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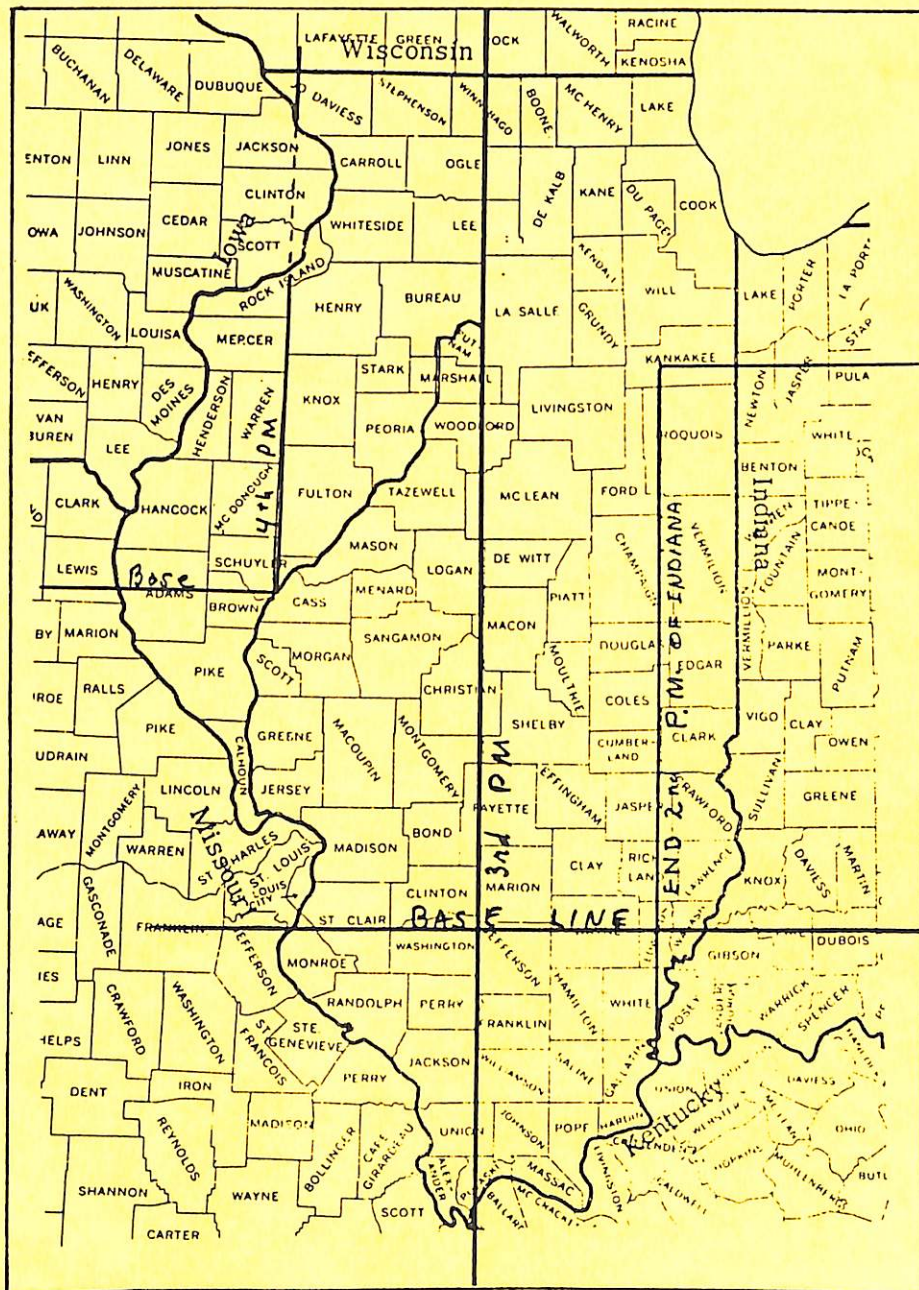
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COUNTY MAP FOR THE STATE OF ILLINOIS INDICATING THREE MERIDIANS AND BASE LINES
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The three Meridians and two Base Lines indicated on this map are only approximate locations. For accuracy, one must refer to each county plat map for Township and Range data. Map adapted from *Genealogical Atlas of the United States of America*, George B. Everton, 1966.

Adoption law changes urged to ease 'hunt' process

by Barb Kraeger

Adopted children and their birth parents often want to learn more about each other, but the research is sometimes difficult because of the state's adoption laws, says state Rep. Karen Hasara, R-Springfield. So she has introduced legislation to change the laws.

"My big concern is balancing the feelings of the adoptive parents with the psychological needs of the adoptees," Hasara said.

Hasara said natural, or birth parents, often want a guarantee of privacy in case the children they put up for adoption may some day search for them. But an adoption rights group says the legislation may go too far in restricting people who often have a mutual desire to find their parents or offspring.

One bill would add children who were put up for adoption but never adopted to the group of people entitled to use the Department of Public Health's adoption registry. These children are referred to as "surrendered children."

Currently, the registry offers an exchange of identifying information between mutually consenting birth parents and adoptees. If both file with the registry, but do not wish to be contacted, the registry will provide non-identifying information, such as race, religion, education, talents, and detailed medical information. There is

a \$40 fee.

Public Health's adoption registry has operated since 1985. There are 269 names on the registry — 16 fathers, 150 mothers, and 103 adoptees, said Mary Huck, Public Health spokeswoman. So far, it has accomplished three identifying matches.

Most of the birth mothers on the registry gave their babies up for adoption relatively recently, so many matches may not be realized for at least 18 years, Huck said. Persons must be 18 to receive non-identifying information through the registry. To receive identifying information, people must be over 21.

The other two pieces of legislation — one bill has been introduced and one proposed — have been criticized by an adoption rights organization.

HB 370 would require the impoundment of adoption files when the first adoption papers are filed, Hasara said. As the law stands, the files are impounded only after a request by any party to an adoption or by the court's motion.

However, almost all counties are impounding adoption files already, Hasara said, as the result of an Illinois Supreme Court order. Under the law, Hasara said, it appears a motion to impound could be made case by case. Her legislation merely clears that up, she said.

The third bill would create a confidential intermediary. This would be an unbiased party, appointed by the

court on request, to help an adoptee or a birth parent locate the other party. The intermediary would be used if an unsuccessful search was made through the registry.

If the intermediary locates the birth parent or the adoptee, he or she would inform that person of Public Health's adoption registry. The intermediary would not arrange any meetings or inform the person found that they were appointed to find them.

The bill providing for an intermediary would protect the privacy of women who choose to give their children up for adoption and would encourage more women to choose adoption by guaranteeing their privacy, Hasara said.

"We should be doing everything we can to support these women," she said.

An adoption rights group disagrees.

"If (adoption) is such a good thing, why do we have to have all these secrets around it?" asked Sue Martin, a member of Truth Seekers in Adoption.

Truth Seekers, which operates out of Prospect Heights, aids people in finding their birth parents or children given up for adoption. It also offers counseling services and support groups. Of the birth mothers and adoptees contacted through Truth Seekers, 98 percent are amenable to contact, Martin said.

Martin criticized what she described as the state's "lax adoption laws" and questioned whose rights the laws protect.

Illinois has a closed adoption proceeding. When a child is adopted, his or her original birth certificate is sealed and the adoptive parents are issued a second birth certificate with their names on it, said Mary Stone, an adoption coordinator with Catholic Charities in Springfield.

Truth Seekers' Martin said that policy creates "generic babies" and is an attempt to sever biological ties, something that is ultimately unhealthy for adopted children, she said.

Catholic Charities often receives inquiries from birth parents and adopted children searching for each other. Under state law, the agency cannot provide identifying information, unless there is mutual consent. Stone would like to see that change, and Hasara's proposed legislation appointing an intermediary somewhat addresses that issue. She would not comment on Hasara's legislation because she has not had a chance to read the bills.

"There are many adoptive parents who don't want to raise the issue," Hasara said. "Young people are so much more open to the idea of not just having their two natural parents. (The proposed bill) is really a compromise."

The above article was printed in the Springfield Journal about April 1, 1989. Rep. Karen Hasara, R-Springfield, was formerly County Clerk of Sangamon County. We thought our readers would like to know about what may be happening to adoption laws in Illinois. This such a controversial issue.

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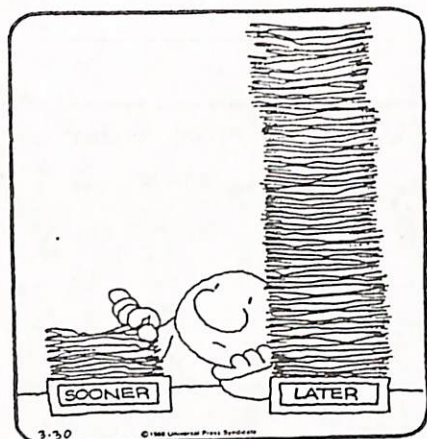
Did you know? Problems are the signals which the creativity of life sends to us, encouraging us to push back the walls of our little worlds still further, and to get even better tools with which to accomplish our desires, so that we can know more and more of the reality and better things of life.

We are deeply grateful for the cooperation given to us by the Editors and Photographers, and composing room employees who permit us to use their news items and pictures in our quarterly so that we can better illustrate the information we are trying to convey to our many members and friends in the United States and Canada.

Dear Geneal Members and Friends, our Co-workers:

9 June 1989

As Ziggy finds himself surrounded by unanswered letters, so goes your president and editor of this quarterly. There have too many other things that needed my at-



tention these past 3 months since the last quarterly was sent on its way. And we had to work in this June one three weeks earlier than usual. With 3 trips to Oklahoma, those 3600 miles of driving took a lot of my energy, and time. My sister-in-law Vern passed away, so she cannot work any more with persons searching Streets, Tankersley, Fontaine, Frost, etc. We are hoping a great-niece, who seems interested, will pick up where Vern left off, as arrangements had already been made.

Each of you -- out there -- should make arrangements with some younger relative whom you can help to get started before it is too late. Share your experiences and knowledge with them so that they can more easily "pick up the pieces" and carry on with the family research.

We had to cancel our society meeting on May 25th at the last moment, almost, because of a tornado warning until 10:00 p.m. Fortunately nothing bad happened here, but 30 miles south, in Greene County, crops were destroyed and golf-ball sized hail riddled windows, aluminum siding, trailer homes, and other things around Carrollton and Greenfield in particular.

Of course the lightning and thunder was popping over our heads, and spurts of heavy rain, but some places were left in darkness temporarily with electricity failure. We are thankful that our area was spared the tragedies of field loss and home damage as occurred in Greene and Macoupin counties.

Our June meeting on Thursday the 22nd will be at the Salvation Army, 331 West Douglas in case any of our far-away members are visiting in town. Jane Coble will give the program on the Domesday Book, England's most important single historical treasure. The two volume set is a comprehensive land register and demographic survey of England showing land owners tax lists made about 1086. This may give someone "out there" an idea for a program for their local genealogical society.

We will have NO meeting in July. But we do meet August through November. Visitors to our fair city are always welcome to meet with us on those 4th Thursdays.

One of our family members is putting Bob Dalton's four volume indexes to "A Guide To Cemeteries In Morgan County, Illinois" on computer. They are half done by now. This will be a great help to find burial sites.

A year ago I clipped an important news item from the State Journal-Register, Friday June 24th: Copies of destroyed VA (Veterans Administration) medical records found.

These were records collected by the National Research Council, a private research organization. During the 1950's they did this as part of its analysis of Army hospital records. A researcher came across the records and notified the National Archives.

These duplicate records cover the years 1942-1945, and 1950-1954, so will primarily affect veterans of World War II and the Korean War. If you know of some veteran who had applied earlier for his records and were told they were burned, then this may give him hope of making a new application and having success in obtaining them. Or, some family historians may be able to recover some of these records for their history books.

The problem, originally, was that eighteen million military personnel records were destroyed or seriously damaged in the July 12, 1973 fire at the National Personnel Record Center in St. Louis, Mo. They were from 1912 through 1959 for Army personnel, and 1947 through 1963 for Air Force personnel, with the surnames of Hubbard and thru the letter Z. I have no addresses at hand to give you. But with these words of wisdom I will say goodbye for now. Love,

Love,

Florence, Editor

Page 1: WHY WILL IRWIN SELECTED JACKSONVILLE AS THE MOST BEAUTIFUL TOWN IN THE MIDDLE WEST!

From: MAKING SERVICE PAY Volume 1 -- Price 10 Cents -- Number 2. The Golden Rule in Actual Life. Business Promotion, Community Development, Social Advancement and Permanent Prosperity. By Fred High. Distributed by The Community Development Association, Chicago.

Your editor of the Jacksonville IL Geneal Journal could not find a date on this 24-page pamphlet, but the cover indicated that "Jacksonville The City Beautiful Will Celebrate 100th Anniversary in 1925". The pamphlet indicated "five strong banks ... 32 miles paved streets" and as "The Athens Of The West" had 25 churches, 18 schools and colleges fostering Arts, Music, Literature. That it had a Large Public Art Gallery and \$75,000 Free City Library, Gymnasiums, Athletic Fields, Municipal Golf Course and Three Park Systems. Harold C. Welch was head of the Jacksonville Chamber of Commerce at the time this booklet was published.

We are indebted to the kindness of Pauline Newport, City Clerk, for a photocopy of this rare volume.

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Will Irwin, the world famous author and correspondent whose writings have profoundly stirred the thinking world, had an article in *The Saturday Evening Post* of October 7, 1922, in which he described a 5000 mile automobile tour which he and his wife made from Auburn, New York, to Denver, Colorado, and return.

After his trip was over and he began the task of writing his story from his notes, he described the wonders of his trip and what he saw, picking the most beautiful and desirable little city in which to locate and live, he chose Jacksonville and paid it this tribute:

"As for towns--spontaneously there arose a competition to name the best town in each class along our route. Lest I stir up human hate and sinful local pride, I shall mention only the winners.

"On small Middle-Western towns opinion was divided. My wife chose Painesville, Ohio, and I became an aggressive partisan of Jacksonville, Illinois. I shall--meanly--set forth only the claims of my own pet town. I had never heard of the place before; and it was a revelation.

"It stands among elm-bordered and gardened avenues. Yet it was not too much gardened--not enough to destroy the homelike quality. There must be considerable wealth in Jacksonville, else its succession of fine houses, each set on a little estate, were impossible.

"I state only an axiom among the widely traveled and open-minded when I say that American architecture of the past twenty-five years--especially American domestic architecture--is the best in the world. Like all great peoples we are great builders. Before we were a nation we had domesticated, humanized the stiff Georgian building of contemporary England into the homelike New England farmhouse, the hospitable colonial mansions. After the blight of the arts, the period of excrescences and gem gowns in the middle nineteenth century, we revived this tendency. Our domestic building may go down in the history of architecture as of equal merit with the creation of the skyscraper--our great achievement, now coming to the tardy recognition of scoffing Europe.

"These houses of Jacksonville are beautiful, and yet homes. They have grown old enough to settle into the landscape. They suggest moderate wealth and reasonable luxury; they suggest also the girls of late afternoons making splotches of color on the piazza, the children of winter evenings reading or getting their lessons round the living-room lamp, the boys of summer mornings tinkering with the machine in the garage. And Jacksonville centers a country of undulating fields, coal black where the plow has just finished, peacock blue where the new corn is springing, burnished gold where the wheat awaits the reaper. The country folds into a thousand undulating hills. The road as it leaves Jacksonville, runs along a crest

giving panoramic glimpses which, what with the mystery of prairie skies, seem more visions than vistas." [For rest of Irwin's article, I guess we will have to find a copy of The Saturday Evening Post of October 7, 1922.

We will continue a part of the booklet "Making Service Pay" for parts evidently written by Fred High, editor.

Ordinarily a town or a city would be human enough to sit back and wait for the compliments of the world that would inevitably flow her way as a result of being selected as the most wonderful little city in the great Middle West, but Jacksonville had taken on enough of the spirit of modern push to feel the little sting that was contained in the tribute of "the world's greatest correspondent" who acknowledged that he had never heard of the place before.

Never heard of Jacksonville! Why, this is the town where William Jennings Bryan was graduated from college, where he was married, started housekeeping, made his first political speech.

Jacksonville gave to the world the most beloved, famous actor, Sol Smith Russell. It polished that noted writer, Dr. Frank Crane, educated thousands of our young Americans.

Among the other men who have lived in historic homes or began their famous careers in Jacksonville are: Governor Joseph Duncan, War Governor Richard Yates, Stephen A. Douglas, Newton Bateman, founder of our state school system; General Grierson, Peter Newell, the New York artist; Jonathan B. Turner, the father of our National System of Agricultural Colleges; Richard Yates, Jr., recent governor of Illinois; Col. John J. Hardin, Thomas G. Beecher, and Peter Cartwright.

