times, Indianapolis, Ind., and will soon move to that city.

Mr. and Mrs. Cribb have purchased a property in Indianapolis, and recently sold their Fulton residence to Mr. and Mrs. Ed Snaman of this city. Mrs. Snaman is the owner and editor of the Fulton Leader.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, June 1, 1944]

CRIBB BUYS INTEREST IN GAS CITY COMPANY

Robert Cribb, former editor and publisher of the Fulton Leader, has purchased a half interest in the Gas City Publishing Company, Inc., and will be associated with Walter L. Leach, former owner, it was announced today.

Complete reorganization of the Grant county firm with Leach remaining as president, Miss Virginia Weeks, vice-president, Mrs. Robert Cribb, secretary, and Mr. Cribb, treasurer, was made recently in Gas City.

The revamped publishing company publishes the Gas City Journal and Jonesboro Journal, and operates a huge job printing plant. The company is located 10 miles south of Marion in Grant county.

Cribb, publisher of the Fulton Leader, Fulton, for six years, recently sold the newspaper to Mrs. Alice Snaman. Mr. and Mrs. Cribb have purchased a home in Gas City and yesterday moved their household goods to that city.

[The News-Sentinel, Saturday, July 1, 1944]

CRIBBEN DRUG STORE [Rochester, Indiana]

NEWBY DRUG STORE HAS CHANGED HANDS

Charles Cribben of North Manchester has purchased of Marion Carter the drug store at the [NW] corner of Main and Seventh, formerly owned by S. M. Newby, and will take possession soon.

The deal was settled Tuesday afternoon, Mr. Newby trading his store here to Marion Carter for a five and ten cent store at Manchester. Carter then sold the local concern to Cribben. Mr. Newby has been a resident of Rochester for eight years, coming here from Bunker Hill and buying the drug store of Edward Fieser. He will move with his family to North Manchester in several weeks.

Mr. Carter moved to Manchester several months ago after trading one of his properties on Pontiac street for a five and ten cent store. As was announced recently, Mr. Carter with Arthur Freese will start a gas plant at Manchester, having secured a 50 year franchise. Mr. Cribben has had 13 years experience in the drug business. He is a married man with two children. Leo Clemans will remain here with the new owner.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, February 2, 1916]

CRIM, FRANK H. [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Rochester Bands

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FRANK H. CRIM (Biography)

Frank H. CRIM was born in Whitley county 36 years ago. Eighteen years later he came to this county and has ever since resided here. For several years he clerked in a general store but drifted into the music business which he followed for eight years, four of which he was general agent for the Esty & Camp Piano Co. Some time ago he became interested in the Maccabee Order on account of its usefulness as an insurance and fraternal society and took the road as a Tent organizer. As Lieut. Grand commander he has, within the past year, organized fifteen tents with a total membership of four hundred Maccabees. Mr. Crim has a wife and three children, is an active member of the Citizens band and one of the whole-souled fellows of the town.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, September 20, 1895]

CRIM, H. F. [Rochester, Indiana]

[Adv] - - - To Whom it May Concern: We are pleased to say to the trade throughout the State of Indiana, that we have arranged with Mr. H. F. CRIM, who for four years was general traveling agent for Esty & Camp, to act as general agent for us for the State of Indiana - - - PEASE PIANO CO. - - - H. F. CRIM, State Agent, Rochester, Ind.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, January 13, 1893]

[Adv] SECURE HOME WHERE NATURE SMILES. See me at my office over Murphy's Restaurant and join the Rochester club and get a fine Everglade fruit farm, near Miami, Florida - - - H. F. CRIM, Office 530 Main Street.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, March 23, 1910]

CRIM, J. S. [Rochester, Indiana]

J. S. CRIM Standard Oil Agent

This gentleman, [J. S. CRIM], is agent for the Standard Oil Co., a position he has occupied for the past three months. Mr. Crim delivers oil to all parts of the city every morning (Sunday excepted) in a wagon especially adapted for that use and he can sell you oil or gasoline as cheap as it can be bought at the stores and deliver it at your door, a fact our citizens should remember.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, February 29, 1888]

CRIM, JACOB [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Rochester Bands

WHOLESALE CANDY FACTORY

Jacob Crim of this city, is planning to launch a wholesale candy factory in Rochester and at this time has about all the details laid out for the concern. When the plant is first opened he will go about the matter in a cautious way and expects to only handle a couple of brands for which his make is already famous in this locality. He has a wonderful assortment of candy recipes and the worth of them may be known when the Weber candy factory at South Bend offered him \$50 for the right to use one of them. Mr. Crim refused the offer and will make this special brand one of his main makes. The other brand will be his famous butter scotch.

The factory at the start will be located at his home in northwest Rochester and will continue there until he is able to get a suitable down town headquarters. Later he expects to keep a force of workmen busy while he is on the road taking care of the order business.

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[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, May 2, 1912]

CRIM, LOLA [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Rochester Bands

CRIM CANDY STORE, JAKE [Rochester, Indiana]

Located in the Arlington block, E side of Main.

Previously owned by Joe Bonfiglio.

STORE CHANGES HANDS

A deal was closed Friday whereby Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Borden became owners of the Jake Crim fruit and candy shop. The new owners will take charge of the store Monday and they will endeavor to cater to all old customers and many new ones. Mrs. Borden has acted as saleslady in the shop for the past several months and is thoroughly acquainted with the business.

The retiring owner has not decided what he will take up in the future, but he may join his family, who have spent the winter in California.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, March 18, 1911]

CRIM & TIPTON [Rochester, Indiana]

[Adv] PIANOS AND ORGANS of any style or make desired, on reasonable terms and at low prices can be bought of J. C. TIPTON, Successor to CRIM & TIPTON. - - - Salesroom at Wolf's. Piano and Organ repairing a specialty.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, October 23, 1889]

CRIM & WAITE [Rochester, Indiana]

[Adv] ORGANS AT COST! We do not sell organs at cost but we do sell musical instruments of all kinds cheaper than any peddler can afford to because we give the benefit of peddling expenses to our customers. Come to our store in the Arlington Block - - - CRIM & WAITE.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, May 19, 1893]

CRIME [Fulton County]

[NOTE: Also See: Wilson, Benjamin C.]

See:

Bidwell, Benson
Bower, Josiah
Brackett, Charles C.
Burglars, The Gang Bagged
Burns, "Gilly"
Carvey, Peter & John
Cloud & Sons
Daugherty, Almeda
Doller, William C.
Dowling, Beatrice
Floor, Grover

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Hizer, Alfred
Irvin, William
Jameson, Tommy
Jordan, Oliver (finds unknown body)
Kain, Michael
Kewney, Leon
Mann, Charles Howard
Marsh, Marion
Mathias, Lina Culver
McCarter, Mel
McClure, Thomas Jesse
McDaniels, Claude
McGuire, Patrick
McKinney, Maude Ware
Moore, Ike
Musselman, Joseph
Newbraugh, Annie
Overmyer, Michael
Perry, Arnold
Reese, Margaret
Sneary, Dr. George E.
Stair, Henry S.
Stiles, Hudson
Vanderkarr, John D.
Washam, John

CRIBE HOUSE [Rochester Township]

See Crime - Burns, "Gilly"

CRON'S REMBRANDT STUDIO [Rochester, Indiana]

[Adv] Announcing opening of CRON'S REMBRANDT STUDIO, Tuesday, October 4th.
Over N.Y. Candy Kitchen, No. Side Square. Makers Gold Tone Oil Paintings and All Kind High
Class Photos. Sittings Each Tuesday by A. W. CRON, Personally, from 2 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.
[The News-Sentinel, Wednesday, September 28, 1932]

CRONIN, TIMOTHY J. [Lake Manitou]

T. J. CRONIN TO OPEN PACKAGE LIQUOR STORE

Ike Onstott, owner of the store room which formerly was occupied by the Vernon Market, 822 Main street, this city, announced today that he had leased the room to Timothy J. Cronin, of Lake Manitou, for the purpose of operating a package liquor store.

Mr. Cronin has been a resident of Lake Manitou for the past four years and is the owner of several cottages on the south shore of the lake. At the present time he is employed as a salesman for the Kiefer-Stewart Drug Company, of Indianapolis.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, August 12, 1941]

CROSBY, W. S., DR. [Rochester, Indiana]

Dr. W. S. Crosby, Homeopathic Physician. Office in Long block, lately occupied by Dr. J. W. Irons.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, June 4, 1897]

NEWS OF THE DAY

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Dr. Crosby has moved his office to the room lately occupied by Dr. M. Wilson in the Fieser building.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, March 17, 1906]

CROSH & BECK BROTHERS [Rochester, Indiana]

Improved Native Cook Stove, Two Sizes . . . Crosh & Beck Brothers, Sign of the Big Padlock, Rochester, Indiana. Oct. 28, 1868.

[Rochester Union Spy, Thursday, November 19, 1868]

CROWDER, RICHARD [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Churches - Methodist Church [Rochester, Indiana]

CROWEL

See: Clay & Crowel

CROWN MILLS [Rochester, Indiana]

THE CROWN MILLS

Ditmire & Edwards, Prop'rs.

We Americans, as a people, are proud of our country, proud of our commerce, but prouder still of our manufacturers - for have we not risen above our neighbors in the production of almost everything?

Much that we were dependent upon the old world for a few years ago we now manufacture here, and to such perfection have we brought the manufacture of certain articles, that we can safely enter our goods side by side with those of the most celebrated manufactures of Europe. In many lines of goods the American productions are placed in connection with the best foreign makes, have successfully won the prize. And so it is with the manufacture of flour: America stands at the head, successfully outdoing all competitors.

Rochester has long felt the need of a thoroughly first-class, modernly equipped flouring mill, a mill that is capable of successfully competing with our surrounding cities in the manufacture of "breadstuff." With this end in view the gentlemen whose names appear at the caption of this article, have already contracted, and have in the course of erection "what is to be" one of the most complete flouring mills in the State of Indiana. Messrs. DITMIRE & EDWARDS will receive some little aid from our citizens in erecting these mills, but the principle part of the expense will be borne by themselves.

The CROWN MILLS will be located near the Lake Erie and Western Ry depot, and a side track will be put in for the convenience of loading cars with its products. The mill proper will be a frame three story and basement building 35x40 feet, the engine house will be built of brick and the entire structure will be covered with an iron roof. The Crown Mills will be equipped with all the new and improved machinery known to the trade from the rollers down to the dust collectors. The system to be used in this mill is known as the Hungarian system, and is manufactured by The Nordyke and Marmon Co., Indianapolis, Indiana. These are the best rolls made; they possess all the latest improvements and are automatic in their working, and are acknowledged as the most perfect at the present day. This mill will be the only mill in this city using this system, and the flour produced will stand without a successful rival. The capacity of the Crown Mills will be 60 barrels every 24 hours, and it will be the aim of its proprietors to start the mill Monday mornings at 6 o'clock and not stop until 7 o'clock the following Saturday night.

The power will be furnished by a fine Automatic Atlas Engine which will be in charge of Emanuel DITMIRE, a thorough engineer, thereby insuring a uniform speed which is very essential in the manufacture of flour.

