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This autumn picture of the Bishop Hill park, with three Colony buildings in the background, was taken in about 1900 or shortly thereafter (the soldiers' monument, right of center, was erected July 4, 1899).

The Colony store - post office at the left had its original front, and the large residences had the original front entrances with side approaches. The hitch racks

at the edge of the park, and the wooden seats surrounding several trees are other features of that earlier era.

Since 1896 the park has been the scene of the Bishop Hill Old Settlers' reunions each September, and this year on Saturday, the 13th, the event will mark the 123rd anniversary of the founding of Bishop Hill. Details are in this issue of Galvaland.

# BISHOP HILL OLD SETTLERS' DAY

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

Several Illinois officials identified with historical and tourism activities will be in Bishop Hill for Old Settlers' day Saturday, September 13, which marks the 123rd anniversary of the Colony's founding.

A forenoon program is scheduled at 10 o'clock, in addition to the regular afternoon program and the variety entertainment in the evening. Dinner will be served in Old Colony School, beginning at 11 a. m.

Details were announced late in August by the program committee: Mrs. Verna B. Anderson, Wayne Nordstrom and Mrs. John A. Oberg.

Main speaker on the afternoon program will be W. M. Alderfer, executive director of the Illinois State Historical Society in Springfield.

The Vasa Children's Choir from Chicago will sing in both Swedish and English during the afternoon and evening. There will be solos by Axel Nelson, of Chicago, member of the Svithiod Chorus, and other music will be by the Second Generation, a Dunlap organization (Cathy Frye, Linda Andrews, Gary Giles and Dave Par-dieck, vocal music plus 2 guitars).

Presentation of a Swedish flag is scheduled during the afternoon pro-

gram, which also will include introduction of several special guests by the Rev. Wayne Nordstrom.

A. Gunnar Borg, president of the Old Settlers' association, will extend the official welcome and the Rev. B. Lloyd Weaver will give the invocation and benediction.

### Morning Speakers

Brief remarks during the forenoon program will be given by the following, several of whom attended the press conference in Bishop Hill on July 31 last year:

George Irwin, chairman of the Illinois Arts Council.

Bo Gunnar Jarnstedt, consul general of Sweden, in Chicago, who will present the Swedish flag in the afternoon.

Congressman Tom Railsback.

Milton Thompson, director of the Illinois State Museum.

William Rutherford, director of the Illinois Department of Conservation.

Robert Ellsworth, director of the Illinois Division of Tourism.

John Norton, Moline, representing American-Scandinavian Foundation.

Several other officials may come for the day.

### HISTORIC LANDMARK

Bishop Hill has been nominated for designation in the National Register as a National Historic Landmark, whereby federal funds would be available for preservation work.

Congressman Tom Railsback has been active in advocating this recognition.

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### TO HONOR THREE RESIDENTS

Three residents of the community will be honored at this year's Old Settlers' reunion:

Mrs. Maric Kelly, who will be 90 in November; widow of William Harry Kelly.

Mrs. Marie Nystrom, who was 89 in June; widow of Alfred Jacob Nystrom.

Emil E. Ericson, 85 on September 4; guide and employee at Colony Church and Park until recently.

### "AUNT MAUDE" TO ATTEND

"Aunt Maude" Bergland, who is approaching her 106th birthday, is looking forward to attending Old Settlers' day.

She is staying temporarily in the Hillcrest Home, where she was admitted early in August.

### NAMED HERITAGE TREASURER

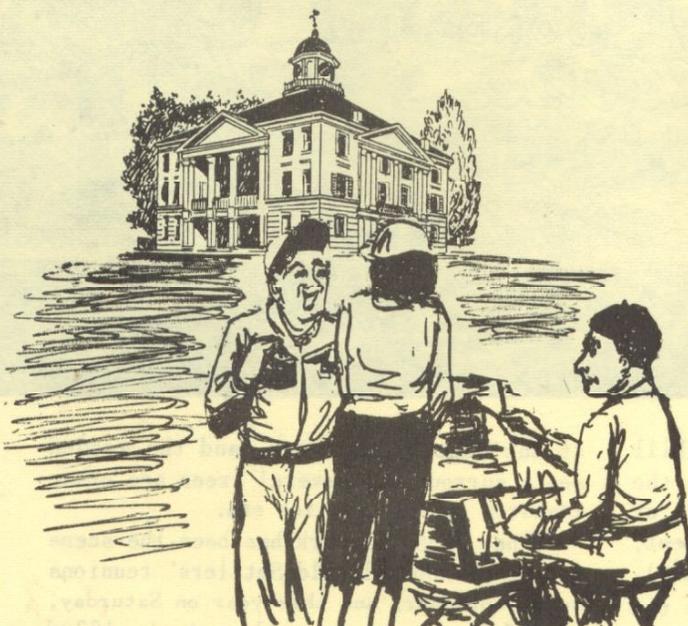
Mrs. Rias Spets (Beverly) was named treasurer of the Bishop Hill Heritage association at the August 12 meeting, succeeding Mrs. Louis Ray (Martha Nelson), who moved to Florida. Wayne Nordstrom, secretary, had served as interim treasurer.

Prior to the meeting, the members inspected the extensive repair work on the blacksmith building.

### WAYNE MEETS IOWA KIN

"When I heard the name Nordstrom, my ears perked up, but when you said Bishop Hill, I really got interested."

During a recent "bottles" program in Mason City, Iowa, Wayne Nordstrom had this greeting from Leigh Curran, an Iowa state senator from the MC area...Leigh is a Colony descendant and is related to Wayne (his mother and Wayne's father were first cousins)...his mother, the late Mrs. John Curran (Almeda Nordstrom), was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Nordstrom and a granddaughter of an early Bishop Hill physician, Dr. Olof Nordstrom.



