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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE.....

Have you paid your rent? Maybe you don't think you owe any rent but think again - you do! Whenever we live in a spot that we do not own we must pay our dues. Think about it. This beautiful earth on which we live. Do you own that 100 acres or that city plot? The Bible says "The earth is the Lords". The free country which has been handed to you has cost the lives of many people who fought and died for it. The heritage which is ours because someone else lived and worked and carved out of their future has also made things better for us. Our schools have a history of the struggle for better education by people who faced many disappointments and hardships so they could be handed to us. Our churches have existed through the prayers, sacrifices and hard work as well as generations of dedicated volunteers. Think of our highway system as compared to dusty gravel roads. Someone else is responsible for our electricity that gives us our modern living conveniences - we didn't do it ourselves. The list is endless and you could think of so many things that we have to make our lives easier.

Now what have you done to see that future generations have better things than we have? or at very least as good as we found them. We are obligated by those who have left us such a heritage to do something to keep the momentum going. Have you paid your rent?

Marian Worrell

Hendricks County Historical Society met May 3, 1981 at the Cornerstone Christian Church north of Brownsburg. Our president Marian Worrell opened the meeting by reading a poem "Yesterday, Today, Tomorrow". Devotions were given by the pastor of the host church, Rev. Larry Bellville. He told of the history of the building, which was the Brown Twp. School. It had served the community in this capacity for 50 yrs. He said the church has a great interest in history. He closed with prayer.

The secretary's report was read & approved. The treasurer gave a balance of \$239.72.

Maynard Nolan gave a report on the Museum. He said a Model A Ford Club had visited the museum recently and gave nice comments and a nice donation. We keep finding things from estates and have had other donations.

We want to recognize Margaret Baker as an asset to our society as our editor of the Bulletin we all enjoy.

We sang Happy Birthday to Mildred Smith.

We have had several letters asking about genological research. We were asked to work on getting new members. Pearl Edmondson is in the nursing home in Mooresville.

Clark Kellum said our debt for the History Book is down to \$5,000.

Our program was Antique Watches. Mr. & Mrs. Hasket told of ways to price and acquire articles. He told about knives and pocket watches - the key wind is the oldest - 1850. Some old cases were solid gold, most dials were porcelain. He had several knives and watches on the display table.

The meeting was adjourned and we had a social hour with refreshments. Hostesses were from Lincoln and Brown Township. Forty two members were present.

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HENDRICKS COUNTY  
GENEALOGY SOCIETY FORMED

The Hendricks County Genealogy Society was recently formed in a meeting at Danville. Officers elected were Kevin Shular, president, and Betty Bartley, secretary-treasurer. It was decided that meetings would be held the third Thursday of each month, at 6:30 p.m., in the Indiana Room of the Danville Public Library. Dues were set at \$1.00 per year. The purpose of the Society is to learn about genealogical sources in Hendricks County, and in the rest of Indiana. Out-of-state research will also be discussed. Anyone interested in joining can contact Betty Bartley at the Danville Public Library, 101 S. Indiana Street.

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OUR CONVALESCENTS

From our smallest to our tallest comes good news. Margaret Baker, Editor, continues to improve, after hospitalization of several days.

Clark Kellum is back in Kelter after many tests and major surgery.

In the middle comes Jack Miller. He has benefitted from a two-week hospital visit.

Our oldest member, ninety-five year-old, Joe Davidson, our poet, historian, and artist, has returned to his home in Coatesville after fifteen days in the hospital at Greencastle.

Miller's Merry Manor at Mooresville, Indiana is blest with some of our best. Fair reports come from Pearl Edmondson, Claire J. Sellars, and Mary B. Thompson. They reside at 259 West Harrison Street, Mooresville.

Note: I have since learned that Pearl Edmondson is at home and went to church last Sunday, July 12.

Since our last meeting we have lost a member of our society. Ruth Gregory of Stilesville passed away.

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DIGGINS IN THE DUST

Hendricks County Cemetery Researchers were delighted during recent work on materials stored in the Clark Kellum Closet in the Plainfield Public Library.

The excitement was over the "discovery" of THE GUYNN CEMETARY ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION.

A copy of those Articles and a list of members follow.