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The mills will be under the supervision of Mr. J. S. CHAPIN, as head miller being a practical miller of large experience whose thorough knowledge of the business will add largely to their popularity.

Messrs. Ditmire & Edwards will manufacture several grades of flour and will guarantee every pound. They will also turn out large lots of graham flour, fine and coarse corn meal, shorts, bran, chopped feed, &c. They will make a specialty of exchange with farmers, and will give as many pounds of flour in exchange for each bushel of wheat as any mill in the county. Another feature we wish to make the farmers acquainted with in regard to this mill is all wheat stored at their mill for grist purposes will be insured against fire, "gratis" to the farmer, which is an item worth looking after.

The proprietors, Mr. B. F. DITMIRE and J. D. EDWARDS are both young and vigorous men, they are endowed with lots of energy, goaheaditiveness, and conservation. They are both well and favorably known, having been raised in Fulton county and need no further comments at our hands.

The weather proving favorable Messrs. Ditmire & Edwards will have their mills ready to start by the first of June, 1888. Rochester looks upon this enterprise as a valuable acquisition to her manufacturing interests and wishes its proprietors the success that they so richly deserve.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, February 29, 1888]

CROWNOVER BROS. & ENOCH [Rochester, Indiana]

[Adv] Paige, the most beautiful car in America. - - - Page-Detroit Motor Car Company, Detroit, Michigan. CROWNOVER BROS. & ENOCH, Rochester, Ind. Phone 313.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, June 2, 1917]

CROWNOVER MUSIC COMPANY [Rochester, Indiana]

[Adv] . . . We have a complete line of Victor, Edison and Brunswick phonographs and records. See, hear, and compare these instruments side by side. Then choose the one you want for your home. Stock of 3,000 records to choose from . . . Wholesalers, Retailers, Importers - Crownover Music Company - Phone 13, Rochester, Indiana.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, February 6, 1922]

SENTINEL BUILDING, BEING REMODELED, IS LEASED

The building formerly occupied by the Sentinel, owned by Henry A. Barnhart, which is being remodeled into modern business and office rooms, has been leased, it was learned Tuesday.

The Indiana Road Paving company, which has had the front room upstairs, has leased the entire upper floor for its offices, while the Crownover Music Company has leased the lower floor, to take possession when the work of remodeling is completed probably a month hence.

The rear part of the lower floor will be converted into an attractive studio, entered by French doors.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, April 14, 1925]

CROWNOVER'S [Rochester, Indiana]

[Adv] DIAMONDS For Christmas. Pay only 50 cents per week on Anything. - - - The newest Watches - - - - CROWNOVER'S, Rochester, Indiana.

[The News-Sentinel, Wednesday, November 18, 1936]

TO OPEN JEWELRY STORE IN NORTH MANCHESTER

LeRoy Crownover and Tribbett Biddinger, of the Crownover Jewelry store, this city, are opening up a new jewelry store in North Manchester next week. The new business will be located in the main business section of the city and will be under the management of an experienced jewelry man, S. W. Thompson, of Anderson.

[The News-Sentinel, Wednesday, June 13, 1945]

CRUM, EMMETT [Rochester, Indiana]

NEWS OF THE DAY

Emmett Crum of this city, who has been employed at Peru for the past year, has purchased Will Cook's shoe shining outfit at the Arlington barber shop. Mr. Crum will return to this city this week and take charge of his business.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, September 18, 1910]

CRYSTAL DAIRY [Rochester, Indiana]

See Beyer Bros.

CUDAHY PIPE LINE [Fulton County]

LOCAL NEWS

The Standard Oil Company has a force of eighty men and a dozen teams taking up the Cudahy Pipe line which runs across this county. The pipe lifters are in the vicinity of Leiters Ford today and are taking up the pipe at the rate of a mile per day. The men board and sleep in tents.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, May 17, 1901]

LOCAL NEWS

Sam Wenger and Charlie Wines, who have been working on the Cudahy pipe line this past two months, returned home today. They finished their work near LaGrange [sic], Wabash county.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, July 11, 1901]

CUFFEL FURNITURE STORE AND UNDERTAKING [Akron, Indiana]

Charles Moyer of Wabash has purchased a half interest in the Cuffel Furniture store and undertaking parlor in Akron. Mr. Moyer who is a licensed undertaker has purchased a house on Main street in Akron.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Thursday, August 12, 1926]

CULP, CHARLES [Rochester, Indiana]

OPENS BARBER SHOP

Charles Culp, an experienced barber, has opened a shop at 430 North Main Street. Mr. Culp moved here from Drumwright, Okla.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, July 3, 1933]

CULTURAL QUADRANGLE [Rochester, Indiana]

CONSIDER NOW ROCHESTER'S CULTURAL QUADRANGLE

Considered Comment

Jack K. Overmyer

Emerging from the east entrance to the Fulton County Library not long ago, I stopped to consider the surroundings. It occurred to me that I was in the midst of a four-sided rectangle that has been decisively influential upon the civilized development of this place we call Rochester, a continuing evolution that's been underway for 170 years.

One might call it our Cultural Quadrangle. It's the area west of Main Street, from Jefferson to Pontiac Streets, between Sixth and Seventh Streets.

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The first whites showed up around here in 1827 and Rochester was platted and founded as a village in 1836. By the middle years of the 19th century our citizens largely had put raw frontier beginnings behind them. Intensely proud of their democratic society, they began to solidify and expand institutions of culture.

So it was that Rochester in 1853 formed itself into a town and elected trustees to oversee its growth. The Quadrangle already had begun to form and the trustees decided to encourage its cultural importance. They set aside two "commons" areas for public use. Each was a quarter block in size on the east side of Pontiac at Seventh Street, the South Commons south of Seventh, the North Commons north of it.

One of Rochester's early churches already had staked out a Quadrangle site that established the area's religious stature. The Presbyterians erected the first of their buildings at Sixth and Jefferson in 1844. Then in 1875 came the Methodists to their present location at Seventh and Jefferson, a site the Odd Fellows Lodge had occupied for 25 years. Later on the St. Paul Evangelical United Brethren Church occupied a Sixth and Pontiac building, now long gone.

Also on the Quadrangle was the Rochester Tabernacle. It appeared about 1906 on the South Commons at Seventh and Pontiac, lasting but a few years. All the Rochester churches sponsored its erection for nightly summer revival services. It was sprawling, windowless and wooden, with a gabled pulpit area, sawdust floor and wooden-bench seating.

No less important than religion to the strength of Rochester Culture, though, was the development of public education. Here the Quadrangle was dominant for over a century. Our first free school was held in 1852 in the Odd Fellows Hall, today's Grace Methodist church site. The first public school was built 10 years after, 1862, at the southeast corner of Sixth and Pontiac, where St. Paul's Church later appeared. The first RHS senior class was graduated from this school in 1878. It burned down in 1888, just in time to be replaced by the new Central School across the street at today's Arboretum site.

Central became a Rochester fixture for 77 years, first as an elementary and high school combined. It became known as North School in 1893, later as Lincoln. Continuing as the high school until 1913, it remained an elementary school until 1957 and finally was demolished in 1966.

The Joint High School, built by Rochester city and township, came along in 1913 on the North Commons, which had been a public baseball field. It continued at Pontiac and Seventh for 52 years, until the present high school was occupied in 1965. The old high school became a junior high until abandoned in 1975.

An adjunct to the old high school was Whitmer Gym, built in 1922 at Fulton and Sixth just off the Quadrangle. It lasted for 43 years.

Consideration of the Quadrangle's importance to the city must also include Woodlawn Hospital, which originated at Pontiac and Seventh Streets in 1905. Dr. Winfield Scott Shafer converted the home of Judge Sidney Keith, deriving the hospital's name from its surrounding wide lawn and fall trees. Modifications were made to the original building for more than 70 years until the site was abandoned for the new hospital in 1978.

Although the city's educational and medical requirements have outgrown the severe geographic limits of the Quadrangle, it still is a pulse of the community. Presbyterians and Methodists continue to worship and to contribute to community life at their usual places. Woodlawn Hospital's original site was occupied in 1984 by another important asset, the greatly expanded, more comprehensive county library.

East of the library, at the onetime high school location, there now is the Community Resource Center. It is another kind of commons, if you will, that serves the public needs of Rochester's senior citizens. And where Central School and Whitmer Gym once stood is a serene place of nature, a refuge for reflection and remembrance - the library's Arboretum.

Having earned its place as a precious Rochester asset, the Quadrangle will not fall from favor. It has earned the right.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, December 29, 1998]

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CULVER, INDIANA [Marshall County, Indiana]

\$12,000 FIRE AT CULVER

A \$12,000 fire occurred at Culver, at 9:30 o'clock this morning, consuming the Colonade hotel and contents, owned by Hers & Co., the Beeber saloon, and the Keller barber shop. The fire is supposed to have been started by an incendiary.

The Beeber saloon was under the management of Dan Emmons, of Rochester. The greatest loss is on the Colonade, which was the largest and most elegantly furnished hotel on the lake. The saloon and restaurant were partially covered by insurance.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, April 21, 1900]

CULVER

Culver Citizen.

Capt. Cook, of Culver, who owns both of the large steamers on Lake Maxinkuckee has just finished building a floating, two story, dancing pavilion which was set afloat Sunday for the first time.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, July 3, 1905]

LOCAL NEWS

The Culver school authorities have agreed to erect a new \$16,000 school building and a resident of that city will loan all the money for the new building to the school board.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, June 1, 1906]

CULVER

Culver Citizen.

The enterprising residents of Culver are making an attempt to secure a water works system for the place.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, July 20, 1906]

CULVER

Culver Citizen.

Mr. Bryan will stop in Culver ten minutes on Wednesday at 1:10 o'clock. He will doubtless give a brief talk from his car. His son, William Jennings Bryan, Jr., who is a cadet at the academy, will join him here and accompany him to Plymouth.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, October 19, 1906]

CULVER

Culver Citizen.

S. E. Medbourn will again engage in the ice business in Culver. Material has been ordered for a building 140x120, 40 feet high, to be located a short distance south of grain elevator. The plant will cost \$11,000. Ice will be floated from the lake through a canal under the railroad track.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, December 14, 1906]

NEWS OF THE DAY

Steps are being taken by the Vandalia railroad company to erect one of the finest hotels in this part of the state. It is to occupy the present site of the Lake View and is to contain 150 rooms.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, January 12, 1906]

CULVER

Culver Citizen.

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The Medbourn ice house was filled on Monday and the entire force is hustling to fill the long string of cars that is hauled in every morning. On Tuesday 34 cars were loaded and sent out, and on yesterday 40 were filled. Medbourn has an open order for 50 cars a day as long as the ice lasts.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, February 16, 1907]

CULVER

Culver Citizen.

A. L. Warner has commenced work on his contract for excavating for the Osborn hotel. It will take about twenty days.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, March 22, 1907]

CULVER

Culver Citizen.

The siding of Culver's big new hotel, the Osborn House, has reached the roof. The building is three stories in height.