In its midst is located the oldest college west of the Alleghenies; it has furnished three governors for the great State of Illinois, and still here was the most widely travelled reporter and correspondent in the world who had never heard of the place before!

Jacksonville is older than Chicago; in soil and fertility Morgan County, which in 1925 will celebrate her one hundredth centennial, is unsurpassed. As far back as 1845 Daniel Webster visited this city and was so impressed with its rich soil that he had a barrel full of this black loam shipped back to New England so his friends might see with their own eyes that his descriptions of this wonderful country were not warped by oratorical imagery or something stronger, and that he had not sacrificed truth for eloquence. [From pages 3 and 4].

THE ATHENS OF THE WEST [Pages 5-7 by Fred High].

Jacksonville was founded in 1825. Four years later a little band of Yale men established Illinois College, the first college in the west.

Today Jacksonville is signally blessed with educational institutions. Illinois College and conservatory of Music has an enrollment of 540. The Illinois Woman's College, which is known in educational circles as "The Vassar of the West", has an enrollment of 541 students.

Route College, a strong Catholic institution, with free tuition to everyone, has an enrollment of 118.

Brown's Business College, established by Prof. G. W. Brown, is a part of that great system of schools that number more than fifty institutions scattered throughout the country. Brown's Business Colleges provide a standard curriculum of commercial and business courses. There are 171 students enrolled in the school at Jacksonville--the home of the Brown Business College system.

The High School is superbly equipped with a magnificent auditorium. It is thoroughly modern in every detail, and is provided with a real gymnasium, manual training, domestic science and commercial departments. A complete moving picture outfit furnishes means for visual instruction, and each week the school puts on

high class moving pictures as a means of making money with which to further equip the school with new paraphernalia needed in the development of their students in such fields as radio and electrical research.

From the very founding of the first of these educational institutions they have played a large part in the moral and ethical development of the student body, later the state and then the nation. Rev. Edward Beecher, an elder brother of Henry Ward Beecher, was the first president of Illinois College. He resigned the pastorate of the Park Street Church of Boston to accept the presidency of the new college. This was in 1830.

Henry Ward Beecher and Harriet Beecher Stowe were frequent visitors to this seat of learning. Thomas K. Beecher was one of the early graduates of this institution, so that it was but natural to find Jacksonville and Illinois College the seat of anti-slavery agitation. The underground railroad had a station at this point. President Beecher was one of the fearless ones who helped to defend Lovejoy from the fury of the mob; he was one of the few who was with him the very night before Lovejoy was assassinated, and his printing plant destroyed.

Jacksonville has from her infancy been more than a mere seat of learning--its institutions have been more than foundations of knowledge.

Great artists are brought each year to the city, and her many musical and cultural clubs have cooperated to make these great events not only possible, but profitable, until today the great Music Festival and Chautauqua put on a ten day program that costs \$10,000 for talent, with tickets good for ten days, three sessions a day, at \$3. Many families camp and make this event an outing as well as an intellectual feast. [Family Historians - out there - do you have any family memories of these events from your ancestors?]

There is probably more real talent in Jacksonville than could be mustered together in a like area in almost any other town of its size in this county--at least the evidences that one sees by the many offerings in the way of home talent productions, concerts, music festivals and amateur theatricals seem to justify their claim to being the Athens of the West.

THE MAGIC STORY OF THE FERRIS WHEEL [Pages 9,10 by Fred High].

One of the big outstanding features at the Columbian Exposition, or World's Fair, held at Chicago in 1893, was the great Ferris Wheel that attracted such universal attention.

Among the millions who admired the Ferris Wheel was a young mechanic from Jacksonville whose life took on a fixed purpose as he contemplated the possibilities of that great machine.

W. E. Sullivan, the Jacksonian mechanic who gazed at that wheel, asked his good wife this question: "Do you think I could build a portable Ferris Wheel?" She replied: "Yes, you have always built everything you set out to build; but what would you do with it after you had it built?"

On May 23, 1900, in the city of Jacksonville, the first portable Ferris Wheel was set whirling for the amusement of the public. The first day's receipts were \$5.56 gross, and so "Sullivan's folly" was laughed at and pronounced to be a gigantic, stupendous, unapproachable failure.

During the season of 1906 the first interchangeable wheel was put out, and in a season of thirty-five weeks it earned \$8,325.55, which was the starting of this great riding device era as promoted by the carnival men.

February 19, 1906, the present shop was started and the present corporation was organized. In 1919 the present enlarged building was completed, and the world knows the rest of the story as far as the usefulness of the portable Ferris Wheel is concerned.

During our Community Revival Week Secretary Welch asked Mr. Sullivan if we

could hold a meeting at his shop at noon. He said: "No, this time belongs to the men. I have read many pages of Fred High's writings, and he can talk to our men on our time. If he can't interest them after he gets started we will just blow the whistle and go to work." That is the spirit that has characterized this company from the very first.

This factory was started on the golden rule plan, but this was finally reduced to the two words, "Do Right". After twenty-three years of corporation life, that policy has brought friends, customers and munificent financial rewards. But above all else, it has helped to establish an international reputation that is world-wide.

[The rest of the booklet is too extensive to copy here, but we will end with the closing paragraph on page 24]:

"To those who are looking for an ideal little city in which to live and educate their children it is the writer's opinion [Fred High] that Will Irwin's description of Jacksonville as a home city tells only a part of the story. The real Jacksonville cannot be snapped with a camera--it can not be seen with the eye, but has to be understood by the spirit of its many institutions and valued by the high ideals of its people."

With that much said, I as a genealogical historian will have to agree that it is a great little retirement city for those individuals who want to continue living a happy and busy life. For who wants to retire to a rocking chair on the front porch? If you have nothing better to do, start searching for your family history and see how busy and resourceful you become as a genealogical researcher.

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A headline in the Journal Courier for May 18, 1989 read: "Cultural Center To Have Program On Eli Bridge." I was very happy to attend to this interesting lecture by William Deem which had been prepared in 1969 who was then Chief Engineer with the company. He is now an engineer with Freesen Inc. The three-screen slide presentation is a lovely one.

A story about the Eli Bridge Company is scheduled to appear in the June issue of "Business Week". We will be looking forward to obtaining a copy.

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And then, along comes the June-July 1989 issue of Modern Maturity, publication of AARP, and what do we see on the cover? Two children having fun on one of the seats of a Ferris Wheel, with a lovely article and pictures to follow on pages 78-82, introduces the readers to "A Ferris wheel (that) is always the centerpiece of the midway. . . . The center of the Ferris wheel universe is in central Illinois at the Eli Bridge Company, where (Bill) Sullivan is sales manager. The family-run factory has riveted, welded, painted and shipped 1,335 wheels since the turn of the century, when Bill's great-grandfather turned out his first Big Eli wheel. All but a handful still run, at big amusement parks and road-grimed carnivals. There's even a 1913 model turning a profit in Bombay, India. . . ."

. . . "All this good fun begins to take life in an old brick factory along the railroad tracks in Jacksonville, Illinois, where the trains delivering steel used to pull right into the building."

It is interesting to note what happened to the original "Ferris Wheel". Mr Ferris' original wheel offered a different sort of thrill [because of its size]. Hoping to compete with the Eiffel Tower, Pittsburgh engineer George Washington Ferris designed his colossal 'pleasure wheel' for the 1893 World's Columbian Exposition in Chicago. It stood 264 feet high and held 2,160 riders at a time in 36 gondolas. One trip around took 20 minutes. The top of the arc offered a view of the far shore of Lake Michigan--a view only balloonists had experienced before." [If you want to know what happened to it -- read the article.]

To come into the possession of the James S. Anderson Undertakers sales records for the 1840's is a remarkable happenstance. We owe our heartfelt thanks to John Power for his kindness in permitting your editor to photocopy these old valuable record books. There are seven books, with one missing. It will take a long time to make an index of the names in these books.

These dates of evident casket and services purchases may be the only record of death a researcher may find, unless one were able to locate the place of burial, and find an existing tombstone some body has seen and recorded for public use.

From the prices listed, one can tell something of the economic or social status of a given family by the amount paid for a coffin, or extras. Also one may judge the size of a babe or approximate age of a son or daughter by the cost of the coffin, since these vary from \$2.50 for "babes" and \$3.50 to \$7.00 for children, with \$8.00 being the usual price for an adult, later \$9.00.

A sudden jump in prices of coffins and attendance and boxes started on pages 47 and 48. The Anderson Undertakers evidently added a new line for affluent customers since some cost as much as \$20.00. Then the prices settled back to a little higher than the original earlier ones.

Many names appear to be sound-spelled, or mis-spelled. Therefore, one has to search other possible surnames in this index, as your editor has recorded them as they appeared in the original book.

When the purchaser was listed as "self", it probably meant the decedent and not a person purchasing a coffin in anticipation of death. I feel sure that the sales recorder of the James S. Anderson Furniture Store and Undertaking establishment never dreamed that over 150 years later his writings would be carefully studied and copied for the viewing of hundreds of eyes over the United States, as this record will be observed in 1989, and later. So be it. We sincerely hope that these labors of love will be of great value to our family historians.

Pg#	Da	Mon	Year	Name Recorded	For whom	Item	Cost	Remarks
29	11	Junel	1846	ADAMS, Eligah	wife	Coffin	8.00	
32	1	Oct	1846	ADAMS, Thos.	daughter	"	8.00	
7	14	Jul	1842	ALEXANDER, Mrs.	babe	"	7.00	
6	9	Mar	1842	ALEXANDER, J. M.	self	"	12.00	
2	18	Jul	1840	ALLEN, Mr.	self	"	12.00	
50	8	Apr	1849	ANGELO, A. J.	Est.	"	20.00	
				" " "	"	Box	3.00	
47	16	Sep	1848	ANGELOW, John	wife	Coffin	20.00	
52	6	Aug	1849	ART, John	wife	"	8.00	
44	8	Junel	1848	ART, John	for	"	8.00	Miss McConel
9	25	Jan	1843	AUSTIN, Mrs. Estate	self	"	12.00	
46	18	Jul	1848	AYRES, Wm.	babe	"	2.50	
4	2	Aug	1841	BACON,	child	Coffin	4.00	
8	4	Oct	1842	BACON, E.	child	"	4.50	
35	5	Apr	1847	BACON, Eligah	Estate	"	10.00	[Probate #81]
20	13	Nov	1844	BAILER, Henry	wife	"	8.00	
36	18	Jul	1847	BAILEY, Elder	wife	"	8.00	
35	31	Mar	1847	BAKER, Wm.	babe	"	2.50	[May be Barker]
51	16	June	1849	BALDWIN, Blake	Estate	"	8.00	[Not probated]
47	27	Oct	1849	BANCROFT, H.	[child?]	Coffin	4.50 + Box 1.50 = \$6.00	
4	13	Jul	1841	BARBER,	babe	"	4.00	
26	2	Dec	1845	BEAVERS, James	son	"	7.00	
13	1	Jan	1844	BECRAFT, D(?)	daughter	Coffin	5.00 + grave box \$2.00	
					horse & buggy		.50 = \$7.50	

Page 2: ANDERSON FUNERAL HOME RECORDS, JACKSONVILLE, ILLINOIS 1840-1849

Pg#	Da	Mon	Year	Name Recorded	For Whom	Item	Cost	Remarks
13	5	Jan	1844	BECRAFT, D(?)		double coffin	\$6.00	+ grave box \$2.50
						horse and buggy	50	= \$16.50
42	26	Feb	1848	BENJAMIN, Charles	son	coffin	7.50	
28	8	May	1846	BERNARD, J. G. A.		"	9.00	
25	28	Sep	1845	BLANCHER, Jas.	wife	"	8.00	
26	26	Nov	1845	BONHAM, Wesley	estate	"	8.00	[Probate #85]
40	5	Nov	1847	BOMAN[Bowman], Andrew	estate	"	8.50	[Probate #34]
36	16	Jul	1847	BORETH, Daniel	child	"	3.50	
47	6	Nov	1848	BOTTS, Mrs. —	estate	"	9.00	
22	17	Jul	1845	BOYCE, Noah	estate	"	9.00	[No probate #]
25	4	Sep	1845	BOYCE, Thos.	estate	"	9.00	[Probate #105]
15	18	Jul	1844	BOX[BOY?], —	son	"	10.00	+ box \$2.00
15	25	Jul	1844	BOX[BOY?]	babe	"	2.50	+ box \$1.00
22	4	Aug	1845	BRADSHAW, John	babe	"	3.00	
34	26	Feb	1847	BRIDGEMAN, Mr.	wife	"	8.00	
16	19	Jul	1844	BRIM, John	son	"	3.50	
24	28	Aug	1845	BRISCOE, A. T.	babe	"	3.00	
31	21	Aug	1846	BRISENDINE, Brooks	estate	"	8.00	[Probate #116]
29	2	Jul	1846	BRISENDINE, Leo(?)	wife	"	8.00	
30	30	Jul	1846	BRISENDINE, Leo(?)	daughter	"	7.00	
29	18	June	1846	BRISENDINE, Young	wife	"	8.00	
29	4	Jul	1846	BRISENDINE, Young	estate	"	8.00	[no probate #]
14	26	Feb	1844	BROADHEAD, Thos.	estate	"	8.00	[no probate #]
30	9	Aug	1846	BROWN, Robt.	estate	"	20.00	[no probate #]
47	22	Oct	1848	BROWN, Wm.	wife	"	10.00	+ \$1.50 box
47	11	Feb	1849	BROWN, Wm.	infant	"	2.50	
42	5	Feb	1848	CALLEN, Mr. —		Coffin	4.50	
43	3	Apr	1848	CANVAN, Mathew	wife	"	7.00	"Lexington"
8	27	Sep	1842	CAMBELL, —		"	7.00	+ grave box \$2.00
				— muslin for winding sheet			.93	= \$9.93
52	18	Dec	1849	CARDWELL, Mr. —	babe	Coffin	4.50	
53	7	Oct	1849	CARNS, Jas.	"Old lady"	"	8.00	
26	27	Nov	1845	CARTER, Mr. —	babe	"	2.50	
46	15	Aug	1848	CASEY, John —	babe	"	3.50	
54	11	Dec	1849	CASSELL, Doct.	wife	"	25.00	
36	14	Jul	1847	CASSELL, Marlin(?)	babe	"	3.50	
46	9	Jul	1848	CHADWICK, John	babe	"	2.50	
53	27	Oct	1849	CHADWICK, John	babe	"	2.50	
12	10	Dec	1843	CHALLEN, John		"	4.50	[probably child]
11	9	Oct	1843	CHAMBERLIN, —	wife	"	8.00	
11	23	Sep	1843	CHIN, M. A.	daughter	"	3.50	
28	16	Apr	1846	CLAMPET, Moses	son	"	7.00	
40	9	Nov	1847	CLARK, John S.	for	"	10.00	"Mary Hodges"
17	28	Sep	1844	CLEAG, —	babe	"	3.00	
24	5	Sep	1845	COBBS & DAWSON	?	"	10.00	
5	13	Dec	1841	COFFMAN, P.(?)	babe	"	5.00	
6	3	Mar	1842	COLE, Robert	babe	"	3.00	
43	1	May	1848	COLE, Robert	daughter	"	5.00	
21	7	Apr	1845	COLEMAN, J.	babe	"	3.00	
53	25	Aug	1849	COMES(?), John	estate	"	9.00	[no probate #]
49	28	Feb	1849	CONNER, J.	babe	"	2.50	"near Rushville"
14	13	Mar	1844	COONS, Martin	wife	"	8.00	