THE GUYNN CEMETARY  
ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

1. For the purpose of providing suitable ground for the Burial of our Dead and to keep the same inclosed. We the undersigned citizens of the County of Hendricks and State of Indiana are banded and associated under the Corporate name of Guynn Cemetary Association. And we do hereby bind ourselves to pay on demand, to the Treasurer of our ASSociation, when the same shall have been appointed the sums annexed to our respective names.
2. The Officers of said Association shall consist of Three Trustees, who shall be elected from among the members on the Fourth Saturday of October in every year, and upon failure of the Association to elect such Trustees on the day designated, the old ones shall serve until their successors are elected and qualified.
3. Said Trustees shall form themselves into a Board for doing business, by selecting one of their number to serve at all the meetings of the Board as President, and shall appoint one of the remaining Trustees to act as Secretary and the other as Treasurer of the Association.
4. The President shall designate the days on which the Board shall Transact Business, and shall call all meetings for the members of the Association & preside thereat.
5. The Secretary shall procure a Journal into which he shall first copy these Articles and the names of the Members, and shall append thereto such By-Laws as shall be deemed by the Members, or a majority of them necessary for the government of the Association, and shall also enter therein the proceedings had at every meeting of the Board, and of the Association when called together by the president.
6. The Treasurer shall also procure a Book into which he shall enter an account of all the money received and paid out by him for the Association, which book shall be under the supervision of the Board of Trustees and open at any time to the inspection of any member of the Association. And said Treasurer on going out of office shall deliver said book and all the unexpended moneys in his hands belonging to the Association to his successor.
7. No purchase of lands for the Association shall hereafter be made without the consent of the majority of the members which consent shall only be obtained after due notice first being given of the same at a meeting appointed by the President for the purpose.
8. To defray the expenses of the Association or to make purchases of grounds or for needed improvements The Board shall have the right to assess and collect of the members of the Association such a Tax as a majority of them at a meeting called for the purpose shall designate. And the payment of such assessment may be coerced by the Treasurer in any court having jurisdiction without any relief whatever from the valuation or appraisment laws.

9. On all questions to be decided by Ballot each member who has paid his subscription shall be entitled to one vote and the same may be voted by proxy.

September 24, 1858

<u>Names of Members</u>		\$	¢	<u>Names of Members</u>		\$	¢
Joseph Bolen	Paid	1.00		J. L. McCormack	Paid	.50	
John S. Wood	Paid	1.00		William Douglas	Paid	1.00	
Cornelius Veatch	Paid	1.00		J. Isaac Petty	Paid	1.00	
Jacob Tharp	Paid	1.00					
J. O. Riley	I donate all the ground that is in us(e) nown (now?)			J. O. Riley or			
John Biddle	Paid	.50		Merell Brady	Paid	1.00	
Simon Hornady	Paid	1.00		Moses Guynn	Paid	1.00	
A. F. Shirts	Paid	1.00		Merill Brady	Paid	1.00	
Harvey Woods	Paid	1.00		Mrs. Do	Paid	.50	
John Little	Paid	.50		B. Snodgrass	Paid	1.00	
Amos McCormick	Paid	1.00		Mosses Moon or (Wood)	Paid	.50	
Nathan Petty	Paid	1.00		W. J?. Maddox	Paid	.10	
Samuel McCormick	Paid	1.00					
Drucella Brady	Paid	.50					

Certificate and Plat of Grave Yard in Sec. 25 T 15 R 1 W

Joseph Bowlin & Others

Joseph Bowlen, Cornelius Veach, Simon Hornaday, A. F. Shirts, Samuel McCormack, Amos McCormack, John Little, Wm. Douglas, Josiah Read, Isaac O'Riley, Moses Guynn, Aquilla Jorean, John S. Wood, Wm. Maddox.

Isaac O'Riley to the within.

(Bowlen & Wood)

THE GUYNN CEMETARY

Articles of Association

Recorded on O Book 8 at Page 146

Filed in my Office 30 October 1858

John Irons Clk.