Dr. Kincaid, of the Pile sanitarium, of Martinsville, has located at Maxinkuckee to open a branch of that large and well known institution. He has taken one of the Capron cottages for that purpose and when its capacity is exceeded will find accommodations for his patients at Rector's hotel.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, July 12, 1907]

CULVER

Culver Citizen.

George Nearpass, the founder of Culver's first paper, the Herald, has sold the Shipshewana Sun and has gone to Croton, Ohio, where he has started the Croton Citizen.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, October 25, 1907]

NEWS OF THE DAY

Twenty-six cars of ice from Culver were handled through Logansport over the Vandalia Saturday night about 12 o'clock enroute to Frankfort. The train was double headed out of there. This is the first large shipment of ice since last winter.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, February 4, 1908]

CULVER

Culver Citizen.

The Medbourn ice gang is averaging about 1350 tons a day. The three rooms of the house are full, and a good start has been made on the new room which is under construction. Three or four days more will complete the work and the loading of cars will be taken up.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, February 7, 1908]

CULVER

Culver Citizen.

The Maxinkuckee Lake Ice Co., Reamer & Hollingsworth, of South Bend, proprietors, sold its property in Culver Thursday to J. O. Ferrier of this place for \$24,000.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, May 22, 1908]

CULVER

Culver Citizen.

Lightning struck the belfry of the Church of God about 2 o'clock Sunday morning, setting fire to the building and entirely consuming it. The town people quickly gathered and went

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energetically to work to remove the contents. The fire burned with sufficient slowness to enable them to remove the seats, carpets, organ, lamps, chairs and pulpit.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, June 26, 1908]

CULVER

Culver Citizen.

G. R. Howard has disposed of his bakery business to Daniel R. Wolf of Syracuse, who takes possession today. Mr. Howard will hereafter devote his time to his ice craam business.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, December 18, 1908]

CULVER

Culver Citizen

J. O. Ferrier's purchase of the old assembly grounds on the west shore less than two years ago has proved the wisdom of the buyer. He has sold enough lots to pay for the land and has 60 lots remaining which he says he can sell outright any day for \$6,000.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, January 15, 1909]

CULVER

Culver Citizen.

J. H. Koontz has now in successful operation a vacuum cleaner which apparently possesses all the elements of a fortune maker. The demonstrating machine was made in Young's machine shop under Mr. Koontz's personal supervision and is perfected in every detail.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, April 16, 1909]

CULVER

Culver Citizen.

The Water company has purchased meters and will install them on every connection in town.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, August 6, 1909]

NEWS OF THE DAY

There are now 137 water takers listed on the Culver city water company's books. The number slowly but surely increases and the company is paying 4 per cent interest on its preferred stock and keeping up its current expenses. Unless some unusual expense is incurred this year it is probable that a dividend on the common stock will be declared.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, February 2, 1911]

RAY HARROUN AT LAKE

Culver Citizen.

Ray Harroun, accompanied by his mechanic, is here with his hydro-aeroplane and today will do some experimental work, both in the morning and afternoon. Mr. Harroun has had experience in air flying, but this is his first attempt to make flights from the surface of the water. His machine is a monoplane of the Bleriot type, fitted with pontoons for resting on the surface of the water. Observers at any point around the lake can see all the work of the aviator.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, August 25, 1911]

SHORT NEWS

Culver Citizen.

The ice gathering season on Lake Maxinkuckee closed on Tuesday with the loading of the last string of cars consigned to the Clover Leaf railroad. Both houses are full, the 12 rooms containing something like 20,000 tons. Most of this has already been engaged for delivery next summer. About 300 cars have also been loaded and shipped.

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[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, February 22, 1913]

CULVER

The town council at its meeting Monday night granted a franchise to C. D. Snowberger of Plymouth, for the use of the streets for electric lines, and signed a ten year contract for street and private lighting.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday March 24, 1913]

CULVER

The proposed rate of 25 cents a month on the party lines of the Central Union to take effect April 1st, prompted a call for a meeting of the Commercial club on Thursday night. Notwithstanding a thunder storm early in the evening, at least 40 citizens and farmers gathered at the town hall. Nearly everybody was full of the subject and the discussion took the form of an indignation meeting in which the shortcomings of the company's service were ventilated in outspoken terms.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday March 24, 1913]

LIGHTS FOR CULVER

Plymouth Electric Light and Power Co. has, since its rehabilitation as a state utility, been able to sell the bonds necessary to provide the means for extending its operations, and Culver, as a result, will be supplied with current during the next few months. The splendid work on the line to Walkerton and North Liberty is now in progress, and as soon as this is completed the line to Culver will be built.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, December 20, 1913]

BUYS CULVER GROCERY

Claude Studebaker, who for many years operated a grocery and general store at Fulton and who later was the local representative for the A. H. Perfect Co., of Huntington, has purchased the Home Grocery at Culver of A. W. Zechiel. Mr. Zechiel purchased the grocery last spring of Medbourne and McLane, but because of ill health was forced to sell. Mr. Studebaker has taken possession and will move his family to Culver within the next few days.

[The News-Sentinel, Friday, October 16, 1925]

PAT McMAHAN BUYS GROCERY AT CULVER

C. M. Studebaker, formerly of Rochester, has sold the Zechiel grocery at Culver to Pat McMahan, who now is in charge of it.

Mr. Studebaker has accepted a position as bookkeeper with the Thomas J. Dye Lumber company of Kokomo and will move there this week.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, October 19, 1925]

CULVER DEDICATES NEW MASONIC LODGE ROOM

Culver, Jan. 25. - Culver Masons dedicated their new and very fine lodge quarters Friday night, making the grandest milestone in their career. The event was preceded by a big banquet at the Methodist church parlors served by the ladies of the Eastern Star to a hundred local and visiting Masons. Following this the dedication ceremonies were carried out at the new hall. The Culver Masons now have most commodious and elegant quarters in the new bank building of the State Exchange bank, one of the finest bank buildings in this section of the state. They occupy the entire rear portion of the second floor, and here have had made to their special accommodations a large lodge hall, a fine social room for recreation and visiting, etc., and a kitchen from where meals can be served. An entrance lobby or coat room is also a part of the elegant quarters.

Present at the big affair were Grand master of Indiana F. & A. M. Albert W. Funkhouser of Evansville and Grand Secretary, Wm. H. Swintz of South Bend.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, January 25, 1926]

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GOSSIP CREATES MUCH EXCITEMENT AT CULVER

Great excitement was created in Culver and the vicinity, Wednesday and Thursday by gossip and rumors which were passed from mouth to mouth without anyone seeming to know where they came from or by what authority they were started.

First rumors indicated that a race riot was on but persons passing the rumors on were unable to tell from whence they obtained their information and the rumor was soon discredited by citizens of Culver.

The rumors spread with such rapidity the Chicago Herald and Examiner got word of it and sent a special correspondent to investigate the matter.

According to all information that could be gathered it was mostly idle gossip and parties, said to have been implicated in the matter, were innocent of all the charges which rumor sought to fasten upon them.

[The News-Sentinel, Saturday, May 15, 1926]

NEW BAKERY

A new bakery has been added during the last week to the list of business concerns in Culver. W. Bergmann and J. Andresen, both of Chicago, are the proprietors of the Lake View Bakery, which is located in the business building on Lake Shore Drive formerly owned by Chas. Schweidler. Both men are experienced bakers and come to Culver with a long time experience record behind them.

[The News-Sentinel, Friday, July 9, 1926]

CULVER STORE CLOSED

The Culver Dry Goods Store, one of the leading mercantile establishments of that city for many years, will on next Saturday night close its doors, the proprietor M. E. Leavitt has announced. All goods remaining on the shelves will be moved to Bridgeport, Illinois.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, September 22, 1927]

LAKE MAXINKUCKEE WILL HAVE NEW SUMMER HOTEL

A transaction was completed last Saturday whereby E. R. Culver and B. B. Culver purchased the buildings and property known as the Palmer House of J. P. Walter. The Culvers then announced that they would erect a new and modern hotel that would equal any resort hotel in Indiana. It is estimated unofficially that this will require an expenditure of between a quarter to half a million dollars.

The transaction is not that of the Culver Military academy but is a private investment of E. R. and B. B. Culver. These men feel that Lake Maxinkuckee should have hotel accommodations that are in keeping with the beauty of the lake and would attract the desirable class for which this lake is noted. While no definite plans have been announced for the new structure, it is safe to assume that no expense will be spared to make it known thruout the United States and make Lake Maxinkuckee a mecca for resorters and vacationists.

Start Next Spring

No improvement will be started until next spring as C. A. Shorb and Son have a lease that will not expire until the end of the year. Then it will be necessary to wait for suitable weather. It is probable that it will take a year to eighteen months to complete the structure. The deal Saturday night included 252 feet of lake front, and land where the garage help quarters, and boat houses are located.

This announcement is regarded as the most important and significant to the Culver community since the school was founded. It makes a host of other meetings, which officers desire to hold them out of noise and confusion of a large city. The possibilities thus opened are unlimited.

The building of this structure will aid the smaller and less expensive hotels at Culver also as more people will be attracted to the lake and will seek places with lower rates than the new hotel will charge.

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It will probably be some time before plans for the new building are completed as Messrs Culver intend to visit the leading hostelrys and vacation centers of the nation and profit by their examples. And in the meantime it can be assured that the building and grounds will be constructed in the typical complete and thoro manner of the Culver family, which marks all their undertakings.

[The News-Sentinel, Saturday, June 20, 1928]

[NOTE: Also see Hotels - Lake View Hotel]

CULVER TO HAVE AIRPORT BACKED BY NORMAN PERRY

Culver to have an air port! Norman Perry, of Indianapolis and owner of the finest "cottage" on Lake Maxinkuckee, has leased 80 acres of land from W. O. Osborn to be used for this purpose. The transaction is in the form of a five-year lease with option to buy.

Mr. Perry wanted a location on which he could land his planes when flying up to his summer home and a thorough survey of this vicinity revealed that there are but a few places free from trees, telephone and electric wires, hills, and rocks. The distance was also considered and the Osborn tract selected as the best. This land is all clear now and gives a half mile run east and west, and a width of one-fourth of a mile.

Twenty acres of the field have been seeded and the balance is now covered with sod. The entire tract is to be rolled. An expert aviator has been here to assist in planning the field and declares that this location offers a better air port than that of Indianapolis.

Arrangements have been made, it is understood, for guests of the Culver Military Academy to use this landing field also. Being but a mile from town and a short distance to the new cement-paved Road 10, which goes past the academy, the port will be very convenient for all possible users. Through courtesy of Mr. Perry other planes will be allowed to use the field also.

[The News-Sentinel, Saturday, October 13, 1928]

REAL ESTATE CO. FORMED TO PROMOTE CULVER LOTS

Indianapolis, Nov. 26. - (By I.N.S.) - A number of residents on the east bank of Lake Maxinkuckee in Union township, Marshall county, incorporated the East Shore Lane Neighborhood Ass'n. here today for the purpose of subdividing and selling real estate and owning and operating playgrounds and parks.

