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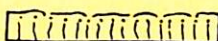
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PICTURE REPRESENTATIONS USED BY OJIBWAY INDIANS

Invitations to Indians to come and worship in the spring are made in the following form :—



Medicine House



Gt. Lodge.



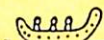
Wigwam, Woods.



Lake.



River.



Canoe.



Come.



Great Spirit.

The whole story would thus read :—

“Hark to the words of the Sa-ge-mah.”

“The Great Medicine Lodge will be ready in eight days.”

“Ye who live in the woods and near the Lakes and by streams of water, come with your canoes or by land to the worship of the Great Spirit.”

In the above, the wigwam and the medicine pale or worship, represent the depositories of medicine, record and work. The Lodge is represented with men in it; the dots above indicate the number of days. [16]

These picture representations were used by the Ojibways until the introduction of European manners among them. When this occurred, they neglected in a great degree their correspondence with other nations, except by special messengers, and became very cautious in giving information respecting their religious worship to the whites, because they, the whites, ridiculed it.

**Please note dues increase for 1990.

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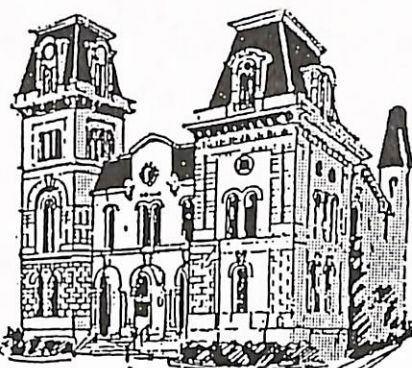
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Use a separate sheet of paper for letters and queries you wish to send at the same time. We use these memberships sheets to facilitate our yearly filing procedures by the Financial Secretary.

Thank you. We wish you much success with your family history research.

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FACE VALUE -- A smile is a very contagious thing. Don't hide it within yourself. The more you use it, and spread it around, The better you'll feel about yourself. It's best if used every day, Because it's no earthly good to anyone, Until it's given away!

When you write to us, please send along your opinion about the new proposed masthead for our 1990 quarterlies. Do you like the one above? This artistic rendition was sent by William E. Benson who thought we had such a fine quarterly, it needed to be graced with a better heading on the outside cover. On the other hand, it would change the established looks of our quarterly. Would people in the future think that these were from two different societies? What do YOU think? Do you opt for the established heading? Or should we change to this one?

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Dear Geneal Members and Friends, our Co-workers:

September 1989

THIS PAGE CONTAINS SOME IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR YOU.

As you will notice from the new green membership sheet enclosed for membership in 1990, there is a small dues increase. We sincerely regret having to raise the dues for our Society's extensive services to so many people "out there" in 40 states and Canada. However, in order to meet our ever-rising costs of producing the society quarterly, to pay rent for our library space, service contracts on two copiers, two typewriters, and other miscellaneous expenses which keep "cropping up", this seemed to be the only alternative.

On June 22, 1989, prior to the regular meeting, the Board of Directors met, discussed the problems, and voted to recommend to the Society members that we raise our dues at the beginning of the year, for 1990. Regular Members will now pay \$10.00, Charter Members \$9.00, and a Life Membership is \$150.00. At the regular business meeting the members voted to accept the recommendations of the Board.

If it had not been for quite a few of our members being generous with donations from time to time -- which we have deeply appreciated for our volunteer efforts here in Jacksonville -- the dues change would have been made quite some time ago, and probably with a greater increase than occasioned this year's request.

Our Society has been recording much data in its seventeen years of existence. We have acquired a wealth of information for this part of West Central Illinois, including the counties of Morgan, Cass, Scott, Greene, Jersey, Macoupin, Calhoun, Pike and Sangamon. We have some dedicated volunteers -- but too few in number -- who have faithfully carried on the duties and pleasures of helping people find their people. We are always happy to receive success stories.

Our own library, at the corner of Fayette and Morgan, is steadily increasing its store of information, and we have many out-of-state researchers. Mary Frances Alkire, who has been with us also for seventeen years, has helped many individuals with their problems. People ask us "when is the library open?" One should call to see if someone is there to help. The number is (217)245-5939. Janet Coble and Margaret Meyer have been indexing all the items so that we will know what is there, and hopefully, where to look for it. The IGI microfiche is very popular.

Here is some data concerning records in the courthouse pertaining to available records:

There were no births recorded in the State of Illinois, by law, until 1878.

However, some counties have birth records going back further, because they were delayed certificates filed by an individual for Social Security reasons, later.

[Our March 1989 quarterly published those persons born 1858-1877.]

While marriage records started when a county was organized for the first time, the parents' names did not go on until 1878, along with other personal data.

Death certificates were not filed in Illinois, by law, until 1878. But parentage was not added until 1911. Many of the early death certificates filled out by the doctor in charge, recorded then by the town clerks, did not make it to the county

clerk's office in those days of inadequate road systems and swollen streams that had to be crossed by the bearer -- in Morgan County, by the Road Commissioners.

Birth, death and marriage certificates in Morgan County are now \$7.00 each, with a second copy being \$4.00 if made at the same time.

While the above records, considered as personal vital statistics are administered by the County Clerks, the law of 1973 governing their distribution was made by the State Representatives and Senators at the direction of the Illinois Public Health Administration.

Deeds of record in the County Clerk's office, and Probate records in the Circuit Court office are not under any restrictions, except cost of photocopies.

Sincerely yours, with love,

Florence Hutchison

Interest in this country church and cemetery -- about 2½ miles out north on Sandusky road -- was sparked when one of the new members of our genealogical society came looking for his great-grandfather, Rev. Samuel Spates who is buried in Arcadia cemetery. Louis Lehmann of Tacoma, Washington, had acquired some history of the Ebenezer Manual Labor School which we are going to relate. One hears about this particular school of the past, but finding records on it is difficult. If any of our readers can further enlighten us on the history of this unusual school, we will be grateful for any material we can acquire.

Our reference for the following history comes from two articles in the *Journal Of The Illinois State Historical Society* Vol III #3 for October 1910 pp. 99-110 and Vol III #4 1910 ppl 99-101.

The seventy-fifth anniversary of Ebenezer church was observed with fitting exercises on August 12-14, 1910. Anniversary addresses were delivered by Rev. W. S. Phillips, Charles Akers and others.

We give extracts from an historical address prepared for a celebration in 1885, by Dr. William K. McElfresh:

"Prior to the year 1835 there existed in this community a religious order of the Presbyterian church known as Associated Reformers. A few families whose religious training was of the Methodist persuasion, had settled in the neighborhood before 1835, but they were not in an organized shape, and whenever they desired to attend Methodist services they went to Jacksonville, where a small society had been formed as early as 1830, or before.

"The Jacksonville station was established in 1833. The Jacksonville circuit, which was formed in 1830, was large, embracing a wide territory, numbering a great many stations and circuits now entering into different districts.

"In 1835 the Illinois conference appointed to the Jacksonville circuit Rev. James A. Bristow and Rev. W. H. Mindow, M.D. A short time after entering upon their work these pastors arranged to secure a preaching place in this neighborhood [where Ebenezer Church still is] and thus number it with other appointments, which at that time constituted the Jacksonville circuit.

"It was decided to have preaching in the private house of Peter Akers once in every two weeks, on week day; and accordingly Revs. Bristow and Mindow preached to small audiences who came to receive the word of life . . . who eagerly sought this humble sanctuary to pay their vows to God.

"This first place of worship, an old log house, stood just north of the cemetery, intersecting a line running through the center of the cemetery, some few rods north of the road running west. [On February 22, 1837, Peter Akers and Elizabeth, his wife, had conveyed by a Trust Deed, for religious and educational purposes, to the Trustees of the Ebenezer Society, one acre of land in the NE fractional quarter of Section 6 Township 15 North of Range 10 West of the 3rd Principal Meridian. The Society then built a double room building thereon, using one part for a church, and the other for a school. However, both rooms could be thrown together for church purposes.]

"It had been arranged by the pastors that on a certain day--the announcement having been made beforehand--that they would, after preaching, open the doors of the church and give those an opportunity who had letters to hand them in, and they would proceed to form a class, and thus organize in this community a Methodist society.

"Accordingly, in the month of November, or December, on Wednesday or Thursday of the week, Rev. James A. Bristow, after preaching, opened the door of the church and the following were enrolled.

Following are the charter names, the founders of the Ebenezer Society: Peter Akers, Elizabeth Akers, John McElfresh, Ann McElfresh, William Saxton, Eliza Saxton, Samuel S. Duvall, Mary Duvall, Lovey Patterson, Margaret Patterson and Elizabeth Williams, in all eleven. The last, Elizabeth Williams, came from the Presbyterians and asked fellowship with this early plant of Methodism.

"This little band of eleven souls did not know that on that cloudy fall day of 1835, that their event would be an item of so much interest as is felt upon the subject today, whose semi-centennial we celebrate today.

"Dr. Peter Akers was one of the original members. It may be said of this venerable divine, that among the western pioneers who laid the foundation of Methodism in all this country, he has stood out peerless and in advance of all. He at one time preached in the village of Lynnvile upon the subject of Baptism. He was five hours in delivering his discourse. Some stayed and heard the doctor through, others grew faint, returned home, ate their dinner, came back and heard the conclusion.

"The influence of Ebenezer church has been wide. The manual labor school brought students from far and wide, among them three Indians from the northwest. John Johnson, Peter Marksman and George Copway. Missionaries and ministers have gone out to labor in many fields, some on the frontier and others in foreign lands. Among this number none stands higher than Kate B. Blackburn, who, under the auspices of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, has devoted her life to the young women of Bulgaria."

Her sister, Luella, wrote the following article, "DR. PETER AKERS -- 1790-1886" from which we will quote portions. [Your society editor was given a hand-written copy, and a typed copy of Luella's history by Mrs. John Hadden.]

"In an old-fashioned autograph album which for many years has been in our family, is this inscription: 'I, Peter Akers, was born in Campbell County, Virginia, September 1, 1790. I was born again, July 27, 1821.'

"Virginia, the 'Old Dominion', has given to our nation such men as Robert Lee, Thomas Jefferson and George Washington, and has given to Methodism two leaders of widely different personalities, Peter Cartwright and Peter Akers." [Isn't it great that both came to our section of Illinois in which to instill their high ideals of Christian living which had a world-wide impact eventually, particularly on Chief KAH-GE-GA-GAH-BOWH, of the Ojibway Nation, whose alias was George Copway.]

"Peter's parents were John and Agnes Akers, prominent citizens in the Lynchburg, Virginia, community, and leading spirits in the Presbyterian church. In infancy, Peter was dedicated to God by the rites of baptism, and carefully reared in the faith of the Presbyterian church. It was something of a disappointment to his family when he chose the Methodist church . . . but years later when his Mother was asked if she would like to have him become a preacher in the Presbyterian church, her reply was, "I hope Peter has more stability than to be carried about with every wind of doctrine."

Peter Akers started his education in the local schools at age six, and continued until his A. M. degree was conferred by Transylvania University, Kentucky. His chosen career was the study of law. "It was his ambition to gain renown as a lawyer and prominence in the political field. His desire for Political distinction led him to publish a Whig paper, The Star." [Does anybody "cut there" have knowledge as to whether copies of this paper can be? -- or microfilmed copies?]

". . . he migrated to Kentucky in 1815, was admitted to the bar in 1817, and became a partner of the distinguished attorney, Major W. P. Fleming. Peter's popularity grew rapidly, and he was soon recognized as one of Kentucky's most brilliant

young lawyers. He became a State's Attorney. March 12, 1818, he was married to Miss Eliza S. Farris, a young lady of great charm, fine intelligence, the daughter of cultured, refined parents. While she shared her husband's ambition for fame and wealth, she was not in sympathy with religion. However, upon the death of their first child, Peter who lived but a short time, Mrs. Akers' attitude toward Christianity changed. She became deeply concerned for her soul's salvation. When their second son, William, was born she urged her husband to join her in seeking salvation. Her health failed very rapidly. On her death bed, she implored him to devote the remainder of his life to the service of God.

"A severe mental conflict followed, and Peter Akers finally became convinced that his life work was to be, not the law, but preaching the 'Gospel of the Son of Man', and he gave up all his prospects for wealth and renown, to become a poor circuit rider. . . . The Kentucky Conference was delighted to receive this brilliant young lawyer into its ranks. Very soon, we are told, 'the hills of Kentucky resounded with his eloquence'.

"Peter Akers was a tireless worker during the eleven years he served in Kentucky founding churches, organizing Sunday Schools, and preaching the Gospel. His training and experience in law work was a decided help to him in the pulpit. He was noted for his power in argument and exposition.

" . . . In 1825, he was married to Miss Elizabeth Reid, at Carlisle, Kentucky. She was a beautiful Christian character, thoroughly in sympathy with her husband's Christian work, and always a source of help and inspiration to him."

After serving in Kentucky for eleven years, he decided to leave because it was a slave state, and he wanted to remove his children from the influences surrounding them in a community of slave owners. Another inducement for locating in Morgan County was that some members of Mrs. Akers' family had previously located near Jacksonville.

"He secured passage for himself and family on an old-time stage coach. At that time there were less than 100 miles of railroad in North America. The people were doubtful about its use. They argued that the railroad was dangerous--boilers might explode, the tracks might break, the cars might leave the tracks. They were even skeptical about the speed. Fifteen miles an hour! No man had a constitution able to stand such a high rate of speed! Wild tales were recited of nervous and mental disorders resulting from such high-speed rides. Furthermore, they rumored, if God had meant for man to travel faster than horses could carry him, He would have created faster horses. These exaggerated tales had no influence on Peter Akers. His reason for making the trip by stage in 1832, was that a railroad connecting Kentucky with Jacksonville, Illinois, had not yet been dreamed of."

Peter Akers had transferred from the Kentucky to the Illinois conference, with the understanding that he should be appointed to the Jacksonville Station, but by some mistake, another pastor had already been appointed, and Dr. Akers was left without a pastorate. He purchased land about 4 miles north of Jacksonville and went through the processes of all newcomers who had to build a rude shelter of logs.