State of Indiana Hendricks County, Cartersburg, October 23rd 1858. According

to public notice given in the Hendricks County Ledger, the Share Holders of said Association held an Election at the Methodist Episcopal Church in Cartersburg for the purpose of electing trustees for the Guynn Cemetary which resulted in the choice of Joseph Bolen, Jacob Tharpe, and John S. Wood as such Trustees.

#### GRAVE YARD LOT

A part of the SE  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 25 Township 15 North of Range one West, Beginning in the Southern boundary line of the Danville and Cartersburgh Gravel Road one chain and thirty one links S. 70 degrees East from the intersection of said Southern boundary line, with the north line of said SE  $\frac{1}{4}$ ; (said intersection being six chains seventy-five links east of the center of said Section) Thence S 68<sup>o</sup> E, on the southern boundary line of said road. Two chains fifty links; Thence south three chains; Thence N. 76 $\frac{1}{2}$ <sup>o</sup> W. Two chains thirty eight links; Thence North three chains thirty eight links to the place of beginning, containing Seventy-four hundredths of an acre, more or less.

JOSEPH H. DENNIS

Surveyor H. Co.

Plat of Sec. 25 T 15 N of R 1 W

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GROWING UP IN NORTH SALEM

A Playhouse, Out Buildings and Such

The very first building along Ladoga Avenue was our garage. It was no ordinary building for the parking of a car or the storing of tools and toys. The coal bin was built into one of the front corners. In the floor was a trap door that opened up into the basement. Daddy had put it in for the convenience of changing oil or working on the car. We used it as a quick escape route during games of hide-and-seek. Built on the side of a hill, the garage had steps on one side going down to that "bestest summer playhouse" anyone could possibly have.

About one fourth of the basement was boarded off and used for garden tools and kindling storage. At one time, we had boarded a borrowed cow. Uncle Earl had needed us to take care of Jersey for awhile. A regular floor and eating trough was built in for her and a barbed wire put up around the garden area. In the months that we had the garden planted she lived over in a pasture across from the cemetery. Mother took a pail and went over there to milk her. Talk about rich cream and plenty of milk and homemade ice cream and cottage cheese--we sure enjoyed these during the time she was our guest! It was a couple of years later that the basement was turned into our playhouse. An old oil drum lay on its side in one corner and in front of it a 12 x 12 block of wood, about as long as the drum. All it took was an old rug and PRESTO--a play davenport. Mother even put up some curtains at the two windows. Doll beds, wicker buggy, table and chairs including the wicker rocker, the shelf along one side for the kitchen and everything was all set up for our housekeeping.

The dark garden soil made a wonderful cake. A clay-sand mixture topped with sunflower petals or hollyhock seeds provided a luscious looking icing. This would

harden and "bake" when set out in the sun for a few hours. Cleaning up afterwards was usually done in a bucket up at the outside pump by the kitchen door.

"You girls get yourselves up here this minute and clean up this mess," Mother would call to us, when she saw the muddy conglomeration of toy dishes and pans cluttering up the well platform. Sometimes it took more than one yell--and sometimes even harsher methods.

Boy, did we get dirty! Sometimes even we were cleaned up in a wash tub of water, warmed by the sun. No, we didn't have a bathroom in those days. There was no water heater either, just a kitchen sink and a pump that would bring in either well or cistern water. A large copper boiler heated the water for big jobs like canning or washing the clothes. A super large teakettle heated dish and bath water.

You have another question? Well, we had a small wooden building out in the backyard. This was the toilet with wooden seat, two holes for adults and the small child's seat Daddy had built from a box, close to the floor for short legs. No flushing, just an occasional handful of powder lime thrown in to sanitize. Those seats were plenty cold in zero weather and the draft, around the door and through the tiny up-high ventilation windows, was something else all winter long. In summer there were wasps flying in and out industriously building nests along with their cousins, the mud-dobbers. Spiders spun their fine fly-catching nets and lurked in the corners to scare the wits out of us. No, it wasn't exactly the safest or nicest place to go. Maybe that is why we seldom went alone, especially after dark. Isn't it strange the comfort another can give us, just with their company, when they would be no earthly good at really protecting us from such dangers?