The organization is not for pecuniary profits and no capital stock was listed. The main office will be maintained at Culver.

The board of directors was given as Harvey Shafer of Culver, William Baker of Chicago, Grace P. Johnson, of Indianapolis, Herbert H. Rice, of Detroit, Michigan and Paul H. Davis, of Chicago.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, November 27, 1928]

CULVER CAFE SOLD

T. E. Houghton of Plymouth, has purchased the Hayes restaurant near the Pennsylvania depot at Culver. Mr. Houghton is the owner of two cafes in Plymouth. He intends to modernize the Hayes restaurant.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, April 25, 1929]

CULVER GYM TO BE READY FOR THE PLYMOUTH GAME

Culver, Ind., Nov. 30. - One more week of good weather will make it a certainty that the new township gymnasium will be ready for the dedication game with Plymouth on Dec. 17.

The sheeting on the roof has been completed and with enough more good weather to complete the housing in, the workers will be able to do enough of the interior work to make the gym useable, although not complete, of course.

When completed the gymnasium will be the best in Marshall county and among the best of any in the state for a town the size of Culver. It will accommodate a crowd of 1,400 people with a good view of the floor from all seats.

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[The News-Sentinel, Saturday, November 30, 1929]

CULVER PURCHASES NEW COMMUNITY FIRE TRUCK

Culver, Ind., Jan. 20 - Sufficient funds have been received to allow H. G. Shafer and Roy Swigart, trustees of the community fire truck and to close the deal for the actual purchase of the truck. The contract was awarded to the General Fire Truck Co., of St. Louis, after a thorough investigation of all of the bids submitted.

The truck is known as the "Monarch" model and develops 30 horse-power. It has a speed of 60 miles on the open road. A detailed description of the truck will be given at a later date when an actual picture of the new truck will be printed.

Delivery is to be made in 90 days at which time the State Board of Underwriters will conduct a test for efficiency and the local trustees reserve the right to conduct a thorough test of their own before accepting the truck.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, January 20, 1930]

AGENCY IS SOLD

The Chevrolet agency at Culver, which has been operated there for a number of years by George Fee, has been sold to Joe Schweidler.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, October 23, 1930]

PALMER HOUSE SOLD

The Palmer Hotel, one of the landmarks of Lake Maxinkuckee, after January 1, 1931, when the present lease expires will be taken over by the Culver Hotel Operating Company. There will be no structural changes but the rooms will be made more comfortable.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, December 1, 1930]

CULVER TO HAVE NEW \$70,000 POSTOFFICE

Postmaster Clyde L Shively at Culver received the following telegram from Congressman Andrew J. Hickey this morning.

Washington, D.C., March 2, 1931. Have authorized and recommendation for \$70,000 for federal building at Culver. A. J. Hickey.

This puts Culver definitely in the list of Indiana cities to receive new postoffice buildings under the big appropriations for new buildings in many parts of the nation.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, March 2, 1931]

HAYS DANCE PAVILION IS DESTROYED BY FIRE

The Hays dance pavilion and restaurant situated just across the street from the Vandalia depot at Culver was entirely destroyed by fire at 2 o'clock this morning causing a loss estimated at \$10,000. No insurance was carried. The Hays establishment has been closed since last fall. The cause of the fire is unknown. A grocery store and a soft drink parlor located at each side of the Hays place were damaged by the fire. Insurance was carried on both of these places of business.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, December 8, 1931]

KNEW BEN HUR AUTHOR

The story "Ben Hur" now being shown at the Char-Bell Theatre was written by General Lew Wallace while he was on fishing trips at Lake Maxinkuckee according to Mrs. Laura Babcock, of this city [Rochester]. Mrs. Babcock stated that General Wallace wrote the story 57 or 58 years ago while staying at the Allegheny house, Lake Maxinkuckee, owned by Peter Spangler, father of Mrs. Babcock. Mrs. Babcock's brother, George Spangler, of Culver, has a Mexican dollar in his possession which was given him by Mr. Wallace during one of his frequent trips to the lake.

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[The News-Sentinel, Saturday, February 6, 1932]

LARGE ICE HOUSE BURNS AT LAKE MAXINKUCKEE

A large ice house at the southwest end of Lake Maxinkuckee owned by the Lake Maxinkuckee Ice Company, burned to the ground at 1 o'clock this morning. The amount of the loss has not been determined. It is thought the fire was started by bums who were using the ice house to sleep in. The ice house which was a frame construction had both been used for two years. [sic]

[The News-Sentinel, Saturday, February 20, 1932]

SITE SELECTED

Culver's new \$62,000 postoffice will be located on the southeast corner of Jefferson and Ohio streets, which is known as the Mary Walker corner, the government announced yesterday. Fourteen sites had been offered to the postal department.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, August 16, 1934]

CULVER DEEDED AIRPORT GROUND BY THE ACADEMY

The Culver Town Board has accepted a deed from the Culver Educational Foundation of the land used for the airport, it was announced by the board after their recent meeting, and a project has been filed to complete the landing field.

The transaction was prompted by a ruling by federal authorities that no FERA projects would be approved on property of private institutions. The officials indicated that they looked with favor on the completion of the airport, but that the land must be owned by a municipality.

After accepting the deed with certain requirements for maintenance, the town dads signed a request for a federal project that will complete the airport and make it available to summer residents of Lake Maxinkuckee, visitors to the Academy and the general public.

It has been stated that one of the major airlines has agreed to stop its transport planes on the local field upon request when the airport is completed.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, February 20, 1936]

BAKERY IS CLOSED

The Culver Bakery, at Culver, managed by Verle McFeely, went out of business Saturday night after being in operation for the past few months.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, October 7, 1937]

HOESEL SELLS SHOW

Everett Hoesel this week sold the Palm Theatre in Culver to Seto Eaton of Elwood, Pa., who has taken possession. Mr. Hoesel, who was reared in Aubbeenaubbee township, has operated the theatre for the past four years. He will conduct an insurance agency in Culver.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, March 16, 1939]

EVERT HOESEL SELLS THEATRE AT CULVER

Culver, May 16. - The sale of the Palms Theatre by Evert Hoesel to Culver Theatres, Inc., has been verified by A. A. Henkel, of Chicago. The new owners operate several other theatres in the state, it is understood. Mr. Hoesel who formerly lived at Leiters Ford, had owned the theatre for several years, and for over a year had leased it to Mr. Henton, who will continue to act as manager for the new owners for a time.

Extensive remodeling will be started within a short time, and will include a new marquee, new front, ladies' and mens' restrooms, redecorate the interior, new carpets, lighting fixtures and

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structural changes to be made in keeping with high class theatres. Air conditioning will be installed, and all seats remodeled. The contract for the remodeling has been let to a firm that has had considerable experience in theatre work.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, May 16, 1940]

NAMED STATION MANAGER

Byron Studebaker, son of Councilman Claude Studebaker and Mrs. Studebaker, has been named manager of the Gulf Oil Company filling station in Culver. He assumed his new position yesterday, but has been employed by the company for the past six months.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, October 17, 1940]

CULVER-ARGOS BANK PURCHASES NEW STOCK

Plymouth, Ind., Feb. 11. - The stockholders of the State Exchange Bank of Culver and Argos, Indiana, have contracted to purchase all of the stock of the Farmers State Bank of LaPaz, Indiana, which institution will be operated under the supervision of the present officers and directors of The State Exchange Bank of Culver and Argos. The Farmers State Bank of LaPaz, will be in charge of W. L. Johnson, the present cashier.

The culmination of this sale is the result of many years of friendly relationship which have existed between the LaPaz and Culver-Argos banks, all of which, in the opinion of the directors of both institutions, will increase the services which the LaPaz bank will be able to render to its many customers.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, February 11, 1943]

CULVER OBSERVED 100TH ANNIVERSARY THURSDAY

Culver, Ind., June 9. - Thursday the town of Culver was 100 years old, but due to war conditions no extensive celebration of the date was made.

Culver, originally known as Union Town, was laid out and organized June 8, 1844, by Bayless L. Dickson, who owned a farm bordering Lake Maxinkuckee. His log cabin was the only dwelling in the new town. In 1851 the town was resurveyed and the name was changed to Marmont in honor of a French general of that name. At this time the town had grown until there were eight streets - Jefferson, Madison, Cass, Scott, Washington, Lake, Plymouth and Main. The location of these streets gives an idea of the original part of the present town.

On Oct. 4, 1895, the board of commissioners changed the name of the town from Marmont to Culver City. The new name was in honor of Henry H. Culver, founder of the Culver Military academy. Later, the "City" was dropped in general use, but is still necessary in legal work. Culver Military academy has played a major role in the growth of Culver. Summer cottages and agriculture have also added to it.

[The News-Sentinel, Friday, June 9, 1944]

CULVER CITIZEN [Culver, Indiana]

LOCAL NEWS

Culver has a new newspaper, The Citizen, and the first number is a fine piece of journalism. It is published by J. H. Kootz & Son, and its artistic and newsy features entitles it to a very liberal patronage.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, May 12, 1903]

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The Culver Citizen has been sold by Koontz & Son to Arthur B. Holt, formerly of Kankakee, Ill. Mr. Holt is an experienced newspaper man, and we welcome him to our midst.
[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, April 13, 1906]

FIRST ISSUE

The first Culver Citizen issued by the new firm of Robinson & Leitnaker, was off the press July 4. The paper has been increased to a seven column size and two more pages have been added.
[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, July 7, 1923]

PAPER IS HONORED

The Culver Citizen was judged the second best weekly newspaper in Indiana at a meeting of the Indiana Weekly Press Association in Indianapolis last week. The Corydon Republican was placed first only three points ahead of the Citizen.
[The News-Sentinel, Friday, February 24, 1933]

CULVER EDITOR BUYS THE ARGOS REFLECTOR

Mills Robinson, editor of the Culver Citizen, purchased the Argos Reflector Friday from Mrs. Cora Wikizer. He will take possession March 1, 1939.
The newspaper will be edited in Argos and printed in Culver, according to announced plans for the publication.
[The News-Sentinel, Monday, December 19, 1938]

CULVER COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION [Aubbeenaubbee Township]

Formed during Vernie Bowen's term as township trustee of Aubbeenaubbee township (1958-62), which was included in the new corporation.

CULVER FISH HATCHERY [Culver, Indiana]

CULVER FISH HATCHERY IS PROGRESSING RAPIDLY

Culver, Ind., Mar. 18. - The Culver fish hatchery, being built by the Maxinkuckee Fish and Game club, is moving rapidly along so that citizens can already get an idea of what the project will look like when finished.

A fine flowing well has been finished and it is planned to drill one or two more at once. Two of the ponds will be completed next week. Attention will then be turned to improving and beautifying the grounds.

The club is in need of immediate financial assistance as the response of volunteer labor has been greater than contributions of money. But there is considerable of the project that cannot be handled except by the expenditure of money and the club's treasury has been drained by the work done so far.