"Why paint when you can get good colored pictures with these little cameras?" (Apologies to the late Bob Richards, Virginia City, Nevada)

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## THE WHISTLE'S BACK

"I miss the whistle" many folks remarked during the several weeks Galva's municipal timepiece was silent, much to the relief of the dogs...it started giving time again late Tuesday afternoon, August 26, when it was the "5 o'clock whistle".. other soundings are at 7 a. m., noon and 1 p. m...

## "BURGLAR" MOTHS

The armyworm moths which created an insect blizzard in Galva several nights in mid-August, caused more than the usual inconvenience for "Hank" McMillan...the night police notified him that his burglar alarm was sounding, and investigation revealed that moths had activated the electric eye...

## SIWASH, OR KNOX DOWNS?

"Who would have guessed that Galesburg's Knox college, the egg-heads' revered 'Old Siwash,' would wind up in the race track business?"

Thus wrote David Condon, Chicago Tribune sports columnist, August 23 after it was announced that Mrs. Marje Everett, of Arlington Park, was making a \$500,000 gift, to make it possible for Knox to purchase Aurora Downs...

## 1905 MONUMENT CALENDAR

After the monument works story was published last month, a 1905 calendar of A. B. Smith was found and it was mailed to his son Roy in Denver, who said he was having it framed. This was the wording:

"Compliments of A. B. Smith, foreign and domestic marble and granite. Burial vaults and all kinds of cemetery work. All work and stock guaranteed first class. Viox old stand one block east of C. B. & Q. depot, Galva, Illinois."



## SLOW RISE FOR "HI-RISE"

By late August, only two of the six stories of Galva's high-rise apartment building had been completed (this picture was taken late in July).

Interior work is being concentrated on the first two floors by employees of Becker Bros. of Peoria.

The project had been at a standstill about two months (from May 1 to June 23) during a strike of area construction workers.

Becker officials travel here from Peoria by helicopter to make periodic inspections of the work.

In the meantime, work was nearing completion on Bill Lappin's four-unit apartment building west of the high rise site.

## 32 YEARS AT CREAMERY

After 32 years of office work for Galva Creamery Co., Aldora Austin Willits has resigned and accepted a position in Moline. She has been residing in Moline since her marriage to Lester Willits several weeks ago.

Aldora came here from Altona when she began work for the Creamery.

## THRESHERMEN REUNION

Bert W. Johnson fired up his little steam engine on the morning of August 28 to load it on a Ratliff truck for the trip to Pontiac... Bert planned to spend the week at the annual threshermen's reunion...

## NOTES 93RD BIRTHDAY

Mrs. C. A. Peterson, widow of the founder of Galva Creamery, was honored Sunday, August 24, at a family gathering in observance of her 93rd birthday, which was the 25th.

Several friends also called at her home on Northwest 3rd Ave. to extend greetings. Ruth Smelzer is staying with her.

## ANNY SAFSTROM PROGRAM

When Mrs. Anny Safstrom, of Sweden, visits in Galva early in October the Tri Mu class of Grace Methodist church will sponsor a get-together in the church, and Mrs. Safstrom will present a program. The date will be announced later.

She is scheduled to leave Sweden October 5 on the inaugural flight of Swedish Air Lines, as a guest of the company.

## HARRY ELLIS AND THEODORE

## ANDERSON DIE, LATE AUGUST

Harry W. K. Ellis, husband of the former Beth Dexter, died Thursday afternoon, August 28, in Galesburg Cottage hospital, where he had submitted to surgery. The couple came here early this summer from North Hollywood, California, where they had resided.

Theodore C. Anderson, died early Friday morning, August 29, in Galesburg Cottage hospital. Mr. Anderson, who was 89 July 1, was a member of the 1896 confirmation class of Messiah Lutheran church and entered the hospital for surgery a few days before the Lutheran centennial late in June.

Funeral details were incomplete on the afternoon of the 29th. Life sketches will be published next month.

MR. and MRS. JAMES KEWISH  
NOTE 60th ANNIVERSARY



The 60th anniversary of their marriage was observed Sunday, August 17, by Mr. and Mrs. James Kewish, of Galva, when a reception was held during the afternoon in Epworth Hall of Galva First United Methodist church. About 180 relatives and friends were present.

The wedding of Mattie Cadwell and James Kewish was solemnized August 25, 1909, in the home of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Jackson, of LaFayette, by the Rev. F. J. Giddings, of LaFayette Methodist church.

Three who had attended their wedding 60 years ago—her sister, Mrs. Jessie White; his brother, Robert Kewish, and Mrs. Ty Kelly — were present at the August 17 reception.

Guests at the reception from out-of-state were: Mr. and Mrs. Lester Wade, of Spencer, Iowa; Vera Lundt, of Linn Grove, Iowa; Mr. and Mrs. John Craine, of Continental, Ohio, and Ronda Cook, of Killeen, Texas.

The Kewishes resided south of Galva until retiring and have since made their home here at 814 Southeast 1st St.

They have one daughter, Mrs. Walter Jackson (Frances), of Kewanee and two granddaughters, Jane and Mary.

A son Harold died in 1945 in a plane crash while he was in the Air Force in Texas.

(Hamerstrand Photo)

Mr. and Mrs. Logan Stiers

The golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Logan J. Stiers was observed on Sunday, July 13, in their home at 220 Northeast 4th St. with a family gathering.

The wedding of Katherine Johns, of Charleston, and Logan J. Stiers, of Woodhull, was solemnized July 11, 1919, in Kewanee, and all of their married life has been spent in Galva.

Mr. Stiers was employed by the Burlington railroad and later worked



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at the John H. Best & Sons factory.

They have three daughters: Mrs. Elmer C. Johnson (Margaret), of River Grove; Mrs. Harold B. Krantz (Irma), of Galva, and Mrs. Richard Schmidt (Amy), of Wilmette. Also there are seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

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BUILD FARM CENTER HERE

Work was started in August on the new farm center of the Standard Oil Co. on Route 34 at the east edge of Galva, designed as the traditional red barn. The center will handle fertilizers, chemicals, petroleum products and LP gas for retail sale and will service Standard dealers in a radius of about 30 miles.