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48	15	Dec	1848	COUCHMAN, Benj.	daughter	Coffin	\$5.00	
				" "	wife	"	9.00	
44	8	May	1848	COX, _____	estate	"	9.00	
38	14	Aug	1847	COX, Coradon	son	"	7.00	
36	16	Jul	1847	COX, Jeremiah		"	3.50	[probably child]
45	7	Jul	1848	COX, Leartus W.	wife	"	8.00	"on Sam Magill"
34	23	Mar	1847	CRAIG, Mr. _____	daughter	"	4.50	
28	25	Mar	1846	CULLY, J.		"	4.00	[probably child]
10	28	Aug	1843	CULLY, Joshua		"	3.50	[probably child]
11	25	Oct	1843	DANIEL, Mr./or Wm.	son	"	8.00	
27		Jan	1846	DAVIS, Wm.	infant	"	1.00	
17	9	Aug	1844	DEAR, Twidle	wife	"	8.00	
27	10	Feb	1846	DEWEAS, N.	wife	"	13.00	
31	8	Sep	1846	DEWEAS, Wm.	wife	"	9.00	"attendance \$3.00"
23	9	Aug	1845	DICKSON, A. C.	babe	"	3.00	
15	5	Jul	1844	DILLAN, Patrick	babe	"	3.50	
6	15	Feb	1842	DOUGHERTY, J. Miller	wife	"	9.00	
11	18	Oct	1843	DREW, _____	child	"	3.00	"pd. 12 Jul 1859"
17	28	Sep	1844	DREW, Fredrick	self	"	10.00	
31	30	Aug	1846	DREW, Polly	boy	"	6.50	
9	16	Feb	1843	DUNCAN, Dru(?)		"	2.50	[probably babe]
19	1	Nov	1844	DUNCAN, Mrs.	babe	"	5.00	
8	27	Oct	1842	DUEY, Mrs.	self	"	19.00	
16	29	Jul	1844	DUNHAM, Sarah		"	8.00	"Morgan County"
45	1	Jul	1848	DUNIVAN, Martha	child	"	4.50	
23	5	Aug	1845	DUNWODDIE, Thos.	son	"	8.00	[Dinwiddie?]
51	25	May	1849	DUTCHAN, _____		"	8.00	"by M. Huffacer"
16	2	Aug	1844	DYER, Willson	babe	"	2.50	
24	27	Aug	1845	EATON, Wm.	estate	"	9.00	[no estate probate]
2	24	Aug	1840	EDMONDS, Charles	babe	"	2.50	
10	28	May	1843	EDMONDS, Charles	babe	"	4.00	
5	7	Feb	1842	ELAM, Thomas	wife	"	9.00	
12	10	Dec	1843	"Englishman's Coffin"	?	"	1.25	
52	9	Aug	1849	ENNIS, Henry	wife	"	20.00	"box \$3.00 = \$23.00"
11	6	Oct	1843	EVANS, _____	father	"	9.00	
33	14	Dec	1846	EVANS, Eligah	wife	"	8.00	
24	19	Sep	1845	EWING, Jas.	wife	"	10.00	
28	26	Mar	1846	EWING, Jas.	babe	"	4.00	
18	15	Sep	1844	FAIRBANK, Mr.	mother	"	12.00	
								"box \$3.00 and attendance \$1.00 = \$16.00"
37	19	Jul	1847	FILSON, _____	wife	Coffin	8.00	
43	28	Mar	1848	FILSON, Wm.	estate	"	8.00	[probate #271]
24	5	Sep	1845	FOSTER, Mrs. Mary	daughter	"	8.00	
24	8	Sep	1845	FOSTER, Mrs. Mary	son	"	8.00	
28	27	Apr	1846	FOX, Mis. _____	?	"	8.00	
2	17	Oct	1840	FRENCH, Wm.	babe	"	5.00	
19	1	Oct	1844	FRENCH, Wm.	estate	"	9.00	[no estate probate]
51	30	Jun	1849	FRIZELL, J.	estate	"	9.00	[no estate probate]
43	14	Apr	1848	FRY, Milton	wife	"	8.00	"attendance \$1.50"

These records of a prominent Undertaker in early Jacksonville leaves a lot to be desired, but they are better than no available records of these decedents.

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51	9	June	1849	GADDIS, Miss	self	Coffin	\$8.00	
7	7	Sep	1842	GALBREATH, Samuel	babe	"	2.50	
10	26	Aug	1843	GARRIGAN, —	child	"	3.00	
				"credit by halling lumber .75, and hay and credit by 2 bu. potatoes .75 cents"				
8	28	Oct	1842	GADIS, Wm.	father	coffin	9.00	
10	22	Aug	1843	GASS, B. F.	Burten	"	9.00	
13	10	Feb	1844	GASS, B. F.	son	"	5.00 + box 2.00 = \$7.00	
21	17	Feb	1845	GAUNT, Mrs.	self	"	9.00	
3	24	Oct	1840	GEST, —	babe	"	2.50	
7	23	June	1842	GEST, —	babe	"	2.50	
17	10	Aug	1844	GEST, Jeremiah	self	"	8.00	
32	13	Oct	1846	GIBBONS, J/Z?	estate	"	9.00	Hears 1.50 = \$10.50
34	12	Mar	1847	GIBBONS, John	?	"	9.00	Hears 1.50 = \$10.50
27	3	Mar	1846	GIBSON, Mr.	wife	"	9.00	'gone to Iwa'
8	6	Oct	1842	GILLET, Dr. —	babe	"	5.00	
41	29	Nov	1847	GILLMORE, Wm.	child	"	4.00	
30	24	Jul	1846	GILMORE, Hal(?)	"Carlinville, est"		8.00	"Joel York, Adm."
35	19	June	1847	GLEDHILL, Joseph	babe	coffin	3.00	
43	27	Apr	1848	GLEDHILL, Thos.	estate	"		
35	10	Apr	1846	GOODPASTURE, Madison	wife	"	8.00	
37	27	Jul	1847	GOODPASTURE, Madison	babe	"	2.50	
22	18	May	1845	GORAM, Stephen	child	"	3.50	
41	16	Dec	1847	GORAM, Steven	wife	"	8.50	
34	23	Feb	1847	GREEN, James	wife	"	10.00	
37	18	Jul	1847	GREEN, Jas.	son	"	8.00	
10	10	June	1843	GREEN, John	wife	"	8.00	
23	9	Aug	1845	GREEN, Jonah	babe	"	3.00	
39	24	Sep	1842	GUINN, Stephen	son	"	4.00	
39	25	Sep	1842	GUINN, Stephen	babe	"	3.50	
26	24	Dec	1845	GUNN, John	babe	"	2.00	
15	5	Jul	1844	HADLEY, John	babe	coffin	3.50	
32	20	Sep	1846	HALEY, —	babe	"	2.50	
19	2	Nov	1844	HALEY, Wm.	daughter	"	8.00	
2	6	Sep	1840	HAPPY, W. W.	babe	"	4.00	
32	9	Oct	1846	HARP, J. Eli	babe	"	2.50	
4	9	Oct	1841	HART, —	babe	"	4.00	
13				HART, John	babe	"	2.00	
8	4	Oct	1842	HARRIS, —	babe	"	2.50	
38	13	Aug	1847	HARRIS, Thos.	?	"	9.00	Horse & Hears \$1.00
38	1	Sep	1847	HARRIS, Thos.	mother	"	9.00	
50	3	Apr	1849	HARRIS, Thos.	babe	"	2.50	
44	19	May	1848	HARRISON, Geo.	daughter	"	5.50	
3	28	Jan	1841	HARRISON, Wm.	babe	"	4.00	
30	2	Aug	1846	HATHMAN, —	wife	"	8.00	
3	10	Dec	1840	HEDENBURGH, Jas.	child	"	4.00	
48	21	Nov	1848	HEDENBURG, P.	babe	"	4.50	
9	9	Apr	1843	HEDELSTONE, —	?	"	8.00	
14	20	Feb	1843	HEDELSTON, Mrs.	Mrs.?	"	8.00	by John Coldwell
20	20	Nov	1844	HENDERSON, Aaron	estate of	"	8.50	
35	31	Mar	1847	HENDERSON, Benj.	babe	"	2.25	
47	12	Oct	1848	HENDERSON, David W.	estate	"	20.00 + box 3.00 = \$23.00	

How we wish we had time to locate all of the cemeteries these burials must be in!

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13	23	Jan	1844	HENDERSON, Ira	self	Coffin	\$8.50	
30	20	Aug	1846	HENDERSON, Jeremiah	wife	"	8.00	
7	9	May	1842	HENDERSON, S. H.	son	"	8.00	
31	31	Aug	1846	HENDERSON, S. H.	babe	"	4.00	
39	12	Sep	1847	HENDERSON, Silas	mother	"	8.00	
37	8	Aug	1847	HENDERSON, Smiley	babe	"	3.50	
43	12	Mar	1848	HENRY, Greenup	son	"	8.00	
50	9	Apr	1849	HENRY, John T.	wife	"	8.00	
27	31	Jan	1846	HENRY, Wm.	child	"	3.00	
42	12	Feb	1848	HENRY, Wm.	daughter	"	8.00	
"	17	"	"	HENRY, Wm.	daughter	"	7.00	
"	26	"	"	HENRY, Wm.	son	"	8.00	
6	21	Apr	1842	HESLEP, Mrs.	daughter	"	12.00	+ grave box \$3.00
12	12	Nov	1843	HESLEP, Joseph	babe	"	5.00	+ grave box 1.50
30	31	Jul	1846	HESLEP, Joseph	babe	"	4.50	+ grave box 1.50
4	21	Sep	1841	HILLEGAS, —	babe	"	4.00	
4	30	Jul	1841	HIRE, Mr. —	?	"	32.00	+ box 4.00=\$36.00
22	17	May	1845	HOBERT, N. —	child	"	4.50	
3	14	Feb	1841	HOBS, E.	self	"	11.00	
40	9	Nov	1847	HODGES, Mary	for Mary	"	10.00	by John S. Clark
27	12	Jan	1846	HOKE, Mrs. —	daughter	"	5.00	
28	8	May	1846	HOLMES, Isaac —	estate	"	8.50	
14	28	May	1844	HOPE, Mrs. A.	self	"	8.00	
20	19	Dec	1844	HOWERTON, Andrew	estate	"	9.00	
8	10	Oct	1842	HUFACER, Jacob	daughter	"	9.00	
38	21	Aug	1847	HUFFACER, M.	child	"	4.00	
42	18	Feb	1848	HUFFAKER, M.	daughter	"	5.50	
"	15	Feb	1848	" "	child	"	3.50	
51	25	May	1849	HUFFACER, M.		"	8.00	for Dutchan
14	23	Mar	1844	HUMBLE, Lewis	estate of	"	9.00	
13	15	Jan	1844	HUMPHREY, B. N.	son	"	4.00	
36	16	Jul	1847	HUMPHREY, John	?	"	3.50	attendance \$1.00
34	19	Mar	1847	HUNT, Saml.	son	"	5.00	box \$1.50
3	20	Feb	1841	HUNTER, E.	?	"	9.00	
15	20	June	1844	HURST, Mrs.	self	"	10.00	
17	17	Aug	1844	HURST, John	son	"	4.50	
37	29	Jul	1847	HURST, John	estate	"	9.00	+ box 3.00 = \$12.00
5	28	Dec	1841	HURST, Wm.	babe	"	5.00	
31	14	Sep	1846	IRWIN, Dr.	?	"coffin & box	\$13.00"	
9	7	Nov	1842	JACKSON, Ensly	babe	coffin	2.00	
47	17	Nov	1848	JACKSON, James	wife	"	18.00	+ box 3.00=\$21.00
7	27	Sep	1842	JACKSON, John	father	"	9.00	
7	27	Aug	1842	JACKSON, Wm.	wife	"	9.00	
20	27	Nov	1844	JENTRY, Polly	Polly	"	8.00	by Morgan County
37	5	Aug	1847	JEWETT, John	child	"	3.50	
53	15	Oct	1849	JEWETT, John	child	"	7.00	
24	22	Sep	1845	JOHNSON, Baldwin	wife	"	8.00	
39	8	Sep	1847	JOHNSON, Henry	babe	"	4.00	
13	12	Jan	1844	JOHNSON, John L.	son	"	6.00	
9	28	Jan	1843	JOHNSON, R.	self	"	9.00	
23	21	Aug	1845	JOHNSON, Wm.	babe	"	4.50	
23	25	"	"	" "	daughter	"	8.00	

The inevitable: "Oh let our bodies part, To different climes repair; Inseparably joined in heart The friends of Jesus are."

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30	23	Jul	1846	JOHNSON, Wm. G.	wife	coffin	\$10.00	
30	"	"	"	" " "	babe	"	3.50	
29	20	May	1846	JOHNSON, Zachariah		"	8.00	for Miss Richhart
34	14	Mar	1847	JONES, J. V. (?)	babe	"	4.50	
19	6	Oct	1844	JONES, Joshua	babe	"	4.00	
29	1	Jul	1846	JONES, Joshua	babe	"	4.00	
49	22	Jan	1849	KELSEY, —	wife	"	8.00	
35	5	Apr	1847	KENDRICK, —		"	7.00	by Morgan County
33	5	Dec	1846	KINDELL(?)		"	8.00	by Morgan County
52	27	Jul	1847	KIRKMAN, George	wife	"	18.00	[note price rise]
9	14	Apr	1843	LAD, —		coffin	8.00	for Mrs. B.
31	28	Aug	1846	LAMB, B.	son	"	5.00	
20	6	Nov	1844	LAMBERT, Mrs.	estate	"	10.00	
						box	2.50	+ attendance 2.00
15	14	Jul	1844	LAMBERT, R.	babe	coffin	3.00	
3	18	Oct	1840	LATEN, (?) Wm.	self	"	10.00	
49	24	Feb	1849	LETTON, Miss		"	18.00	box 3.00 = \$21.00
39	6	Sep	1847	"LEXINGTONIAN"	?	"	8.00	
[this would be an adult burial probably in Arcadia cemetery, then being known as New Lexington]. F.H.								
39	16	Sep	1847	LOAR, A.	wife	coffin	10.00	
38	23	Aug	1847	LOAR, A.	?	"	10.00	[not specified]
19	31	Oct	1844	LUCUS, J. M.	son	"	5.00	
25	28	Oct	1845	LYONS, Martin		"	8.00	by Morgan County
11	15	Sep	1843	McCLANE, Mr. —	daughter	coffin	7.00	+ attendance 1.00
32	4	Oct	1846	McCOMBS, —	child	"	4.00	
44	8	June	1848	McCONEL, Miss		"	8.00	by John Art
4	6	Dec	1841	McCOY, Lewis	estate	"	9.00	
5	4	Feb	1842	McCOY, —	wife	"	9.00	
6	15	Mar	1842	McCRARY, M.	babe	"	3.00	
25	22	Jan	1846	McCURLEY, Moses	estate	"	8.00	
35	27	Apr	1847	McDONNAL, John	babe	"	4.00	+ box 1.00 = \$5.00
38	22	Aug	1847	McDONNAL, John	?	"	5.00	+ box 1.50 = 6.50
41	25	Nov	1847	McGILL, James	wife	"	8.50	
42	27	Jan	1848	McGILL, Saml.	daughter	"	5.50	
44	12	May	1848	McGOWAN, J. Wm.	estate	"	9.00	
47	15	Oct	1848	McGINNIS, —	estate	"	9.00	
						box 2.50	+ attendance 1.50	= \$13.00
38	10	Aug	1847	McGOWEN, —	babe	coffin	3.50	
22	17	Jul	1845	Mackefresh, —	estate	"	9.00	+ attendance \$2.00
49	2	Feb	1849	MARTIN, J/I. Robert	estate	"	20.00	
2	30	Sep	1840	MATHEWS, Isreal	father	"	9.00	
10	8	Sep	1843	MATTHEWS, Richard	wife	"	8.00	
31	24	Sep	1846	MATHEWS, Richard	wife	"	9.00	
31	"	"	"	" "	babe	"	3.00	
46	25	Aug	1848	MATICKS, Thos.	wife	"	8.00	
12	9	Nov	1843	MAXWELL, James	child	"	4.00	
49	15	Feb	1849	MAXWELL, Jas.	?	"	9.00	[wife?]
49	"	"	"	" "	babe	"	3.50	
46	20	Jul	1848	MICHNER, Willson	babe	"	3.00	
25	9	Oct	1845	MILLEN, Archibald	estate	"	8.00	

Joy is an inside job. Joy is the command, "Forward! March!" to the Soldiers of our inner strengths. Make good use of its innate powers.