Water will be turned into the ponds the middle of April and fish will be placed in the ponds at once. The fish will spawn about the middle of May and will be kept in the hatchery until along in September when the fingerlings will have reached a length varying from two to six inches. Then they will be ready for placing in larger bodies of water.

An official of the State Conservation Department looked over the hatchery Monday and declared the prospects indicated a hatchery as good as any in the state.

An invitation has been issued by the Culver Military Academy for all workers on the hatchery to be guests of the Academy at dinner Friday noon of this week at the Canteen as a special treat in recognition of the work these men are doing.

[The News-Sentinel, Saturday, March 18, 1933]

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CULVER HOTEL [Culver, Indiana]

See: Hotels - Culver Hotel

CULVER MANUFACTURING CO. [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Waring Glove Co.

NEW GLOVE FACTORY WILL BE OPEN IN CITY JUNE 1ST

Richard Burrell, former manager of the old Waring Glove Company of this city, today announced that another glove factory will be opened in Rochester on June 1st, in the J. Walter Brubaker building, corner Main and 9th streets.

This new industry which will employ from 18 to 20 ladies is a branch of the Culver Manufacturing Company, of Bluffton, Ind., which operates several branch factories throughout central and northern Indiana and Ohio. Mr. Burrell, former manager of the Waring Glove Co., which closed its Rochester branch on East Eighth street 15 years ago, has been associated with the Culver Manufacturing Co., in managerial duties at various intervals throughout the past 12 years. The Culver Manufacturing Co. manufactures work gloves exclusively and it is planned to open the factory with at least 15 power machines. Mr. Burrell and his wife, an experienced forelady in the glove manufacturing business stated today they were now ready to receive applicants who are experienced in this line of work, or in the operation of power sewing machines. The Waring Glove factory which was brought here through a subsidy provided by local businessmen opened a factory here in 1910 and operated continuously until 1928 when it was merged with a plant at Huntington, Ind. From 40 to 60 girls and women were on the company's payroll during the peak years of its existence here, it was stated.

[The News-Sentinel, Friday, May 21, 1943]

CULVER MILITARY ACADEMY [Culver, Indiana]

Also see WCMA Radio Station

LOCAL NEWS - SATURDAY

Culver Military Academy, established by H. H. Culver ten years ago, on the shores of lake Maxinkuckee near the present town of Culver, was Thursday incorporated with a capital stock of \$240,000. The trustees are as follows: Walter L. Culver, Henry H. Culver, Bert B. Culver, Knight K. Culver, Edwin R. Culver, Emily J. Culver and A. F. Fleet.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, July 18, 1902]

NEWS OF THE DAY

Now Indiana has a navy. The bill providing for a naval branch of the military, chiefly beneficial to Culver Academy, passed both houses and has been signed by the governor. Now we are safe from foreign invasion.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, March 5, 1909]

NEWS OF THE DAY

E. R. Culver, son of the founder of the military academy at Culver, accompanied by Albert Krell, both of St. Louis, are at Culver making arrangements for having plans drawn for a new dormitory to the Academy.

[Rochester Sentinel, Wednesday, August 25, 1909]

ACADEMY STIRS UP BIG FUSS

Culver Military Academy has stirred up a big fuss in Washington by its request that the cadets be permitted to march near the front of the inaugural parade as an escort to Vice President Marshall. It now looks as if the school would certainly be permitted in the procession.

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Capt. W. A. Fleet, of the Academy, is now in Washington attempting to gain a place for his cadets. He first visited Gov. Wilson at Princeton, and learned that the coming executive had no objection to the plan to honor his colleague, if it could be arranged satisfactorily. Armed with this word, he hastened to the capital, only to be frowned upon by Gen. Wood, who has charge of the military part of the parade. The general impression seemed to be that the procession was originally arranged in honor of the President, and that his running mate should not share in the glory. However, at a meeting which Senator Shively and Capt. Fleet had with Gen. Wood, it was finally decided that the Vice President-elect shall have an escort and that it shall be the Culver Black Horse Troop. Sixty of the troopers will form the escort and will bring their mounts with them from Indiana.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, February 1, 1913]

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The Rector boys secured about \$500 worth of orders for cameras and photographic supplies from the cadets previous to the latter's departure for Washington.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, March 8, 1913]

LOGANSPOUT DAY AT CULVER

The five hundred dollars appropriated by the Logansport council for the erection of a bronze memorial gate at Culver Military academy in commemoration of the valiant services of Culver officers and cadets in saving the lives of Logansport people during the great flood of last March, will, by the board of public works, be sent to the officers of Culver academy, who will see that the work is done.

The plans for the memorial gate have been drawn and approved both by the board and the officers of the military academy.

Word comes from Culver that it is proposed, when the time of dedicating the memorial arrives, to have "Logansport Day," when the people of Logansport and Culver will unite in a celebration that will bind the people of the two cities into perpetual friendship. The possibilities of such a memorial day are wonderful and if carried out as suggested will be an event unique in the history of this part of Indiana.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, September 19, 1913]

CULVER IS OFFERED TO REGULAR ARMY

By International News Service

Culver, Ind., April 10 -- Official announcement has been made that the Culver Military Academy has tendered to Maj. Gen. Barry, commanding the central department of the United States army, the use of the buildings and the ground of the academy for training soldiers. It is estimated that 25,000 men can be taken care of here.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, April 10, 1917]

CAMP NAMED FOR BARRY

Culver's military camp for high school boys from eight states has been named "Barry camp," in honor of Maj. Gen. Barry, commanding the central army division with headquarters in Chicago.

[Rochester Sentinel, Saturday, May 5, 1917]

CULVER RANKS SECOND ONLY TO WEST POINT

The Culver Military Academy has been designated by the secretary of war as an honor military school, an honor which goes to but few of the military schools of the country. In fact Culver ranks next to West Point among the military schools of the country.

Indiana University is included on a list of twenty-five "distinguished colleges" of the country by the secretary of war.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, June 18, 1923]

MOVIE MADE AT CULVER

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The Fox Film Company is taking a motion picture at Culver Military Academy which is to be entitled "Prep and Pep." The story is by John Stone. This is the first time that the life of a Culver cadet has been used as a part of a motion picture play.

[The News-Sentinel, Rochester, Indiana, Monday, May 28, 1928]

ACADEMY BUYS PROPERTY

The Culver Military Academy has announced that they have purchased the real estate facing Lake Maxinkuckee known as the Lake View Hotel property. This gives the academy a solid stretch from the Palmer House to the boat house.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, May 2, 1929]

ACADEMY TO BUILD NEW POWER PLANT NEAR R.R.

The site for a new power house for the Culver Military Academy has been staked out just below the carpenter shops on the Pennsylvania railroad. This is the first unit of the academy's expansion program. Relocation and enlarging the plant will remove it from the campus proper and take care of a greater load. The railroad tracks within the campus will be removed and the section of the grounds about the present power house will be beautified with landscape gardening. The contract has not been awarded for installing a plant, but it is understood that the academy is receiving bids.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, July 25, 1929]

E. R. CULVER DIES AT HIS LAKE MAXINKUCKEE HOME

Culver, Ind., Oct 3 -- The flag of the Culver Military academy is at half mast today as a tribute to the memory of E. R. CULVER, chairman of the board of trustees of the academy, who died of a heart attack yesterday afternoon at his summer cottage on Lake Maxinkuckee. Although Mr. Culver had not been in the best of health of late, his death came as a shock to the academy community.

In addition to his interests in Culver military academy, Mr. Culver also figures prominently in the business world as part owner of the Wrought Iron Range Co., of St. Louis, Mo. He maintained a residence at St. Louis, but spent much time in recent years in Europe and at his Maxinkuckee cottage. During this time he devoted his energy to building up the school of which he was an officer.

Mr. Culver, who was 57 years old, succeeded to the management of the academy after the death of his father, H. H. CULVER, its founder and was throughout his life the leading spirit in the upbuilding of the institution.

In addition to the widow and two sons, E. R. [CULVER], Jr., of St. Louis and Gene G. [CULVER] of Philadelphia, Pa., Mr. Culver is survived by three brothers, B. B. CULVER, St. Louis; W. L. CULVER, San Francisco, Calif., and K. K. CULVER, Columbus, O.; a sister, Mrs. Ida WINTERMUTE, California, and two grandchildren.

Arrangements for the funeral have not been completed. The flag of the academy will be at half mast until after the funeral and suitable tribute will be paid him by the corps of cadets and faculty.

[The News-Sentinal, Friday, October 3, 1930]

LEGION BAND FILMED FOR USE IN MOVIE PICTURE

Movie cameramen working on the movie-talkie "Brown of Culver," the major portion of which is being filmed at Culver Military Academy, took several hundred feet of "shots" of Legion meeting which was held at Bluffton a week ago last Sunday, for use in the talkie.

Rochester people will be interested in knowing that the Rochester Legion band which headed the parade at the Bluffton meeting will appear in the "Brown of Culver" talkie-movie, and when the movie is brought to this city a big turn-out is anticipated.

On Saturday the Hollywood cameramen went to Indianapolis where several scenes were taken at Indiana World War Memorial Plaza which will be shown in the movie.

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[The News-Sentinel, Monday, May 16, 1932]

CULVER ACADEMY CHANGES FROM PRIVATE OWNERSHIP

Trustees of the Culver Military Academy will meet in convocation, June 7th for the formal signing of a covenant transferring Culver Military Academy from the private ownership of the Culver family to a trust foundation in perpetuity.

The event, to which invitations to local people have been issued, will be marked by the unveiling of a tablet on Founders Rock to Henry Harrison Culver, founder of the Academy.

Brief addresses will be given by Dr. Robert M. Hutchins, president of the University of Chicago; Dr. George Van Santvoord, headmaster of the Hutchins school; Major General, H. A. Drum; Admiral Hugh Redman; Albert R. Erskine, president of the Studebaker Corporation, and William A. Brooks, president of the Culver Legion.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, May 24, 1932]

GIGNILLIAT IS INVITED TO TALK OVER RADIO

Culver, Ind., July 23. - Brigadier General Gignilliat, supt. of the Culver Military Academy, has been invited by the Columbia Broadcasting system to talk on "Military Training in Education" over the Columbia broadcasting chain next Monday.

He will speak at 4:45 to 5 o'clock (EDT) from Madison Avenue, New York station.

He is now with the Culver middies on a cruise up Lake Michigan but expects to return to Culver Friday and to reach New York in time to deliver this address on Monday. General Gignilliat is a popular speaker and perhaps better known in New York than in this state.

[The News-Sentinel, Saturday, July 23, 1932]

PALMER HOUSE, CULVER, NOW MAXINKUCKEE INN

Culver, Ind., Dec. 1. - After being known as the Palmer House for 57 years, the well known hotel near the Academy is having its name changed to "Maxinkuckee Inn" in conformity with a change of management and policy. The change was effective today.

Miss Anne Ellsworth, who has been associated with the Tavern Shop for some time, will have personal supervision of the hotel, superseding F. S. Murphy, who has been manager of the Palmer House for about a year.

Not only has the hotel's name and management been changed, but so have its furnishings and policy in keeping with the plan to instill the atmosphere of a hospitable old inn instead of a formal hotel.