"Peter Akers was facing a new frontier. The little settlement to which he had come was a typical pioneer community. Here were families who had moved from the eastern states, obeying the advice to "Go West" in order to find cheaper land. There were those also who had left the southern states, being unwilling to cope with the low wages of slave labor. Others from the uplands of South Carolina, of Scotch Irish and English descent, a few families well educated, who were accustomed to higher standards of living." These settled in the area of the Ebenezer community as we know it today. Peter Akers started a church in 1834 that is

still active today -- 165 years later, with a well-kept cemetery where many of its participants lie at peace with the world.

"The homes were typical houses of pioneer settlements. Each family had a small rudely-furnished cabin, built of logs. In one corner of the single room was a home-made bed; under it, a trundle bed for the children. The bed in the Akers home was a large four-poster. A rope woven back and forth, attached to pegs driven in the sides and ends of the bedstead, did duty as a substitute for springs. In these houses, a long-barrelled rifle always hung on the hooks over the door, a powder horn by its side. This was not only a protection from the savage animals and hostile Indians, but also served as a means of obtaining the family supply of game and meat. The woods and prairies abounded with deer, wild turkeys, geese and ducks. In every home there was a spinning wheel. The wife spun, wove and made the clothing for the family. The great fireplace shed a warm glow over the room in the winter. Additional light was furnished by the tallow dip. As yet, there were but few wells. Water for all purposes was carried from some nearby spring. The roads which connected neighbors' houses were little more than tangled trails through the 'clearings.' There were but few bridges. Streams had to be forded for the most part."

[These elaborate, and probably accurate descriptions of early pioneer life have come to us in a hand-written document by Miss Luella Blackburn whose family and relatives grew up in the Ebenezer neighborhood.]

"Into such a backwoods settlement came Peter Akers, in 1832. Soon followed the various members of the Reid family, the brothers and sisters of Mrs. Akers. Her brothers, George and John B. A. Reid, established homes within a mile west of the Akers home. Holland and Abraham Reid located a little to the east and south. Her sister, Sarah Ann Reid Capps, wife of Joseph Capps, founder of Capps' Woolen Mills, located in Jacksonville in 1838. Her sisters, Mrs. G. Tandy and Mrs. Davenport both located near her.

"Not for long was Dr. Akers idle. He at once began an evangelistic tour through an area extending from Jacksonville to Beardstown, a very strenuous year. He traveled horseback, carrying his Bible and hymn book in saddlebags, fording streams and following narrow, tangled trails. He was received kindly by his audiences, and accepted their warmhearted, primitive hospitality.

"His meals often consisted of corn bread and dried venison, and some substitute for coffee. His evangelistic efforts resulted in great success. His prestige and power as a speaker were rapidly growing. Dr. W. F. Short said of him that 'the Bible, with its thoughts, images, realities and words, became a part of him!' Dr. Milburn said, 'You wondered how his massive thoughts, his lofty line of reasoning, mighty unfolding of the deep things of Holy Scriptures, could hold as with a spell these plain unlearned people. . . . in him was radiance, warmth, use, life. His hearers saw with his eyes, heard with his ears. His soul became a part of theirs.' Often it seemed as if he were transfigured. With shining face, he translated the things unutterable into the speech of common life. The common people heard him gladly, forgot their meat and drink and said, 'It is good to be here'.

"In 1833-1834, he served as president of McKendree College, at Lebanon, Illinois. Retiring to his home, he began laying plans for the education of the young and the religious education of both young and old. Education was not popular with some of his neighbors. . . . they had no use for 'high-falutin' college dandies'. Their only requirements of a teacher were his ability to 'lick the big boys', and to teach 'reading, writing and arithmetic', or the 'Three R's' as they were popularly called. In 1835 Peter and Elizabeth Akers gave ground upon which to put a building called that "should contain two rooms -- one to be used for public worship, the other to be used as a training school for the education of young men for the ministry."

What does the name Ebenezer mean? I Samuel 7 verse 12: Samuel then took a stone and placed it between Mizpah and Jeshanah and named it Ebenezer (meaning "the Stone of Help"), for he said, "The Lord has certainly helped us!"

Thus was this name chosen for this new church in a virtual wilderness and as time passed and many students left the confines of the double-roomed church and school they gave help to many people not only in land that eventually became a part of the United States, but in Europe as well.

After Dr. Peter Akers left McKendree College, at Lebanon, Illinois in 1834, he came back to the Ebenezer community. At one of the church meetings in his home in 1835 he persuaded the newly formed Ebenezer Society of eleven charter members to build a church with two rooms on land he donated, in which both services and a school would be maintained.

The building of the "Meeting House" was at once commenced. The old document in possession of Luella Blackburn read as follows:

We do hereby certify, that on the 31st day of December, 1836, at a meeting of the religious society which worships at Ebenezer meeting house, in Morgan County, in the 15th township north, range 10 west, John McElfresh, William Saxon, William Jordan, James Heddinburg, Peter Akers, James Deaton, John Rucker and John Fox were elected trustees of the Ebenezer Society for a term of 99 years.

That said society resolved to accept of the meeting house and premises, for a place of worship and for a school; also that the said trustees, so elected by said Society, were accordingly appointed by Peter Akers, the donor of said premises, and that we accept the same as trustees, for the purpose of both a house of worship, and a training school for preachers, according to the resolution of the Society and the wish of the donor."

"To this are signed the names of the eight trustees, of which Dr. Akers' was one." [Your editor wishes she could find this original copy in order to make a photocopy of the original signatures. Another memorable find would be the names of all of the students that went to the Ebenezer Manual Labor School. At this point I do not have the date of its closing.]

Dr. Akers became the first president of this new theological school. The course of study included Greek, Hebrew, Theology, Philosophy, Mathematics, and other branches. In 1837, the Illinois Conference arranged to prepare three young Indians for missionaries among their own people in the Northwest. Three young white men were selected to be trained for the same missionary field, with these young Indians whose English names were George Copway, John Johnson and Peter Marksman.

After spending two years in this school, one of the Indians gave up his missionary work. The other five students met with great success in their work among the Indians of the Northwest. Undoubtedly one of these was Samuel Spates, and another was William J. Rutledge.

One of the Indians, John Johnson, whose Indian name was EN-ME-GAH-BOW, meaning "One Who Stands Before His People", persuaded his kinsmen, the Chippewa tribe, to refuse to combine forces with the Sioux Indians. For many years the Sioux tribe had been harboring the injustices of the government in taking from them their happy hunting grounds, and had thrown the entire state of Minnesota into a panic by devastating their homes, and by the wholesale slaughter of the citizens.

This slaughter came near being much worse, for LITTLE CROW, the Sioux Chief, had arranged with HOLE-IN-THE-DAY, a Chippewa chief, to join forces. This combination would have been effected, but for the wonderful services of EN-ME-GAH-BOW, who day

and night for a week, hazarded his life in his efforts to persuade the Chippewa not to unite with the Sioux, thus saving the whites untold cruelties.

In speaking of this incident, a former resident of the Ebenezer community wrote, "As a Minnesotian, I wish to express a profound appreciation of the Ebenezer Manual Labor School, which was opened by Peter Akers in the summer of 1837. He was a man whose heart was filled with solicitation for the race. The unfortunate condition of the black man and the red man appealed to him. These Indians, educated in that school were true to their education. They redeemed the pledges their teachers at Ebenezer held for them."

George Copway, after spending a few years as a missionary among his own tribe in Minnesota, went to New York, and later to Europe, as a lecturer. In England, he was asked to appear before Queen Victoria and tell the needs of his people. As a result, the Queen gave him a generous donation for his work.

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[At this point your editor stops quoting from the paper written by Luella Blackburn to quote directly from a book written by George Copway, *The Life, History, And Travels Of KAH-GA-GAH-BOWH, A Young Indian Chief Of The Ojebwa Nation, (George Copway), A Convert To The Christian Faith, And A Missionary To His People For Twelve Years: with a Sketch Of The Present State Of The Ojebwa Nation, in regard to CHRISTIANITY AND THEIR FUTURE PROSPECTS. Also an appeal; with all the names of the Chiefs now living, who have been christianized, and the Missionaries now laboring among them.*

Written by Himself, ALBANY: printed by Weed and Parsons, 1847.

This book, and another, Florence Hutchison found in the Illinois College Library, just in time to include a letter from William J. Rutledge, which does give names of former students in the Ebenezer Manual Labor School.

Chapter XII pp. 123-135 includes Copway's memories of the Ebenezer school, and ends with his visit to New York, all of which is very interesting but too lengthy to relate here.

"We spent part of the summer at La Pointe, waiting for our Superintendent, Rev. John Clark, who intended to go by the way of Ottawa Lake down the Mississippi. . . . Through the kindness of Brother Clark, we were sent to school near Jacksonville, Illinois. To Brother Clark, under God, I owe all the education which I now possess. Before this, I could neither speak nor read five words correctly.

"Brothers Peter Johnson and John Marksman and myself, were placed under the care of the Rev. Jno. Mitchell, now an assistant at the Book Concern, in Cincinnati. For two years we attended school at the Ebenezer Seminary, about two miles north of Jacksonville. At this institution, I passed some of the happiest seasons of my life. Many who were with me at this school, are now ministers of the Gospel, both among the whites and the Indians. The groves seemed vocal with the praises of God. The camp meeting, and the quarterly meetings, which I then attended, are still fresh in my memory.

"The remembrance of the many delightful acquaintances formed, the appointments filled, the interesting meetings I attended in different parts, about Jacksonville, at Lynnville, Manchester, Rushville, and Versailles, will always hold a seat in my heart. It was here that I learned to read the word of God, and often, for hours together, upon my knees, in the groves, have I been thus engaged. O the sweet communion I then had with God!

"Among the many letters which I have since received from my school-mates, I will trouble the reader only with the following:--

Mt. Sterling, Brown Co. Ill.
February 8th, 1845.

Dear Brother Copway,

With pleasure I improve this privilege of answering your kind epistle, and take
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ing a "paper talk" with you. By the blessings of the good Lord, we are well. But I hear you say "What does he mean by we?" -- Only myself, my wife, and boy! Now if you will pardon me this time for marrying young, I will promise never to do so again. But I think you will not be severe in your censure, inasmuch as I have a worthy precedent in you.

"Brother [Edward] Troy traveled three years, and married Brother Stratton's daughter, [Jane, 9 September 1841] of Pike county; and I, who commenced three years after him, preached two years, and married another; so we, who had long been brothers, became brothers-in-law. [Wm. J. Rutledge m. Lois Stratton, 13 September 1843, in Pike County IL].

"Brother William Piper was married since conference, to Squire Baynes' daughter, near Columbus [Adams county IL]. Harden Wallace married Miss Bronson, of Athens [Menard county IL], one year since. Brother Samuel Spates is on a visit to his friends, and has the ague; neither he nor Reason is married, but have "good desires". I visited Brother George, two weeks since.

"We have glorious times in religion. O it would have done you good to have heard Dr. Aker's tell his experience, in our last quarterly meeting. In speaking of his sanctification he said, with a peculiar emphasis, while his lips trembled and tears filled his eyes, *"It was the revelation of the Son of God in me"*.

"Time would fail to tell of these 'Ebenezer' boys, who through faith, preach big sermons, exhort thousands, 'who are valiant in fight', who slaughter many a sinner, and wear the marks of many a well fought field, although death has done his work among us! Our faithful teacher, and a beloved schoolmate, Brothers Troy and Piper, are no more; they fell victims to fever just after conference; but they fell like martyrs, they died at their post.

"Brother Troy and I, attended Bro. Piper's funeral (the sermon was preached by Brother Berryman) at Barry. It was a solemn time. While I stood by his coffin, I thought of you all and of Brother Huddleston, who had gone before him.

"The day before I left, Father Stratton, Brother Troy, and I, walked out on the Mississippi bluffs, while the bright surface of the river reflected upon us the last rays of the setting sun. We talked of the happy days of other years, spent with kindred spirits now scattered over the world. His breast seemed warmed at the recollection. The flame of his zeal mounted high, and pointing to the bright waters that rolled in the distance, he said, "I feel like preaching till the last sinner on the last tributary of that stream is converted to God".

"Alas! he had even then preached his last sermon. Peace to their memory. they taught us how to live, and O how high the price of knowledge, taught us how to die!

"Sister Piper, and her two children, live at her own home in Barry; Sister Troy, with one child, lives with her father. You have, perhaps, read the obituaries of Brothers Benson, Otwell, Corey, Edmunson, and Hale -- gone home. Brother N. W. Allen, married down south, and John Mathers to Miss Julia Tucker. Brother Heddenburg is in Springfield. I believe M. has concluded not to marry, but to keep house for her father. Moses C. lives and prospers in Petersburg Circuit."

[His letter did not get sent, then he finished it on March 13th, of what year is not given. Inserts in brackets are by your editor in order to better identify the former students at Ebenezer.]

"March 13th. I commence again, not having time to finish when I commenced. I record with sorrow the death our child, aged eight months. The affliction of one short week, carried him beyond the sorrows incident to mortality, to rest with God. O it was a trial to see him sink in death, and bear him to the grave. But now, Thank God, *The storm that wrecks the winter sky, No more disturbs his sweet repose, Than summer evening's latest sigh, That shuts the rose.*

"The Lord has given us some tokens for good; we have some glorious prayer and class meetings. Thirteen joined on my last round. I expect Brother Wallace with me at a protracted meeting next week; can you not come too?

"Well Brother George, how do you get along in religion? This is the subject *all important*. Time, in its rapid roll, still bears us on. The sun stood still in Gibeon, but time did not stand still. The sun went back ten degrees on the dial at Ahaz, but time rolled on with unremitting speed.

"Mutation is written all around us. The little flower, so bright, is nipped by the untimely frost of winter. The rainbow is beautiful, but it passes away with the weeping cloud. And O how soon the fleeting years of time will be lost amid the mighty cycles of eternity. And yet, my brother, we know that on this inch of time hang everlasting things. Lord, help us to stamp every moment with improvement. Now if God has entrusted to us the care of souls immortal, how should we pray and labor, lest we should lose a prize so dear!