Mary Ann Clark Moore

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#### FORMING OF OUR SOCIETY

The Hendricks County Centennial celebration on May 23, 1924 sparked the interest in preserving our heritage. There was a general demand for a museum to try to save some of the relics of a by-gone day. That was a time when everything must be new to be fashionable. Lots of things we hold dear today would have as likely been relegated to the junk pile or at least, kept out of sight as "too old".

On November 11, 1924, a group of Hendricks County citizens met in the Assembly Room of the court house and organized the Hendricks County Historical Society. They chose as officers: Thad Adams, president; George Reitzel, 1st. vice-president; Mrs. Julian Hogate, 2nd. vice president; and Fred Brengle, secretary-treasurer. Dues were \$1 per year.

Their purpose was to get leaders for each township, and have a membership drive. Promotion would be through the clubs, P.T.A., and Central Normal College.

Members were assigned topics to be prepared for presentation at the subsequent meetings. At that time, at least, one person would prepare a paper to be read by another.



The northwest room on the third floor of the court house was given to the society by the county commissioners for a museum. The group met in its new quarters September 14, 1926.

Charter members were: Thad S. Adams, Danville, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Blessing, Danville, Mr. and Mrs. Fred E. Brengle, Danville, Otis E. Gulley, Danville, Mr. and Mrs. Julian Hogate, Danville, Roscoe Leak, Lizton, Mrs. W. C. Osborne, Danville, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Ryner, Coatesville, and Margaret L. Shuler, Indianapolis.

The organization lasted until 1928.

The people of the county felt that Hendricks County should have a proper celebration of Indiana's 150th birthday. Our Hendricks County Historical Society was the outgrowth of the birthday celebration.

On July 13, 1967 a group of county citizens gathered at the Boys' School in Plainfield. Roy Fisher, Pittsboro, chairman pro tem, presided. Hubert Hawkins, director of the Indiana Historical Bureau spoke.

The group drew up a constitution and elected the following officers: Mr. Frank Litherland, Plainfield, president; Mrs. Hazel Felkner, Avon, vice-president; Mrs. Mildred B. Smith, Brownsburg, secretary; Mrs. Blanche Wean, Danville, treasurer; and Miss Ina Shaw, Danville, historian. And thus the Hendricks County Historical Society was reorganized.

The second meeting was on the second Sunday in October 1967 at the Fellowship Hall of the Pittsboro Christian Church. All who joined that day became charter members. Charter members numbered 85.

Meetings were to be on the second Sunday of January, April, July, and October. Special occasions such as Mother's Day, and commencements caused a conflict, as well as the January meeting being too close to Christmas, so it was decided to change the meetings to the first Sunday of February, May, August and November. Our dues are now \$3.

Meetings have been held in many places. It was found feasible to look for an air-conditioned place in summer.

The society has had many interesting speakers, the second being the late Wayne Guthrie of the "Indianapolis News". We've woven a close bond over the years because most wouldn't miss the meetings for anything if they could help it.

Then Margaret Baker, bless her, started writing the bulletins along about the first part of 1971. She has several contributors who tell about their own neighborhoods from their own experiences and by stories handed down. Someone will relate a story. Not fiction, either. We don't write that kind. Someone will suggest they write it up for the bulletin. We've received some interesting information that way.

It's always been interesting to see the historic places where we've met and nearly always, there is someone who will tell the history of the building.

Those of us who work at putting the bulletin together have really become acquainted and we have a good time. It takes a lot of will power to keep from reading the bulletin until we get finished.

Jewell Bell

## MUSINGS FROM THE MUSEUM

Clubs, scout troops, church groups, and school classes like to visit the museum. Some have visited more than once. They usually comment that there is usually something on later visits that wasn't there the last time they came.

The Model "A" Ford Club of Indianapolis visited Danville on April 26 and included the museum on their tour of points of interest. Approximately 30 people came and brought 7 cars which were parked on the east side of the square. It made quite a display. Their motors purred as well as, or maybe better than bran new.

The Hendricks County Garden Club has planted annuals in the flower bed and it promises to be a colorful place all summer.

We received a glass-like cabinet that is being used to display small items that can get misplaced easily, for instance, jewelry. Also received was a WW II German dagger. It is sharper than lots of butcher knives. We also received some children's toys.