Comfortable new furniture in maple, a fine large window overlooking the lake and a grand fire place in the lounge, a new card room, redecorating and comfortably furnishing all the rooms, equipping of several rooms with bath and the placing of other bathrooms about the building are the main changes at the inn. It is expected that new rates will be announced in the near future.

Home cooking will be featured by the kitchen under the direction of Miss Opal Barks of Lafayette, and the home atmosphere will be carried out by women waitresses in the dining room and The Shack.

The Tavern Shop, which has been operated in connection with the Palmer House, will be discontinued December 31, it has been announced, and the stock of clothing and gists is being closed out.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, December 1, 1932]

NEW RIDING HALL IS NEARING COMPLETION

Culver, Ind., Aug. 27. - With the first stage of the \$165,000 building project at the Culver Military Academy due to be completed and ready for occupancy by the Black Horse Troup on Sept. 8, work at the Academy has been stepped up during the last few weeks and 24-hour shifts are rushing the work to its completion.

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At this time the North barrack is being enlarged and completely modernized throughout. The plans call for complete winter and summer air-conditioning, new floors, new lighting, new woodwork, complete new equipment in the cadet rooms, and paneled lounges for each floor of barracks. At the same time an addition is being made to the commandant's office and the Y.M.C.A. lobby is being converted into a lounge for the seniors.

When the cadets return in September they will find a two-story addition to the west end of North Barracks. This will enlarge the quartermaster's office and provide 12 additional cadet rooms for the Troop.

Another addition planned for this year is the construction of a testing room for the Guidance dept. This will flank the opposite side of the Administration building across from the commandant's office. When completed the quadrangle-side of the sally-port will have the same appearance as the front, with towers and battlements completing the balance.

The third stage of the work will be undertaken next summer when work will begin on the east barracks division and the north and east barracks will be linked by connecting corridors. When the 14-month's project is completed, four of the seven barracks at Culver will be air-conditioned, the south and west being already modernized.

[The News-Sentinel, Friday, August 27, 1937]

\$150,000 BEING SPENT TO REMODEL CULVER M.A.

Culver, Ind., May 16. - The second phase of the \$150,000 remodeling project at the Culver Military Academy got well underway this week as the cement was being poured for the second air-conditioning unit in rear of the Administration building.

The first part of the construction job was completed recently with the remodeling and air-conditioning of the North Barracks, long the home of the famous Culver Black Horse Troop. The present plans call for the remodeling of the East barracks which house part of the troop and the administrative offices of the school, including the offices of the superintendent, the dean of the faculty, and the alumni office, and filing rooms.

A testing room for the guidance department, and a parents lounge will be added to the rear of the barrack and a spacious public reception room will be provided for in the front overlooking a terrace on beautiful Lake Maxinkuckee.

When the project is completed in the early fall, four of the seven barracks at Culver will be equipped with summer and winter air-conditioning. This is believed to be the largest air-conditioning system in any private school in America.

[The News-Sentinel, Monday, May 16, 1938]

CULVER CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM IS APPROVED

Culver, Ind., May 18. - A new construction project, estimated to cost approximately \$175,000, and which will completely modernize the service equipment at the Culver Military Academy, was approved this week at the sixth annual meeting of the Board of Directors of the Culver Educational Foundation, it has been announced by Colonel Cal. C. Chambers, secretary of the board. It is proposed that the new project will cover a 15-months period and will be completed by the opening of the school term in September, 1939. This is the third large project approved by the board within the last 15 months. The other items include the \$150,000 remodeling program now underway on the Administration building, and the replacement of the Summer Naval School flotilla destroyed in the March fire.

Power House

Included in the new project will be an addition to the power house, the installation of a new 625-horse-power boiler, a new electric generator, and a complete revamping, modernization, and rehabilitation of electric feeder lines, steam heating lines, transformer stations, and the replacement of all direct current motors with alternating current motors. Also included will be the installation of a 100,000 gallon water storage tank and complete new system of fire lines for the entire campus including the Maxinkuckee Inn, and a sprinkler system in the cadet mess hall. A

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complete survey of the needs of the academy were made by John Falvey, consulting engineer of St. Louis, Mo.

Plans were also approved for the erection of a new boat shop and boat storage building to replace the one burned in the \$100,000 fire in March. A new fireproof warehouse for the storage of tents and summer school equipment was authorized. Plans also call for new visiting athletic team quarters to be added to the Recreation building and the purchase of 20 matched bay horses for the field artillery ROTC unit.

Members of Board

Members of the Board present for the meeting included: Bertram B. Culver, chairman; Edwin R. Culver, Jr., Bertram B. Culver, Jr., Colonel Cal C. Chambers, secretary, all of St. Louis, Mo.; Brigadier Genjeral L. R. Gignilliat, supt., Culver Military Academy, Culver,Ind.; Edwin C. McDonald, New York City; Laban J. Brady, Des Moines, Iowa, and Admiral Hugh Rodman, U. S. Navy, retired, Washington, D. C. William A. Brooks, Oklahoma City, Okla., Robert S. Bradshaw, St. Louis, and William E. Levis, Toledo, O., were unable to be present.

[The News-Sentinel, Wednesday, May 18, 1938]

"TOM BROWN OF CULVER" FILM WILL BE REMADE

Culver, Ind., Dec. 20. - "Tom Brown of Culver" the moving picture production which proved to be such an attraction in 1933, is to be remade by Universal Pictures corporation, it was learned this week at the Culver Military academy.

Work is expected to begin on the new picture on January 5, with Joseph Santley directing. Jackie Cooper will be cast in the title role, with Andy Devine already cast for an important supporting role. Other members of the cast will be announced within a short time.

For the past week, Whitney Bolton, Hollywood columnist and scenario writer, has been at the academy talking to faculty and cadets and observing routine of cadet life in order to get "atmosphere" for the new script.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, December 20, 1938]

FREDDIE BARTHOLOMEW WILL ATTEND CULVER

Los Angeles, Feb. 22. - Freddie Bartholomew, movie star, will attend Culver (Ind.) Military Academy two months next summer.

This disclosure was made today in connection with settlement of the last several suits in which Freddie and his aunt, Myllicent Bartholomew, were involved.

Myron Selznick & Co., theatrical agent, had sued for \$39,600, charging breach of a contract given them to manage Freddie's radio and personal appearances. The suit was dismissed yesterday as to the aunt. The boy previously had been eliminated through a demurrer.

[The News-Sentinel, Wednesday, February 22, 1939]

CULVER ACADEMY PLANS LARGE MEMORIAL CHAPEL

Culver, Ind., July 13. - Plans for a Memorial chapel to be built at Culver Military Academy as an enduring tribute to its alumni serving in World War II are announced in the recent issue of The Culver, alumni magazine. The Culver Fathers' Association, the Culver Summer Schools Alumni Association and the Culver Legion are now engaged in raising a fund of \$1,000,000 for its construction, furnishing and endowment.

Keeping full pace with plans for the Memorial Chapel, the board of directors of the Culver Educational Foundation has announced the allocation of funds for a new health center and two academic buildings, one to house the departments of mathematics and science and the other the deparments of social studies' languages and English.

Long Range Program

The allocation of funds for the new building begins a long-range program toward a greater Culver Military Academy. Developed over a long period, these building plans necessarily were postponed at the outbreak of the war and are now being reactivated. And with the drive for the million fund under way, the chapel becomes an integral part of these plans.

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In May, 1944, the Culver Fathers' Association proposed the erection of a chapel to honor Culver men in the war and urged directors to permit them to join with the Legion and the Summer Schools Alumni Association in raising necessary funds. In granting approval, recognizing the appeal of the memorial and the vital place of a chapel upon each generation of cadets, the board of directors made an unprecedented exception to their traditional policy of permitting no organized campaign for financial contributions to Culver Military Academy.

Plans for the Memorial Chapel have been drawn by Jens Fredrick Larson, internationally known architect. According to plans the chapel will be located at the approximate center of the Woodcraft Camp site, overlooking the entire campus, and will be connected by arcades with the Science building on the east and Humanities building on the west.

The plans provide the placing of a carillon in the tower and the Honor Roll will be a feature of the tower vestibule. In planning the interior, provisions are made to include a pipe organ, seminar room, the oratory, chancel, sanctuary, study and vestry and nave and gallery seating.

Officers of the Legion, Summer School Alumni Association and Culver Fathers' Association are serving as a chapel fund committee, with their respective presidents serving as co-chairmen.

[The News-Sentinel, Friday, July 13, 1945]

CULVER RAILROAD STATION [Culver, Indiana]

The Panhandle station at Culver burned to the ground at 1 o'clock Monday morning. The entire contents of the ticket office were destroyed with two trunks in the baggage room. The trunks standing outside were saved.

The building was all aflame and the roof had burned in before the fire was discovered. The fire department, although called out at a late time, responded promptly and did effectual work with their chemicals and two streams of water, in subduing the flames, but the call was too late to save anything. Trainmen on the morning train said it was thought the fire caught from the stove, but a passenger from Culver said the fire commenced in the west end and that end was burned first. He thinks it did not catch from the stove. The fire was discovered by Mr. Swagler.

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, January 13, 1920]

CULVER WAGON SHOP [Rochester, Indiana]

New Wagon Shop . . . William Culver . . . Shop on Jefferson street, two doors south of Dutch Christ's blacksmith shop. Rochester, March 1, 1860.

[Rochester *Mercury*, Thursday, March 1, 1860]

See Hosack Wagon & Buggy Shop.

CUNNINGHAM, JOS. B. [Rochester, Indiana]

[Adv] JOS. B. CUNNINGHAM, Breeder of Barred Plymouth Rocks, C. I. Games, and B. Langshans. - - - Stock and Eggs for sale. - - - Yard one mile south of Court House, Rochester, Ind.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, May 4, 1894]

CUNNINGHAM, RAY [Rochester, Indiana]

NEW ROCHESTER MACHINE SHOP

The new Rochester Machine Shop building, which was recently completed by Creamer & Davisson, north of the Arlington hotel, is rapidly nearing perfection when it comes to machinery to take care of any and all sorts of work that may be left there. Today a mammoth lathe was installed, which weights more than 9,000 pounds. It is twenty-two feet long and has a thirty-inch swing. Lathes of this size are few in this section and much work can be accomplished on it that would be impossible on the small make.

Ed Creamer, of the firm, will go to South Bend Saturday morning, where he will figure on the making of the parts for a steel step ladder company, which is located in that city. Ray

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Cunningham, formerly of this city, was instrumental in the selling of the stock for the concern and just recently he purchased the plant and all rights.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, December 27, 1912]

CURTIS, ALEXANDER [Henry Township]

BIOGRAPHY

Alexander Curtis. - The subject of this sketch was born in Miami County, Ohio, June 2, 1816, being the oldest son of James and Elizabeth Curtis, who were natives of North Carolina and were of German and English descent. Mr. C. attended the common schools, receiving a fair education for those early days in a new country and followed farming until about five years after his marriage, which event occurred January 1, 1837, the bride being Miss Matilda Wagoner, born in Virginia. After ceasing the work of the farm he embarked in a mercantile enterprise in Fredericktown, Ohio, which he successfully conducted until the fall of 1845, when, selling his store, he came to Indiana and re-engaged in the pursuits of the farm, locating on what is still the homestead, one mile west of Akron, on which at that time there had been but a small field cleared and a log cabin built.