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51	7	May	1849	MILLION,	wife	coffin	\$8.00	
12	28	Nov	1843	MILLION, Elagah	son	"	3.50	
10	17	Aug	1843	MONGOMERY, George	babe	"	2.50	"small coffin"
37	6	Aug	1847	MONGOMERY, George	child	"	3.50	"pd. by Morgan County"
40	28	Oct	1847	MONGOMERY, George	"deceased"	"	9.00	
12	9	Dec	1843	MORE, Wm.	son	"	8.00	
16	29	Jul	1844	MORGAN COUNTY	Sarah	"	8.00	"for Sarah Dunham"
20	27	Nov	1844	"	Polly	"	8.00	"for Polly Jentry"
35	5	Apr	1847	"	Miss	"	7.00	"for Miss Kendrick"
33	5	Dec	1846	"	Miss	"	8.00	"for Miss Kindell"
25	28	Oct	1845	"	Martin	"	8.00	"for Martin Lyons"
25	6	Nov	1845	"	Bartlet	"	8.00	"for Bartlet Reynolds"
52	6	Aug	1849	MORRISON, Jane	self	"	8.00	
40	3	Nov	1847	MOSS, William, Sr.	wife	"	8.50	
49	21	Jan	1849	MOSS, Em.	Mrs. B.	"	8.00	"for Mrs. Bratton"
21	20	Mar	1845	MURY, John	babe	"	3.00	
40	28	Oct	1847	NEAL, William	wife	"	8.50	
	10	Apr	1849	NELSON,	mother	"	8.00	
50	8	Apr	1849	NELSON, Thomas	wife	"	8.00	
39	7	Oct	1842	NIGHT, Dill	?	"	8.00	
9	27			NISBIT, M. C.	self	"	9.00	
53	6	Sep	1849	NORTH, Jos.	babe	"	2.50	
53	27	Oct	1849	OGLE, John	wife	coffin	8.00	
26	28	Dec	1845	OGLE, Wm.	?	"	3.50	[babe?]
28	11	Mar	1846	OREAR, Miss	?	"	8.00	
29	24	May	1846	OREAR, B. F.	estate	"	8.00	
*32	7	Nov	1846	ORR, J. W.	father	"	8.00	
16	18	Jul	1844	PALMER, M.	son	coffin	3.50	
44	24	May	1848	PALMER, M.	babe	"	4.50	
19	9	Oct	1844	PATTERSON, Thos.	wife	"	9.00	
45	10	June	1848	PARKER, Thomas	son	"	8.50	
21	12	Jan	1845	PARKER, Wm.	student	"	10.00	+ grave box \$3.00
30	31	Jul	1846	PEAN,	wife	"	9.00	
51	17	Jul	1849	PETEFISH,	babe	"	3.50	
38	25	Aug	1847	PHILIPS, Spencer	daughter	"	8.00	
19	12	Oct	1844	PITCHER, S.	babe	"	4.00	
21	12	Feb	1845	PITNER, Dr.	?	"	5.00	
21	23	Jan	1845	PITTS,	estate	"	9.00	
25	13	Oct	1845	POOL, Wm. L.	self	"	8.00	
53	15	Nov	1849	"PORTEGE WOMAN"	?	"	8.00	
46	14	Sep	1848	PORTER, Sinclair	mother	"	8.00	
19	21	Sep	1844	PRESTON, Martin	child	"	3.50	
4	4	June	1841	PROSSER, Mrs.	daughter	"	10.00	
15				PROSSER, S. M.	wife	"	15.00	
*46	5	Sep	1848	OWEN, Miss		"	8.00	"by J. Sparks"
14	12	Feb	1844	RAGAN, Henry	?	"	3.00	+ box 1.00=\$4.00
42	30	Jan	1848	RANSDALE, George	estate	"	8.50	
54	28	Nov	1849	RANSDALE, Presley	estate	"	20.00	+ box 3.00=#23.00
17	19	Aug	1844	RANSON, Robert	babe	"	4.00	
43	16	Mar	1848	RAPP, M.		"	10.00	"son & wife"
Ancient saying:				Rain Drop is not lost in Ocean; Ocean is found in Rain Drop.				
				Soul is not lost in Eternity; Eternity is found in Soul.				

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Pg#	Da	Mon	Year	Name Recorded	For Whom	Item	Cost	Remarks
5	22	Jan	1842	RATEKIN, Wm.	son	coffin	\$5.00	
12	9	Dec	1843	RATEKIN, Wm.	babe	"	3.00	
36	16	Jul	1847	RAWSON, Jesse	?	"	3.50	[probably babe]
42	19	Feb	1848	REAUGH, Febe(?)	son	"	8.50	
18	18	Sep	1844	REAUGH, R.	wife	"	8.00	
34	22	Feb	1847	REAUGH, Robert	child	"	4.00	
33	15	Dec	1846	REAVES, I/J. B.	wife	"	8.00	
26	18	Dec	1845	REDDING, Jacob	estate	"	8.00	
52	27	Jul	1849	REM, Mr.	?	"	8.00	
25	6	Nov	1845	REYNOLDS, Bartlett	Bartlett	"	8.00	by Morgan County
44	14	May	1848	RIBLIN, J. David	estate	"	8.00	
21	4	Feb	1845	RICHHEY, Geo.	wife	"	8.00	
29	20	May	1846	RICHHART, Miss	Miss R.	"	8.00	by Zachariah Johnson
7	17	May	1842	ROGERS, —	babe	"	3.00	
51	15	Jul	1849	ROSSEN(?), Jesse	babe	"	3.50	[probably Rawson]
44	20	May	1848	ROUT, Harvey	son	"	6.00	
21	18	Jan	1845	RUBART, John	wife	"	9.00	
22	24	Jul	1846	RUBART, John	child	"	3.00	
40	9	Nov	1847	RUDICAN(?), Wm.	wife	"	9.00	
13	25	Jan	1844	SAINTCLARE, —	wife	coffin	8.00	
					"cash of Walker		3.00 + 2.50"	
39	11	Sep	1847	SAMMONS, Mr.	babe	coffin	3.00	
2	30	Aug	1840	SARGENT, Wm. L.	self	"	9.00	
11	3	Oct	1843	SAYER, Jeremiah	wife	"	8.00	
45	8	Jul	1848	SCOTT, Mrs. —	estate	"	8.00	
45	22	June	1848	SCOTT, Levi	child	"	5.00	
45	"	"	"	"	child	"	4.00	
5	3	Feb	1842	SCOTT, Wm.	daughter	"	9.00	
23	18	Aug	1845	SCOTT, Wm.	son	"	8.50	
2	17	Oct	1840	SCRIBNER, Wm.	self	"	11.00	
25	30	Sep	1845	SCRIMPSHER, Jas.	?	"	8.00	
27	8	Mar	1846	SCRIMPSHER, Jas.	estate	"	9.00	
6	12	Feb	1842	SELF, Harvey	babe	"	2.50	
18	14	Sep	1844	SELF, John P.(?)	estate	"	8.50	
39	25	Sep	1847	SELF, Presley	estate	"	8.00	
2	30	Aug	1840	SHIELDS, Michael	self	"	9.00	
41	6	Dec	1847	SIMMONS, Solomen	daughter	"	9.00	
32	20	Oct	1846	SIMPSON, William	wife	"	8.00	
50	1	May	1849	SLATTON, Jas.	daughter	"	8.00	
18	3	Sep	1844	SLATTON, Moses	wife	"	8.50	
18	10	"	"	"	babe	"	3.00	
25	1	Oct	1845	SMEDLY, Daniel	self	"	9.00	
36	28	June	1847	SMITH, J. B. C.	?	"	4.00 + box 1.50=\$5.50	
52	14	Dec	1849	SMITH, J. B. C.	?	"	4.00 + box 1.50=\$5.50	
52	15	"	"	"	"	"	4.00 + box 1.50=\$5.50	
15	11	Jul	1844	SMITH, James	estate	"	8.00	
54	17	Nov	1849	SMITH, John	babe	"	2.50	
23	18	Aug	1845	SMITH, Saml.	wife	"	8.00	
25	28	Sep	1845	SMITH, Thos.	son	"	8.00	
3	31	Oct	1840	SMITH, Wm.	wife	"	9.00	

"Keep Faith in Love, the cure of every curse--- The strange, sweet wonder of the universe! . . . And when the soul its mortal fears resigns, The perfect world of love around it shines!

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9	24	Nov	1842	SMITH, Wm.	wife	coffin	\$9.00	
23	18	Aug	1845	SMITH, Wm.	estate	"	9.00	
37	2	Aug	1847	SMITH, Wm.	babe	"	2.50	
52	16	Dec	1849	SMITH, Wm.	babe	"	2.50	
22	5	May	1845	SPARKS, —	estate	"	8.00	
46	5	Sep	1848	SPARKS, J.	Miss —	"	8.00	"for Miss Owen"
40	10	Apr	1849	SPERRY, —	babe	"	2.50	
48	22	Dec	1848	SPILMAN, —	daughter	"	6.50	
50	23	Apr	1849	STEVENS, —	son	"	7.00	
45	4	Jul	1848	STEVINSON, B. F.	?	"	5.00 + box 1.50	= \$6.50
29	14	June	1846	SWALES, Jas.	babe	"	2.00	
36	14	Jul	1847	SWALES, Jas.	babe	"	4.00	
25	16	Oct	1845	SWAN, Riley	?	"	3.50	
32	6	Oct	1846	SWIGATE, Wm.	estate	"	9.00	
33	21	Nov	1846	SWIGATE, Mrs.	babe	"	3.00	
53	6	Sep	1849	TANDY, Willis	estate	"	10.00	
17	24	Aug	1844	TAINTER, —	wife	"	10.00	
17	14	Sep	1844	TAINTER, —	babe	"	3.00	
5	15		1841	TAYLOR, Oren	son	"	4.00	
5	"	"	"	"	babe	"	3.50	
				"chickens 1.75, cash 4.00 = \$5.75"				
43	2	Apr	1848	TAYLOR, Thomas	grandchild	coffin	8.00	
20	9	Nov	1844	TAYLOR, Wm.	estate	coffin	9.00	
12	28	Dec	1843	TERRY, Silas	babe	"	4.50 +	grave box 1.50
23	18	Aug	1845	TERRY, Silas	babe	"	4.50 +	grave box 1.50
46	10	Sep	1848	THOMAS, Lawson	?	"	8.00	
4	2	Aug	1841	TODD, Mrs. Maria Ann	self	"	11.00	
10	24	May	1843	TURNER, Benj.	babe	"	5.00	
41	22	Nov	1847	VANSANT, John	child	coffin	4.00	
					"box 1.50 & buggy		.50 =	\$6.00
18	10	Sep	1844	WARDER, Silas	babe	coffin	4.00	
5	22	Jan	184	WARREN, W. B.	child	"	2.50	"for black child"
6	9	Feb	1842	WARREN, Wm. B.	son	"	5.00	
18	15	Sep	1844	WELLS, Peter	son	"	3.50	
16	5	Aug	1844	WETHERBY, —	?	"	4.00	
49	20	Jan	1849	WHITE, —	?	"	3.00	
7	18	May	1842	WHITEHURST, —	babe	"	2.50	
2	16	Aug	1840	WHITEHURST, Mr.	babe	"	3.00	
27	20	Feb	1846	WHITEHURST, Mr.	babe	"	3.50	
18	15	Sep	1844	WHITLOCK, John	babe	"	3.00	
28	23	Apr	1846	WILLIAMS, Mr. —	child	"	5.00	
33	25	Dec	1846	WILLSON, A. F.	babe	"	4.50 +	grave box 1.50
44	1	May	1848	WILLSON, Benj.	wife	"	8.00	
54	31	Nov	1849	WISWAL, —	estate	"	9.00	
16	7	Aug	1844	WISWAL, Thos.	daughter	"	12.00	
				"box 3.00, attendance 1.50 = \$16.50"				
16	4	Aug	1844	WOLCOTT, E.	wife	coffin	10.00	
35	28	Mar	1847	WOODS, —	wife	"	8.00 +	box 2.50
51	16	May	1849	WORKMAN, Wm.	son	"	4.00	
49	18	Mar	1849	WRIGHT, Basel	wife	"	8.00	
14	27	Feb	1844	WRIGHT, Geo.	mother	"	8.00	
31	14	Sep	1846	WRIGHT, John	Mrs. W.	"	8.00	"for Mrs. West"

Pg#	Da	Mon	Year	Name Recorded	For Whom	Item	Cost	Remarks
31	14	Sep	1846	WEST/WIST?, Mrs. —	Mrs. W.	coffin	\$8.00	by John Wright
11	14	Sep	1843	YATES, R.	babe	"	10.00	+ grave box .50
15	15	June	1844	YOUNG, Adam	child	"	3.50	
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The above ten pages are all of the entries in the first book we have found of the James S. Anderson Furniture Store in Jacksonville, who were also Undertakers, for the period of time 1840-1849. This particular book, however, runs from page 55 to 102 yet, from January 5, 1850 to November 11, 1854.

At this point in time, your editor had no time to complete indexing this complicated and time-consuming record, but anyway I thought it preferable to stop just short of the 1850 period in order to coordinate the rest of the purchases and names of decedents with the 1850 census records that are available for further genealogical research.

Since the dates and names given in the record may be the closest a family historian may ever come to a death date, we are willing to make a photocopy of any page or pages desired for a donation for the time and effort of our volunteer. There is no other way this record can be made available to interested persons that we know of. In this way a copy of the original page concerning a relative can then be placed in the family history notebooks for future descendants to see.

I tried, in the beginning, to see if I could give estate administration data but that proved to be a time-consuming and unproductive action. Many of the decedents listed under payment by "estate" did not have a case number in the probate files. This indicates that many heads of families who passed away did not have an estate to probate. Also, there are names of similarity and one would have to go down in the basement of the courthouse and search several files in order to find a death or probate death that would match the decedents listed in these Undertakers payment books.

I found the recopied news item in one of the Undertaker's books about a new experiment. I am wondering if this was not the process that was used for iron caskets which have been found to contain bodies in a perfect state of repose through the always present glass viewing window.??? This process and iron caskets were about in the same period of time. Can anybody shed any light on this bit of history?

A San Francisco Undertaker's Expedition—How He Thinks to Preserve Dead Bodies.

From the San Francisco Alta.

In the course of investigating the destroying element that affects dead bodies, Mr. Peter Craig, undertaker, perceived that oxygen was the element that caused decomposition; it struck him that if this element could be removed from the coffin, where the body was incased, preservation would be certain. How to accomplish this at first rather puzzled Mr. Craig, but, not to be baffled by trifles, he gave the subject great consideration, and, knowing that combustion was caused by the union of the carbon of the material and the oxygen of the air, he tried the experiment of using up the oxygen in the casket by the aid of a lighted candle. He had an air-tight casket made, and placed a burning candle therein; he screwed down the lid perfectly air-tight. The candle continued to burn for eight hours, it then having consumed all the oxygen in the interior was extinguished. This proved the theory—and satisfied him that he had made an excellent discovery; but to carry his ideas out effectively, he obtained the body of a

dead man from the Coroner and placed it in the coffin, with the lighted candle, as before, screwing down the lid, etc. In this case the candle burned for five hours and a half and then became extinguished, as before. To test the case, Mr. Craig had the body removed to a back room, where it remained for three weeks, in a perfect state of preservation. This satisfied him, beyond a doubt, that he had succeeded in discovering a new art, whereby bodies could be embalmed without the aid of chemicals. After having succeeded so well with his invention, he drew the attention of Dr. Edwin Bentley to the process, and that gentleman expressed his firm belief in its success. The new process is to be fully tested to-day, with the body of Mr. Gowenback, who died in this city on last Tuesday, and whose body has been preserved in this manner. The body can be seen at Corinthian Hall this afternoon, where it will be brought previous to its removal to the Masonic Cemetery. It is the intention of this gentleman's relatives to have his remains taken to Scotland. This will test the process, and should it prove satisfactory, which is not doubted, Mr. Craig will have added a new process of preserving bodies to science.

As the title above, so reads the data on page 43 of *Williams' Jacksonville (Illinois) Directory and Business Mirror For 1860-1861*. On page 110 there are only two Undertakers listed for this town -- Anderson, J. S. and Branson, Wm. The latter was also a Furniture Dealer.

An obituary found in the *Jacksonville Daily Journal*, Sunday, July 2, 1899, p. 4, col. 4 was titled, "LONG LIFE ENDED. J. S. Anderson Passed from Earth Last Night. He Saw Illinois Change from a Wilderness to a Land of Civilization--Resided in Jacksonville Ever Since 1830."

"At 7:45 o'clock Saturday night James S. Anderson, one of the very oldest residents of Jacksonville, passed from earth. His final sickness lasted for a week, culminating in death at the hour mentioned and thus ended a long career of usefulness. . . .

"Mr. Anderson was born in Henry county, Ky., and as he once remarked, the season of his advent into the world was also the natal season of England's great statesman, Gladstone. His father was a farmer and like all others in that region worked hard for what he had in life. He left the blue grass state in 1815, when the deceased was but five years old, and although it is now over four score since that time, he recently said he remembered climbing the top of the hill on their way northward and looking over the broad expanse and a river which flowed by the elevation from which he viewed it. The family settled in Jefferson county, Indiana, right in the timber, and at once proceeded to clear and make their farm."

[The above statement may give a clue to some family historian as to the route, also, of some of their Kentucky ancestors on their way to Illinois.] Ed.

"When Mr. Anderson was 15 years old he didn't want to work on the farm any longer, and so started for Bethlehem to learn the cabinet trade, and secured a position with a cabinet maker. Soon afterward he was sick with the old fashioned ague for six weeks, which almost ended him, but he finally recovered. Later his employer went to Milford, Ohio, and Mr. Anderson went with him, although his contract didn't compel him to leave the state. In Ohio he worked three years at the trade and his employer died. He went to Cincinnati, where there were two large furniture establishments, one managed by a man named Ward and the other by a Mr. Lehman. Each had a large business for those days, but no machinery was used then. All the furniture was made by hand, and when used with care, would last a life time.

"Mr. Anderson worked for two years with Ward, and then went to see his father, and while there a letter was received from his brother John, who had moved to Illinois and settled near Apple creek in this county [Morgan]. He was so pleased with the surroundings and the prospects that he urged the old gentleman to sell out and come to him. The father finally decided to do so and advised his son James to go with the family to the west.