Then there was the business of showing off the wedding gowns during June. Fragile materials were made more fragile by age. Net was cotton then, not nylon. Our appreciation of the zipper was renewed when snaps, hooks and eyes mellowed with age didn't always work. Yes, zippers get balky, come apart, get off their track, and we talk about them, but with the aid of some long-nosed pliers, perhaps a bobby-pin, and some patience, they get back together. When they work they can't be beat. People couldn't get in too big a hurry when trying to button those dresses because it takes time to line all the buttons up. Yes, the models looked so cool, calm and collected. No problems at all. Not for them anyway, but the dressers? Well!

Jewell

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Mr. and Mrs. Harold H. Templin celebrated their 40th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY June 28 at the Danville Christian Church. Hosts were their children and families, Bill, Morganton, N.C.; Beth Cain, Myrtle Beach, S.C. and Bob, Elkhart, Indiana. There were 160 guests at the reception and 95 cards have been received from well wishers. The Templins have been active in the Historical Society since its organization and we extend our best wishes.

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## CEMETERY RECORDS REPORT

The typing of the inscriptions of the Danville South Cemetery has been completed and it has been indexed. A copy of each has been placed in the Danville and Plainfield libraries.

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## Treasures in Corner Stones

Despite the traumatic experience of witnessing the demolition of the two school buildings in Pittsboro, special interest is being shown in the historical material found in the cornerstones of the grade building, erected in 1913 and

the high school building, completed in 1921. Those who have had the opportunity to examine the various items are fascinated and impressed by the forthought of those who made selection of what should be included. It is our intention to share some of the items of general concern with you historians, realizing that many of you have had similar experiences and emotional reaction stemming from the knowledge that those days are gone forever and that not even the buildings stand to remind us of the past.

Several copies of our local newspaper "Pittsboro Sun" are a delight to read, recounting the many activities of our community, transactions at the court house, personal items regarding family reunions, marriages, detailed advertisements of quality goods, bargains, and editorials and comments.

Included among the Treasurers was a copy of the first paper published in our town, called The Weekly Sun, dated Friday, February 3, 1893, by Frank Harrell, the first editor, succeeded in a few years by the well known Samuel Janes who really reflected the true spirit of our community. He had annotated one of the papers in his own hand writing as follows: "Samuel Janes, born in Brighton, England, November 5, 1844. Three years a soldier in the Civil War from Hendricks County, Indiana, 18th Battery, Indiana Light Artillery." Mr. Janes, beloved by many, came to Pittsboro after the War, married a girl named Mary Ann Wells, member of a pioneer family and raised 4 daughters, Alice Kirk, Kate Halfaker, Grace Hyer, and Ruth Hicks. Several Grandchildren survive, among them Mary Kirk Jordan, Danville.

It is worth several chuckles to read the ads of more than 50 years ago. One by James M. Wills, familiarly called Uncle Monroe, living in the former Junken House, now occupied by the Gregory Fine Furniture Store, was an early lawyer as well as druggist, announced himself a dealer in drugs, medicines, and chemicals, also patent medicines of all kinds, as well as toilet articles, together with paints and varnishes, cigars and tobacco. His motto was "Fair Dealing and Low Prices."

Then there was an ad by the Star Barber Shop, owned by Frank Junken who offered a good shave or latest style hair cut. Frank also had watches, clocks, and jewelry which he repaired in first class order.

"Snag proof boots" were for sale by the Weaver Brothers store, (My father Chester was one of the brothers). The Pittsboro Milling Company announced in attractive captions that they made the best flour on Earth, besides paying the highest Market price for wheat.

A letter from "Uncle Jimmy Kellems and his wife Mattie read as follows: "I am the oldest teacher in Hendricks County. I and my wife Mattie have lived in the town of Pittsboro for 18 years. I have taught in the schools here for 14 years and will teach in this new building this year. I live on North Maple Street just one square from Main Street. I have lived at this place ever since moving to town 18 years ago. Many of the boys and girls in and around Pittsboro have been my pupils. Hope when this is read there will be someone who remembers me."

Signed

James Kellems and Mattie Kellems.

A few are left who remember the elderly teacher. The home he mentioned was recently purchased by Ledner Wolfe.