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WINS MIDLAND GOLF TITLE

Mrs. Harland Johnson, of Galva, is the 1969 women's golf champion at Midland country club, as a result of her victory over Verda Milnes of Kewanee August 19 in a 36-hole playoff. Four years ago Mrs. Ralph Chatterton was the Galva champion.

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TOUR OF GALENA HOMES

Annual tour of Galena homes will be held during the week-end of September 27-28, with the following featured: Melville, Parnell, Herman, Kent and Miner houses, as well as the Rock House, home of Galena's first mayor, Charles Hempstead.

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Business was good in Galva the day this picture of Front St. was taken in the early 1900's. Gasoline stations were quite a few years in the future (see item below):

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Texaco Station Razed

Site For Foundry Parking

The 41-year-old Texaco service station on West Division St. was razed early in August and the site will be used for parking by Galva Foundry employees. Ratliff equipment from Kewanee was used for wrecking the station.

It had been closed since March, 1967, when Arnie Jacobs and Jim Collinson moved to another station east of there. They had operated it since January, 1965.

The station was one of three erected here in 1928, and was built by J. B. Hanlon. (Others were the station on Southwest 2nd Ave. built by Dode Sherman, and the Huber station in the east part of Galva.)

Mr. Hanlon's son, G. R. (Jerry) Hanlon operated the Texaco station until 1933, after which it was operated by Franklin Krans six years. Thirty years ago in September it was taken over by Glenn (Poppy) Morse.

During World War II it was operated by O. L. Music and later there were several operators—Bob Baldwin, Girven Bros., a Mr. Panek, Donald Falk and Wendell Griffin. Dick Edwards bought the business from Mr. Griffin in April, 1959, and after his death in December, 1964, it was taken over by Arnie Jacobs and Jim Collinson.



## Helbom and the Indian . . .

# HEAP BIG THRILL AT BISHOP HILL

One of the legends of Bishop Hill concerns Nels Helbom, a tall muscular Swede, whose bravery matched his stature when he donned an outfit which reportedly caused an Indian to turn pale from fright.

"You want my scalp, too?" Helbom roared, according to one version. (In telling the story, Emil Ericson added this frank expression: "Neither one could understand a damn word the other said.")

Olof Krans was so intrigued by the tale that he added Helbom and the Indian to his famous collection of Colony paintings (Illustration at the right). The

fur coat gave Nels the appearance of a big bear.

Olive Johnson Griffiths, a daughter of one of the Colony trustees, Olof Johnson, gave a different version of the encounter in a piece she wrote in 1917 while living in Seattle. She said Helbom draped himself with two sheets and carried a huge pitchfork.

Regardless of his disguise, and despite the statement of a pioneer living in the area before the Colonists arrived—that the last Indians left in 1844—the tale written by Mrs. Griffiths is reprinted as an amusing addition to Bishop Hill lore:



Nels Helbom  
and  
the Indian  
(Olof Krans  
painting)

One of the most vivid memories of my childhood and one which the children never tire of hearing is that of our Indian scare. Friendly Indians frequently came to the Colony to trade or walk through the village. Hostile Indians had been kept west of the Mississippi river ever since the Black Hawk War. But word came to us from a distant settlement that a fierce band had returned, burning homes and scalping every white person they encountered, and that they would reach our village that night.

We children were thrown into a frenzy of excitement. After a hurried consultation, it was decided for each family to await the Indians, armed in their own homes. Every home was to be dark, but every man was to be awake and armed, ready to rush to the rescue when the first gun was fired. Every possible weapon and every scrap of ammunition was brought out by nightfall.

One person was stationed at a window on each side of the house. I was wild to know what was going on in the other house. So, taking advantage of the darkness, I stole out and ran across lots to my friend Mary.

We then ran to the Helbom home, where I felt sure we could hear the latest news, as Mr. Helbom, called the village giant, had acted as watchman or policeman at the rare times that such an officer was necessary.

We came just in time to see Helbom stride into the house. We followed quietly to the door and heard him charge the family to stay indoors and to tell no one that he was going to meet the Indians singlehanded.

He towered above those muscular pioneers of Viking descent like a real giant of the woods—tall, broad-shouldered, with long arms and enormous hands and feet. I had seen him lift with one hand and walk off carrying a two-horse plow which four other men were trying to move.

He asked for two sheets and, taking a huge pitchfork he had made himself for use in the fields, he started out through the back alley in the direction of the woods. When a question of adventure was concerned, Mary and I were "as two souls with a single thought." This was surely a case where fools rushed in where demons feared to tread. We were used to thinking that Mr. Helbom was equal to anything, so we had no fears.

Grabbing each other by the hand, we tiptoed on and sped up the trail to the woods without a sound. We kept Helbom in sight, but stayed back far enough that he should not see us. We had gone through what was called the Indian trail on our berrying trips and we had a favorite large oak tree in which we had often played house. If we could only gain this tree before we were

discovered, we knew that we had a safe hiding place.

We dropped back a short time for a whispered consultation. We knew that he would stop before he got to a fork in the road which branched off to another village. If he would only pass the tree where the trail kept growing narrower. We cautiously followed again and were soon under the spreading branches of our tree. We silently climbed the tree and reached the shelter of our "house" without crackling a branch.

We had been settled there for some time and I was beginning to realize the enormity of our foolhardiness and to heartily wish that we were safe at home, when we heard Helbom coming back. He stopped under our very tree. Would he climb it and discover us? No, he stepped behind it. He opened up the sheets, tied one around his waist, hung the other over his head and leaned against the tree and stood perfectly still. It seemed to me it must have been for hours.

I put my hand over my mouth to keep from shrieking. I was getting numb from sitting in one position on my little branch, when from the west, I suddenly became aware of a faint dull noise along the trail. Helbom heard it, too, for he straightened up against the tree and took the pitchfork in his hand. I was sure now that the Indians were near, for I could hear twigs occasionally snapping and the same dull sound moving nearer. Mary heard it, too, and she grabbed my hand so frantically that I nearly lost my balance.