"Brother George, I shall never forget our band society, and 'young men's' prayer meeting; these were precious seasons. Though I view my brethren falling round me, the hope of immortality makes 'the valley of the shadow' flame with the glory of God. Thank God for religion that can conquer death, and view the grave as but a subterranean passage to the skies. Go on--I expect to hail you in a better clime. . . .

"Go on, brother; the land of rest lies just across the rolling tide of Jordan. Methinks I see a Troy, a Huddleston, and Piper, put forth their hands from the banks of glory, to beckon us onward. They look out for us; O let us not disappoint them! You know the north and south talk of division; thank God they can't divide me, nor break those ties that bind me to good brethren every where, from whom 'joy, nor grief, nor time, nor place, nor life, nor death, can part'.

"I must close my scattering letter, though not half done. Brother come down, and I'll try and tell you the rest. We can go over to Ebenezer and have a meeting. Pitner is there now. He says that the Lord has the best market in the universe; christian duties are always good sale there, and then we are sure to get a 'back load' of grace. He says, 'the Lord has a great big two-story ware-house: the promise of the life that now is, that's the lower story; and of that which is to come that is the upper story. There, says he, brethren, I'll not tell you any more, you will have to die to know the rest'.

"My very best respects to your lady, and the little Copways.

Yours, fraternally, WILLIAM J. RUTLEDGE.

"N.B. Dr. Vandevanter, Brother Bond, and many others, still speak of your preaching at Versailles. We have some good times there now. Brothers Billy and Cabbie Patterson are married, yes, and Aquilla too. He preaches, and teaches school. Brothers Saxon still goes it with a rush. The 'first year' class of boys in this conference, are now first rate; some of them could almost stride a mountain. O sir, it would do you good to see Brother Billy Piper throw his searing thunderbolts and rive the forest oak, or bury them in the smoking earth. See him rise in the fulness of his strength, and exclaim, 'Man fell; Heaven was robbed in silence, Earth in sorrow, and Hell alone was glad'. Farewell. W.J.R."

[And now you know what type of sermons your ancestors listened to and were impressed to become Christians, if they weren't before they came under the influence of the early-day preachers who were former students at Peter Akers' Ebenezer Manual Labor School two miles northwest of Jacksonville, Illinois.]

George Copway continued his narrative at this point to say, "I attended several of the Conferences; the last of which was in Bloomfield, in 1839, where I parted with some of my dearest friends and companions, for nine months. Still it was pleasant to reflect that the Conference had appointed Brothers Spates, Huddle-

ston, Johnson and Peter Marksman, to labor at the head of the Mississippi. Brother Kavanaugh was appointed Superintendent of the Missions for that year. I was allowed to visit home in the fall, to see my friends.

[The next part of Copway's narrative seems to tell of his long looked-for trip to the East. No dates are given in the rest of Chapter XII, which is interesting reading since it mentions names of ministers who were undoubtedly at one time at our local Ebenezer school.]

"I traveled to Chicago free of expense; I drove a pair of fine grey horses for an individual who was on his road to that place. We slept in our wagons every night. At Chicago* (*Chicago signifies the place of skunks.) I embarked in a schooner for Buffalo; but getting tired of this, left it at Detroit, and took a steamboat for Buffalo, where I arrived just about day light. I had lost my cap, the wind blew it into the lake, with my pocket-book, containing \$27 in bills, and \$2.50 in silver, with a silk handkerchief, in which my all was wrapped.

"Here I was, moneyless, friendless, and hatless, and in a strange land! I had made up my mind to visit the East before my return to Canada. But this must now be abandoned. I walked about Buffalo quite disheartened. At last I saw on a sign "Temperance Hotel." I concluded to put up at this house, and to my surprise and joy, the landlord was a warm hearted Methodist--James Madison.

"At night I accompanied him to the prayer meeting, where he told a Brother Copeland my circumstances. They made up the whole amount of my loss, and gave me a dollar over.

"The next day I started for Rochester, where I spent the Sabbath. I was very anxious to see the great cities of which I had read so much at school. I resolved to go through thick and thin for the sake of seeing New-York. At Rochester I stopped with Brother Colby; Miss Colby perceiving that I was not warmly clad, gave me a cloak which she obtained from Brother S. Richardson. I often remember those kind people in my closet, and by the wayside. May God reward them, and all other friends.

"On Monday, I left for Albany. When I reached Syracuse, I took the long-looked for rail road. We were soon on our way, moving along like a streak of lightning. In the morning I arrived in Albany in time for the morning boat for New-York. I walked around this Dutch city; and as every thing appeared to be somewhat new, I was interested, especially with the vessels. I was charmed with the steamboat. We passed down the Hudson; the towns, villages, and the splendid scenery enchanted me. I had seen but very few such magnificent scenes before.

"About noon, a plain looking man approached me; I discovered at once that he was of that class of men called Quakers. He spoke of what they were doing for the Indians in New-York. I felt glad and proud to have the honor and pleasure of seeing, and conversing with one of Penn's descendants--the friend of the poor Indians.

"While conversing with him, the bell was rung for dinner; he wished me to go down and eat; I told him I was obliged to be saving, as I had but little money and was not accustomed to traveling. He pulled out a dinner ticket from his pocket, and said "Friend, thou must take this and come down to dinner." I had an exalted opinion of the Quakers before, but this kind act increased my feelings, and confirmed all that I had ever heard of their generosity to my poor people. "God bless the Quakers," said I silently as I descended to dinner. After dinner we finished our conversation. He said he was on his way to Philadelphia. God bless him wherever he is.

"In the evening I arrived at New-York, and went immediately to see Brother Mason, who directed me to go to Sister Luckey's, in Broome Street, where I tarried during my stay. On the 25th of October, came that great jubilee of Methodism. In the morning I went with Dr. Bangs to meeting. He preached the centenary sermon, which was afterwards printed.

"In the evening I attended the Allen street Station. Oh what a happy meeting

this was. Here I saw some of the greatest among them weep for joy. "Amen, halleluiah, glory to God," and similar ejaculations, rang through, and filled the house. In this vast assembly was a solitary Indian -- George Copway! Never can I forget that evening! Whatever may be my future lot in this life, I will always thank God for the privilege of attending these services. May the Lord pour out his Spirit on all his churches.

"The next day I visited Newark, N.J. to see Brother Abraham Hedenburg, with whom I had become acquainted in Illinois, at the house of his Brother James. Here I met with a great deal of kindness. Brother Bartine, of the Franklin Station, requested me to preach for him in the morning; and Brother Ayers, of the Northern Station, invited me to preach for him in the evening. . . .

"My next journey was to Boston. Dr. Bangs gave me a letter of introduction a brother in that city. . . . I met with a few choice spirits -- Brothers King, Rand, Wise and Smith; and on the Sabbath, I addressed the Sabbath School in Russel street. In the evening we had a delightful meeting. I remained with Brother H. Merrell's family during my sojourn, and I shall always recollect them with feelings of sincere gratitude.

"I visited several noted places while in that vicinage--the Monument on Breed's Hill, etc.; I went also on the top of the State House when the sky was clear. It was from this point that I saw the works of the white man. The steeples, vessels arriving and others spreading their sails for distant lands. The wharves were filled with merchandise. A few steamboats were running here and there, breathing out fire and smoke. On my left, I noticed several towns. The steam cars from Worcester rolled on from the west; others were starting for Providence, and whizzed along the flats like a troop of runaway horses. Here were factories in different directions.

"As I saw the prosperity of the white man, I said, while tears filled my eyes, 'Happy art thou, O Israel, who is like unto thee, O people saved by the Lord!' When I thought of the noble race of red men who once lived and roamed in all this land, and upon the waters as far as my eye could reach, the following thoughts arose in my mind, which I have since penned:

Once more I see my fathers' land
Upon the beach, where oceans roar;
Where whiten'd bones bestrew the sand,
Of some brave warrior of yore.
The groves, where once my fathers roam'd--
The rivers, where the beaver dwelt--
The lakes, where angry waters foam'd--
Their charms, with my fathers, have fled.

O! Tell me, ye "pale faces," tell,
Where have my proud ancestors gone?
Whose smoke curled up from every dale.
To what land have their free spirits flown?
Whose wigwams stood where cities rise;
On whose war-paths the steam-horse flies;
And ships, like mon-e-dooos in disguise,
Approach the shore in endless files.

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seven miles across the lake. I gazed upon it with pure delight; and as I took a retrospective view of all the scenes which I had passed through, I wondered at myself, and at the great goodness of God. I knelt down, and 'blessed and thanked Him who liveth forever,' for his unspeakable goodness to a child of sin. . . ."

For lack of space, we will briefly trace George Copway's trip back home. "About the 4th of November, I took my leave of Boston, for the great commercial emporium, New-York. After surveying the beauties and curiosities of the city, I left in the steamboat *Rochester* for Albany. . . . I took the canal for Syracuse and Oswego, a steamboat at Oswego for Kingston, C. W., on the evening of Nov. 11. . . .

"I arrived at Rice Lake on the 12th day of November, 1839, having been absent from home 5 years and 4 months. Never did I feel so rejoiced as when I stood on the top of a hill, and saw my village,

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 Sara John English 1928. The cemetery is in Section 6 Township 15 North,
 Range 10 West of the Third Principal Meridian.

			Name of deceased	Death Date
ACOM, George		1908		
"	Martha Elizabeth,	29 Aug 1922	BLACK, Norma K.	24 Oct 1976
"	Freddie A. (son)	4 " 1876	"	Inf/H.L. & N.K. 1936
AMBROSE, "Doc"		Nov 1965	"	Peachy Harrison 13 Sep 1904
ANGEL, Lewis Edward		1946	"	Sarah Belle 1933
"	John	6 Sep 1901	"	S. Richard 1946
"	Susan	24 Dec 1916	"	Eliza Ann 1960
"	George A.	1921	"	Robert Henry 1939
"	David W. age 2yr.	31 Jan 1867	"	Samuel S. age 85 10 Jan 1912
BAKER, Oliver Lee		1948	"	Mary E. age 47 19 Sep 1880
"	Della M.	1954	"	Margaret E. 29 May 1894
BAMBROOK, Alfred William	9 May 1877		"	Hiram 9 Nov 1887
"	Sarah	2 Dec 1883	*"	Hazel Alberta 25 Apr 1979
BAPTIST, Fred H.		1942	"	May Lurton 1944
"	Mrs. Sarah S.	1929	"	Logan William 1946
*"	Gilbert (soldier)	31 Mar 1966	"	Lucy Jane 1945
"	Lawrence	Feb 1972	"	Samuel W. 1916
"	Elias	1931	"	Mary J. 1888
"	Joseph V.	1909	"	Martha A. 1933
"	Lucretia, his wife	1892	"	Baby Caldwell 15 Apr 1921
BARBER, Catherine	19 Sep 1876		"	William Theo living 1979
"	Harry E.	1978	"	Eleanor Dell 1966
"	Lottie N.	1965	BLACKBURN, George D.	17 Sep 1913
BARROWCLOUGH, Joseph	22 Apr 1900		"	Edmund 1921
"	Mary	6 Oct 1898	"	Sarah Jordan 10 Jul 1922
BECKAM, Preston H.	20 Feb 1863		"	S. Elizabeth 1876
"	Scott P. age 1y+	18 Aug 1859	"	Kate 1933
*BEEMER, Albert Lewis	14 Aug 1956		"	Ellen 1973
"	Lucy E.	Apr 1938	"	Luella 1954
"	Luther Leon	1974	"	Nellie C. 16ms 18 Nov 1864
"	Mary E. Lewis	1977	"	Willie J. infant
"	Clyde E. (living 1979)		"	George D. 17 Sep 1913
"	Eva Frances Wood	1967	"	Luella M. Todd 1930
"	Cornelius C.	1948	"	Arthur G. 1901
"	Edith N. Souza	1949	"	William R. 1909
"	Effie Fay (inf)	12 Sep 1921	"	Joseph 18 Feb 1913
"	Lester L. (inf)	26 Nov 1910	"	Eliza M. 31 Jan 1910
BELL, Zed		1947	"	Helen 15 Apr 1879
"	Sarah A.	1952	"	Sarah Estella 1937
"	Sarah Wanda (child)	1918	"	Matthew 19 Jan 1864
BENTLEY, Jimmie Dean	5ms Jul 1965		"	Sarah 24 Aug 1875
BIRDSELL, Peter		1949	"	John 23 Sep 1845
"	Jennie	7 Aug 1923	BOATMAN, Robert William	1972
"	Albert S. 19ys	13 Nov 1923	"	B. Pauline Batterton 1970
"	Peter Dolson	1923	BOURN, Amelia H.	1948
"	Ann, wife	1925	"	James 1924
"	John Francis 1yr	2 Jul 1868	"	Mary Ann 1924
"	Ruth J.	27 Jul 1975	"	Carl E. 1959
"	Howard D. living	1979	"	Lela Clarice 1938
"	Tom - unmarked grave		"	Frank 1970
			"	Zeta, wife 1959