A facsimile of a ten dollar bill issued February 1864, was deposited by T. M. Dodson of Wichita, Kansas, a former teacher of Hendricks County.

Various records are of interest to today's citizens. F. A. Haynes appointed Postmaster February 10, 1906, located in Hardware store of Haynes and Ellis, Morton Ellis, assistant postmaster, Edward Watts, Clerk, Frank E. Wills, carrier Route 1, Frank T. Kirk, Carrier Route 2.

John Neaville in his own handwritting affirms that he went in the drug business in Pittsboro, April 10, 1897.

A list of merchants who agreed to decorate their places of business with flags and bunting and to keep their places of business closed from 2 P.M. until the close of the exercises at the new school house on Saturday, June 21st. had been compiled by C. C. Hicks, Furniture and Undertaking, the successor of J. T. Waters. This list included the names of Gregory Waldon, editor of the Pittsboro Sun, E. A. Parker, general merchandise, successor to the Weaver Brothers store, John Neaville, Philo Neese, H. M. Knetzer, J. W. Fowler, N. F. Holtsclaw, A. F. Strader, Lyle Strange, Frank Lovell, Wilbern Cox, C. E. Kesler, H. J. Woody, Loyal Schenck, William Crawley, A. F. Junken, J. A. Lewis and Son. Not one man is living today.

One of the most interesting items removed from the corner stone of the grade school building was an eleven page history of Middle Township and Pittsboro written by "Uncle George Junken, for 30 years a teacher in the schools of Middle Township. The following tribute was paid to him by the committee on arrangements. "Uncle George Junken, a perfect gentleman, a true follower of the meek and lowly Nazarene, faithful to every trust whether great or small, a good citizen in every sense of the word. Let those who open this box, treasure this work which he performed with lack of exact data, relying largely upon his memory, while in feeble health, yet cheerfully performing the task at the request of the committee on arrangements for this occasion".

Signed:  
Gregory Walden, Chairman  
Evert Watson  
Clyde Olsen  
Curtis C. Hicks  
Marion Hart

An article in the April 18, 1913 issue of the Pittsboro Sun was to inform the citizens of the township that the new school building would cost \$23,000. Trustee Richard L. Dillon and his advisory board, David Surber, Dr. O. T. Scamahorn, and George Money announced that contracts were not yet let as they were still considering details of bids. A later issue of the paper mentioned that the trustee and his associates would ride in the parade in the Doctor's car as the place of honor was merited.

One challenging article asked the question "Who owns the School House?" Answer: The school house belongs to Middle Township and so Pittsboro Masonic Lodge feels that it is merely acting as agent for the people of the township in arranging for these exercises and ceremonies, "It's our school house, let us all come out and see how the work is progressing, see that the cornerstone is laid in a workmanlike manner."

One of the most interesting ads occupying almost a full column was a statement by Trustee R. L. Dillon "in the matter of the sale of the School Property of School District No. 6, not already sold, Middle Township, Hendricks County Indiana., on the 5th day of June, 1913 at the hour of 10 o'clock A.M. Description of the real estate followed, including the one story frame building, all the outhouses, except the new closet on the east side of said real estate,; the coal house situated on the west side of said real estate will be sold, but is reserved until such time as the new building is ready for the furniture, said furniture being stored in coal house at this time. The parties buying the real estate is not buying the rubbish of the brick building or the stone foundation of said brick building at this time. Other matters concerning the removal of rubbish and payment and conditions are dealt with in detail."

This referred to the two story brick building in the east end of Pittsboro, built in 1873, housing both the grade and high school used until 1913 when the elegant now grade building was completed. The frame building referred to in the ad is still used as a residence on the old school grounds.

A rare enclosure was a copy of The Vicksburg Daily Citizen, printed on wall paper, July 2, 1863 before the surrender of General U. S. Grant, called the Grant Edition. It was deposited by a well known citizen of Pittsboro, a veteran of Company B, 48th Illinois infantry which took part in the seige of Vicksburg. His granddaughter Julia Milam Cowley was a former member of this community.