Nearer and nearer came that never-to-be-forgotten sound of moccasined feet and swiftly now they advanced. As they turned a bend in the trail I could see a dark figure and a dull gleam of metal. They were coming in single file down the narrow trail. How many there were I had not the faintest idea, for every tree and every shadow seemed to be alive and stealthily moving.

I believe I should have swooned if I had not suddenly been aroused by one of the most unearthly and fiendish noises that ever reached mortal ear. Just as the first dark figure reached the spot opposite our tree Helbom rushed out from behind the tree, wrapped in his white sheets and his three-pronged fork raised and with

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## Helbom and the Indian . . .

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a roar which no menagerie full of wild animals could equal, he charged at the whole band.

With a wild cry of fear, the Indians turned and fled at such terrific speed that it was like the sound of a pack of deer scudding over the hard turf. At the first onslaught Mary fell from her perch as though she had been shot. Whether she fainted or whether it was from the suddenness of the terrific roar that she lost her balance in fright, she never knew.

I half climbed, half stumbled down, completely forgetting that I might be discovered. I helped Mary out of the tangle of underbrush into which she had fallen and began to realize that we were unheard and unnoticed.

We were peeping out from behind the tree when Helbom came leisurely down the trail, stopped and folded up his sheets and took up his fork. He walked home as calmly as though he had been out on a pleasure walk. We stole back behind him and we were both glad enough that we had not even been missed.

Helbom's story became a nine-days wonder, but it was more than nine days before Mary and I dared tell our part in the story and then only when the boys were taunting us with being "fraidy cats" for running from a snake..."

### "THE INDIANS CAME BACK EVERY AUTUMN..."

Philip Mauk, a Hoosier who settled in an area north of Nekoma on the Weller-Clover township line in June, 1842, recalled the peaceful visits of the Indians along Chi-Kosh-See-Poo creek (Edwards river), according to an 1879 article by Capt. Eric Johnson in the Galva Journal:

"He says the Indians used to come back every autumn and camp north of him on the bottom land north of the Edwards creek, but although he had stock running at large in the timber, he never missed any, or suffered any other inconvenience from their presence.

"They made their last visit to this section of the country in 1844."

## BISHOP HILL in 1939

725 DINNERS SERVED AT

1939 OLD SETTLERS' EVENT

About 725 persons were served dinner in the tent in the park on Old Settlers' day, with a crew of 100 workers on duty.

J. Albert Lindstrom, president of the association, presided during the program and Mrs. Helen Jacobson Andersen read the necrology. The main speaker was Dr. G. E. Burton, pastor of Geneseo Lutheran church. The program also featured free acts.

There were 32 children in the Bishop Hill school, where teachers were George Peterson and Katharine Arnquist.

Freshmen in Galva high school from this community were: Evelyn Sandberg, Dorothy Florine, Loraine Lindstrom, Jane Craig, Mary Slover, Elsie Oberg, Robert Farleton, Galen

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Chilberg, Willard Nelson and Dale DeSmith.

Bishop Hill won the championship of the WHBF Mississippi Valley softball tournament by defeating Rock Island, 4 to 3.

S. J. (John) Swanson, 76, of Galesburg, one of three sons of a former Colony trustee, Swan Swanson, died in a Galesburg hospital. He had operated a store in Galesburg many years.

Miss Margaret Johnson, 46, died in her home at the east edge of Bishop Hill. She was a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Johnson and a sister of Manuel Johnson, of Bishop Hill, and Alfred Johnson, of Los Angeles.

Albert J. Peterson, 71, died at his home four miles north of Bishop Hill.

Mrs. Anna Farley Myer, a former resident of this community, died at Chenoa.

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## BISHOP HILL

### . . in 1924 . .

DINNER SERVED TO 1,000

ON 1924 OLD SETTLERS' DAY

The Ladies' Reunion club served chicken dinners to about 1,000 persons at the 1924 Old Settlers' reunion.

The welcome was by John Root, president of the association, and the speaker was Judge L. E. Telleen, of Cambridge. The mixed quartet included Mrs. E. L. Swanson, Miss Harriet Nelson, P. L. Johnson and A. F. Nordstrom. Special music was by the Altona Military band.

Nekoma's ball team defeated Bishop Hill for the second time that season, but Bishop Hill had won three of the five games between the two towns.

Bishop Hill area young folks were attending the following high schools: Gladys Thorell, Galva; John I. Hunt, Julia Ericson and Clyde Atkinson, Cambridge; Charles and John Stonberg and Albert Benson, Kewanee; Aifva and Alfhild Bergren, Carl Olson and Ira Anderson, Altona.

Train service was restored after repairs were completed on the track damaged by the August flood.

Mabel Gabrielson was principal at Orion high school for another year and taught English and Latin.

Ethel Nelson was enrolled in the school of nursing in Moline Lutheran hospital.

Emmelyne and Katharine Arnquist and Philip Nordstrom were attending Knox college in Galesburg.

Dorothy Olson entered the University of Iowa in Iowa City.

Clarence Florine purchased the interest of his brother Albert in the Bishop Hill garage.

Mrs. Jane Johnson moved from the Kronberg building into rooms in the hospital building.

Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Spets went to St. Paul to attend a convention of the Mystic Workers.

Several persons here for Old Settlers' day were honored at a picnic in the park two days later, including: Peter Engstrom, of Utica, New York; Olof Forsse, of Glendale, California; Elias Forsse, of Salina, Kansas; Mrs. Jennie Gustus, of San Francisco; Mrs. Olive Linder, of Willard, Colorado, and Mrs. Alice Nelson, of Peoria.

Mabel and Marian Ericson returned from an extended stay in Colorado.

Peter Bowman went to Kansas City to buy livestock.