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BOURN, Leo Claude	19 Oct 1974	CULLY, Thomas E. infant	1960
" Juanita Crouse lvg	1979	" John A.	1950
" L. Vinton	25 Sep 1968	" Annella	1970
" Bessie M.	16 Jul 1976	*" James E.	1917
" William	1936	" Mary E.	1881
" Mary M.	1915	" Frank	1910
" Walter L.	1973	" Elmer Scott	21 Jul 1928
BOYD, Ernest	1933	" "died in Colorado"	
BREIDENSTIEN, Christian	13 Jan 1890	" Thomas B.	1890
" Suel Edward	21 Sep 1889	" Mary Ellen	1928
*BRIDGEMAN, Columbus B.	n.d.	" Thomas Howard	1914
" Emma	8 Feb 1883	" Emlin D.	1961
" Elizabeth	1936	DANIELS, William	1905
" J. Earl	1963	" Sarah S.	1895
" Nine, wife Earl	1940	" Warren Upton	1920
" Russell Newton son	1940	" Nannie	1943
" James William "	1978	DAY, Elmer Nathan	1977
" Martin	17 Nov 1891	" Stella	1956
" Anna	9 Apr 1893	DEATON, Edward Abraham	1950
" W. Arch	1959	" Tenny B.	1971
BRIGGS, Harold infant	6 Jul 1933	" Robert	1910
BROADHEAD, John	28 Dec 1872	" Lucinda	1929
BROWN, Anderson U.S.	1936	DECKER, John	7 Mar 1870
" Nancy Thacker	1942	" Mary Decker Kennedy	3May 1884
" Jasper Douglas, Sr.	1966	" Sarah F. 10ds	11 Nov 18y8
" Ruby L. lvg 1979		DeFRATES, Antonio	26 Feb 1920
BURGDORFF, Diana Marie	1979	" Joseph H.	1899
BURMEISTER, Charles F.	1958	" Emily M.	1898
" Lorene F./B? wife	22 Mar 1926	" William	1891
" John R.	1953	" Clyde	1889-1889
" Nettie Alice	1971	" Mary L. 4ys	13 Aug 1885
" William	1937	" Nancy L.	1972
" Ida May	1948	" Clifford	1977
" Alouise	1908-1913	DeORNELLAS, Earl	Feb 1964
" Lloyd William	27 Nov 1966	DICKENS, Sarah A. 4ms	3 Nov 1846
" Russell Allen	1953	DIXSON, Grant Richard	1926
*" Charles J.	28 Aug 1967	" Laura F.	1944
CANAVAN, Gilbert Lee	4 Jul 1946	" Etta	5ys 25 Dec 1897
CHITOUETZ, Mike	Apr 1966	" Ruby	3ys 15 Dec 1897
CHRISTENSEN, Pete	6 Jan 1970	DOCTOR, Barbara J.	1979
CLAMPIT, Sarah A. 1yr	3 Sep 1849	DOLLEAR, Albert N.	16 Mar 1899
" John M. 2yr?	14 Sep 1855	" Annetta	9 Feb 1877
" Lucy	15 Apr 1858	" "Grandma"	4 Jan 1878
" Benjamin R. 4yr	28 Feb 1838	" Alfred	8ms 7 Aug 1879
" Thomas M. 13yr	16 Apr 1846	" William F. 30ys	18 Jul 1895
COE, James E.	1954	" Anna L. 22ys	22 Jul 1898
" Louisa	1926	DOUGLAS, Cora Belle	5 May 1953
CRAWFORD, Frederick	1977	*" Henry	4 Oct 1959
" Elizabeth Ann	1962	" Laura	1935
CROW, George Everett	22 Nov 1966	" Willie W.	19 Jul 1880
" Dothia Anna Bell	20 Aug 1979	" Hattie	1yr 18 Jun 1867
" Gail Ann infant	6 Oct 1950	" Inf/son H.A. & L.	25 Feb 1875
CRUZAN, Garrett N.	1964	DUCKWALL, Bertha Fay	23 Oct 1917
" Mary Moore	13 Oct 1979	" Helen	1917-1917

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DUNN, William T.	22 Jul 1882	HALL, Hubert W.	16 Jan 1967
" 3ys 1 Nov 1884		" Margaret J. lvg 1979	
DYER, Andrew A.	1921	HAND, Laura M.	1970
" Sarah Eliza Liter	1926	HARRISON, Alfred H.	18 Mar 1956
" Harry son	1908	" Arthur	1960
" Beulah E.	1974	" Laura A.	1949
ELLIOTT, George Elmer	1978	" John	1 May 1897
" Gladys L. living 1979		" Annie 3ms	12 Aug 1882
" Ollie B.	1945	" Hannah E.	1929
" J. Harold	1945	" Anna Louise	1939
FITZSIMMONS, Joseph D.	1970	" Edwin Thomas	1939
" Ruth A.	1956	HASTIE, Homer F.	1942
*FLOWERS, Lloyd Thomas	26 Aug 1965	" Anna Nancy Brown West	1968
FLYNN, Fred	1952	" Roy Loren 5ys	1943
" Nettie	1976	HESS, Sarah Kathryn Houseon Augl963	
" Newton	1946	" Floyd Wilbur lvg 1979	
" Lucy May	1935	HICKMAN, Benjamin	13 Junel894
FOZZARD, Thomas B.	1933	" Drucilla	11 Aug 1870
" Sarah	1924	" Margaret	20 Sep 1884
GABHART, Edgar	1957	" Benjamin	1934
" Hallie Lee	1978	HICKMAN, John Ed	27 Dec 1918
" Elsie F.	1977	" Mary	21 Nov 1888
" James	1939	" Isaac	
*" Marvin D.	12 Oct 1944	" Sarah Williams	2 Junel877
*" Vernon L.	11 Mar 1945	" Sam	
GLEDHILL, Joseph	23 Apr 1848	" Sophia	14 Oct 1887
*" John Co G 145 IL Inf		HOFFMAN, Julia	3 Aug 1964
" John	8 Junel884	HORRER, Herman	11 Feb 1969
" Ruth A.	22 May 1858	HOUSTON, George Edward	1949
" Thomas	21 Feb 1854	" S. Kathryn	1954
GOODALL, Everett	26 Jan 1970	*" Charles E.	30 Aug 1958
" Hazel R.	6 Oct 1965	" George E.	1977
GOODRICH, Homer	11 May 1968	" Freda I. lvg 1979	
GOOLSBY, John	1933	*" Daniel G.	15 Jul 1978
" Minerva	1923	HULL, Eva Belle	15 Apr 1881
" Walter	1973	HUMES, John L.	1957
" Alice Edith 15ys	5 Apr 1927	" Flora T.	1965
" Paul	1941	" Frank V. lvg 1979	
GOVEIA, Elmer Ross	1968	" Opal Irene	1970
" George M.	1946	HURST, Inf/twin daughters D.&G.	1960
" Lena B.	1951	INGRAM, James F.	1960
" Lennard M.	1963	JAMES, Clifford E.	1939
" Mathilda S.	1934	" Nellie Mary	1960
" Agnes 2ms		" Charles W.	1912
*" Paul Earl	6 Jul 1944	" Mary Isabelle	20 Oct 1922
GROVES, Mary T.	1941	" Harold Clifford	1964
" Claude A.	1961	*" Lloyd N.	16 Apr 1926
" Addison Bruce	1948	JOHANNES, Gertrude	1965
GUNN, James	1959	JOHNSON, Jewel Coe	1976
" Julia E.	1937	" Ralph W. lvg 1979	
HADDEN, William G.	1960	JONES, George	4 Jul 1854
" Lois R. lvg 1979		JORDAN, Ann Eliza	1940
JAG&HS XVII #3 Sep/1989		*" Charles F.	12 Dec 1960

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JORDAN, Bertha	1959	MARTIN, John Edgar	1952
" Alvin M.	1973	" Elizabeth B.	1962
" Charles W.	1912	MASON, Bessie Lillian D.	1936
" Mary B.	1879	" Edna Pearl	30 May 1939
" Thomas J. don	1879-1879	" Ethel B.	1962
" Horace C.	1936	MASTERS, Frank M.	1945
" Emma Price	1961	" Emma J.	20 Dec 1909
" Luella 12ys	4 Oct 1874	MEANS, Henry Howard lvg	
" John Bascom	19 Mar 1918	" Mary Catherine B.	30 Mar 1979
" Mabel	1948	MENGGE, Raymond W. lvg	
" Maude	1948	" Freda H.	14 Dec 1977
" John F.	1917	" William	20 Mar 1955
" Cynthia A.	1876	" Edith May	1935
" Charles N.	1908	METCALF, Ella F. 6ms	15 Nov 1865
" Effie 6ys	11 Jan 1877	" Freddie 1yr	12 Dec 1873
" Walter B. 8ms	30 Jun 1882	*MEYER, Henry George	2 Feb 1949
" Hattie Bell	1936	" Florence J.	1973
" Nora D.	3 Jun 1969	" Yvonne Birdsell	11 Aug 1955
*" William Ivan	1933	MILLER, Linda Leah Cremeens	1977
" William M.	1938	" Joseph C. lvg	1979
" Nancy	1949	MILLS, Samuel	1940
*" Lee	26 Sep 1959	" Elizabeth	1936
" William S.	17 Nov 1878	" Adah M.	22 May 1979
" Eliza	26 Aug 1890	" Edgar Robert	1951
" Henry B.	5 Mar 1863	*MITCHELL, Aaron	23 Jul 1881
" Mary E. 3ys	11 Mar 1861	" Annie	1934
" William Harrison	1924	" Drucilla 7ms	14 Feb 1875
" Mary G.	1928	" Bertie	16 Jul 1881
" Henry P. 1yr	5 Oct 1869	MOODY, Lucretia	29 Sep 1868
" Arthur M.	1899	MOSS, Benjamin F.	6 Sep 1907
" Mary C.	11 May 1898	MURGATROYD, Francis E.	15 Dec 1916
KYLE, Nellie Mae	27 Jan 1971	" Sarah	15 May 1922
LAMBERT, John	16 Jan 1915	" William	29 Jan 1877
" Ada M.	6 Feb 1920	" Ann	20 Jul 1886
" Edward Evan	11 Mar 1903	" John Wesley 1yr	10 Jan 1871
" Eli	24 May 1846	" Estella	30 Jan 1904
" Elizabeth	12 Mar 1872	MYERS, Fred	1910
" Mae B.	14 Jul 1936	" Mary	22 Mar 1926
" Sarah A.	8 Oct 1938	McFADDEN, James Howard	1951
LIDSTER, John W.	19 May 1875	" Muriel Hazel	1956
" Volentine	22 Jun 1862	" Mary Alynne inf	24 Dec 1930
" William	20 Apr 1854	McGEE, Harry S.	1918
LITER, Emons	13 Feb 1900	" Nellie McGee Taylor	1957
MAPES, Ira M.	1915	" James Russell	1969
" Annie S.	3 Mar 1909	" Marie T. lvg	1979
" Marilla S.	1937	McNEAL, Amanda H. 18ys	23 Feb 1871
MARTIN, W. Carl	25 Dec 1957	McVAY, F. H.	10 Dec 1924
" Margaret Quigg	15 Jul 1979	" Drucila	6 Mar 1897
" Charles Mark	28 Aug 1965	" Sallie H.	1943
" Charles W.	31 Oct 1932	NEEDHAM, John	18 Dec 1876
" Sarah Isabelle	2 Dec 1933	" Elizabeth	3 Sep 1876
" James W.	1967	" Thomas	27 Jun 1873
" Ulah K.	1929		

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NUNES, Robert P.	1968	ROBERTS, Ann	10 Feb 1888
" Georgia D.	1935	*" Edgar A.	11 May 1955
PARISH, Ezekiel		*SAMUELS, James Suel	7 Aug 1901
PATTERSON, Augustus C.	27 Dec 1899	SARGENT, Logan B.	1965
" Mary F.	10 Sep 1892	*" William H.	12 Dec 1898
" Eddie R. 5ys	12 Dec 1867	SCHWARTZWELTER, Ruth Esther	
" William M.	1 Oct 1866	73ys	10 Jan 1976
" Lovey	8 Jun 1865	SCOTT, James Lee infant	11 Aug 1965
" Oliver T.	20 Jan 1883	*SETTLES, Elmo H.	12 Dec 1962
" Ida F. 8ys	19 Dec 1876	" Elmo H. infant	19 Aug 1959
" Peter A. 4ys	12 Dec 1876	SHEPPARD, Graciel "	9 Feb 1904
" Alexander	1923	*SHERLAND, Roland	1968
" Sarah Virginia B.	19 Sep 1922	SHIBE, J. Edgar	27 Nov 1968
" Olga		" Maude E. wife	21 Mar 1964
" Homer C. 6ms	12 Jul 1880	SHYROCK, Eugene Leo	6 Nov 1978
" Austin B.	6 Apr 1969	" Pauline E. lvg	1979
" Katie Daniels	16 Dec 1927	SIDDELL, Ellen H.	20 Jan 1881
" Clyde Alvin	5 Oct 1960	SMITH, Peter 3ms	2 Nov 1853
" David Wayne	21 May 1976	" Robert N. 5ms	1 Jan 1850
" Charles E.	29 Oct 1927	" Stella Fae Dyer Splain	1960
" Hattie B. Williamson	May 1976	" George D.	1932
" John Guthrie	1932	SPLAIN, George	1917
" William M. J.	1883	*STANDLEY, Glen Edward	10 Jan 1936
" Chatherine	30 Nov 1895	" Richard	1955
" Elizabeth Truit	29 Aug 1921	" Mae D., wife	1925
" Horace M.	1861-1862	" Frank R. : twins	1896-1909
" Eliza Ann	1922	" Philip J. : twins	1896 1918
PENROD, Raymond	1972	" Eugene D.	2 Nov 1926
PHILLIPS, Marion F.	1958	TAYLOR, Nellie	1957
POTTER, Michael Lynn, infant	1956	" Patricia Ann	10 Aug 1944
" Steven Lee	24 Apr 1971	THOMASON, Lillie Mae	1965
*PRESTON, Rodney M.	1 May 1967	THOMPSON, Mary Frances	1934
RAGAN, Elizabeth R.	1936	TOLER, Archie Phillips inf.	1932
REID, Abe C.	1943	" Bluford Emmerson	1970
" Adelia D.	1941	" Mary Eliza	1949
" Leonard 7ms	16 Sep 1886	TUKE, David	11 Jan 1920
" Abraham	16 Dec 1904	" Bertha A.	1961
" Ann Mary	4 Mar 1892	THORNE, Florence Blackburn	1976
" Mary Ann 15ys	17 Jan 1865	TURNER, Everett M. Sr.	12 May 1978
" Margaret E. 13ys	10 Jan 1865	" Beatrice Coe lvg	1979
*" Paul L.	12 Feb 1965	TUTTLE, George A.	1950
" Sophronia R.	1968	" Zoa L.	1957
" Inf/son S& MAE	30 Jul 1864	WAGGENER, George A.	1956
REYNOLDS, Charles	1963	Agnes M. lvg	1979
" Amanda Jane	1929	" Bobby L.	1968
RICHARDS, Nina M.	1966	WALTER, W. H.	1900
" Thomas	1918	" Mary J.	1890
" Elizabeth	1925	" Nellie	1877-1877
" Thomas Burton 3ms	15 Mar 1896	WALTMAN, August W.	1945
" John P.	1903	" Nellie Clair	1942
A * indicates a serviceman. Probably		" Henry	1941
not all who were soldiers have been		" Rosie H.	1929
thusly identified.			