"On October 24, 1830, the fall before the remarkable deep snow, they started on their way to join the son, John, in Illinois. Mr. Anderson helped them to erect the small buildings considered necessary in those primitive times, and then in a few weeks came to Jacksonville to work at his trade.

"The snow began to fall early in the season, and the storm kept on till it had attained a depth of three feet. Of course, as business was stopped by this there was nothing for Mr. Anderson to do, so he decided to go to his brother's and stay awhile. He started out soon after the heavy fall of snow, but it was with great difficulty that he reached his destination, for although the snow would hold him up in places, it was more likely to break and let him down in a drift.

"He remained with his brother all winter, working when he could obtain any work, but hunting most of the time. It was easy to get game that winter as deer stuck in the drifts, and prairie chickens and other birds were plentiful.

"In March [1831] the young man returned to Jacksonville and went to work with Jas. Hurst, a furniture dealer whose place of business was on East State street, the first lot east of where the College for Young Women now stands. [This is now MacMurray.]

"A few weeks after, he went to work for a Mr. Ament, who had his establishment on the northwest corner of the square. He worked there with a man named Ross. Both were quite expert at the trade as their employer was a lazy man who left most of the work for the two to do. Finally they got tired of making a reputation for Ament, and after talking it over decided to start in business for themselves. Ament got hold of it and one day, while working on a very fine sideboard, which was afterward sold to Judge Thomas and now in the possession of T. B. Orear, said to him that as soon as he had finished his work on that article he might leave.

"When [Anderson] finished his work he asked for a settlement, which was fortunate for him that he did, for if he hadn't he would have lost \$100 back pay, for Ament failed a short time afterwards. Mr. Anderson then moved his tools to the office of Dr. Thornton, who had come from Kentucky, and kept them there while he and Ross set out for Carrollton to seek a location. On the way they were attacked by the measles and this kept them some time at Carrollton. When they were well they came back and started up for themselves in this city.

"They had a hard time of it, but they kept at work eight years in Ament's old stand. Mr. Ross decided he was tired of the business and sold out his share to Mr. Anderson, who, after a while, went into business near the northeast corner of the square. He stayed there for some time and then, in 1840, he erected a frame building where the Anderson store now stands. Here he worked for a long time and then moved this building back and erected a brick building, which the establishment occupies today.

"Mr. Anderson took a prominent part in the relief of the suffering during the cholera epidemic in 1833. One night a family was passing through the place and the wife and mother was taken sick. It was soon understood that she had the cholera, and a pest house was prepared and there she was sent. This house was near the present site of the city hall.

"The next morning some of the young men came into Mr. Anderson's shop and said: 'Let's go see the woman who has the cholera; it may be our only chance to see a genuine case of the disease.' And so, little fearing the result they started out for the pesthouse. They were admitted and saw what they wanted to see, but, strange to say, not one of them took the disease.

"Two weeks after a man from Exeter was stricken with the cholera, and then it began to extend and everyone who could left the town for the country. Mr Anderson's father was very anxious to have his son come home but he refused and instead he and his partner stayed in the town to nurse the sick and bury the dead. They were boarding then on the south east corner of the square, but the family they were with left and it was hard for them to get a place to eat and sleep. John T. Jones furnished their food and they slept in the houses that had been vacated, and so got along until the awful disease had done its worst.

"FAMILY LIFE. In 1838 Mr. Anderson was married to Miss Sarah J. Thompson a young lady he had known almost from childhood, and who survives him. Eight children were born to them but only two are now alive, namely Samuel T. Anderson and Mrs. Kate Hastings of this city.

"In early life Mr. Anderson united with the Christian church and has ever been a consistent member of that organization. His family relations have been tender and affectionate and his reputation in the community has been that of an honest and

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honorable man. Indeed his long life was well spent and the end came peacefully. The funeral will be held Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the Christian church."

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We find James S. Anderson was buried in Jacksonville East Cemetery, old part Row D-5 lot #27 3 July 1899. His wife died a few days latter and was buried on the 21st of July. Other burials on the lot are Clara B buried 5 July 1874, and Benjamin on 25 July 1882, age 33 years.

Undoubtedly James S. Anderson, as an undertaker, provided coffins for hundreds of burials in this City cemetery during his long years of service, since this cemetery evidently started in 1833 when the cholera epidemic was at its peak.

James also owned lot #28 where the burials of Bessie M. Hastings, infant, is, along with Kate Anderson Hastings (1901), Samuel T. Anderson (1921), William T. Anderson (1876), William H. Anderson 19 mos. (1879), and Effie Smith 65ys (1937).

Do we have any living descendants of these families still living in the area, or elsewhere? Perhaps they may have other records of interest to share with our society.

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Hocking Award presented



(Journal Courier photo by JULIE ZOOK)

JACK THOMAS, right, receives the Milton L. and Phyllis O. Hocking Award for outstanding volunteer services to the community by a local senior citizen. Thomas, flanked by his wife, Lucille, accepted the

plaque and other gifts from Mayor Ron Tendick Tuesday morning in the City Council chambers of the Municipal Building.

We want to extend congratulations to Jack Thomas who has been a faithful volunteer in many organizations, and in our genealogical society whenever we needed his assistance.

This picture of the Hocking Award being presented gives us a way of introducing our recently installed Mayor of Jacksonville, Ron Tendick, who has helped steer many governmental projects while a member of the City Council in years past.

A feeling of restlessness fell over the city of Jacksonville on February 13, 1926. By 7:55 in the morning a large crowd had gathered in back of the county jail to witness the hanging of Alva Grimmatt, an alleged and convicted murderer.

At nine o'clock p.m. September 2, 1925, William Steele was robbed and murdered in front of his store at Nortonville. Dr. Charles E. Waters was called to the scene of the crime and testified that William Steele had been shot in the back. Dr. Waters also stated that the deceased suffered minor injuries about the head, but that none would have caused death.

A neighbor of Mr. Steele's testified that he had seen two men running from the scene of the crime.¹

A few days later, Sheriff T. O. Wright went to Elmer Austin's home near Waverly, Illinois. While Sheriff Wright was there, Austin came in and surrendered. Wright brought Austin to Jacksonville. In jail Austin confessed that he had been with Grimmatt the night of the crime. However, Austin would not testify against Grimmatt.

Meanwhile, the Virden police had caught Grimmatt and had him in custody. On Sunday morning two Morgan County Deputies brought him to Jacksonville.²

The Court had already begun preparation for Grimmatt's trial. Then, two days before the trial, Austin made a confession wherein he stated that Alva Grimmatt was the one who fired the shot that killed William Steele. This confession therefore implicated and incriminated Alva Grimmatt.³

After Austin's confession he was sentenced to life imprisonment.

Judge C. S. Smith opened Grimmatt's trial on December 14, 1925. Foreman of the jury was Vincent R. Riley. On December 15, 1925, the jury returned the verdict of "guilty". Even in his own behalf, Grimmatt still refused to testify.

Grimatt's lawyers, C. V. Cardosi and D. J. Staley, asked for a new trial saying he was not of sound mind, as he had been in the Jacksonville State Hospital from January to May, 1913. The State Hospital gave out a statement saying Grimmatt was cured before he left. Therefore, a new trial was not granted.

The lawyers then tried to contact Governor Small for a reprieve, but he could not be reached. On December 18, 1925, Judge Smith sentenced Grimmatt to death by hanging sometime between sunup and sunset on February 13, 1926.

Grimatt was held in the Morgan County jail until the day of his execution.⁴ On the evening of February 12 his wife and a small child visited him in his cell. Rev. George Stickney comforted him during his last remaining hours.⁵

Hanna, a professional hangman was brought to Jacksonville to hang Grimmatt. Sheriff Wright decided it was his duty to perform the execution. So Hanna only tied the special knot. One of the deputies placed the hood over Grimmatt's head and strapped his hands and feet. [We learned later his name was Burley Jones.] Then Sheriff Wright released the trap. Grimmatt's body hung there for thirty-five minutes. Three doctors pronounced him dead. His body was then removed from the gallows and laid to rest.

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¹ Jacksonville Daily Journal, September 3, 1925.

² Hugh Green, States Attorney at Grimmatt Trial.

³ Circuit Court Records, Jacksonville, Illinois. ⁴ Ibid.

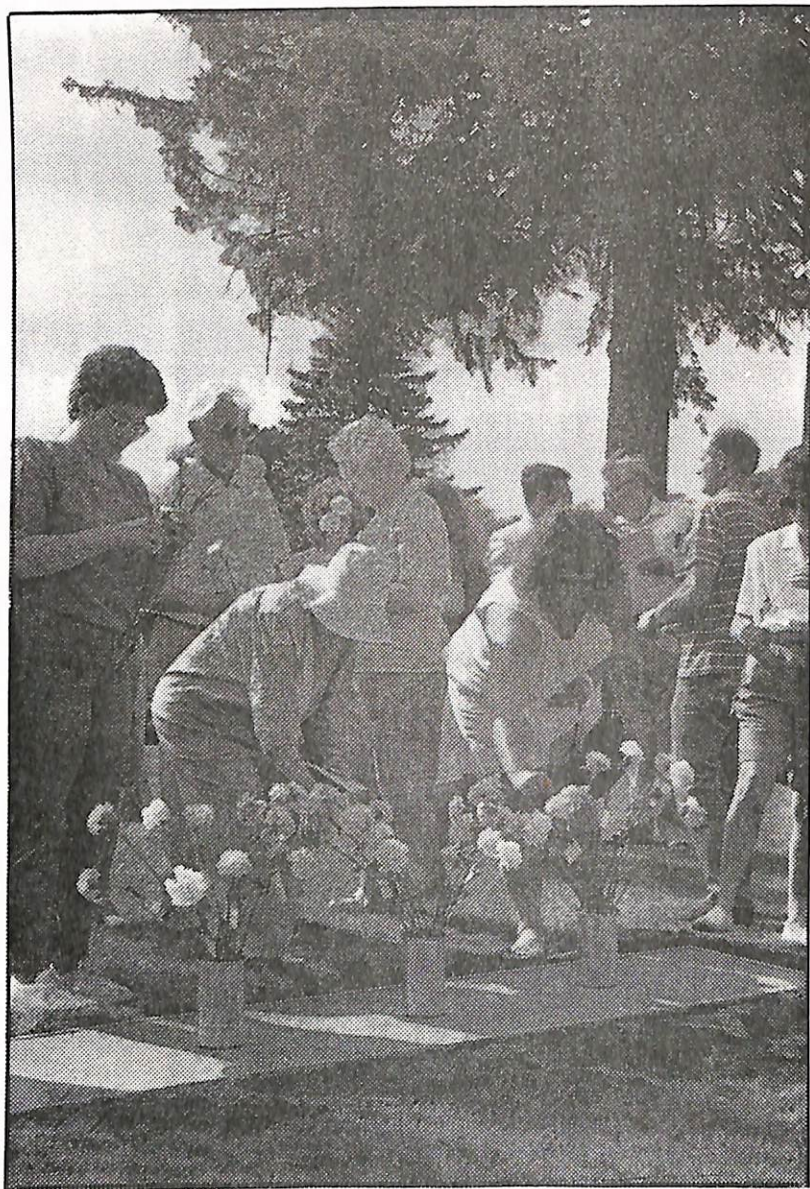
⁵ Jacksonville Daily Journal, February 13, 1926.

This story was found in the files at the Jacksonville Public Library, and was written by Mary Ann Rickert [date unknown], South Jacksonville School.

Alva Grimmatt was buried in the cemetery at Virden. The scaffold has been recently reported to be at Menard Prison. We would like to verify this bit of information as a matter of historical interest.

An impressive remembrance ceremony was held in Section K of the Diamond Grove cemetery on Saturday afternoon June 3, 1989 for about 90 former students of the Illinois School for the Deaf. The service by the Alumni Association was part of the school's sesquicentennial celebration, which began February 23, 1989.

Remembering former ISD students



(Journal Courier photo by LAURA McMAHAN)

IN MEMORY OF Illinois School for the Deaf students buried in a plot at Diamond Grove Cemetery, white carnations are placed at the burial site. Ceremonies were held Saturday afternoon at the ISD gymnasium and at the cemetery in honor of the 90 people, including ISD students and members of the greater ISD family, who have been buried there and elsewhere from 1845 to 1895. A carnation was placed at the site in memory of each of the 90 people. A memorial stone seven feet long and three feet high will be placed at the site by ISD later this summer. About 11 relatives of family members buried at the site were present for the service, which was part of the four-day alumni weekend at ISD held during the school's 150th year celebration.

According to Kathleen Cook, who has done intense genealogical research, 81 ISD students died between the time the school opened in 1845 until the end of 1895.

The school originally had a burial plot at the old Jacksonville East Cemetery, when the International Order of Odd Fellows purchased the lots as of July 31, 1872.

Eighteen bodies of former deaf students were transferred to Diamond Grove. Names did not seem to be recorded, and no current knowledge of their location can be had.

The large plot is consisted of Lots numbered 57, 58, 73, 74, 75, 89, 90, 91, 105, 106, 107, 108 and 109.

In addition to the original eighteen bodies, others have been buried in the large pie-shaped plot in Section K at the junction of Hardin and Duncan Avenues, just west of Brook Avenue. They include the infant daughter of a teacher, an employee, a boy from the institution for the feeble minded who were housed in the former Governor Duncan mansion, a student who was orphaned at a young age, and four young men about whom nothing is known.

In the 1930's Mrs. David Mudgett began to search for the grave of her uncle, Delmar Stephens, who died at the school in 1878. In 1984 she mentioned her search to a friend, and the cemetery project was born.

Further research revealed that in 1983 the state of Illinois sold the ISD lots in Section K back to the City Cemetery Board, thinking that because there were only 3 stones

and a lot of vacant space, that there had been no other burials on lots 57, 58, 73, 74, 75, 89, 90 and 91. According to a plat map of this City Cemetery the remaining lots 105 to 109 were listed as ISD burial sites. [Florence Hutchison research].

Marene Clark Mattern '68, ISD Alumni Historian wrote an article as follows:

"Silent winds blow across a grassy knoll at Diamond Grove Cemetery. It embraces a large part of the 150-year history of the Illinois School for the Deaf which begins February 23rd, 1889. Hands that flew in the language of signs have long since been stilled. Only three tombstones can be seen today, denoting those deaf children who had died while at I.S.D.

"The Necrology Committee of the Illinois School for the Deaf Alumni Association had been researching this past summer on the belief there are more than three buried at Diamond Grove [in Section K]. I.S.D. had plots at the old East Cemetery until 1872 when the Order of Old Fellows purchased it for reasons of its own. Eighteen bodies of former deaf students were transferred to the thirteen lots at Diamond Grove Cemetery.

"For some reason, most had no stone or a kind of marker with them; with times being hard, with families unable to afford costs of transportation and/or burial, and with several individual cases being county wards. For whatever reason most of the graves had no names. What's in a name??

"Admission records on microfilm from the State Archives, bound volumes of admissions and general reports from the school's Learning Resource Center Library, some file cards at the City Clerk's office and information from the Jacksonville Public Library were sifted through. . . .

"The Alumni Association of I.S.D. and its chapters throughout the state made clear its goal according to its Constitution and By-Laws; that all who entered, however long or brief the stay, are Alumnus of the school.

"The Necrology Committee met with the City Board of Managers of Cemeteries at its September meeting. A presentation of the research findings was given and the goal of the Alumni Association made known: to collect funds for the erection of a monument engraved with names and dates of those who died at the Institution (before and after 1872 and were possibly buried in Section K) preserving those who had a part in our deaf heritage, and given the right to be remembered!!.

"Wind-signs sighing, "We have a name. . ."

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The cemetery board was impressed with the presentation of the Necrology Committee. As of July 18, 1988, it was found that none of the lots had been sold by the City of Jacksonville, and that the former cards had not been changed from ISD ownership. Therefore the entire original plot of ground will remain with those unknowns who are buried there.

Perhaps the answer to the names of those former students will be found in the lists to be presented with this article pertaining to the ceremonies on June 3rd. We will show that 11 students died in the 1850's, 14 in the 1860's. Diamond Grove was opened for burials in 1867. Perhaps the bodies were removed soon after this. Some of the deceased students may have been sent home for burial. For instance, we find Eliza Parkin buried in Liberty cemetery in Morgan County. Two were moved to Oak Ridge cemetery, and another to a family plot in Diamond Grove, that is of record. Names were spelled differently in various kinds of records.

William A. Hosley was said to be from Coles county. His tombstone reads: William A. Horsley, born June 7, 1848 died 20 December 1865, of Edgar county. There was an epitaph put on the stone that we were able to read enough to find the Bible reference: "Dumb, I opened not my mouth, because thou didst it." Psalms 39:9.

At the southeast corner of the plot is a large monument for James Moore who died April 4, 1905 age 74 years. Two of his great-nieces, from Winchester, came to the memorial service. And so ended a very historic memorial in Jacksonville.