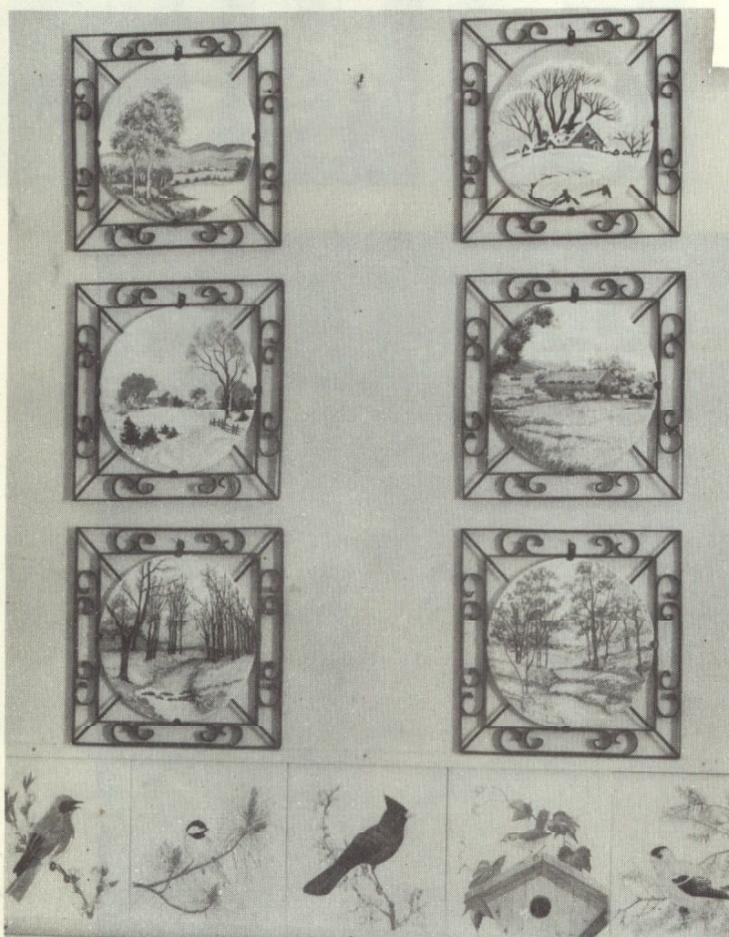
## Dorothe Huber Article in China Painting Magazine

The china painting of Mrs. Dorothe L. Huber, of Galva, was featured in the July and August issues of a nationally circulated magazine, the *China Decorator*, published at Los Angeles, in which she described her work and told of some of the prized items in her collection.

The article written by Dorothe was in the July issue, reproduced here, and it was followed by a full page of pictures in the August issue.

She will have an exhibit at the third annual show of the Illinois State Federation of China Painters in Canton during the week-end of October 11 and 12. The show will be in Canton senior high school at the north edge of town on Route 78, from noon to 8 p. m. on the 11th and from noon to 5 p. m. on the 12th.

Dorothe's paintings reproduced in Galvaland from the *China Decorator*, include single ceramic tiles, 2- and 3-sections framed, and plates, cups and pitcher.



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## Crazy 'Bout Dishes

By DOROTHE L. HUBER

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When you were a little girl did you trail your mother closely on cupboard cleaning day? Did you latch onto every bit of discarded china, no matter if it were cracked, chipped or broken? Did you hoard such things, cherish them and carefully stash them away with your treasures in the same manner that your brothers hoarded stones, bits of broken glass and the unraveled baseballs that had seen better days?—I did! And when pressed to explain I always said, "I'm just crazy 'bout dishes!" They fascinated me then, and still do. I enjoyed the very feel of fine, smooth china!

Later when I'd go to Marshall Fields, in Chicago, I invariably found myself in the china department and always had trouble pulling myself away.

When my aunt Dessa, who painted china, visited us she would often bring pieces of her hand painted china for my mother. Oh, how I did drool over those! And when my mother's things were divided among her daughters, I received one or two of those lovely pieces. How I enjoyed them and wished I could paint and make pretty china like she.

Later when I was widowed and lost my only daughter I lost all interest in life, even in my pretty china. The very light seemed to have gone out of my life. Then a friend of mine asked me to go with her to her china painting lesson. I wasn't really interested, but she insisted, so I went. When I finished my first piece the teacher remarked, "You catch on as fast or faster than anyone that I have ever taught." Yes, you guessed it! That helped to spring the trap. After two more lessons I was thoroughly caught in the beautiful trap of china painting. I enjoy being trapped and bless my friend for dragging me along that night to get me started. That was in 1960, and I am still going strong. I feel that there are so many things to learn and so many things to try that