Name of deceased	Death date	Name of deceased	Death date
WATSON, McElwee "Mac"	1979	WILLIAMSON, W. I.	1941
WEGEHOF, Cecil H.	1964	" Amanda A. wife	1924
" Margaret E	1977	" Annie, dau	1881--1886
WERNLE, Lavada Alice	1930	" Mary A. wife	1900
" Emil Frank	1933	" William	14 Sep1874
WERRIES, Evalena L.	1979	WILSON, Eunice Williamson	14Sep1978
Adolphus J. lvg	1979	" Luther M.	1876
WHALEN, John J.	14 Oct 1974	" Nancy Mary "	20 Aug 1923
*WIGINGTON, Adolphus A.	15 Nov 1965	" Juliet & Kate, infants	
WILLIAMS, Lois Ilene Meyer	16Nov1964	WISWELL, Mrs. Sarah, on Murgatroyd	
WILLIAMSON, Arthur E.	1964	lot, only name on stone	
" Ida H.	1943	ZIMMERMAN, William	22 Jul 1970
" James H.	29 Dec 1906	Mrs. Hadden and Mrs. Hutchison plan	
" Amanda	15 Junel925	to make additions to this 1979 list	
" Araanan 2ys	22 Sep 1858	so that the record will be more com-	
" Katie E. dau	13 Jul 1885	plete in the future.	
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HISTORY OF EBENEZER CEMETERY, FROM 1837 TO 1928. Sara John English.

On February 22, 1837, Peter Akers and Elizabeth, his wife, conveyed by a Trust Deed (for religious and educational purposes) to the Trustees of the Ebenezer Society, one acre of land about four miles northwest of Jacksonville, in the Northeast fractional quarter of Section 6, Township 15 North of Range 10 West, being 12 rods wide by 13-1/3 rods long. This is where the old part of the Ebenezer Cemetery is now located. The Society then built a double room frame building thereon and used one part for a church and the other for a school.

During the year 1838 Benjamin R. Clampit, son of M. & L, aged 4years 7 days buried about 100 feet south of the church. This is, as far as we have any knowledge, the first person buried on this plat. The said building was used continually until December 1866.

During this thirty years or more there were a great many people buried on the south part of this one-acre plat, which was under the supervision of the Trustees of the Ebenezer Society. The old church was abandoned on account of a new church and school being built on other ground, but the community continued to use the cemetery plat.

On march 20 1878 a petition was filed with the Illinois Secretary of State by the following men:

Thos. B. Cully, T. H. Moody, Wm. Patterson, W. H. Jordan, A. C. Patterson, John Harrison, Samuel Garrett, J. H. Williamson, George D. Blackburn, Thos. Angel and John Angel, asking for incorporation papers under the name of "The Ebenezer Cemetery Association" which was allowed. Those selected to serve one year were Cully, Patterson, Harrison, Moody, Jordan, Garrett and Blackburn.

On March 29 1879 the Board of Trustees of the cemetery purchased, for the sum of \$115.00, 2½ acres more land from John Angel, adjoining the one acre on the northwest and south. However, these 2½ acres were of very little value to the cemetery as that part of the north and south ends were very low and wet and could not be used for burial purposes.

The Board of Trustees in 1919 were A. A. Dyer, Logan Black, Chas. E. Patterson, A. C. Reid, C. S. Black, C. E. James and Austin B. Patterson.

On October 17 1925 the Trustees secured a deed for two acres more land, lying on the west and adjoining the old cemetery, from M. S. O. Shuff.

Page 1: ANDERSON FUNERAL HOME RECORDS, JACKSONVILLE, ILLINOIS 1850-1854 BOOK I
[A continuation of the Anderson record books in our June quarterly, except that we will omit the items, cost and remarks. This will be chronological for lack of time to alphabetize.]

Pg.	Yr. 1850	Name of Purchaser	Pg.	Yr. 1851	Name of Purchaser For Whom
55	5 Jan	Joseph Ratliff, Estate	61	3 Mar	CRAIG, M. H. son
"	10 "	HAIJEY, Wm., for wife	"	15 "	RICHEY, Mr. son
"	23 "	NEWCOMB, A. W.	"	15 "	MONGOMERY, David son
"	26 "	NEAL, Wm. for daughter	"	15 "	SWADER, John Estate
"	6 Feb	GRAFT, David, Estate	"	26 "	SMITH, Samuel Estate
"	1 Mar	GASS, B. F.	"	4 Apr	PYATT, John babe
"	1 "	MATTINGLY, for babe	"	21 "	ANGELO, For Miss Rear(?)
"	5 "	McDANAL, Estate	62	6 May	GILMORE, Wm. child
56	23 "	MATHEWS, R. for babe	"	8 "	WILLSON, James
"	23 "	CURTS, Geo.	"	29 "	SMITH, Wm. wife
"	30 "	LYTER, Geo. for babe	"	4 Aug	" " babe
"	30 May	JOHNSON, Wm. G.	"	7 June	WHITE, _
"	11 "	BROWN, Mrs.	"	13 "	GREEN, John Estate
"	23 June	BLODGET, Wm. Estate	"	18 "	SHIEN, I/J. K. Estate
"	7 Aug	" " for babe	63	9 Jul	CUDDY, John babe
"	1 Jul	SHEATS, Wm. for wife	"	10 "	ROBERTS, Bazell Estate
57	30 "	SAMMONS, John wife	"	11 "	" " wife & babe
"	1 Aug	SHEFF, John wife	"	10 "	SPAINHOWARD, John self
"	3 "	" " son	"	13 "	DAVENPORT, John Estate
"	7 "	OWENS, Steven	"	15 "	GRAVES, Samuel wife
"	23 "	WALKER, Jas. A. wife	"	15 "	Irish girl
"	23 "	HATFIELD, Lewis	"	25 "	PETERFISH, Wm. child
"	16 "	MARTIN, Jas. L.	64	26 "	Sinclear, John Estate
58	26 Aug	SHARP, Husten, Estate	"	27 "	GRAVES, Sam'l. babe
"	29 "	SPRAIG, Jos. Mother	"	28 "	VAIL, Peter brother
"	31 "	EADS, Shonie Child	"	8 Aug	WAIDE, Stephen babe
"	1 Sep	HEDENBURG, Wm. Estate	"	9 "	ROTH, Jacob Estate
"	21 "	DOARTY, Robt. Estate	"	11 "	COONES, Edward
"	27 "	SHARP, Wm.	"	15 "	HENDERSON, Smiley babe
"	27 "	BANGBURN, _ wife	65	15 Aug	MURPHEY, John wife
"	12 Oct	" babe	"	18 "	MacENTIRE, Benjamin, daugh.
59	22 Oct	MORRISON, James, wife	"	24 "	SMITH, Robt. daughter
"	22 "	MERRICA, _ child	"	28 "	COKER, John child
"	24 "	KITNER, _	"	28 "	HOMES, Marcus child
"	11 Nov	BENJAMIN, Chas. wife	"	9 Sep	SIMMS, I. R.
"	25 "	HARTSELL, _ babe	"	9 "	ROE, Charles wife
"	27 "	McWilliams Estate	66	24 "	HAYES, J. R.
"	28 "	SIMMONS, S. wife	"	25 "	GORHAM, _ child?
60	9 Dec	MARTIN, Mrs. Robt. (dau)	"	25 "	SIMMS, Samuel babe?
Yr. 1851			"	28 "	BROWN, Tire babe
60	5 Jan	BACON, Mrs. for son	"	4 Oct	CRUM, Jas. son
"	17 "	ATKINSON, _ babe	"	5 "	DUCKWORTH, _ child
"	21 "	" wife	"	11 "	PILCHER, Jep. son
"	12 "	DUNCAN, Jas. daughter	67	16 Oct	GROGAN, John son
"	8 Feb	BROWN, Jas.			
"	25 "	McAROW, _ babe			
"	2 Mar	RUDICILL, _			

NOTE: Many of the surnames are sound-spelled by the person recording the transactions. If it says Estate, that is the name of the deceased. Perhaps family historians can tie this record in with the 1850 census records.

Pg. Yr. 1851 Name of Purchaser

67	25 Oct	RATLIFF, Mr.	\$3.50
"	31 "	WILHITE, Humprey, wife	
"	6 "	CLARK, Jesse wife	
"	12 Nov	HARKIS, Joseph, daugh.	
"	15 "	MORRISON, Wm. Estate	
"	4 Dec	AUSTIFF, Fredrick, "	
68	5 "	TAYTON, Eli	\$12.00
"	8 "	STEVENS, Henry	\$11.50
"	16 "	OWSLEY, Mr.	\$10.00
"	16 "	"2 Irish Coffins Pd."	
"	21 "	HENDERSON, Wiley child	
"	26 "	OWSLEY, Mr. John, box	\$25.00 3.00

Yr. 1852

69	7 Jan	WILLSON, Wm. Estate	
		"of Ohio", box 6 ft. 7 in.	
		21 in wide, 15 in deep"	
"	24 Jan	HENDERSON, Pervin babe	
"	20 Feb	HARRIS, Thos.	
"	28 "	" " babe	
"	21 "	COLE, Robt. Mother	
"	10 June	" Father	
"	29 Feb	McCORMIC, Wm. Daugh.	
"	17 Mar	KITNER, Henry	\$5.50
"	19 "	CLARK, Andrew Estate	
"	20 "	DILLY, Jas.	\$3.50
70	22 Mar	PITTNER, M. Sister	
"	30 "	AYRES, Mrs.	\$21.00
"	30 "	HEWS, Frank	
		Coffin	8.00
		shroud	3.50
"	31 Mar	PARKS, Thos.	9.00
"	2 Apr	Morgan County, coffin for	
		Owen KELLY	5.00
"	5 "	HAMILTON John C. babe	
"	17 "	GASS, B. F.	21.00

Pg. Yr 1852

71	25 Apr	CRUM, John	21.00
"	11 May	JONES, John T.	21.00
"	10 June	DUNWIDDIE, David wife	
"	10 "	MILLER, David babe	
"	10 "	CARTER, babe	\$3.50
"	20 "	DUNLAP, Stephen	8.00
		"coffin for Sills"	
"	28 "	HARNEY, Robt. wife	
"	29 "	SMITH, Wm. M. (stone mason)	
		"coffin for Jas. Smith"	
72	2 Jul	POUCHER, daugh	\$8.00
"	4 "	" self	8.00
"	6 "	STRAWN, Isah wife	
"	6 Oct	" babe	
"	9 "	DICKSON, A. C.	
"	11 "	HENDERSON, Archabald self	
"	12 "	BLAIR, Miss	\$8.00

Pg. Yr. 1852

72	25 Oct	RETTER, Mrs. \$12.00 son	
		[Cost of caskets indicates, somewhat,	
		probable age of deceased young people]	
72	29 Oct	SELBY, Silas Estate	
"	31	LOW, Fielding babe	

Pg. Yr. 1852

73	2 Aug	COFFMAN, Jas.	\$21.00
"	3 "	EPTER, David	
"	6 "	AUSTIN, Curtis babe	
"	8 "	DUNN, Mrs., Estate	
"	8 "	SELBY, John	
"	9 "	LAMBERT, Richard	\$17.50
"	10 "	NEAL, Gibson, Lexington	
"	10 "	UPHAM, Mrs. Estate	
74	11 Aug	HENDERSON, Jeremiah babe	
"	5 Oct	"Trundle Bedstead"	\$3.50
"	14 "	CRAIN, Rev. Mr.	\$5.50
"	21 "	COFFMAN, Henry	\$9.50
"	23 "	Irishman	8.00
"	23 "	RATEKIN, Wm.	
"	24 "	Dutch Woman	8.00
"	25 "	EVERHART, Geo. babe	
"	27 "	DAWSON, Barnard	\$21.00
"	27 "	SENTENEY, _ babe	

Pg. Yr. 1852

75	29 Aug	OSMUS, Philip	\$ 3.50
		"coffin for Wm. STANLEY"	
"	29 "	PITNER, M. "2 coffins	
		for sons"	
"	30 "	GRAY, Milo	
"	1 Sep	BROWN, Mr. (painter)	
		"coffin for babe" \$ 3.50	
"	7 "	PARK, Henry daughter	
"	7 "	HENDERSON, Benjamin	
		"coffin for mother" 8.00	
"	" "	Irish girl	8.00
"	16 "	KITNER, Francis, Estate	
76	22 Sep	CLAIG babe	4.50
"	22 "	HATFIELD, A. J. "	3.50
"	23 "	HART, Aaron Estate	
"	26 "	RUNCLES, David babe	
"	27 "	McCOY, Washington infant	
"	27 "	STOUT, Theodore wife	
"	30 "	SELLEK, Mr. son	

Pg. YR 1852

77	2 Oct	BRUNKNER, _ \$9.00 wife	
"	2 "	CALDWELL, David Estate	
"	12 "	MURPHEY, Cathrine Estate	
"	13 "	YOUNG, Wm. coffin \$ 5.00	
"	18 "	RUGLES, Spooner Estate	
"	20 "	COLE, Stephen babe	
"	23 "	HENDERSON, A. \$ 4.50	
"	25 "	STEPHENS, John 3.50	

Pg. Yr.1852 Name of Purchaser
 78 25 Oct NEAL, Mrs. \$ 3.50
 " 29 " SIMMS, I. R. Estate
 " 9 Nov JENNINGS, Mr. I.D. wife
 " 18 " CASSELL, J.J. \$ 9.50
 " 5 June " " Stillborn
 " 6 Dec JACKSON, Andrew son
 " 6 " RUGGLES, Spooner "box
 for removing corpse"
 " 13 Dec BARBER, Geo babe
 " 29 " WISWALL, J. A. \$ 8.00
 "coffin for young lady"

Pg. Yr.1853
 79 2 Jan COLE, Geo. \$ 9.00
 "Mrs. Robert"
 79 13 Jan "Portuge" \$ 3.00
 " 14 Jan TAYLOR, Oren Estate
 " 19 " MASTERS, Harle son
 " 19 " SHANON, coffin \$ 2.50
 " 20 " Morgan County 2.50
 " 20 " DEATHERAGE, Wm. daugh.
 80 31 Jan KITNER, Jefferson babe
 " 5 Feb Blind Asylum \$ 9.00
 "for SPRINGER
 80 7 Feb SMEDLEY, Mrs. "cloth
 coffin for son" 15.00
 " 8 " HENDERSON, David G.
 " 15 " CERR(?), James \$21.00
 " 17 " CHILD, Saml. "coffin
 for Bedford Brown child"
 " 22 Feb GODARD, infant
 " 1 Mar ADAMS, Henry son

Pg. Yr.1853
 81 4 Mar Irishman's wife \$ 8.00
 " 6 " WESTERMAN, J. H. babe
 " 10 " MATICKS, James \$ 8.00
 " 25 " VICKERY, \$ 4.50
 "digging grave 1.00"
 " 30 Mar TERRY, Silas
 30 Mar coffin 4.00 box 1.50
 1 Apr coffin 4.50 box 1.50
 " 1 Apr VANCLEAVE, J. Y. wife
 " 2 " WILKS, J. Estate
 82 13 Apr DAWSON, Bernard Estate
 " 21 " "Portuge" \$ 5.00
 " 5 May KIRKMAN, Geo. Estate
 " 7 " HEIDLEY, V.
 " 13 " VANZANT, John \$ 4.50
 " 15 " WOODS, Hammond son
 " 16 " McFILEN, Jas. son

[if only they could have recorded
 what cemetery these items went to,
 this record would be great!]