Mr. Curtis has lived to see what was then an almost unbroken expanse of forest reduced to a state of fertility and productiveness by the hand of industry and perseverance and the log cabin superseded by a handsome brick residence surrounded by convenient barns to shelter stock and in which to store away farm products.

Mr. C. has been largely engaged in the shipment of live stock and grain, and was for some years connected with a store in Akron, but is now retiring from all the active concerns of life.

This marriage has been blessed with five children, of whom only James Curtis and Nancy Burns are now living. Alexander, Jr., enlisted in Company G, One Hundred and Twenty-eighth Indiana Infantry, in 1862, and participated in all the battles of that regiment until the close of the war, when he was mustered out at Atlanta, Ga. Returning home he died suddenly in the following spring of 1866, aged twenty-three years.

James Curtis, Mr. A. Curtis' father, was born of English parents in North Carolina, about the year 1777, and came to Miami County, Ohio, in 1801, where he entered 160 acres of land to which he removed his widowed mother and her family in 1802. About the year 1803, he married Miss Elizabeth Byrkit, a lady his junior by five years, and a native of North Carolina, of German lineage. Mrs. Curtis, Jr., the daughter of John and Nancy Wagoner, was born near Bath, Va., in October, 1808.

[T. B. Helm, *Fulton County Atlas*, A. L. Kingman, 1883, p. 37]

CURTIS, ELY [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Hotels - Arlington

CURTIS, FRANCES [Rochester, Indiana]

MISS CURTIS WRITING STORIES FOR PRESS

A Rochester young lady, now a resident of Chicago, has just had her first short story published in the Chicago Daily News, under the copyright insignia of that newspaper. The promising authoress is Miss Frances Curtis, daughter of former City Clerk-Treasurer, Mrs. Frances W. Curtis.

Miss Curtis is a graduate of the R. H. S. and the University of Missouri, where she majored in journalism. At the present time she is employed by the Rand, McNally Map Co., and her spare time is spent in literary work. Miss Curtis at the present is preparing a short serial story for publication in one of the metropolitan papers. The story published in the Chicago Daily News on Feb. 22nd., was captioned "Tomboy Love."

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, February 26, 1935]

STORY IN DAILY NEWS

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A story entitled "Mr. Claus" was featured in today's issue of the Chicago Daily News. The story, which was one of a man whose Christmas turned out to be not so lonely as he had expected, was written by Miss Frances Curtis of Chicago. Miss Curtis is the daughter of Mrs. Frances Curtis of this city.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, December 24, 1935]

CURTIS, JAMES [Akron, Indiana]

BIOGRAPHY

James Curtis belongs to one of the old families of Fulton county, and owns 200 acres of the original Curtis homestead a mile west of Akron, on which he has long been engaged in farming with commendable success. He owns four of the old parchment deeds to this homestead, which bear the name of Martin Van Buren, president of the United States, valuable heirlooms of the Curtis family. No mortgage or lien of any kind has ever been placed against this property, a most remarkable record. Mr. Curtis was born in Fulton county, July 14, 1847, seventh of eight children born to Alexander and Matilda (Wagner) Curtis, and one of the sons, Alexander, served for three years in the Union army, participated in thirteen major battles, and was with General Sherman in his famous "March to the Sea." The father of these children was born in Miami county, Ohio, in 1816, and he was reared, educated and married in that state. Developing into a farmer, merchant and stockman, he bought and sold a large amount of horses and cattle, the latter being brought to him in droves of from 400 to 500 head. Coming to Fulton county at an early day he bought land from Mr. Joseph Terryl who entered the land from the government to the extent of 400 acres. His first residence was a large double log cabin, with two rooms below, and two above, heated by the large fireplace about which the family gathered, and where their friends were made welcome. This home was later replaced by a more commodious house. An old-line Whig, he became interested in Abraham Lincoln and gladly followed him into the ranks of the Republicans where he remained until his death. From boyhood he was opposed to the institution slavery. At the time he came to Fulton county Akron was represented by a solitary store, and other conditions were as primitive. His wife was born in Bath county, Virginia, October 25, 1808, and was but a young girl when she was taken to Ohio by her parents. She and her husband lie side by side on the Curtis estate where they spent so many happy years, and a monument marks this last resting place of two of the county's pioneers. Mr. Curtis of this notice has always devoted himself to agricultural pursuits. While his educational training was limited to what he could secure during the three winter months' attendance at the subscription schools of his neighborhood, he is a very well-informed man upon many topics, and his good judgment is generally recognized. November 11, 1871, he married Miss Dora Davis, and a son and a daughter have been born to them. Justine Alexander, the elder child, attended the common and high schools and then took a commercial course at the Indianapolis Business College, and was graduated from it. Like his father he is a farmer and owns a valuable farm across the road from his parents' property, but he and his wife travel considerably, preferably in the South. He married Miss Minnie Riley, and they have a daughter, Helen, who is the wife of Earl T. Baber. Mr. and Mrs. Baber have two children: Robert Curtis; and Justine Annlyn. Justine Alexander Curtis and his wife are Methodists, and he is a Republican and belongs to the Knights of Pythias lodge at Akron. Eva D., the younger child of Mr. and Mrs. James Curtis, attended the common and high schools and took a course in music at DePauw University. She is now the pianist of the Methodist Episcopal church of Akron, and has a class of girls in its Sunday school, in which she has been a teacher for fifteen years, and she is otherwise active in church work. Some years ago she was married to E. L. Scott, one of the enterprising business men of Akron, whose activities are carried on in contracting and building. Mrs. Curtis was born in Fayette county, Ohio, April 15, 1853, a daughter of John B. and Elizabeth (Graham) Davis, the former of whom was born in Delaware, of Welsh stock. He was a farmer, and later became a merchant and postmaster of Akron, and in political faith he was a Republican. He and his wife belonged to the Akron Methodist Episcopal Church. She was born in Ohio, but was reared in Fulton county. Both are deceased and are buried in the Akron Cemetery, where a

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stone marks their graves. Receiving but a limited education Mrs. Curtis remedied this by study and reading, and was a teacher of the public schools of this and Kosciusko county for four years. When she taught at Akron there was but one other teacher. She and her husband are active in the Akron Methodist Episcopal Church, of which they have long been members, and he has been a member of its official board for many years. Fraternally he maintains membership with the Akron lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Casting his first presidential vote for General Grant he has continued his support of Republican candidate ever since, but has not sought office for himself.

[Henry A. Barnhart, *Fulton County History*, pp. 173-175, Dayton Historical Publishing Co., 1923]

CURTIS, OLIVER [Aubbeenaubbee Township]

BIOGRAPHY

Oliver Curtis. - This man is the son of Jacob and Mary Ann Curtis, both of whom were born, reared, married and are still living in Miami County, Ohio. Oliver was born in the same county as his parents on July 9, 1849, and married Susanna Byrnett, of the same place, December 8, 1870. They remained there until March, 1874, when they came to this county and located in Henry Township, but five years later moved to their present home. Mrs. Curtis was born in the same county as her husband on January 25, 1849. She is the daughter of David and Ann Byrnett, both born and raised in Miami County, Ohio. In fact the whole family belong to the same county. Mr. and Mrs. Curtis are the parents of two children, Bartha Alletha, born March 7, 1872, and Ora Celand, born September 15, 1874, and died March 15, 1875. Bertha, the only living child, is a bright and intelligent girl, and the delight of her parents. They have a pleasant home, which reflects taste and the substantial nature of the owners. They are highly respected and have many friends who value them as true neighbors and good people.

[T. B. Helm, *Fulton County Atlas*, A. L. Kingman, 1883, p. 33]

CURTIS, RUFÉ [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Hotels - Arlington

CURTIS, VINE [Rochester, Indiana]

NEWS OF THE DAY

Vine Curtis has resigned his position with Yoder's north end meat market and will open a market of his own at John Swartwood's old stand on Wall Street. Mr. Curtis is an experienced meat cutter and will doubtless build up a nice business at his new stand.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, February 12, 1909]

NEWS OF THE DAY

The East Side Meat Market has just received a shipment of nice sugar cured hams and as long as they last will be sold at 12 1/2 c. Every ham guaranteed or money refunded. Also a nice line of bacon at 13 and 16c per lb. Stop in and be your own judge of these goods. I have a few nice young frying chicks, 2 to 2 1/2 lb. Good fresh pork livers at all times, 10c each. Tel 54. VINE CURTIS.

[Rochester Sentinel, Friday, March 26, 1909]

CURTIS, WATSON [Rochester, Indiana]

See: Service Men, World War II, Letters (Letter From Watson Curtis)

CURTIS MEAT MARKET [Rochester, Indiana]

NEW CREAMERY STATION TO OPEN

E. W. Clary Tuesday rented his building formerly the Vine Curtis Meat Market on Wall street to the Kewanna Butter and Produce Company. The firm has been doing business in the western

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part of the county. Chas. Towne was given as the manager of the station. D. W. Sibert, president of the Kewanna State Bank, is president and treasurer of the company. Mr. Sibert when interviewed this morning on the long distance refused to deny or affirm the report that they were going to enter the local field against Armour's.

[Rochester Sentinel, Thursday, January 15, 1920]

[Adv] Special NOTICE. The Curtis Meat Market, formerly conducted by the late Vine Curtis, has just been renovated and redecorated - - - CURTIS MEAT MARKET, Phone 54. Mrs. Vine Curtis.

[The News-Sentinel, Friday, August 6, 1926]

CURTNER, JACOB [Leiters Ford, Indiana]

NEWS OF THE DAY

Logansport Pharos.

The body of Jacob Curtner, who was buried fifty-eight years in the Shields cemetery, two miles north of the city, was exhumed and shipped to Leiters, Ind., yesterday, where it will be buried by the side of his wife. The order to change the resting place of the body was received from Enoch Myers of Rochester, Ind., a grandson of Curtner. One son, who resides in California, survives.

[Rochester Sentinel, Monday, December 9, 1912]

[NOTE: Jean C. & Wendell C. Tombaugh, *Fulton County Indiana Cemeteries*, Moon Cemetery, Aubbeenaubbee Township: Jacob Curtner, 1790-1854; *ibid*: Shaffer Cemetery, Union Township: Nancy Heaton Curtner, wife of Jacob Curtner, 1793-1843 "Erected by her son, Henry Curtner." - - - WCT]

CUT PRICE GROCERY [Rochester, Indiana]

See Harry Thalmann.

CUTSHALL, W. T. [Akron, Indiana]

Pay Up! All persons indebted to the subscriber are requested to lose no time in paying up. Goods cost Cash, and Cash I must have. W. T. Cutshall, Akron, Sept. 15, 1864.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, September 15, 1864]

CUTSHALL & CO. [Akron, Indiana]

Cutshall's Rheumatic Cure, for the cure of Rheumatism, pain the the Side, Back or Breast, Sprains, Bruises, Cuts and Burns. . . Cutshall & Co., Akron, Ind.