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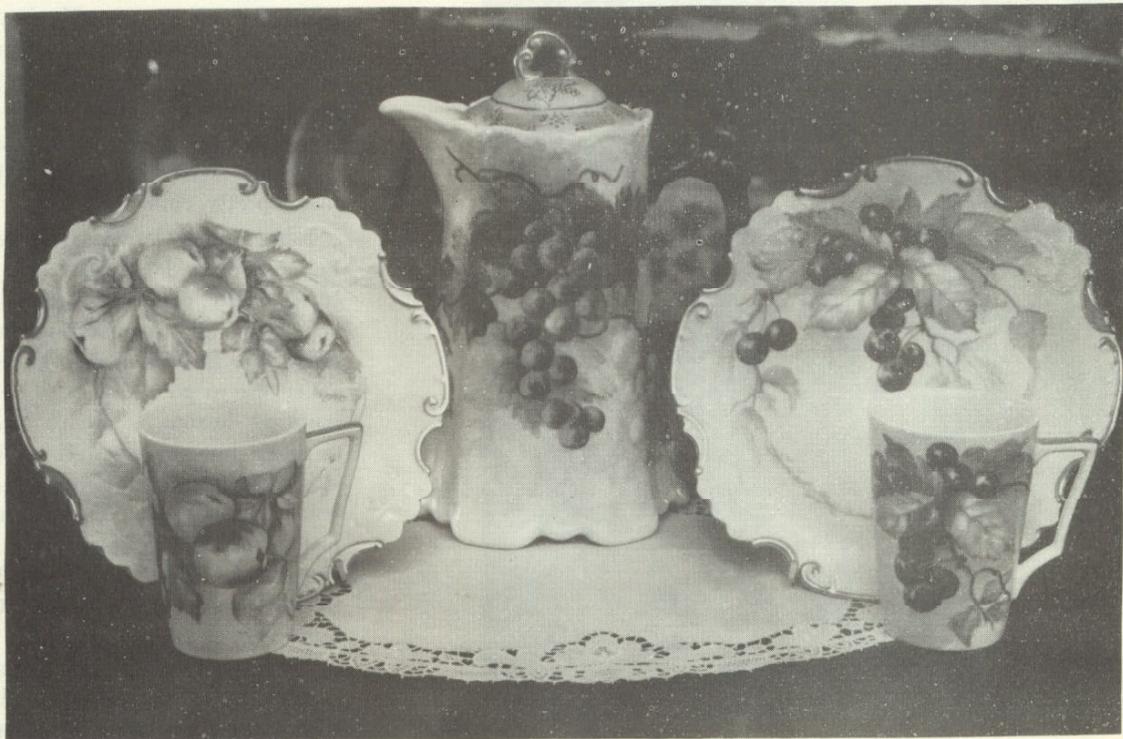
The China Decorator

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I won't live long enough to do them all and I don't want to miss a one.

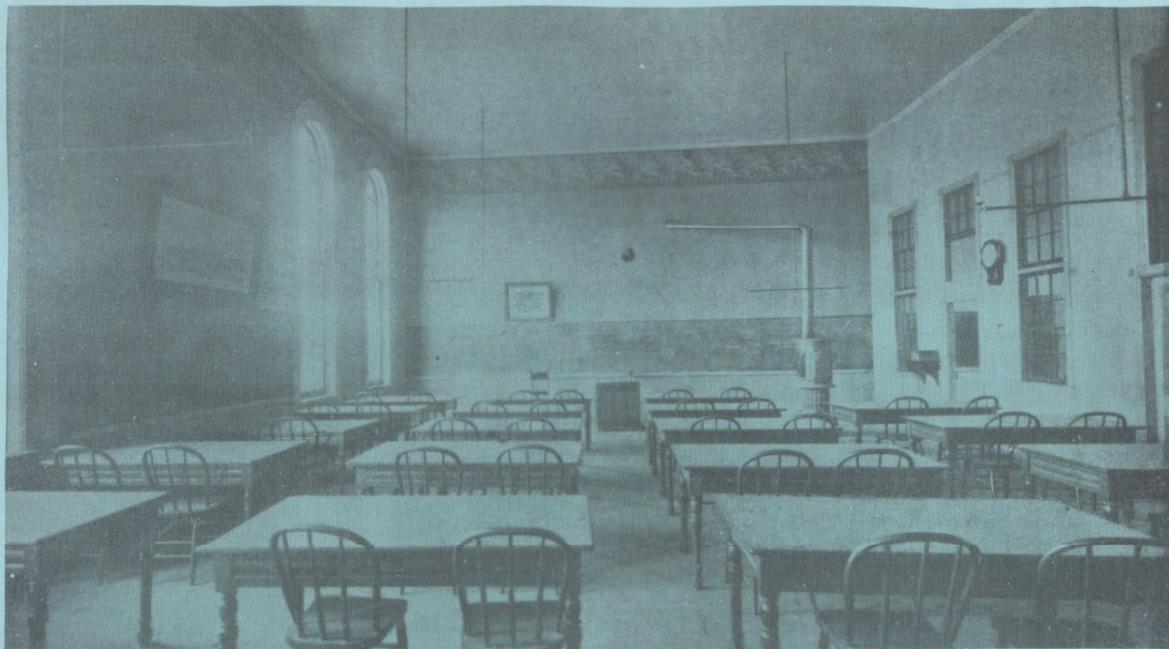
The thrill of seeing my first International China Show is impossible to describe. I don't even remember the trip home, for I was carrying, and guarding with my life, an unfired yellow rose plate, painted for me by Eudora Judd. It is now one of the stars in my *Artist Collection*. There, also, is the ethereal pink rose, on a plate, painted for me by Sonie Ames. There are two lovely pieces painted by Essie Boovier and etched by Jerry. I have a piece by Helen Humes, Marcella Fagan, Barbara Carroll, Ann Gasparovich, Mildred Wargelin, Jacque Gillman, Miss Scott, Wanda Clapham and Cordilia Furst on my shelf. They are a real source of inspiration to me. They are there to remind me, too, for all I have to do is to look and I am reminded that I have a long way to go and a lot to learn, before I will be able to say that I really know how to paint china well. In the mean time, I LIVE AGAIN and enjoy it, all because of china painting, so I say "Here's to the finest hobby of them all."



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INTERIOR VIEW OF THE THEORY HALL, GALVA BUSINESS COLLEGE.  
C. A. Steinman, Pres. Taken during vacation, July, 1893.

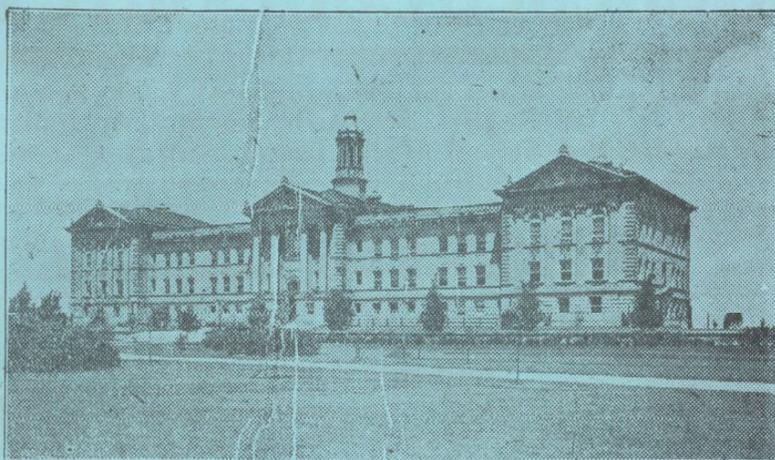
**GALVA BUSINESS COLLEGE  
OPERATED DURING 1890's**

A business college was operated in Galva for a short time in the 1890's and the location was the large room on Front St., known for many years as K. of P. hall. This picture is reproduced from the Fitch & Quinn Galva album published in 1893.