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Pg. Yr.1853
 83 29 May HULETT, Jos. \$ 8.00
 " 1 June VASCONCELLOS 3.50
 " 17 Jul SCARTH babe
 " 20 " WILLSON, Charles babe
 " 23 " KIRKMAN, Elijah babe
 " 1 Aug LOCKWOOD, Jos \$13.00
 " 3 " BROWN, Tire 3.50
 84 12 Aug SELBY, John Father
 " 18 " HUGO, Ferdinand Estate
 " 22 " AYRES, J. W. \$ 4.50
 " 31 " SAMUELS, John wife
 " 4 Sep PYATT, John \$ 9.50
 " 7 " McFADDEN, John Estate
 " 9 " VICKERY, \$ 4.50
 " 18 " "Portuge Church"
 coffin \$ 6.50

Pg. Yr.1853
 85 2 Oct ROWLY, Saml. coffin 5.00
 " 4 " FOSTER, R. B. wife
 " 4 " HENDERSON, A. son \$ 7.00
 " 5 " SINCLEAR, Watson wife
 " 8 " HATFIELD Estate
 " 8 " McCURLEY, Felax Estate
 " 8 " ALVES, John "Portuge"
 86 15 Oct McGINNIS, Abr. \$ 2.50
 " 15 " BANCROFT, J. \$ 5.50
 " 17 " CASSEL, D. \$ 4.00
 " 17 " FERNANDES, Emanuel 6.00
 "Portuge"
 " 18 " DEVENPORT, Estate
 " 21 " LYTER, Joseph \$20.00
 " 23 " MORTON, Andrew Estate

Pg. Yr.1853
 87 23 Oct SAWYER, Dr. \$ 4.50
 " 27 " Morgan County \$ 5.00
 " 1 Nov HENDERSON, Mrs. daugh.
 " 4 " PARMER, Mikell \$ 8.00
 " 8 " WARNER, John wife
 " 9 " ROSE, Mr. Dr. wife
 88 10 Nov ROWLING, William \$20.00
 " 10 " DUNLAP, Cap. Allexander
 covered coffin \$40.00
 box 3.50
 88 22 Nov HOGLAND, Corn. "coffin
 for Mrs. Self \$ 9.00
 88 4 Dec CASSELL, J. T. son 6.50
 " 18 " GALLAHER, Rev. Wm. babe

Pg. Yr.1853
 89 23 Dec DUWEASE, N. \$ 6.00
 " 25 " MEDLIN, Olfred Estate
 " 27 " AUSTIFF, Mrs. Elizabeth
 coffin, child \$ 4.00
 " 28 " HOUSE, Geo. Estate

Pg. Yr.1854

90 3 Jan Morgan Count \$ 3.00
 " 7 " REEVES, I. B. daugh.
 " 10 " DATON, Estate \$ 9.00
 " 11 " HAPPY, W. W. daugh.
 " 25 " HOAG, _ wife
 " 7 Feb HOYTT, Harvy wife
 " 14 " KITNER, Jefferson "

Pg. Yr.1854

91 16 Feb VICKERY, _ babe
 " 20 " PROSSER, Miss Estate
 " 23 " JAMES, Wm. \$ 9.00
 " " "for Gledhill"
 " 27 " VASCONSELLOS, John
 " 14 Mar CASSELL, daugh.
 " 17 " VASCONCELLOS, Joze D.
 " " " \$ 4.00
 92 21 Mar DICKSON, A. C. \$ 6.00
 " 21 " McCOLLUM wife
 " 29 " CORCORAN, Mr. \$12.00
 " 2 Apr BUCY, Wm. 3.00
 " 5 " HOWE, Ann 5.00
 " 6 " OGLE, Absolum 9.00
 " " "for his lady"
 " 11 Apr Morgan County \$ 5.00
 " 17 " TYA, D. Irishman 5.00
 " 17 " SARGANT, John \$ 3.50
 " " "small coffin"

Pg. Yr.1854

93 11 Apr BRANSON, William daugh.
 " 12 " HANKINS, John \$ 9.00
 " " (died near Franklin. Father
 " " move to McDonough Co.)
 " 18 Apr HUFFACER, \$20.00
 " " attendance 2.50
 " 25 " MAPES, Ira mother
 " 28 " MARCH, Edward Estate
 " 2 May " " coffin 5.50
 94 2 " THOMPSON, \$22.00
 " 15 " DUWEASE, Wm. 4.50
 " 16 " MATHEWS, Ri. mother
 " 19 " HENDERSON, \$20.00
 " 25 " GADIS, Wm. Estate
 " 29 " TERRY, Silas \$ 4.00

Pg. Yr.1854

95 6 June ANGELO, John infant
 " 10 " ALVES, Mrs. John 6.00
 " 28 " RAPP, M. \$ 2.50
 " 1 Jul WOODS, wife
 " 4 " BLACKBURN, Wm.
 " " coffin for Jones 9.00
 " 5 " STERICA, Estate
 " 5 " Dornellos, Antoni 4.50

Pg. Yr.1854

96 9 Jul KING, J. O. sister
 " 16 " JOAQUIM, Aneseto \$ 3.00
 " 19 " NICHOLS, Thos. (Mute)
 " 28 " COBBS, Doct. Estate
 " 29 " WHITEHURST, Jas. \$ 9.00
 " 29 " HOWARD (Manchester) 9.00
 " 29 " PATERSON, \$ 5.00
 " 3 Aug JENKINS, (dutch?) \$ 5.00

Pg. Yr.1854

97 5 Aug DUNCAN, Jas Estate
 " 5 " FRERARA, Mateos \$ 5.00
 " " "Portuge"
 " 14 " SEWAL, Mr. child
 " 17 " GUNN, R. W. "old lady"
 " 17 " KIRKMAN, Thos. \$10.00
 " 22 " MEGILL, Mr. daugh.
 98 1 Sep GREY, Mrs. babe
 " 5 " COX, Doct. \$ 8.00
 " 5 " BOYER, John, coffin 4.00
 " " "returned"
 " 7 " LITTON, Jas. \$11.00
 " 20 " " " self 11.00
 " 9 " BINGHAM, Saml. 8.50
 " 16 " FAY, Mark 9.00
 " 16 " MURY (Irishman) wife
 " 21 " WAGNER, Mrs. Ruben 6.00

Pg. Yr.1854

99 21 Sep BAILASS child \$ 4.50
 " 22 " Congregational Church,
 " " for Mrs. Cooper \$ 8.00
 " 23 " O'BRYAN, Moris \$23.00
 " 27 " DUDLEY, Mrs. son \$12.00
 " 1 Oct PIERSON, Wm. C. \$ 9.00
 " 2 " McCOLLUM babe \$ 3.00
 " 3 " SWAIN, John, coffin
 " " for Hodson \$ 8.00
 " 3 " MORTON, Mrs. Andrew
 " " coffin for child \$ 4.00
 " 18 " GREEN, Layfayett \$12.00
 100 3 Dec " " wife \$ 9.00
 " 5 " GUNN, John wife \$ 8.00
 " 12 " FITCH, H. F. \$ 8.00
 " 12 " COX, Charles son \$ 5.00
 " 17 " GORHAM, John infant 3.50
 " 22 " PEDDICORD, E. S. \$ 8.00
 " 28 " REAUGH, Mrs. F. son

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[page 101 blank, p.102
 102 6 Oct refers back to October]
 102 6 Oct BERRY, L. coffin \$ 3.50
 " 15 " McBRIDE, Charles \$ 8.00
 " 26 " MATTHEW, Richard \$ 3.00
 " 27 " PILCHER, Jep \$10.00
 [end of Book I]

The membership of the First Baptist Church then worshipped at the Corner of State and Church streets. It was one of the beautiful churches which then were on all four corners at this location. Grace Methodist and Trinity Episcopalian are the only two left on site. The membership is listed in two categories -- Resident and Non-resident for the year 1918, with addresses of each.

RESIDENT MEMBERS:

ABELL, Mrs. Sarah	BROWN, Mrs. J. P.	COGHILL, W. H.
ALBERDING, Mrs. Geo. H.	" Mary Maude	COX, Jerry
ALVIES, Alma	" Mildred	" Mrs. Jerry
ANDERSON, Samuel T.	" Lucile Henly	" Florence
ARMSTRONG, Mrs. Thomas	BRUNK, Adah	CRAIG, Frank
ASHBY, Samuel A.	BUCHANAN, Mrs. Ethel	" Mrs. Frank
" Mrs. Samuel A.	BUNCE, Ira M.	CRAWFORD, Eli W.
ASHURST, Sarah	" Mrs. Ira M.	" Mrs. Eli W.
ATKINSON, Lurley	BURK, Mrs. Mary E.	CULLY, Dorothy
" Edna	BUTLER, Irene Cox	CURTIS, Sylvia
ATOR, Blanche	BUSEY, Marie	DANIELS, Virginia
" Mervin	" Mrs. Margaret	DARUSH, Clementina
ATTERBURY, Norma	" Walter	DAVENPORT, James
ARNOLD, Frank M.	" Edgar	DAVIDSON, Evia
" Mrs. Frank M.	" George H.	DAY, Mrs. Stella Bates
BACON, Mabel	" Mrs. George H.	DEVORE, Fannie
BALL, Mrs. J. P.	" Charles	DEVORES, Manuel
BALSLEY, George M.	" George W.	" Mrs. Manuel
BARR, Mrs. Oscar N.	CAFKY S.	DOUGLASS, Ralph O.
" Elizabeth	" Mrs. S.	" Lois
BARTON, Daniel	" Helen	DUNCAN, Lucy
" Mrs. Daniel	CALLIHAN, T. W.	DYER, W. T.
BAPTISTE, L. W.	" Mrs. T. W.	" Beulah Pearl
" Mrs. L. W.	CAMPBELL, Ruth	EALY, Eleanor
" Willard	CASEY, Mrs. Henry	EASTIN, George W.
BATES, Mrs. Alice	CAYWOOD, L. D.	" Mrs. George W.
" Reuben	CHIPCHASE, J. W.	" Ruth
" Walter E.	" Mrs. J.W.	EDMONDS, May
BAXTER, Mrs. Jas.	CHRISTISON, Mrs.	ELLIS, J. T.
BEADLES, T. W.	" Avery	" Mrs. J. T.
BERGLAND, Mrs. Hannah	COARD, F. M.	" Bea
" Charles	" Mrs. F. M.	" Helen
" Robert	COKER, Amos	ELLIOTT, Mrs. Dollie
BERSIG, Mrs. Henry	" Mrs. Amos	EMERSON, Essie
BLUNT, Mrs. M. J.	COLE, W. D.	ENDLSEY, Myrtle
" Olive	" Mrs. W. D.	ESMOND, Mrs. Belle
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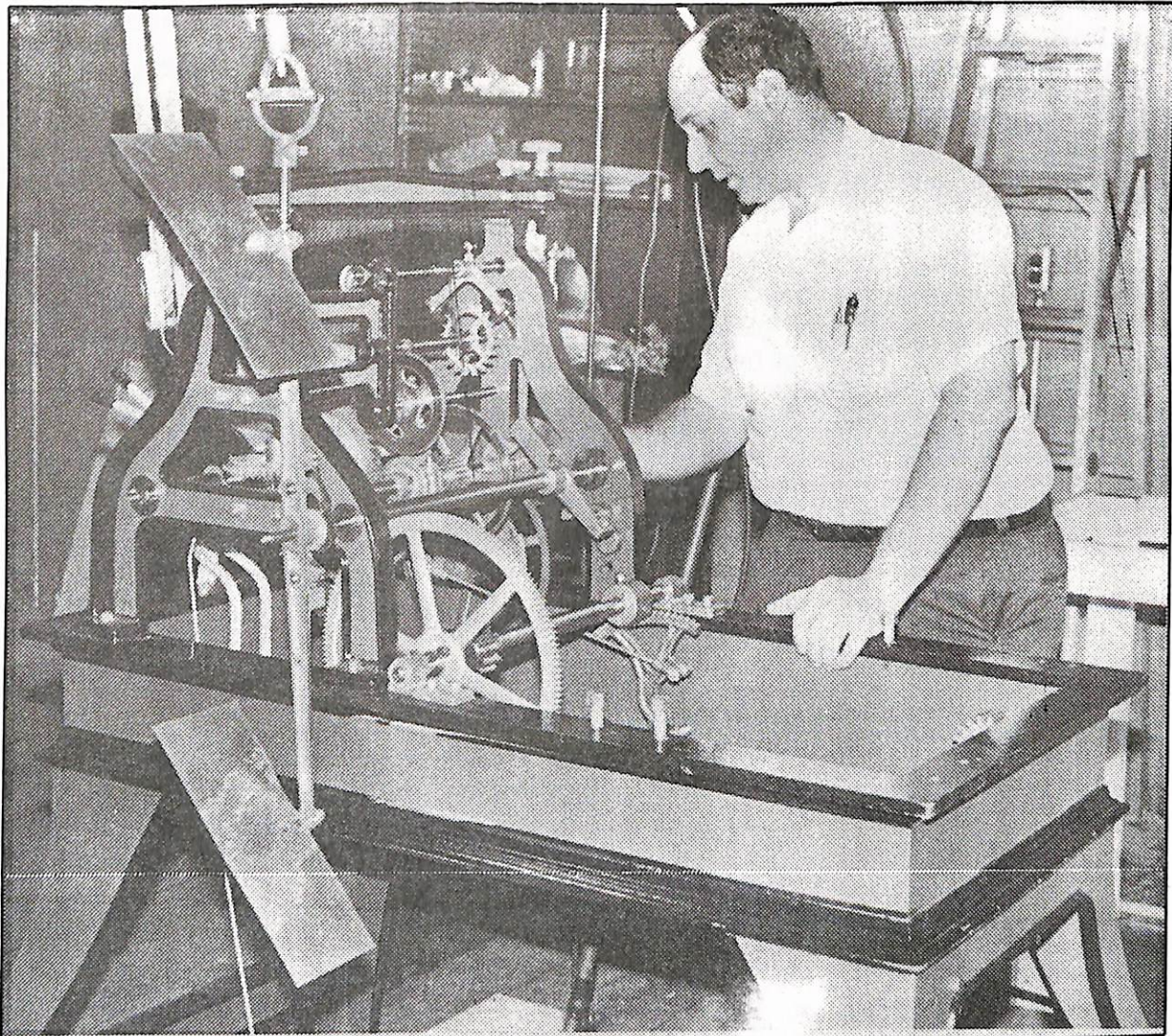
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The above list of church members, gleaned from an anniversary booklet, is probably the only membership record available now. The First Baptist's purchased a church from the Presbyterians at the northwest corner of West State and Church in 1897. November 16 1966 the church burned to the ground.