From the Jacksonville City Directory of 1860 we find that the street in front of "the Institution for the education of the deaf and dumb", was "Asylum st., from State to College Avenue, in front of D. & D. Institution."

Under the heading of State Institutions was printed: "The oldest of these, the Institution for the education of the deaf and dumb, was founded and located at Jacksonville by the Legislature, at the session of 1838-9. Its income was at first small, and several years elapsed before it went into full operation. . . . The Institution for the education of the blind was founded in the year 1848."

"It is highly creditable to the liberality of our Legislature, that these Institutions have not only been generously sustained, but that to all citizens in the State having the misfortune to need their aid, they are entirely gratuitous--free provisions for the unfortunate, without regard to the condition of the sufferer."

"It is evident that to the existence of such a group of public institutions in the midst of us [they had also included 'The Insane Hospital founded in 1847'] unprecedented it is believed, elsewhere, this place owes much of its past prosperity and its promise of future growth. The whole State of Illinois, and the whole country has an interest in Jacksonville. . . ."

Following is a list of students from the 26th Biennial Report -- June 30, 1892, update of October 1, 1888 report. [With additions by Florence Hutchison.]

Student's name.	Home town and County	Admit Year	Age	#Te-Deaths	Death date	Burial site
ADAMS, Sarah E.	Farlows Grove, Mercer	1852	17	1		1853 Sent home
AMMONS, Thomas	Hurricane, Montgomery	1847	10	5		1852 ?
ANDRES, Eliza	Shawneetown, Gallatin	1864	10	1		1864 ?
ASBELL, Caroline	Summum, Fulton	1882	11		13 Apr 1883	Dia.Gr. K73
	She had a twin sister at school named Martha					
BAYLESS, Matilda C.	Mt. Pleasant, Iowa	1852	13	2		1854 home?
BRAUER, Ernest	Cook, Chicago	1882	9	10		1892 home?
BURD, Hester E.	Chatsworth, Livingston	1863	16	2		1863 home?
COLEMAN, Reuben S	Galesburg, Knox	1874	12	2		1875 home?
COPHER, Joshua	Marion, Williamson	1875	14	5	15 Mar	1879 Dia.Gr. K90
CRAIG, John W.	Woodstock, McHenry	1855	11	7		1862 home?
CRAWFORD, Richard	Denmark, Perry	1873	11	1	6 Apr	1874 Dia.Gr. K89
CREWS, Marshall	Fairfield, Wayne	1869	19	3	19 Feb	1872 Dia.Gr. K105
	(Later moved to Oak Ridge)					
DEWARTE/DUARTE/DEWARTHA						
Mary	Morgan County	1878			1 Mar	1875 Dia.Gr. K89
DOYLE, Martha	Rushville, Schuyler	1870	17	2	19 Apr	1872 Dia.Gr. K105
	After evidently being in Sec. K. she was moved to lot 99					
DuPUIS/DuPRIES	Kankakee, Kankakee	1867	10	6	7 Feb	1875 Dia.Gr. K89
	Later moved to Oak Ridge					
EDENS, Archibald D.	Darwin, Clark	1872	10	7	10 Feb	1880 Marshall IL
GRANT, Elmira	Springfield, Sangamon	1849	12	4		1853 ?
HALL, James H.	Bluff City, Schuyler	1881	12	2		1853 ?
	"Killed on Railroad"					
HELD, Jacob	Chicago, Cook	1867	10	6		1875 home?
HELMICK, Emerson	Litchfield, Montgomery	1868	10	5		1868 home?
HERB, William C.	Alton, Madison	1882		1		1883 home?
HIKSON, Almira S.	Yorktown, Bureau	1863	9	7		1871 home
HIKSON, George	Yorktown, Bureau	1865	9	8		1873 home
HOGAN, Josephine	Paxton, Ford	1869	11	6		1876 home?
HOKANSON, John A.	Lynn, Henry	1866	17	9		1876 home?
HOPKINS, Caroline	Chenoa, McLean	1881	13	4	21 Apr	1885 Chenoa cem.

Page 4: IN MEMORY OF EARLY STUDENTS AT THE ILLINOIS SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF

Student's name	Home town and County	Admit Year	Age	#Te- rms	Death mon year	Burial site
HOSLEY/HORSLEY, William A.	Mattoon, Coles	1857	9	6		1865 Diamond Grove K
HOVER, Caroline C.	Warren, JoDaviess	1861	12	3		1863
INNES, Alexander	Chicago, Cook	1872	9	6		1877
INNES, Elizabeth E.	Chicago, Cook	1865	9	4		1869
LUCKEY, Alexander	Kewanee, Henry	1877	19	3		1877
MAHUFFEY, Bridget	Vienna, Grundy	1859	11	6		1865
MAYETTE/MOYETTE, Chas.	Watseka, Iroquois	1878	10	1	24 Nov	1878 Watseka IL
McILVAIN, Caroline J.	Clay City, Clay	1884	8	2	6 Mar	1886 Clay City IL
McKEE, Jacob	Oblong, Crawford	1873	25	1	17 Feb	1874 Dia.Gr. K89
MEDLEY, Sarah A.	Jacksonville, Morgan	1871	12	2		1874
MILSAP, Abner G.	Rushville, Schuyler	1857	10	5		1861
MOORE, Henry	Moccasin, Effingham	1876	19	3	14 Mar	1879 Dia.Gr. K90
MOTE, William	Charleston, Coles	1863	16	2		1866
NICHOLS, Thomas	Carlyle, Clinton	1848	16	5		1854
PARKIN, Eliza	Jacksonville, Morgan	1860	10	2	22 Jan	1862 Liberty cem.
POPE, Frederick	Rockford, Winnebago	1877	9	1		1878
POULTER, Henry G.	Hittesville, Coles	1849	13	1		1850
RAY, Elizabeth	Paris, Edgar	1849	19	2		1851
RHOWEDER, Frederick	Chicago, Cook	1874	11	5		1878 drowned
ROBERTSON, Aaron L.	Vandalia, Fayette	1863	13	1		1864
ROTTLER, John	Galena, JoDaviess	1877	12	3		1880
SANDERS, John W.	Danville, Vermilion	1876	10	3		1880
SCRIBNER, Annie	Oakland, Coles	1891	7	1		1892
SIMMONS, Phoebe	Quincy, Adams	1857	11	1		1857
SMALLWOOD, David	Chicago, Cook	1852	16	1		1854
SMITH, Emma A.	Crescent City, Iroquois	1886	12	1		1888
STEELY, Frank E.	Watseka, Iroquois	1872	10	4		1876
STEPHENS, Delmar	Weston, McLean	1878	16	1	9 Dec	1878 Weston IL
SULLIVAN, Thomas A.	Vandalia, Fayette	1872	12	4	3 Nov	1875 Dia.Gr. K89
TAYLOR, Hattie	Noble, Richland	1887	8	1		1888
TRUSDALL, Nancy	Exeter, Scott	1851	12	2		1852
VanVleet, Benjamin F.,	Lawrenceville					
	Lawrence	1862	10	8		1870 Killed on railroad
VINECORE, Frederick J.	New Rutlund, ?	1858	10	6		1865
WISE, Gustavus A.	McLeansboro, Hamilton	1858	19	3		1860
WADDELL, Nancy Pearl,	Ashland, Cass	1878	9	2	11 Mar	1880 Dia.Gr. K89
WATKINS, Mary E.	Lenox, McLean	1862	11	3		1864
WELCH, Benjamin	Belleville, St. Clair	1856	10	9		1867
WILSON, Clara E.	Monmouth, Warren	1875	13	10		1886
WILSON, Harriet	Wapella, DeWitt	1853	15	4		1857
WYLLIE, Janet	Sparta, Randolph	1850	12	3		1853
YOUNGHEIN, Catharine,	Liberty, Adams	1871	10	6		1877

The above concludes the list of students from the 26th Biennial Report of June 1892, with additional burial information from death certificates and Diamond Grove records.

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Following are additional records of ISD students from another list from Kathy Cook, from burial records and death certificates researched by Florence Hutchison in the Morgan County courthouse.

ANDERS, William	(death certificate, age 21 death)	27 Feb 1897	Cypress Junction
BOOTHROID, Alfred		30 May 1877	Dia.Gr. K108
BUTLER, William V.	from Williamson Co.	1880	

Student's name	County	Death Date	Remarks
CROSS, Mary Ellen	Williamson (d.cert)	7 May 1897	age 18 cem: Creal Springs IL
GEORGE, Mary Mason	Morgan (d.cert)	18 Jan 1886	age 5ms " Dia.Gr. K73
GETTY, Kate A.	Henry Co. (d.cert)	24 Apr 1885	age 26y " Henry Co. IL
	A teacher at ISD. died of Typhoid		
GRACEY, Henry	Alton (d.cert)	29 Jan 1897	age 18y " Lowder IL
HADLEY, Mary E.	Shelby? (d.cert)	28 Nov 1893	age 13y
	buried Stafford Graveyard, Fayette IL		
HAGAN, Josephine	Morgan	1875	
HALE, James H.	Scott	1882	
HART, James		22 Feb 1873	Dia.Gr. K89
JOHNSON, Gustus O.	Henry?	1880	
KUNKEL, Jonathan	born Prussia d.cert	31 Jan 1897	age 14y ? not given
LAYNE, Jasper		29 Apr 1873	Dia.Gr. K89
LIGHTER, William Dallas	Macon & (d.cert)	22 Dec 1893	age 14y5m Dia.Gr. K73
LINXWILER, Chas. Henry,	Montgomery	1857	Dia.Gr. ?
MITCHEL, Harry B.		1873	Dia.Gr. K91
MOORE, James	Scott (d.cert)	4 Apr 1905	age 74y Dia.Gr. K105
PERRY, Matilda A.	Williamson?	1879	home?
STOLLE, Louisa	Randolph?		
STOUT, Frank M.	Morgan	1875	?
WILKERSON, Edna Faye		25 Jan 1919	Dia.Gr. K105
WILSON, Mary Adeline Brown		1852	Dia.Gr.?

Preparing this incomplete list of ISD students and employees has taken a lot of hours research by several individuals. If any person has further information on students, and/or death dates, county of origin, or burial sites, please send them to your editor of this quarterly whose name and address is on the back page listed as president.
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The inscription on the memorial stone in Section K, Diamond Grove will read:

IN MEMORY OF THE STUDENTS AND MEMBERS OF THE GREATER I.S.D. FAMILY (1845-1895)
BURIED HERE OR ELSEWHERE. Dedicated by the I.S.D. Alumni Association 1989.

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Interested persons who would like to make donations to help with the costs of the memorial monument, can send a check to Mrs. Kathleen Cook, 1025 Grove St., Jacksonville IL 62650.

Make the check out to:
I.S.D. Alumni Association
For Memorial Fund.

Any historical data any person knows of pertaining to the history or residents of this institution can also be sent to Kathy for future reference of their Alumni historian records.

Behold! this stone shall be a witness unto us, for it hath heard the words of the Lord...Josh:27.
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Liter cemetery was laid out by Jonas Liter on May 22, 1869. Deed Record Book 34, page 272, dated March 1, 1885, describes the cemetery as containing two acres. Deed Record Book 45, page 87, shows that on October 17, 1889 a lane to the area was deeded to the Liter Cemetery trustees, the purchase price being \$56.00.

This well-kept cemetery is about one-half mile northeast of the village of Literberry and about one-half mile south of the Cass-Morgan county line, and described as being in the southeast quarter of Section 2, Township 16 North, Range 10 West. The fence and roadway are well-maintained.

Any person in other areas, of Illinois, who would like information about starting a cemetery association to protect abandoned cemeteries can write to Florence Hutchison for details, and forms needed to make application to the Secretary of State for Association papers. Please enclose a donation of \$1.00 to cover postage.

We do not currently have a list of the "17 veterans buried at Liter Cemetery" as the article with the following picture and news item indicates. We would be pleased to have a complete list of the veterans.

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Flag donation



VFW POST 1379 AUXILIARY presents a flag to members of the Liter Cemetery Association. From left are Connie Wilson, patriotism chairman; association president Freda Mallicoat; association secretary-treasurer Mildred Riley; and Martha Upchurch, Americanism chairman. There are 17 veterans buried at Liter Cemetery.

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The chairman of the Illinois Cemetery Location Project, Florence Hutchison, has about 10 county recordings from societies and genealogical researchers.

If anybody "out there" has a particular cemetery found abandoned in the woods, or a family cemetery on the old farm place, regardless of what county it is in, would they please send as much information to us as possible -- readings of the stones, and especially the location, county, and any nearby town.

It will not matter if we have duplications -- nobody reads stones alike anyhow.

Page 1: THE FOURTH ANNUAL REUNION OF CIVIL WAR SOLDIERS OF THE 26TH ILLINOIS
INFANTRY HELD AT GREENVILLE, ILLINOIS, OCTOBER 10 & 11, 1888.

From: GREENVILLE ADVOCATE, Thursday, October 18, 1888.

A Splendid Day -- A Big Crowd -- A Glorious Time For The Old Vets.

As per announcement, the fourth annual reunion of the 26th Ill. Inft. was held in this city Wednesday and Thursday of last week, and proved a grand success. The people of Greenville did themselves proud by their hospitality shown towards these noble men, who came here for the purpose of living over again for a few days the incidents and tribulations of the late civil war. The town was nicely decorated and everything done to make the boys of the sixties feel they were heartily welcome.

The following proceedings were carried out with a smoothness that reflects great credit upon the men who had the matter in charge.

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 10.

The members of the regiment were called to order at 10:00 o'clock a.m. by O. W. Walls, acting commander, and signed the register, after which they were assigned quarters. The following were the signers: [alphabetized for easier recognition].

Bilyeau, P. T.	Mulberry Grove	*	On motion, adjourned for dinner.
Blattner, Charles	Altamont	*	2:00 p.m.--Called to order by Commander O. W.
Bomland, James D.	Effingham	*	Walls. Music by the 26th drum corps.
Bradley, B. T.	"	*	[another paragraph from news item included
Brown, Allen	Woburn	*	here]. The snare drummer of the 26th Ill.
Cody, Michael	Effingham	*	has quite a history. He has an honorable dis-
Cusick, E. S.	Homer/Horner?	*	charge from three different New York regiments,
Custer, W. C.	"	*	is an orphan, and having strayed into the
Donovan, Daniel	Chicago	*	camp of the 26th boys at Effingham they have
Enloe, Isaac N.	Smithborough	*	made him drum-major of their regiment, going
Erwin, A. H.	Effingham	*	so far as to adopt him and give him a new
File, William S.	Sorento	*	name. He certainly knows what a drum is made
Flack, J. H.	Effingham	*	for. The 26th boys may well feel proud of
Ging, John	Farina	*	their excellent drum corps.
Gregory, B. F.	Beaver Creek	*	On motion [at another time] it was resolved
Harlan, G. F.	Dudleyville	*	that A. B. Goodwin be elected an honorary mem-
Hudson, A. S.	Mulberry Grove	*	ber of this organization and it was ordered
Johnson, A. B.	Effingham	*	that his name be changed to that of John
Jones, E. W.	Vernon	*	Conner. [This evidently referred to the
Kaufman, Rudolph	Sebas:opal	*	drum-major mentioned above.]
Lough, P. M.	Passport	*	Address by W. A. Northcott, Esq. of Green-
McAlister, John	Beaver Creek	*	ville.
Meyer, L. G.	Jamestown	*	Music by the 26th drum corps.
Page, William	Mulberry Grove	*	Address by Capt. Thomas M. Davis of Co. D
Pritchkett, J. N.	Sorento	*	3d Ill Cav.
Sands, Thomas K.	Pesotum	*	Address by Sergt. Jones of 26th Ill.
Skane, James	Mulberry Grove	*	Addressby by Sergt. Surralls, of 20th Ill.
Skelton, T. C.	" "	*	Music by the 26th drum corps.
Smith, James	Lexington	*	Address by Capt. I. N. Enloe, 26th Ill.
Surralls, W. P.	Effingham	*	Adjourned.
Vest, T. I.	Greenville	*	7:30 p.m.--Call to order, by O. W. Walls.
Walls, Owen W.	Vandalia	*	Prayer, by Rev. S. P. Groves.
Wiedner, Philip	Jamestown	*	Music by the choir.
William, Benoni	Hurricane	*	U. B. Harris, Esp., mayor of Greenville,
Wise, E. B.	Greenville	*	then delivered the following address of wel-
Wright, H. H.	Effingham	*	come.
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Mr. Chairman, and Fellow Soldiers of the 26th Illinois Infantry: In the year

1861, you all remember the time, I need not refer you to a written history, for this date is indelibly fixed in your minds, a terrible war was inaugurated against the Federal Government, one of our own forts had been fired upon, our flag had been torn down by traitors, Abraham Lincoln, then President of the United States, issued his proclamation calling for volunteers to save the Government. You, my comrades, nobly responded to that call, you left your homes, you left all that was near and dear to you, for what?--to save your country.