One item said Galva Business College opened in September, 1892, with Charles A. Steinmann as president. Miss Tressa Maxwell, of Webster City Iowa, was principal and O. F. Amburn also of Iowa, was assistant principal.

For a time it also was known as the Kennedy Business College.

The college evidently was in operation only two years, because another item said it did not reopen in the fall of 1894.



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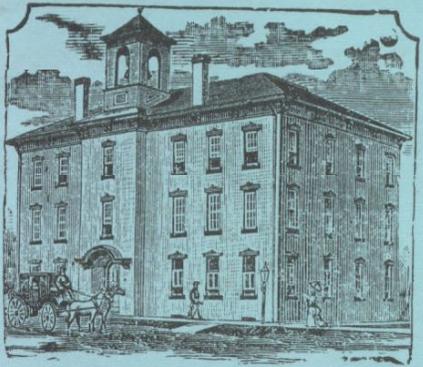
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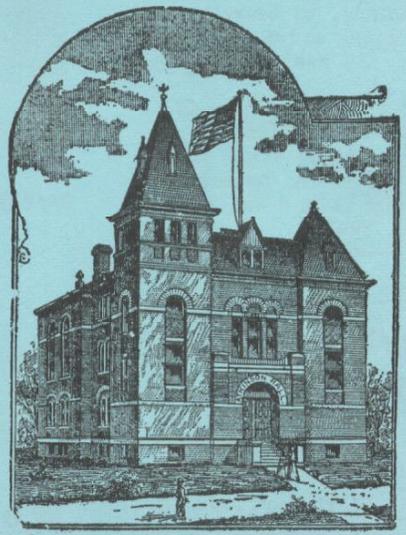
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# The HOLMES MURDER CASE

A series of bizarre murders in Chicago, Philadelphia and in other cities during the early 1890's—one involving a former Galva couple—has been referred to as the "Holmes Murder Case" in numerous accounts, including a chapter in a recent book "The Pinkertons: The Detective Dynasty That Made History," by James D. Moran in 1977.

The book has been circulated this summer by Galva public library thru its affiliation with the Illinois Valley Library System.

The murders were committed by a man named Herman W. Mudgett, whose alias was Dr. H. H. Holmes, many in his drug store on Chicago's southside at the corner of 63rd and Wallace streets, fiendishly designed with secret rooms for the disposal of his victims in quicklime vats.

*No less than 27 people died at the hands of Holmes, according to his confession, among them Benjamin F. Pitezel, killed in an insurance swindle in 1894, and later three of his children.*

The murder castle of H. H. Holmes went down in flames under the hands of vengeful arsonists on the night of August 19, 1895, and therewith passed away one of the greatest monuments to diabolism of all time. A corn-belt Casanova, pharmacist, con man and amateur architect, Holmes was a consummate artist in everything he did. His hundred-room castle was a dark, soaring wonderland of sham turrets, battlements and mullioned windows behind which lay a maze of secret passageways, sliding walls, peepholes, gas chambers, dungeons, dissecting rooms, acid vats and—master stroke of master strokes—greased chutes leading from the upper floors to the catacombs below. Holmes' specialty was pretty young ladies with money and he hit his stride during the Columbian Exposition of 1893, near whose site he had thoughtfully constructed his "rooming house."

The Columbian frolic provided any number of pretty young strangers to choose from, and for his specialties, which cannot be detailed here, Holmes chose upward of a hundred more or less innocent maidens. Like so many others before him, however, he was carried away by success. Too many pretty young things tripped gaily over his threshold, too few tripped out. Neighbors grew suspicious, conveyed their suspicions to the police and, since his castle could scarcely bear even the most cursory inspection, the jig was up. After Holmes' execution, it was discovered that his real name was the unlikely—and un-lethal—one of Herman Webster Mudgett, and that he was originally a New Hampshireman. In any case, historians of crime agree

Mr. Pitezel had formerly worked on a farm several miles east of Galva, and his wife, the former Carrie Canning, was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. Canning, of Galva, who lived on Southeast 6th Ave., later the home of the Jerry Alderman family. The Pitezels had been living in St. Louis before the murder.

The Pinkerton book refers to the fact that Mrs. Pitezel visited "her family in Galva, Illinois," and other accounts, including one in the Chicago American in April, 1961, referred to Galva. (The location of the home here was determined during research for an account we wrote in 1932 after the Chicago Tribune reviewed the case.)