If any of the names need research for family history purposes, one has to then refer to the indexes of marriage, deaths, probate records, city directories, etc. One of our newest Society members is Edward E. Ferguson, Pastor of the First Baptist Church on Mound Road, who is working on the history of the church. Maybe in the future we may discover some older records. We pray this may be so.

The time is at hand — courthouse clock should start ticking shortly



CLOCKMAKER JOHN HARBOUR examines the mechanism of the courthouse tower clock, which will be in operation sometime this fall.

(Journal Courier photo by JOHN B. MARTIN)

By **JOHN B. MARTIN**
Journal Courier Reporter

You may not hear the ticking of the time-honored clock in the courthouse tower, but when clockmaker John Harbour hooks up the ringer to the bell it will be something everyone in the vicinity will hear.

Get set for the start of the courthouse clock, the pet project of the women of the Emblem Club of the Elks Lodge. The end of the long road of spaghetti dinners and other types of fund-raising to purchase the clock and get it going is within sight. Harbour says he should have everything running in the next two or three months.

The Seth Thomas No. 16 Tower Clock, as clockmakers call it, was

originally installed in a church in Philadelphia in 1905 and it served for many years as an accurate time-piece.

The clock was purchased by the Emblem Club for installation in the courthouse tower, and the job of renovating and installing it is on the downhill run now.

"I still have to build and install the weight guides and cage and the carrier for the weights and pulleys," he explained. The weights look just like any other kind of concrete block, except they are a certain size and prescribed weight.

"I'd like to have it running for a while before installing the hammer on the bell, just to make sure it will run properly, then I'll add the ham-

mer on the bell," he said.

Harbour has completed a lot of work in the courthouse tower in the past few months getting ready for the first running of the clock. The big job was sandblasting the frame and the painstaking cleaning of all the brass gears and parts.

After a coating of paint in the right places and the bright brass-works, the clock looks amazingly like brand new. Harbour keeps it covered right now, at least until the screens are replaced in the tower to keep the pigeons and other birds out.

When complete, someone will have to climb the tower and wind the clock each week. . .carefully please!

PHOTOCOPIED OBITUARIES, MACOUPIN COUNTY IL. [In home of Editor, Florence Hutchison]

A collection of obituaries collected by Martha Ruff, Modesto, Illinois, and donated to our Society. If any of our members desire a photocopy of this record please give name(s) and page #. A +(plus mark) after page indicates two pages.

A donation for these extra correspondence services would be appreciated.

Pg#	Name of Deceased	ca Death Date	Pg#	Name of Deceased	ca Death Date
41	ALMOND, Dr. Reuben J.	9 Jan 1898	63+	MOFFET, Rose Davidson	9 Jul 1929
61	ALLYN, John Milton	4 Sep 1938	66+	MOTT, Delia Cresse	23 Aug 1927
3	" Richard Thomas	13 Mar 1928	51	NEVINS, Frances Harriet	9 May 1931
41++	" Mrs. Susan E.	30 Jan 1898	50	" Joseph Durham	18 Sep 1924
63	ANDERSON, Mrs. Judith A.	5 May 1938	56	NIFONG, L. J.	28 Apr 1883
50	BAKER, Mrs. Harriet	14 Feb 1925	39	" Dr. Leroy Malcum	29 Apr 1904
2	BERRY, Lenora F. Rohrer	24 Aug 1940	50	OTTWELL, Miss Annie E.	2 Jan 1923
49	BOYD, Malinda C.	26 Dec 1922	40	PALMER, Mrs. E. J.	25 Nov 1924
41	BROWN, Mrs. C. P.	15 Dec 1894	55	PARKER, Benjamin	19 Apr 1907
63	" Frederick Scott	14 Mar 1943	55+	PAYNE, Amanda Mahala	9 Feb 1922
96	" George S.	11 Dec 1923	47	" Harry T.	27 Mar 1941
58b	" Imri Vancil	19 May 1898	52	" Jno. H.	29 Oct 1930
9	" Leonard Grayson	3 Sep 1957	25	POE, Mrs. Sarah Wood	26 May 1917
31++	" Mrs. Mary S.	10 Apr 1900	14+	" Birney W.	13 Jun 1907
59	" Robert	14 Mar 1905	55	PULLIAM, Drury Anderson	10 Oct 1907
48	" William Thomas	24 Mar 1922	67	" Mrs. Martha	12 Aug 1924
39	CARVER, Mrs. Myrtle	11 Oct ?	40+	REDSHAW, Paul	14 Oct 1921
41	CHILTON, Mrs. H. L.	Feb 1898	91b	RICE, Alonzo T.	16 Oct 1951
50	CHOWNING, Mary A. Coats	13 Aug 1922	59	" Charles A.	2 May
94	CURTIS, Mrs. Fannie	12 Jan 1925	65c	" Mrs. Margaret L.	25 Dec 1901
4+	CURTISS, Mrs. Isabel	24 Oct 1941	45	" Mahala B.	8 May 1889
56	DUCKLES, Edward G.		59	RINAKER, John I.	2 Jan 1904
30	EADES, Hartford C.	2 Aug 1942	71	SARIUS, Frank C.	7 Mar 1952
51	FLETCHER, Allie Hunter	13 Mar 1935	44	SCOTT, Caroline Brown	1931
55	" Elizabeth Day	26 Feb 1922	44b	SIKES, John H.	28 Jun 1932
42,51	" John O.	14 Apr 1928	44	" Marguerita Brown	2 Jan 1940
64	FORSYTHE, Eunice Harris	13 Mar 1938	52	SIMPSON, Franklin B.	25 Jan
49	GRAVES, Jane	5 Apr 1906	4	SIMS, Charles	16 Jul 1941
41	" Jeremiah	6 Mar 1898	92	" Robert M.	20 Aug 1955
55	" Mrs. Kate	19 Dec 1941	92	SHEARBURN, Lewis F.	26 May 1956
39+	GACHELL, Lemuel F.	12 Sep 1907	94	SHUMWAY, Haskell	29 Apr 1915
53	HARRIS, Sydney T.	5 Sep 1903	64	SKEENS, George Wash.	8 Apr 1938
43,55	" Thomas R.	15 Dec 1896	65e	SOLOMON, Dempsey Noble	25 Mar 1900
59	HAYDEN, Dr. Fred Smith	7 Oct 1921	46	STALEY, Hattie Baker	12 Jul 1932
54b	HAZELL, Ezra F.	15 Apr 1941	46	" William Young	4 Jan 1935
89	HENDERSON, J. P.	19 Aug 1922	48	STEIDLEY, Solomon F.	
16,52	HOBLIT, William A.		10	STOWERS, Lois S. Brown	13 Feb 1958
24	HUTTON, William A.	11 Feb	66+	TALKINGTON, George H.	7 Apr
51	IBBETSON, Harry M.	12 Oct	39½	TURNER, Thomas	20 Sep 1926
49	KALB, Mary Laverne	10 Oct 1922	32+	VANCIL, Burke	4 May 1925
61	KENNEDY, John Albert	12 Mar 1930	45+	" Edmund C.	31 Dec 1891
56	LANDRETH, Laura E.	15 Feb 1923	45	" Elizabeth S. R.	28 Jul 1924
43	MANSON, James W.	1 Jun 1894	31+	" Imri B.	23 Mar 1907
50	MESSICK, James F.	17 Dec	25	" Mrs. Mary	24 May 1890
49	MILLS, Charles A.	11 Jan 1923	2	" Mittie Steidley	4 Nov 1930
50	" George W.	26 Sep 1922	65d	VAN HOOREBEKE, Ferdinand	7 Jan 1907
54+	MOFFET, Mrs. Amelia E.	10 Jan 1904	51+	WATERS, Rose E. Holmes	19 Apr 1925
62	" H. Oren	7 Apr 1939	46	WATTS, James Anderson	9 Mar 1943
95	" Ocea Edmond	18 Oct 1921	95	" Richard Right	28 Jan 1917
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BROTHERS ARE REUNITED AFTER 57-YEAR SEPARATION!

What a great genealogical research story came out in THE STATE JOURNAL-REGISTER Springfield, Illinois on Tuesday, September 19, 1989. There is a beautiful picture showing Robert Hodge and his brother, Ken Rhoades of Springfield, who were reunited September 8 after the two were separated when Hodge was adopted at the age of 4 years.

by Chris Green

Two brothers, Ken Rhoades, 64, of Springfield and Robert Hodge, 61, of Crystal Lake, separated 57 years ago, finally are together again, meeting for the first time in all those years in Crystal Lake on Sept. 8.

Since then, the country has lived through the Great Depression and three wars. And so have two brothers.

"I think it is affecting him more than he lets on," Rhoades said of his brother.

"At first, we started to shake (hands). But I just wanted to feel him, and I put my arms around him. And he just squeezed the tar out of me.

"At least four times during two days we would just hug each other. And he kept thanking us for the trouble we went through to find him."

Rhoades didn't know what to expect once he found his brother, but said, "I decided I was going to accept him no matter what I had found."

Rhoades and Hodge, 7 and 4 years old at the time, their older brother and two older sisters were separated when their father died in 1934. Their mother had died two years earlier.

After their parents died, all the Rhoades children were placed in the Home of the Friendless, a foster home at 1308 S. Seventh St., the present site of the Family Service Center of Sangamon County. The foster home was torn down in 1935, requiring the children to be placed in foster homes.

Fifty-seven years later, Rhoades recalls the day his brother was adopted and taken away.

Rhoades said his sisters, Catherine and Edith, saw Hodge and his newly adopted parents getting into a car. "She (Catherine) came running around the corner, and she said, 'They're taking Junior away!' My brother and I went dashing around to the front, and there he was in the car waving out the back window."

"I couldn't remember how I felt at the time," Rhoades said, "But, I'm sure we had to have cried."

Hodge said he had no recollection of his brothers and sisters.

Two years after he was adopted, Rhoades' half-sister, Lola McDaniel, saw Hodge playing in a front yard.

Rhoades said, "She used to go and watch him from across the street." But contact was never made. "We were always told, 'You'll get in trouble if you talk to him.'"

Rhoades said his sister apparently asked neighbors to find out what his name had been changed to.

"She thought it was Robert Hodges with a 'S' on the end. Over all these years, we've been thinking Robert Hodges."

In June 1970, Rhoades and Catherine decided to try and track down their little brother. Catherine, however, died that year.

Rhoades and his wife, Jenny, who were working through the Mormons' genealogical department, contacted relatives and police departments in Illinois and California — states where they believed Hodge was living. "But no one ever came up with a Robert Kent Hodges."

After Rhoades' older brother, Willis, died in March 1988, the Rhoades intensified their search for Hodge. "I didn't know if he were alive or not, but when Willis died, I told Jenny, 'Finding my brother is now my number one priority.'"

Last year, after talking to relatives of Hodge's adopted parents, Rhoades said he believes one of them told him, his brother's full name was Robert Kent Hodge.

Wondering if they had the right name and birth date, the Rhoades tried to acquire Hodge's birth certificate, but the county clerk's office would not release the birth certificate because of the Privacy Act.

Recalling his brother lived in Springfield about eight years before moving to California, Rhoades realized he had to have gone to school in Springfield. He contacted the Springfield Board of Education two weeks ago.

Busy that day, school board secretary Carol Berkler, called back the following day.

"She called us at 7 a.m. in the morning. She was that excited. She said, 'We don't have a Robert K. Hodge, but we do have a Robert D. Hodge who went to Hay Edwards School in 1937 and who was born Oct.

22, 1927. So that's when we found out what his real name was."

Later that day, the Rhoades contacted Springfield police officer Terry Stoffe, but unknowingly gave him the wrong name.

"Well, the next day (Sept. 7) he called, but in the meantime we had gone down the school, and this woman had given us a Robert D. Hodge." Rhoades gave Stoffe the new name.