For more than four years you endured the hardships and privations of a soldier's life; hundreds and thousands of lives were sacrificed; millions of her treasures were expended, all to save the country, and when this cruel war was over you that had been spared, returned to your homes, to your families, to your friends, became law abiding citizens and now on this your first attempt at a reunion here I welcome you--yea, I thrice welcome you to our city, our homes and our firesides. And now fellow soldiers, we hope that this reunion, small as it is, may long be remembered by all of you. Let me again bid you a hearty welcome.

Mr. W. P. Surralls, Sergeant of the 26th Illinois then made a neat little response of which the following is a partial synopsis: The speaker said, ...he did not know why the committee had selected him to make this response, unless it was that he was the best looking man in the party. He could not make a speech, never had made a speech in his life, and he could not make one now as his heart was too full for utterance. He thought he had the best place of entertainment, but every one of his comrades claimed they had the same, so all he could say was that they had been so well cared for that his hope was that Greenville would ask them to come back again. He was so happy, and only sorry that this happiness could not last 365 days" . . . He was loudly cheered.

Then came the music by the Greenville Band, after which Miss Lulu Baumberger delivered an appropriate poem in her excellent style, showing great elocutionary ability and was loudly cheered. Then music by the choir.

The chair introduced Mr. Solon Enloe, who made a neat little speech. Music by the 26th Ill. drum corps, made the boys feel so good they called for an encore. Judge C. J. Lindly made a short address which was received with much enthusiasm.

The choir sang "Marching Through Georgia", and all the soldiers joined in the chorus. The 26th Ill. drum corps gave an illustration how they played when they just entered the service and caught the crowd. The choir sang "Rally 'round the Flag," after which Col. J. B. Reid and W. M. Evans made some pleasant remarks, then adjournment and hand shaking followed.

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The following named soldiers were those who registered for the meeting outside of those of the 26th Illinois regiment. The Greenville Advocate stated that "the 300 badges printed this office were all given out, but the "boys", unfortunately, did not all register. One hundred and thirty registered but that was not all that were present. The badges prepared by the Advocate office looked very handsome on the old vets, and were appreciated. The 26th boys had beautiful badges.

[Following is an alphabetical listing of the veterans who did register]:

Adams, L. Lieut	Co D 22d IL	Greenville	Book, M. F.	Co B 100 PA	Smithborough
Adams, N.	" E 130 "	Baden Baden.	Britt, T. B.	" B 117 IL	Reno
Alderman, Wm.	" D 22d "	Greenville	Bruner, W. B.	Chap 56 IL	Greenville
Alexander, Jno.	" E 3d OH	"	Buchanan, J. T.	Co I 65 "	"
Anthony, J. W.	" D 48 IL	Woburn	Buehler, Chas.	" A 22 "	"
Bingham, S. R.	" H 122 "	"	Cahoon, W. N.	" B 63 "	Baden Baden
Boldt, John	" E 3d Cav	Old Ripley	Caulk, James N.	" I 122 "	Reno
Boldt, Theo	" G 3d "	" "	Causey, Wyatt,	Music. 20 "	Greenville

[continuation of alphabetical listing of veterans who did register, other than those of the 26th Illinois Infantry.]

Charleson, John	Co B 122 IL	Greenville	* Hughes, H. D.	Co B 146 IND	Woburn
Combs, J. A.	" E 22d "	Mulberry Grove	* Ingels, Wm.	" D 22 IL	Greenville
Corlew, L.	" A 91 "	Greenville	* Jestes, D. F.	" D 3d IL	Cav, Sorento
Cox, D.	" H 80 "	Betterton	* Jett, Ambrose C.,	F 130 IL	Greenville
Crichfield W.M.	E 22d "	Baden Baden	* Jett, Z. D.	Co E 3d IL	Cav, "
Criner, Michael	G 117 "	Cofeen	* Johnson, E.P.	" I 79 IND	Mulberry Grove
Davis, J.F.	Co B 54 "	Greenville	* Johnson, Geo.	" E 48 OHIO	Greenville
Davis, Wm.	" I 29 "	Mulberry Grove	* Justice, E.P.	" E 117 IL	"
Denny, J.B.	" E 1 IL	Cav Sorento	* Kersey, John	" K 97 OHIO	Dudleyville
Dever, Jos.	" D 22 IL	Pocahontas	* Kirkham, G.T.	" A 22 IL	Greenville
Dewey, R.K.	" F 135 "	Greenville	* Koonce, J.L.	" D 3 IL	Cav, Beaver Creek
Dewey, T.S.	" D 3d IL	Cav, Beaver Cr.	* Lester, E.	" C 141 IL	Richville
Durr, Fred	" K 3d "	" Woburn	* Libby, S.H.	" D 22 IL	Reno
Eades, Thomas	E 152 IL	Beaver Creek	* Losch, John	" K 7 IND	Cav, Greenville
Edwards, J.H.	D 154 "	and	* McCasland, W.	" E 130 IL	"
	Co B 7 "	Pleasant Mound	* McCollum, James	E 22 IL	Hurricane
Ellis, J. M.	" D 154 "	Mulberry Grove	* McCoy, John	Co G 7 OHIO	Cav, Heilsburg
Enloe, E. L.	" D 154 "	" "	* McFarland, John V.,	Co. F 130 IL,	Reno
Enloe, Ed T.	" D 3d IL	Cav Woburn	* Matney, W. D.	Co K 54 IL	Sorento
Enloe, S. G.	" F 130 IL	Mulberry Grove	* Matthews, Thos.	I 122 IL	"
Enloe, Wm.T.	" D 3d IL	Cav Donnellson	* Mattinly, D.R.	D 22 IL	Mulberry Grove
Evans, Wm.M.	" F 135 IL	Greenville	* Meyer, Heinrich	K 2d MO	Inf, Tamalco
Farmer, Wm.	" B 35 IL	Smithborough	* Meyer, Wm.	Co K 117 IL	"
File, Jno.F.	" E 3 IL	Cav Greenville	* Miles, John W.	E 130 IL	Greenville
Fluegge, H.	" B 12 MO	Inf Effingham	* Miller, John W.	H 101 IND	Pocahontas
Furstenfeld, C.,	E 130 IL	Greenville	* Morgan, J. T.	G 3 IL	Cav, New Douglas
Gakrett, Jas.	D 3d IL	Cav, Dudleyville	* Munson, E. J.	I 57 IL	Greenville
Gillespie, J.W.	E 3d IL	Cav, Hookdale	* Myers, Sohn M.	E 130 IL	Beaver Creek
Glenn, John W.	G 3d IL	Cav, Woburn	* Neathammer, Lawrence	E 3d IL	Cav
Goodwin, C.P.	G 50 IND,	Greenville			Dudleyville
Gordon, Perry	D 117 IL	Donnellson	* Osborne, John	Co M 9th	Cav Hurricane
Gorline, W.J.	A 91 IL	Greenville	* Phillipson, A.	D 3d	Cav Old Ripley
Granger, Jo.	D 3d IL	Cav, Troy	* Prickett, J.M.	A 26 MO	Inf, Sorento
Gwyn, L. B.	B 117 IL	Reno	* Redding, R.M.	Co E 130 IL	Troy
Hair, J. W.	H 137 OH	Greenville	* Reid, J.B., Col.	130th IL	Greenville
Hampton, W.M.	I 122d IL	Donnellson	* Rising, L.B.	Co K 89 IND	Baden Baden
Harlan, Henry H.	Co G 3d IL	Cav	* Royer, P.M.	Co G 3d IL	Cav, Dudleyville
		Dudleyville	* Sanderson, James C.	Co M 10 IL	Cav
Hawkins, H.C.	B 117 IL	Donnellson			Greenville
Hawley, Jno.H.	E 130 IL	Greenville	* Sapp, Henry	Co F 130 IL	"
Hay, John B.	Adj. 130 IL	Belleville	* Savage, Thos.B.	E 130 IL	"
Baxter, Haynes	E 122 IL	Hurricane	* Schlup, John	D 3d IL	Cav, "
Hazlett, Geo.	F 11 IL	Greenville	* Sellers, Asa	Co B 117 IL	Donnellson
Hill, J. S.	K 1st Minn	Inf	* Shouse, Harrison	F 12 IL	Cav, Greenville
		Donnellson	* Smith, Joel R.	D 22 IL	Reno
Hockett, Ol.	G 117 IL	Dudleyville	* Smith, Thos.B.	D 24 MO	In. Donnellson
Hofflicker, Weichel, Co.	G 57 IL		* Snow, James M.	D 134 IL	Woburn
		Effingham	* Stallard, R.E.	E 130 IL	Pocahontas
Howard, Henry	F 135 IL	Greenville	* Steele, H.	E 180 IL	Dudleyville
Hubbard, Louis H.	Co. e 3d IL	Cav	* Sugg, John M.	E 22 IL	Greenville
		Greenville			

Page 4: THE FOURTH ANNUAL REUNION OF CIVIL WAR SOLDIERS OF THE 26th ILLINOIS INFANTRY HELD AT GREENVILLE, ILLINOIS, OCTOBER 10 & 11, 1888.

Turner, W. P. Co A 1 TENN Art
Smithborough
Valentine, E.S. K 1 WISC Cav
Pocahontas
Vincent, Marion K 11 KY Inf
Betterton
Vogt, Henry Co E 4 OH Cav
Pleasant Mound
Wait, F. F. Co F 135 IL Greenville
Wait, H. W. Co F 135 IL "
WALDON, G. A. Co F 8 U.S. Cav
Beaver Creek
Walker, T. F. Co B 70 Regt &
6th Ind Cav Greenville
WATSON, W.F. Co D 154 IL Woburn
WATTS, J.F. Co A 60 OH Greenville
WHEELER, J.S. Co F 130 IL Old Ripley
Wilbur, M.D. Co G 50 IL New Douglas
Wilkins, David Surg. 130 IL Greenville
Wolridge, Chas. Co F 2d MINN Battery
Greenville
Woodland, G.M. Co B 35 IL Mulberry Grove
Wright, J.G. Co K 3 IL Cav, Betterton
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* Thursday October 12, 1888:
* 9:00 a.m.--called to order by Comman-
* der O. W. Walls. Letters were read
* from Col. Loomis, Lieut. King, and
* E. K. Jennings, stating that their
* health would not permit attendance.
* A committee of five selected by the
* Commander to select the place for
* the fifth annual reunion were Com-
* rades E. B. Wise, W. P. Surralls,
* James Smith, E. L. Cusick and E. W.
* Jones. [They met later and selec-
* ted Homer in Champaign County.]
* The amount of dues collected from
* comrades was \$32.75. The widows of
* deceased comrades who were present
* were presented with a badge, and the
* excess badges were ordered to be sent
* to comrades who wrote or called for
* them.
* On motion a vote of thanks were
* tendered the citizens of Greenville
* for their hospitality at this fourth
* annual reunion of the 26th Ill Inft.

"At this juncture the organization of a Bond County Soldier's and Sailors Association was taken up. Col. J. B. Reid was selected as chairman of the temporary organization. H. Howard, I. N. Enloe and T. S. Dewey were appointed to draft by-laws for the Association. After their acceptance officers were elected from the comrades present. On motion, Mulberry Grove was selected as the place for their second annual reunion of this new Association."

The members and all other old soldiers "repaired to the circuit court room, where an elegant dinner was spread. . ." After dinner the parade took place which was participated in by the following in the order named: Greenville Band, Hilliard Rifles, Colby Post 26th Ill., and 126 old soldiers, followed by the children of the public schools.

"At four o'clock dress parade was held which showed the old vets, a little rusty, but still had not forgotten the commands to which they so often responded in those never to be forgotten days. . . .

"At six o'clock called to order again by Commander Wise. Music by 26th drum corps and Greenville Band. The following resolution was then read and adopted: WHEREAS, It has pleased the Great Commander of the Armies of Heaven and on Earth to remove from the 26th Ill. Association Comrades Samuel T. Thompson and David M. Parks of Co. A, James C. Reeves of Co. C, and J. C. Lough of Co. H, Be it Resolved, That we tender our sympathy to their bereaved families and their comrades; Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to their widows and be spread on the Association records by the Adjutant. Capt. I. N. Enloe, Chairm'n. . . .

"It was frequently remarked that not a single old soldier exhibited the least sign of having been drinking, and better behavior throughout could not well have been. . . .

"General hand shaking concluded one of the most successful reunions Bond County has ever known. May God bless the remaining members of that brave band, that they may live to enjoy many more such reunions, is the sincere wish of the Greenville Advocate."

To relieve the need to care for "street children" in New York City, the Children's Aid Society began, in 1853, to send children, under the care of a placing Agent, into mid-western states. The hope was that the farming areas would be a place that would provide a chance for a city child to have a better life.

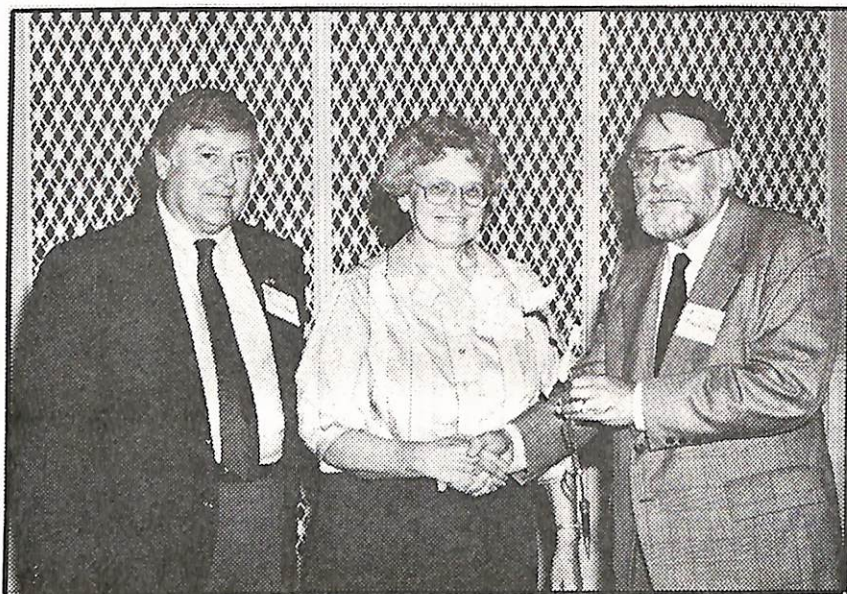
Illinois was said to have had about 10,000 children sent from the start of the program in 1853 until the last train came out in 1929. Normal, Illinois, became a distributing center for the Society.

It appears that, to date, Illinois has done nothing to document the information concerning these children and their descendants. It is time that genealogical researchers attempt to gather some facts and put together an index of information so that the search for family roots and descendancy from original orphan train children will have a central source of information.

Our society has a member who has been collecting such information, and giving lectures on the orphan train children during this past year. She is chairman of "Orphan Train Records" of our Jacksonville Area Genealogical and Historical Society. If you have any records to share with us, please send them to Janet M. Coble, Chairman Orphan Train Records, 1124 West Walnut 42E, Jacksonville IL 62650.

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CONGRESS OF ILLINOIS HISTORICAL SOCIETIES AND MUSEUMS PRESENTS AWARD TO LOCAL SOCIETY



Miss Elizabeth Hardy, vice president of the Jacksonville Area Genealogical and Historical Society accepted the Award of Superior Achievement presented in the 1988 competition, under item X "Special Projects" for a documentary titled "Genealogist Uncovers Unmarked Jacksonville State Hospital Graves".

Shown in the picture is Elizabeth, center, being congratulated by Fred W. Soady out-going president of CIHSM, and David Maurer, the newly-elected CIHSM president to the left.

The awards were made at a noon luncheon held in the spacious

lobby of the Illinois National Bank in Springfield, Illinois during their spring conference held jointly with the Illinois State Historical Society, on April 29th.

The gist of the report that won the Superior Achievement award pertained to "the identification and restoration of an original unmarked cemetery site of the Jacksonville State Hospital patients 1870-1883 on the south side of Diamond Grove cemetery, Sections D and I."

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We can now report further progress on this area in which over 200 individuals were buried, with only two family stones being visible. Chaplain Fred Hammond of the Jacksonville Developmental Center, Florence Hutchison of our society, and Ray Elliott, cemetery supervisor, met with the Casler Engineering firm recently to have the plot surveyed. As soon as this is accomplished it is planned to set up four corner stones, and a monument naming the site Immanuel South. We have already identified two other sites as Immanuel West and Immanuel East. Some day we hope to prove the earliest site 1852-1870, and name it Immanuel North! What a happy day that will be!

The following statement is intended to clarify what appeared as the editor's error in writing about "The Beginnings Of The Jacksonville Hospital ..." in the March quarterly, page 4, second paragraph from bottom of page, to wit --

"This is not to be confused with the later Our Saviour's Hospital on lots across from Illinois College." What is now known as MacMurray College, in the early days was called the "Illinois Female College", and was so named in the picture on page 93 of the 1872 "Atlas Map of Morgan County, Illinois".