[Rochester *Chronicle*, Thursday, May 14, 1868]

CUTSHALL BUILDING CONTRACTOR [Akron, Indiana]

AKRON CONTRACTOR HAS BEEN AWARDED CONTRACT

Milo Cutshall, contractor of Akron, has been awarded the \$40,000 contract for the construction of a power house at the Soldiers and Sailors Orphan's Home two miles south of Knightstown. The building will be 83 by 98 feet on the ground and will have three elevators of floors. It will be equipped with the latest improvements in heating, plumbing, and electrical wiring, electrical coal and ash handling and stoker equipment. It will cost the state when completed \$160,000. Work has been started on the project. At the present the home can accommodate 596 orphan children.

[The News-Sentinel, Friday, March 21, 1930]

AKRON MAN IS LOWEST BIDDER ON STATE JOB

Bids for constructing a new men's custodian building at the Indiana village for epileptics at Butlerville was opened yesterday by trustees of the institution. The proposed building will have a capacity of forty persons. Low bidder for the general construction was Milo Cutshall of Akron who submitted a bid of \$38,500. Low bidder for electric work was the Newcastle Electric Company of Newcastle, \$1,500 and for heating, ventilating and plumbing, the Tibbet Plumbing and Heating Company of Union City. The Tibbet company's bid for ventilating and heating was \$6,300 and for plumbing, \$5,900.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, September 23, 1930]

Milo Cutshall joined his father, Arnold Cutshall, in the building contracting business, a partnership that lasted until Arnold's death Jan. 23, 1910. They built the Mt. Olive School in Liberty Township.

In 1914 Milo left the local trade and went into public building. Many beautiful schools, libraries and hospitals over Northern Indiana were built by him and later in partnership with his son-in-law, Lamoin Hand. (Mrs. Lamoin [Marie Cutshall] Hand, has received much praise for creative writing, and in 1963 was named Indiana Mother of the Year.)

His first contract was the Akron Carnegie Public Library (cornerstone laid Oct. 28, 1914). In 1915 he built the Carnegie library at Culver. In 1916 he built the library at Roann and Whippoorwill School in Richland Township. In 1919 he built the new Akron State Bank on the NW corner of Rochester and Mishawaka streets. Also in 1919 Milo built a new garage in Akron for Thompson and Showalter, completed Aug. 1, and costing \$5,000. Other buildings include the Gilead School addition, Green Township School in Marshall County, Franklin School in Kosciusko County, the Rochester Telephone Company building, Akron grade school addition, and many others.

[Jacob Cutshall Family, Marie Cutshall Hand, *Fulton Co Folks*, Vol. 2, Willard]

CUTSHALL MYSTERY [Akron, Indiana]

But tragedy marked the pioneer life too and the Cutshall family experienced sorrow that left a mystery that has never been solved. Melinda, a beautiful teenager, fell in love with a young man whom her father felt was unsuitable. Jacob objected sternly, and father and daughter quarreled over the matter. She heard of a doctor and his wife in Plymouth who wanted a hired girl and she applied for the job. Soon she received word to come by stage coach.

Now Melinda owned only one treasure, an Ohio rose pitcher which was inconvenient to take with her. So she gave it to her young sister, Hannah, who kept it until her death at the age of 89. The pitcher is still a prized possession of a member of the Cutshall family.

On the morning of Melinda's departure the young girls walked through the forest to the inn at Newark which stood at the intersection of Indian trails (now SR19 and SR14). The girls bade tearful farewells as Melinda boarded the westbound stagecoach for her long journey alone.

At that time, there was an inn one-half mile east of Hoover's Station (now Athens) and this is where tired coach horses were exchanged for ones that were rested for the next part of the trip. There were several passengers on the coach who later verified that Melinda was one of them. She was later identified at Rochester and again at Argos where she changed coaches.

And there is where the mystery really began. The new driver of the coach was a half-breed Indiana who was known as a "bad" Indian. Melinda was his only passenger. But what happened to Melinda? She did not reach Plymouth and was never seen again. Some thought the Indian murdered her and left her body in the wilderness. A brother thought she might have gone west with the Mormons who were migrating to Utah and he advertised in Utah papers for her without response. So ends the mystery of Melinda's disappearance.

[Jacob Cutshall Family, Marie Cutshall Hand, *Fulton Co Folks*, Vol. 2, Willard]

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CUTSHAW, JAMES W. [Akron, Indiana]

FORMER AKRON MAN IS AUTHOR OF A NEW BOOK

James W. Cutshaw, former Akron citizen, is the author of a book which is scheduled to come from the press during the next few weeks. The title of the book is "The Whig: The Romance of American Politics" and is being published by Clark Publications of Chicago. It is a 400 page history and text book on American politics and the constitution.

[The News-Sentinel, Friday, January 18, 1935]

CY&I&SAM&BILL [Rochester, Indiana]

CY&I&SAM&BILL Have a SALE EVERY DAY - - - - CY and I and SAM and BILL CLOTHIERS [Allman's].

[Rochester Sentinel, Tuesday, August 11, 1908]

CYCLONE, MARCH 10, 1925 [Rochester, Indiana]

Also See Tornado of 1974

COMMUNITY STRUCK BY FIERCE TWISTER WORST CYCLONE IN YEARS CUTS PATH THROUGH THE CITY

Rochester and the neighboring country was hit by a terrific cyclone at about three o'clock Tuesday afternoon which freakish as it was did damage which will mount into thousands of dollars. Reports coming in from all directions from the city brought tales of property loss which kept increasing during the afternoon.

In Rochester while the storm was general over the city and accompanied by a strong wind and hail in a narrow streak practically between Ninth and Eleventh streets it swept everything before it breaking windows, toppling over chimneys, tearing down porches, garages and woodsheds and destroying many large shade trees. This is the first real cyclone to visit the community within the memory of the oldest inhabitants in which the damage was so great but so quickly did the twister come and go and so narrow was its area of damage that those outside hardly knew that it happened.

The roof and the west end of the bank barn on the Tim Baker farm east of this city was torn completely away as was all of his high board fence around his barnlot. Luckily no stock was killed. Mr. Baker's loss is estimated at \$1,500.

The Lake Manitou Fair Association is another heavy sufferer from the storm whose loss will probably reach \$6,000. Practically every horse barn, the ticket stand, fences around the north side and around the race track are torn away. Some of the parts have been carried over into the Hiram Carrithers pasture a distance of 300 yards. To show the completeness of the storm the open chairs in the grand stand were ripped from the floor and piled together in the center of the stand.

Probably one of the severest onslaughts of the storm took place at the residence of Charles Pyle, East 11th street, where the wind entirely wrecked the front porch and completely demolished a garage in the rear of the residence.

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The Long Beach Amusement Park is another enterprise which suffered heavily from the storm. Two of the concession stands have been demolished and the bath house moved from its foundation. The chutes the chutes and the swings were also badly damaged.

The lines of the Telephone Co. were sent down in the vicinity of the ice houses on the Barrett cement road as well as in a number of places over the city. 50 poles are down from the ice houses to the Hiram Carrithers farm.

The Bailey Ice company houses on the north shore which were valued at \$12,000 were torn completely down. A part of the roof is hanging on a limb of a tree nearby.

Three giant maple shade trees in front of the Walter Jewell property on Monroe street were uprooted and carried big cement blocks of the cement sidewalk with them as they fell into the neighboring yard of Harry Chamberlain.

John Hagan's residence property on Monroe street was considerably damaged, when the twister tore off many strips of the shingle roof, broke out a big window and sent the brick chimney into an alley. Mr. Hagan, who was on his way home from down town was caught by the wind in an alley at the rear of his home and pitched into a fence. However he was unhurt.

Attorney John Harvey of Logansport was another individual whose losses will mount high. His summer home on the Barrett cement road will have to be completely rebuilt. His garage was moved 12 inches to the east on its foundation by the storm.

The front and side porches of the double house owned by Mrs. Sampson Clayton, Madison street, were very badly damaged, a cherry tree also having been blown over on that property.

The porch and the garage of the Riley McIntyre residence at the corner of Park and Tenth streets were carried away by the wind's fury. The loss is estimated at \$500.

Mrs. Ed Fultz, who resides at the corner of Tenth and Monroe streets suffered a gash in her head, when a piece of a window pane, blown out, struck her.

At the Frank Mickey residence on Monroe street a big brick chimney was moved from its foundation and the front porch roof almost entirely riddled.

At the Fred McCarter property on Franklin avenue the wind picked up his garage and carried it off its foundation, depositing it several feet away in an alley.

Jack Saygers, truck driver for Armour & Co., was caught by the wind as he was unloading cinders at the company plant in northeast Rochester and pitched to the ground. He was unhurt.

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Mrs. John Shields and Mrs. Dallas Zolman had a narrow escape, when they ran from the sidewalk in front of the former's residence on Monroe and Tenth streets was totally loosened and torn up in many places. [sic]

A new Chevrolet touring car, owned by Frank Babcock, which was parked in front of his home on Franklin avenue was damaged considerably when a shade tree was blown down and across the radiator of the car.

Ord Pash was picked up and thrown to the ground as he walked along Franklin avenue, but fortunately he escaped injury.

At the Dale Briles' residence on Franklin avenue the shingle roof on the rear of the house was torn off.

One of the freaks of the storm occurred at the Harry Chamberlain residence, where a rain barrel was picked up and carried into a neighbor's yard, without a drop of water having been spilled.

The United States Tire company sign is also a matter of history.
[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, March 10, 1925]

MOVIE MEN, REPORTERS, COVER LOCAL HAPPENINGS

Two newsreel camera men one from the Pathe Exchange in Indianapolis and the other from the International Exchange in Chicago, and seven Chicago newspaper men were in this city Wednesday afternoon to get pictures and stories on the cyclone which visited this city Tuesday afternoon. While here the camera men and writers also got pictures and data on the Prize Bull Day exercises at the gymnasium.

[The News-Sentinel, Thursday, March 12, 1925]

LOCAL CYCLONE "MOVIE" SHOWING AT INDIANAPOLIS

A Pathe news reel showing pictures of the damage wrought in this city by the cyclone which visited here recently is this week being shown at the Keith and the Ohio theatres in Indianapolis. Several Rochester people who were in Indianapolis for the basketball tournament, witnessed the pictures and say the scenes were very realistic. One Rochester man, Ayrton Howard, assisted the camera man in the preparation of the picture. Mr. Howard is shown lifting a part of the wreckage of the Bailey ice houses.

[The News-Sentinel, Tuesday, March 24, 1925]

CYCLONE MOVIES HERE

Pictures taken by a Pathe News reel man of the damage wrought in this community by the tornado which visited here three weeks ago, are being shown at the Char-Bell theatre today with other pictures taken in southern Indiana and Illinois of the cyclones which visited there. The local scenes are very clear and realistic.

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