"Ten minutes later the phone rang, and he said, 'I got your brother.' That's how quick it happened when we finally got his right name," Rhoades said snapping his fingers. "It's unreal."

Hodge left Springfield at age 12 in August 1941, and moved to Burbank, Calif., with his adopted father. He did not get along with his father, however, and joined the Merchant Marines at 15. Needing a birth certificate to sign up, his father gave him his real birth certificate and adoption papers.

Hodge said he was merely "surprised" at learning his real identity.

"There really wasn't anything to be angry about. Somewhere in the back of my mind, I knew there was something in my past that I didn't know about."

Four years later, in 1946, he joined the Air Force, serving a year and a half.

Hodge, who returned to Illinois in 1957, said he and his wife planned to search for his brothers and sisters in 1968, but was overwhelmed at the difficulty.

"We didn't know what was involved and we didn't know any shortcuts. I was working two jobs at the time and I thought I would have to do a lot of traveling."

The Rhoades waited till 1970 to make initial efforts to find Hodge because, "I think once you get 40, then you begin to realize how important family is to you," said Jenny Rhoades.

"Life is going to get better," Hodge said. "I love them."

Having found his family, Hodge is in the process of having his name changed back to his real name — Levi Daniel Rhoades, named after his father.

A SUGGESTED PRESCRIPTION FOR GOOD MENTAL HEALTH. Who needs it? -- You and I both!

CULTIVATE YOUR NATIVE ABILITIES (develop your potentials) $\xrightarrow{\text{to promote}}$ CREATIVE INTELLIGENCE \longrightarrow

which is conducive to \longrightarrow CLEARER THINKING AND GREATER COMPREHENSION \longrightarrow

which permits accumulation of \longrightarrow EXPERIENCE, KNOWLEDGE AND INSIGHT \longrightarrow

which promotes increased \longrightarrow PERFORMANCE, EFFICIENCY AND PRODUCTIVITY \longrightarrow

resulting in \longrightarrow WHOLESOME ACCOMPLISHMENTS FOR A HAPPIER EXISTENCE!

This prescription for good mental health gives an individual a PHILOSOPHY OF LIFE, a POSITIVE ATTITUDE, a PURPOSE, and a FRUITFUL MEANING TO LIFE. After all, isn't that what Life should be all about ---- a sense of PURPOSE, MEANING and DIRECTION?

Life can be summed up in one word --- ATTITUDE!

Think happy -- think positive -- think constructively, and you will soon be rewarded with increased confidence, personal happiness, experience and knowledge to achieve a greater sense of self-worth and accomplishment.

However, you must constantly strive for a high degree of mental stability and clear thinking that is so necessary to influence your performance efficiency and productivity in the years to come.

The resulting rejuvenation and normalization in the functioning of the nervous and hormonal systems will assure one of better mental health as the body ages with the coming years, and one gains a greater comprehension as to what life is really all about. This happens to genealogical researchers as they acquire new learnings and experiences in their travels to libraries, courthouses and ancestral gravesites.

NOTE: This prescription for good mental health is not a panacea for all of your emotional problems that will arise from time to time, by any means, but it certainly will permit you to better cope with and adjust to everyday events as they confront your native abilities and creative intellince.

REMEMBER: "Life is a mystery, not a problem to be fully solved beforehand", but to be lived to the fullest extent of daily creativity, productivity and development of good mental health resulting in wholesome accomplishments for a happier existence! A face lit up with excitement, discovery and pleasure is a wonderful sight to behold!

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OAK GROVE CEMETERY was also called Chapman's Point Oak Grove, Pleasant Grove, and Stirrup Grove. It is located about 3½ miles east and north of Modesto. The church that had been there originally was razed several years ago. The name "Chapman's Point Oak Grove" comes from the name of the land donor in the early 19th century. It was laid out by John Chapman for a burial place for his daughter, Amanda A. who died April 4, 1842.

Your editor of this quarterly, Florence Hutchison, will photocopy any pages desired by members to whom this reading is not available otherwise. A donation for the service would be appreciated. The addresses of all our society officers are always on the inside back cover of our quarterlies.

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THE CARROLLTON, ILLINOIS, AREA HISTORY BOOK IS NEARING COMPLETION

Word has been received from Curtis Media, publishers, that the ten chapters of the above-named history book, of Greene County IL, will be ready for review the first week of October.

Eileen Cunningham, Project Director, has been called to Sioux City, Iowa, to assist with the proofing and layout of the materials she has sent to the publishers. Approximately 30 copies are left for sale at the pre-publication price of \$49.50. Later copies will be \$62.50. For more information contact Mrs. Eileen Cunningham, R.R. 2 Box 10, Carrollton IL 62016, or call (217)942-3868.

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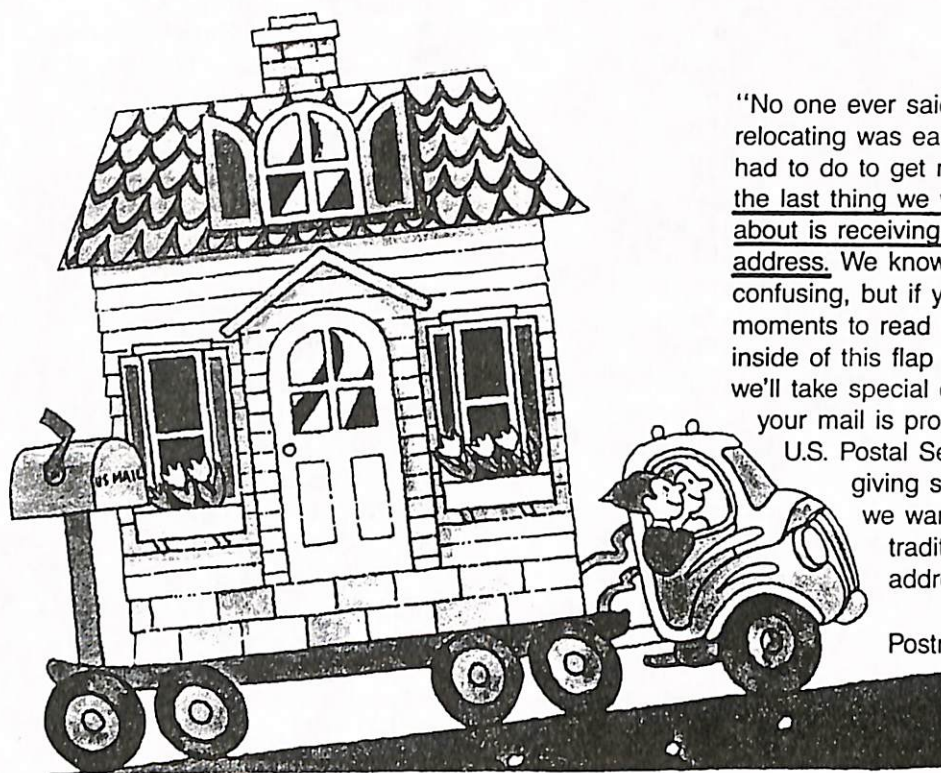
HOME IS WHERE THE HEART IS, A NEW FAMILY HISTORY BOOK

Mrs. Nancy J. Wach, 2145 Reservoir Road, Greeley COLO 80631 has donated a copy of her family history book "Home Is Where The Heart Is" to our society's library. It contains information extracted from 10 states, with many pictures and copied documents garnered from libraries, courthouses and cemeteries.

This book, soft bound in beige cover, is available for the low price of \$20.00. It contains over 450 surnames in the index, many of them from our Morgan County area.

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ODDS AND ENDS AND OTHER THINKS !

Please read carefully, the next page 34, which explains that we will use the December 1989 quarterly for a "Directory of Members".

Please note the new proposed masthead, which is now on the Contents page iii, in the front of our September quarterly.

Please note, also, that we have a small increase in dues for 1990, as reflected on the new green membership sheets included with each quarterly for September and December. Your editor has put a copy of this membership sheet on the inside back cover for your reference.

As noted on this sheet, you will see that we still have back issues of our quarterly available @ \$10.00 per set of 4 per year (March, June, September and December) for 1979 thru 1989.

We now have an "Orphan Train Committee" for our society composed of Janet Coble, Florence Hutchison and Mary Frances Alkire. We are beginning to get correspondence on the subject matter. As to whether we can help any one person, or not, is an unanswered question. But one never knows.

CROSSROADS, is a quarterly newsletter of the "Orphan Train Heritage Society of America", Springdale, Arkansas. This newsletter features "how-to-search" information, orphan's stories, search columns, and other useful articles. They are at Route 4 Box 565, Springdale ARK 72764.

If you have information on Orphan Train Children from Illinois, or if you are descended from an orphan train rider, write: Janet M. Coble, 1124 West Walnut 42E, Jacksonville IL 62650. Or send the request to our Society's address, P.O. Box 21.

If you are one of those family researchers whose lineage goes "way back" in to English history, you might be interested in being considered for admission should you be able to demonstrate a direct descent from the Emperor Charlemagne, in either the male or female line. Please contact the Society for further information ----- The Society of Descendants of Charlemagne, Office of the Governor General, P.O. Box 76, Sylvester, West Virginia 25193 U.S.A.

We have had such heavy correspondence, and other complications, this year that many of you "out there" are probably wondering if we are ever going to answer you! But nobody knows just when I may pick up a letter and send "just what you needed". Some of the letters were written two years ago -- but I didn't have the information at that time -- now I do. And so I send what is to be found, and hope that the person hasn't moved from that address.

However, that is sometimes good -- to get a letter back -- the postoffice has put on the new address on the outside of our returned letter, and then we can re-connect with one who may have been a former member.

We never know how valuable our collections of records, done so laboriously by some of our volunteer genealogists, may be of great help to some one. Such is the case with the records we have on Calvary Cemetery here in Jacksonville. We have, evidently, much more than the present caretakers and concerned researchers, as indicated by a call from Nancy Schindler who is heading a records research committee. Your editor will be very happy to turn over to her all the extensive records we have collected in years past, along with the computerized record done by Warren Haley. They can make a photocopy of those 72 pages. That includes the painstaking tombstone readings (127 typed pages) completed from October 26-29, 1982 by Mrs. Ruth Ann (Reiser) Stewart and Mrs. Sharon (Adcock) Stewart of Waverly, Illinois.

Your editor made small hand-out maps from the great big one of Calvary cemetery, so those will be very useful for the new caretakers and record-keepers of that cemetery which was founded the same year as Diamond Grove -- 1867.

Don't forget -- Life Members -- send us your surnames of research so that we will have them when we start putting the December quarterly together.

NOTE THIS, PLEASE -- PERTAINING TO OUR 1989 DIRECTORY OF MEMBERSHIPS.

We are planning to have a new "Directory of Memberships", with names, addresses and surnames being researched, for the December 1989 issue of the *Jacksonville IL Geneal Journal*.

For that reason we are not putting the names, addresses, etc. of our 45 new members since June. All will be included in the December issue of our quarterly.

Friends, our membership sheets become the major bookkeeping records. PLEASE use them to record your address data, and surnames being researched! Do not mutilate them by cutting off any data! We use 3-hole notebooks for their storage and easy accessibility for needed information.

NOTE TO LIFE MEMBERS -- Please send us a new membership sheet with your name, address and surnames being researched, right after you receive this quarterly! Clearly mark it as "LIFE MEMBER". You may be researching names differently now, than those we might find on your old records -- if we could locate them.

We want to make a new computerized Surname Index to help us put kindred souls together. Our corrected 1989 Directory of Memberships will greatly assist in this method of family history research.

For those individuals who list a great many surnames, we would appreciate it if you would revise and send us a new shorter list, using only those names more important to your research.

As to which surnames to put down, and which to leave out -- that is the same idea as a "two-sided coin". If you listed only Illinois surnames, one is limited. If you listed those from our states to the east or west, this may give some other member a clue as to where some ancestors, their friends and collateral relatives came from. No matter which way we turn, there will be problems with answers to seek.

The major concern, of our few genealogical volunteers here in Jacksonville, is to help as many people as possible to find their much sought-after ancestral data. We have marvelous cooperation from our City and County officials, and the Jacksonville Journal Courier editors and employees which makes our research and presentations much easier. We sincerely hope our efforts at producing the December quarterly with its 1989 Directory of Memberships will be a successful venture, with your cooperation.

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OUR MOST RECENT CHANGES OF ADDRESSES -- AND CORRECTIONS: Change them in your past quarterlies TODAY! If you do not take care of this matter now, you may get an important letter back at some time in the future, when copying an old address.

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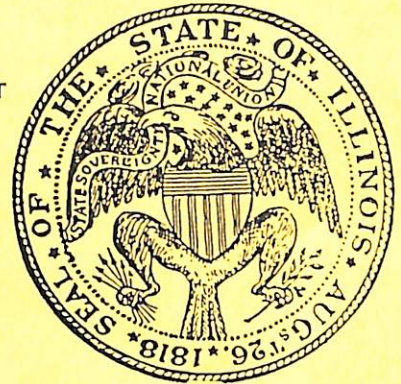
Some people seem to think the Ladder of Success is attached to an escalator. We genealogists know it as one that has to be climbed rung by rung with effort!



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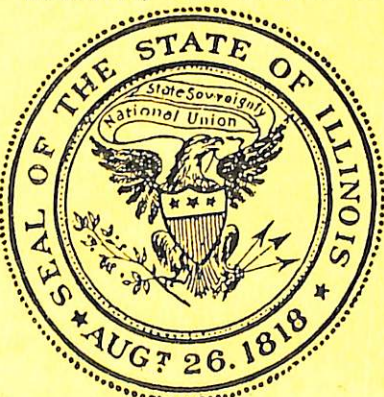
The above corporation organized under the laws of the State of ILLINOIS pursuant to provisions of "The General Not for Profit Corporation Act" of the State of Illinois hereby makes the following report:

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NAME	OFFICE	NUMBER & STREET	CITY	ZIP
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Miss Lucille V. Crawford	Financial Secy.	1038 West State #4	"	"
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The following is a brief statement of the character of the affairs which the corporation is actually conducting:

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—Second Great Seal.

Dated this January 30th 1989
Florence Hutchison
President



—Present Great Seal