Dr. William H. Terrell had written a brief summary announcing he was 50 years old a graduate of the Medical College of Indiana, class of 1889, had come to Pittsboro on November 29, 1906, from Stilesville, Indiana. Engaged in the practice of general medicine and surgery and special work on the eye, ear, nose, and throat and fitting glasses. He was Health Officer for Pittsboro, Indiana. He also enclosed several pages of information about Krytoks lenses. Norma Hamilton, granddaughter lives in Pittsboro.

The Pittsboro Bank enclosed a neat statement on the condition of Pittsboro, a private bank in the state of Indiana, at the close of its business on June 4, 1913.

Resources \$124,871.62. Total Liabilities \$124,871.62

E. W. Sawyer, President; Vice-President: C. J. Olsen; Glen C. Tolin, Cashier; Alcie M. Ridgway, Ass't Cashier.

A few pictures clearly recognizable of a pretty little girl in the 4th grade, Beulah Neece, daughter of Philo Neece, wrote that he came to Pittsboro on March 17, 1911 and was still in the saloon business. Another was of Milburn Scamahorn, son of Dr. O. T. and Fannie Scamahorn, born February 6, 1912. The children of George and Winnie Money: Doris, 9, Laban 6, and Andvern, 18 months and a picture of the interior of J. W. Fowler grocery store.

Another article that would be especially interesting to the family and friends of the Tanselles, is on the front page of May 30th, 1913 copy of the Pittsboro Sun, entitled Pittsboro's Boy Huckster. "Lynn Tansel is the youngest huckster that ever started out of Pittsboro. Last Monday morning, as his father could not go out, Lynn said "I can go." So he went and came home all right. His sales were as good as usual and he bought more produce. He gave his bills so his father and Mr. Tansel said he never found a mistake. Ollie Warrick went along, but said he saw Lynn knew more about the business than he did, so he just

opened gates and Lynn did the rest. Keep on, Lynn, this is only a stepping to something better. It gives you experience you could not get any other way."

On the day of the Laying of the Cornerstone in the grade school building which was to house both grades and high school, I was 13½ years old, a freshman in high school and destined to enter high school in the fall in the frame building which was previously advertised for sale, one of 16 freshmen. I will remember that important day when the whole town was agog with excitement and thrills were the order of the day. Every public school pupil was invited to meet on the lawn of the old school house in the east end of town, promptly at 1:30 P.M. and march to the new building which was in an important stage of construction, ready for the laying of the corner stone.

A copy of the Pittsboro Sun dated June 13, 1913, one of those placed in the corner stone, contains a detailed account of the afternoon program. It is as follows:

- 1:00 p.m. Pittsboro Lodge F & A.M. will meet in the Lodge Room  
(Southwest corner of square)
- 1:30 P.M. Middle Township school children, school teachers and former teachers will meet on lawn of the old school house and be assigned places in the line.
- 1:30 P.M. Indianapolis Newsboys band will arrive on special car over the Ben Hur Interurban line and will march down North Maple to Main Street.  
(The newsboys band, was directed by J. B. Vandaworker and was 50 members strong. They stayed for an evening concert, too.)
- 1:45 P.M. Pittsboro Lodge will leave Lodge Room and be led by the band to the old school house lawn.
- 2:00 P.M. Parade will start from the old, marching to the new in the following order: Mounted Marshalls  
Newsboys Band  
Speaker of the day, Grand Lodge Officers,  
Township trustee and Advisory Board,  
Town Officers, Architect and Contractors,  
in Automobiles.  
Middle Township School children  
Present and Former Teachers of Middle Township  
Visiting Masonic Lodges  
Pittsboro Lodge, F & A.M.
- 2:15 P.M. Laying of the cornerstone by the Right Worshipful Calvin S. Prather, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Indiana  
Selection by the Band  
Address by Dr. George McIntosh, President of Wabash College.
- 4:00 Singing of America by all, accompanied by the Newsboys Band.  
Benediction by the Chaplain, Past Master George D. Junken.

This concluded the laying of the corner stone of the first new building which was completed in 1913 and occupied soon after Christmas.

The first principal was James William Westerfield of Brownsburg. More information concerning the building erected in 1921 will be presented at a later date.

The Pittsboro Bank has most graciously presented this material to the public and two faithful alumni have worked at it - Betty Niggel, Pittsboro Alumni Secretary, and Richard Herring, Past Alumni President.

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