Having read about the college by that name in those early days, your editor humbly submits that she just left out the word "Female".

From Illinois Conference Female College in 1851, it was renamed Illinois Female College in 1863, then to Illinois College for Women, 1899, to MacMurray College 1930.

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'Memorable Moment' winner Journal Courier, Jacksonville, Ill., Thursday, May 4, 1989



(Journal Courier photo by JOHN B. MARTIN)

Mrs. Florence Hutchison, right, a member of the Jacksonville Federated Woman's Club, won first place in the Illinois Federated Woman's Club *Memorable Moments* Centennial Writing competition of the General Federation.

One winner from each state will compete for first place to be presented at the General Federation Woman's Club Convention in California, July 1990.

Mrs. Hutchison's Memorable Moment was locating the Betsy Ross Memorial 46-star Flag of Oklahoma statehood. The flag was reported to have gone down at Pearl Harbor with the USS Battleship Oklahoma December 1941. In tracing its history, Mrs. Hutchison located it at Independence Hall in Philadelphia in 1965.

It was a tearful memorable moment when she was able to clasp its folds to her breast. The discovery then led her the following August to trace and visit seven great-great-grandchildren of flagmaker Betsy Ross and her third husband, John Claypoole, in three states that year.

Few people realize that of Betsy's 7 daughters, 4 Claypoole daughters have hundreds of living descendants in the world today. Her flagmaking daughter Clarissa and granddaughters and nieces carried on the flag shop for 21 years more after Betsy passed away in 1836, age 84 years. Then they moved in 1857 to less than 150 miles from Jacksonville, at Fort Madison, Iowa. Did you know that interesting bit of trivia?

Presenting the Illinois Federation certificate to Florence at the 20th District's convention at Franklin, Illinois on Apr 28 is Claribel Brown arts and creative writing chairman of the District Federation of Women's Clubs.

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As some of you know, Florence has been looking for Justice in Morgan County for 17 years [the statue that stood atop the Courthouse for many years] was taken down 120 years later and put on exhibition. We hope to still find her battered remains soon. That will be another very Memorable Moment.



ISD HAD NATION'S FIRST
DEAF MILITARY COMPANY

From: the Deaf-Mute Ad-
vance, Oct. 22, 1892
reprinted from the
Globe-Democrat, St. Louis.

The Jacksonville *Journal Courier* published a special edition, Sunday, April 9, 1989 celebrating 150 years (1839-1989) which provided a look at the history, its people, and the future of the Illinois School for the Deaf. We will quote brief passages which may hold some genealogical interest for our readers of this quarterly. If not as ancestors or collateral relatives involved, but as a matter of interest and pride in the accomplishments of the long-standing history of this institution.

On a Mississippi River steamboat during the summer of 1838, State Senator Orville H. Browning, of Quincy, chanced to meet a deaf gentleman educated in Kentucky. Browning became interested in the education of the deaf, and in December of that year, introduced in the State Senate a bill for the purpose of establishing a school for the deaf in Illinois.

In 1839, Browning's bill passed the Senate and the House largely through the influence of Jacksonville's State Senator, William Thomas. Abraham Lincoln, then 30 years old and representing Sangamon County in the House, voted for the bill. Thomas was responsible for Jacksonville being selected as a site for the school, with a stipulation that five acres of ground for use of the institution be donated. By 1842 the citizens of Jacksonville had collected \$979.50 for the purchase of land.

The first building, three stories and an attic high, was ready for occupancy in 1845. This building, derisively termed the "State's Folly," was considered extravagant and beyond all requirements for the next one hundred years. A deep November snow postponed the opening of school until January 1846, at which time only four pupils reported. However enrollment grew rapidly until it numbered 107 by 1855.

In 1845 Thomas Officer was appointed Superintendent of the school. He resigned in 1855. In 1856 Phillip G. Gillett was appointed Superintendent. Barely 24 years old, Dr. Gillett was derisively styled as "that boy that's come to run the deaf and dumb." In 1867 he started an oral (speech and lip reading) program at the school, making it the first school in the country to use this method. He hired the first woman instructor for the deaf in the United States, and was instrumental in starting a school for the mentally retarded (later moved to Lincoln). Dr. Gillett gave the school great leadership for 37 years. It was said that he "had driven school, public and even the Legislature before him, and when that was impossible he had gone in advance and waited for the others to catch up." When he left the school in 1893 the enrollment had nearly reached 500, and there were 42 teachers employed.

And article in the St. Louis *Globe-Democrat*, 1892, read: "The only deaf mute military company in the world is now the leading attraction at the Illinois Institute for deaf mutes in Jacksonville, and the work performed by this silent company is simply wonderful. Every member of the company, with the exception of the captain, is deaf and dumb. . . ."

Dr. Gillett had employed George H. Scurlock as storekeeper. He at once began the study of the sign language, and became familiar with that difficult mode of communication. He put it to use little dreamed of by the superintendent or the trustees. At the Carbondale State Normal School he had been drilled in military tactics by Lieut. C. G. Starr, of the United States army. Scurlock conceived the idea of forming a company from the pupils of the deaf's institution. He invented a code of signs representing the orders given in the marching, drill and manual of arms.

In the spring of 1891 he collected thirty boys together and told them his plans.

At the institution was an excellent gymnasium, managed by a competent teacher, for boys and girls. The boys had learned to use their muscles at the gymnasium, so were good subjects for the oncoming military tryouts. Sticks four feet long were used instead of guns, and the work was begun and continued until June 1st when the school closed for the summer. But the success was so great that when the scholars came together in the fall Mr. Scurlock organized a new company, "which is the one now (1892) gaining such renown."

It was a long time before Dr. Gillett was able to persuade the adjutant general that here were some excellent young men who should be entitled to full army uniforms and real guns. But that official had about as much confidence in the idea of a deaf and dumb military company "as a scientific man would have in a machine for producing perpetual motion".

Nothing daunted the superintendent, who went to Governor Fifer, and laid the case before his excellency. The governor had borne arms himself, and while his opinion may have been like that of the adjutant general, he told Dr. Gillett he would see what could be done in this case. At a later time, a new adjutant general was "holding the fort", who kindly entered into the scheme. In due time a complete outfit of arms was sent the boys, and in the gratitude of their hearts they chose the name of "Fifer Cadets", in honor of the governor who had been so good to them. The guns were 50-caliber, bright barrel, Springfield breech-loading rifles, with full accoutrements. The uniforms consisted of blue blouses trimmed with gilt braid, brass buttons, white helmets and cross-belts.

"A good many difficulties were experienced in getting everything down to a fine point, but Capt. Spurlock persevered and now has the satisfaction of having the only deaf and dumb military company, perfectly drilled, in the world, and that too in the largest institution of its kind in the universe.

"It is an attractive sight to see the young men marching along, keeping perfect step and holding their heads erect with true military bearing, and that without turning to the right or left to use their eyes as one would suppose would be necessary.

"Time is marked for them in a peculiar manner; ... the boys follow a tenor drum in the hands of a deaf mute who plays it with great precision, and the rank and file seem to feel the vibrations of the beats, especially in the region of the diaphragm, and they march with the precision of veterans . . ."

"Not long since an officer of the regular army visited the institution, and having heard of the cadets, asked to see them drill. He thought he would see some very awkward and incomplete work, for, like the former adjutant general, he had no confidence in the ability of deaf mutes to accomplish such results. But he was delighted and astonished at seeing the perfect work of the company, and was high in his praise of their efficiency. . . ."

THE ROSTER:

Captain -- G. H. Scurlock, Jacksonville
1st Lieut. -- Robert L. Erd, Waterloo
2nd Lieut. -- Addison Reynolds, Chicago
1st Sergt. -- James R. Woodrow, Bloomington
2nd Sergt. -- Henry S. Rutherford, Fairbury
Private -- Curtis G. Delano, Big Rock
Private -- William A. Zollinger, Polo
Private -- Fred E. Schultz, Beecher
Private -- Jay T. Wilcox, Belvidere
Private -- Charles D. Jones, Cairo
Private -- Benjamin F. Ryan, Quincy
Private -- Edgar D. Webb, Herman
Private -- Howard R. Martin, Peoria
Private -- George Stevenson, Aurora

Private--Herman E. Schlegel, Jonesboro
Private--Robert Ford, Ottawa
Private--August J. Rodenberger, Waterloo
Private--Hugh H. Gates, Decatur
Private--James W. Turner, Perry
Private--George Breysacher, Marshall
Private--Theodor S. Dummerman, Nashville
Private--Thomas J. Hainline, Carthage

Taken as a whole, the Fifer Cadets were able to show a larger community, than Jacksonville itself, what wonderful things can be accomplished by patience and perseverance of devoted teachers.

JACKSONVILLE AREA GENEALOGICAL AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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10 June 1989

JACKSONVILLE, ILLINOIS 62651

TWELFTH DIRECTORY OF MEMBERSHIPS, WITH SURNAMES BEING RESEARCHED (since September 1986). This is the continuation of our surname index to help people find kindred souls.

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Bales, Marcum, Bolin, Garret(t), Prill & Rodatz (Germany)				
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McCarty, Swales, Walton, Green, Lawry, Trondson, Loasching				
BURTLE, Mr. James R.	1602 South East	South Jacksonville	IL	62650
Burtle, McCoy, Swalley, Lawson, Marshall, Fortner				
COUCH, Mr. & Mrs. Earl W.	R. A. 98-AA	Flippin	ARK	72634
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Selby, Coward, Erdle, Howard				
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Cox, Nunley, Naugle, White, Morris, Spainhower/Spaenhower				

CHANGES OF ADDRESS: please go back to your past quarterlies September 1986 on to present and change these addresses TODAY -- before you forget!

BORG, Mrs. Reta M.	R.R. 1 Box 375	Chatham	IL	62629
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HUGGINS, Sarah J.	9543 University	Clive	IOWA	50053
MEGLITSCH, Mrs. Sara	5 Walking Woods	Lake Oswego	ORE	97305
REUSCH, Mrs. Irene C.	Apt. 509 Ridge Point,	12800 Marion Lane		
	Minnetonka		MINN	55343

PLEASE! If you, as a member of ours -- or any other genealogical society -- are planning to move, do send your address corrections to us as soon as possible. The postage rates on reclaiming your original quarterly, getting your new address, and remailing a quarterly costs way over \$2.00 per situation now. And please write plainly so we can read it correctly when typing addresses.

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WORTHWHILE THOUGHTS TO MULL OVER . . .

Today is my time to do good deeds, or to do important things that have long been needed doing -- like working on my family history. It is my time to be as happy and cheerful as possible under adverse circumstances that may arise unexpectedly. Today is mine and I will make the most of its precious hours in the service of our Lord and fellow man.

Page 1: DO YOU NEED RESEARCH IN FRANCE?

My daughter Mary was given the following letter by her friend to pass on to me. Perhaps it will give some family historian a needed address for French research.

ARCHIVES MUNICIPALES DE BORDEAUX
71, RUE DU LOUP, 33000 BORDEAUX
Tél. 56.90.91.60

Date: Bordeaux, le 18 mai 1989
To: Madame Marie-Louise BOUVET
2233 South Tenth Street
Springfield, Illinois 62703, U.S.A.

Madame,

Les recherches qui ont été faites dans les archives n'ont pas permis de retrouver l'acte de naissance de Céline ou Céline Lemoine en 1858.

Vous pouvez, si vous le désirez, vous adresser au Centre généalogique du Sud-Ouest, 1 place Bardineau, 33000 Bordeaux, ou au Service d'Entraide, équipe de recherches, Madame Marcelle Cabane, 20, rue de Lange, 33170 Gradignan. Ce sont deux organismes qui se chargent de recherches pour les particuliers.

Je vous prie de recevoir, Madame, mes hommages respectueux.
Le Conservateur,

[Note: Both

addresses are in France.]

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HAVE YOU TRIED TO GET SOCIAL SECURITY INFORMATION ON AN ANCESTOR?

The following ideas are excerpted from page 15 *Federation of Genealogical Societies NEWSLETTER* November/December 1988.

Individuals applying for a Social Security Administration record of an ancestor should request a photocopy of Form SS-5 that the individual filled out years ago when making application. This form can provide full name, address at time of application, employer, father's full name, mother's maiden name, and have a signature of the applicant which was required on the form.

It would be wise for the family historian seeking this evidence to include a copy of the death certificate of his or her relative. Many of the death certificates contain the Social Security Number.

"A letter should be written to the following address: Department of Health and Human Services, Social Security Administration, Attn. Freedom of Information Officer, 4-J-9 West High Rise Building, 6401 Security Blvd., Baltimore MD 21235.

"The fee is \$6.00 per name, if the number is supplied, plus postage. The fee applies whether or not the application is found. Information on living persons will not be supplied."

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We have just received a letter from Mrs. Marie Beernink, Past President Illinois Pal-Am Chapter, as follows:

Please accept my thanks on behalf of Illinois Chapter-Palatines to America for all your help in our recent combined conference. That includes the most able assistance of Miss Lucille Crawford and Mr. Marshall Robinson.

One of nicer benefits of working on this conference was meeting the folks from Jacksonville. I would be pleased should we ever have the opportunity to work together again. Thank you all. Sincerely, Marie Beernink.

This referred to the German Research Conference held here in Jacksonville on Saturday May 27th, presenting Henning Schroeder, R.G. as the speaker on "German Genealogical Resources, Emigration Indexes, Genealogical Associations, etc."

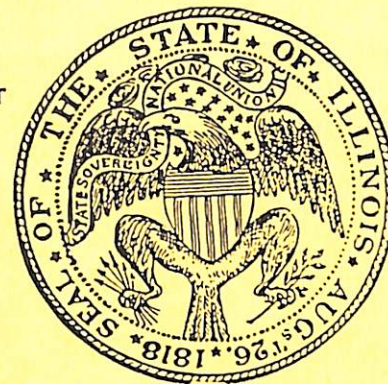
We officers of the Jacksonville Area Genealogical and Historical Society wish to thank Rev. Harold G. Woodworth and his staff for the use of their all-purpose room, at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, 405 Massey Lane. Especially we thank that genial gentleman, James A. Neese, for his guidance and assistance throughout the day. There were about 75 to 80 individuals who thoroughly enjoyed the conference.



—Seal of the Illinois Territory.

ANNUAL REPORT
GENERAL NOT FOR PROFIT CORPORATION ACT
SECRETARY OF STATE OF ILLINOIS

Annual Report Filing Fee \$ 5.00
Annual Report with Change of Agent or Office \$10.00
File No. N 5085-257-1



—the First Great Seal.

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REGISTERED AGENT: Florence Hutchison
REGISTERED OFFICE: 629 South Diamond
CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE: Jacksonville, Illinois 62650 Morgan County

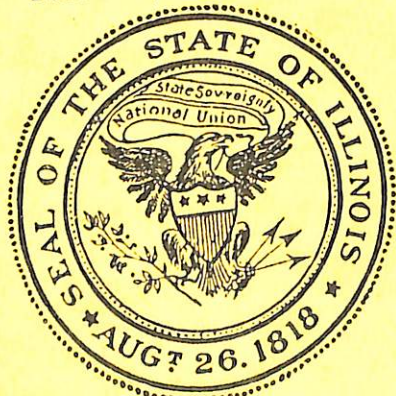
The above corporation organized under the laws of the State of ILLINOIS pursuant to provisions of "The General Not for Profit Corporation Act" of the State of Illinois hereby makes the following report:

The names and respective addresses of its officers and directors are:

NAME	OFFICE	NUMBER & STREET	CITY	ZIP
Mrs. Florence Hutchison	President	629 South Diamond	Jacksonville	62650
Miss Elizabeth Hardy	Vice-president	Route 2	"	"
Mrs. Mary Frances Alkire	Vice-president	10 Westgate Circle	"	"
Mrs. Virginia Gordon	Secretary	11 Sunnydale Ave.	"	"
Miss Lucille V. Crawford	Financial Secy.	1038 West State #4	"	"
Mr. Marshall Robinson	Treasurer	423 Southville Dr.	"	"
Mr. Earl L. Jones	Director	206 Massey Lane	"	"
Mrs. Janice Fox	Director	R.R. 2	Virginia	62691
Mrs. Myra Nichols Martin	Director	359 East Tremont	Waverly	62692

The following is a brief statement of the character of the affairs which the corporation is actually conducting:

To preserve and perpetuate ancestral records of members and to assist each other in genealogical research for educational, patriotic and historical purposes; to discover, collect and preserve any materials which may help to establish or illustrate the history of west central Illinois counties; to encourage preservation and safe-guarding of municipal, township, county and state public governmental records, and to promote publication of related materials for public use.



—Second Great Seal.

Dated this January 30th 1989
Florence Hutchison
President



—Present Great Seal