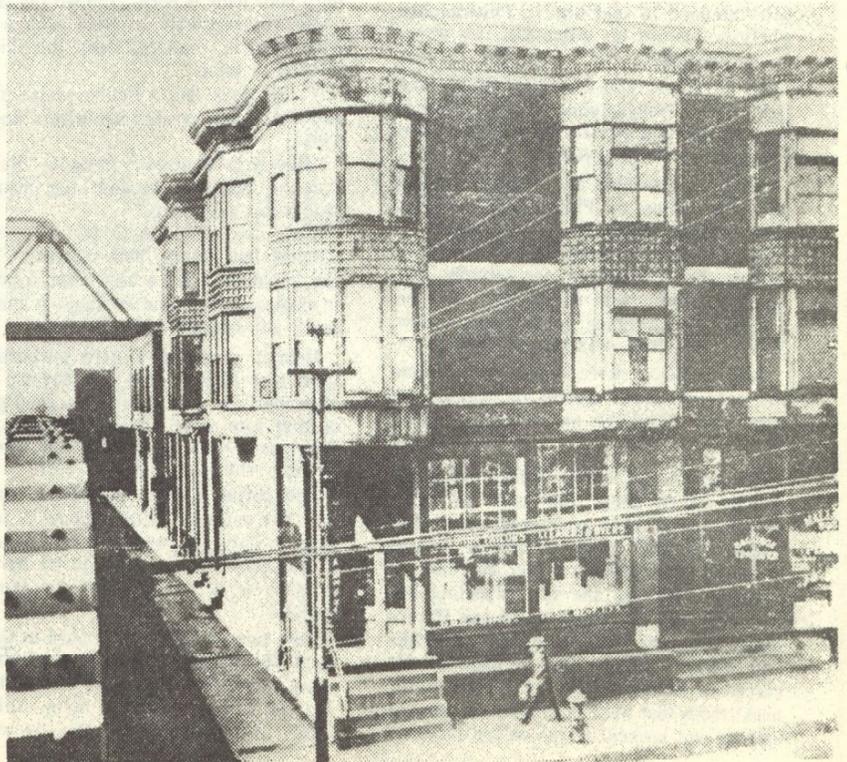
A book, "The Holmes-Pitezel Case" was written by Frank P. Geyer, the Philadelphia detective who solved the case, and the book referred to Galva in several instances.

Holiday magazine summarized the Holmes case in August, 1961, in an article by Eli Waldron, "Murder Tour of the Midwest," reproduced below:

that while Holmes' greed was deplorable, his finesse can only be viewed with admiration: all are of a mind that there is something strangely charming in the thought of these naked young ladies zipping along the greased chutes in the darkness.

H. H. HOLMES described in the Pinkerton book as "America's Bluebeard."

Below is the "murder castle" in Chicago



# The HOLMES MURDER CASE

This is a reprint of the article in Chicago's American on April 9, 1961, by Ruth Reynolds, headlined "Was Justice Done? He Made Women Disappear":

The man standing in front of an office on Philadelphia's Callowhill street gazed hopefully at the sign, "B. F. Perry—Patents Bought and Sold." Squaring his shoulders, he walked in, expecting to discuss an invention.

Altho coat and hat hung on a hook in plain sight, Perry's office had an almost deserted look. When no one appeared, the disappointed caller left.

But he returned the next day—Sept. 3, 1894.

The coat and hat still hung from the hook. The office was still empty. This time the caller inquired about Perry in the neighborhood. He was told Perry lived in an apartment upstairs but hadn't been seen or heard for at least three days. The determined visitor talked with Policeman George Lewis, and together they forced the door to the apartment.

Perry was in the back room of the small apartment. His face, his chest, and one side of his body were badly burned. Nearby were his pipe, a burned match, and a broken bottle which had held an inflammable fluid similar to benzine.

A coroner's jury decided that Perry died of acute alcoholism aggravated by morphine. His injuries came when chemicals exploded while he was trying to light his pipe. He had been dead three days when his body was found.

Letters in Perry's pockets indicated he came originally from St. Louis and that his wife intended to join him in Philadelphia, where he opened his office just two weeks before his death.

But St. Louis police could find no Mrs. B. F. Perry. Philadelphia held the body in the city morgue for 10 days, then it was consigned to potter's field.

Several days later the Fidelity Mutual Life Association of Philadelphia received a letter from Jephtha Howe, a reputable St. Louis attorney. He said he had reason to believe the dead Perry was actually Benjamin F. Pitzel, who carried one of their \$10,000 life insurance policies. His widow, Mrs. Carrie Pitzel, was Howe's client.

Arrangements were made to exhume the body and Howe arrived in Philadelphia with Alice Pitzel, 14, and a family friend, Dr. H. H. Holmes.

Holmes, 34, said Pitzel opened the Philadelphia office under the name of Perry because he sought to avoid creditors in Fort Worth, Tex. Mrs. Pitzel couldn't be present to identify the remains of her husband, he explained, because she was expecting her fifth child any day. However, he and Pitzel's oldest daughter were ready to undertake that sad task. Holmes said he expected the corpse to have a mole on the back of the neck; teeth that were peculiarly spaced, the colored and broken; a scar on the forehead



BENJAMIN PITZEL was first the assistant, then the victim of the brutal killer.

and one twisted fingernail which had been crushed by a child's rocker.

The corpse had all these marks of identification, so the insurance company gave Howe, who showed power of attorney, a check for \$10,000. Returning to St. Louis, he gave the money to Mrs. Pitzel, less \$2,800 for his fees and expenses.

"But didn't the children return with you?" she asked anxiously when Alice, Nellie, 12, and Howard, 5, did not appear.

"Holmes said he would care for them until your baby is born," replied the lawyer. "You are fortunate to have such a good friend. He is wonderful with the children, so kind to them."

A few days later, Holmes came to see Mrs. Pitzel and greeted her with a knowing wink.

"Ben is in Montreal," he said. "He can't come to you yet, because the insurance people are suspicious."

"O, I told him not to try it!" she exclaimed, half angry, half fearful. "I told him he couldn't get a body from a hospital or medical college and disfigure it and then pass it off as his own!"

Holmes produced a note purporting to show that Pitzel would lose \$16,000 worth of property in Fort Worth if a good portion of that sum were not paid at once. Mrs. Pitzel gave Holmes \$7,000 of the insurance money—which left her only \$200.

Thoughtful Holmes suggested that she take her youngest child, Dessie, 3, to relatives in Galva, Ill., and there await the birth of her baby. He promised to let her know as soon as it was safe for the family to reunite.

The baby, Wharton, was born in Galva on Sept. 28—the very day Alice wrote that they were all in Cincinnati with Mr. Holmes and that he was very good to them. Altho Mrs. Pitzel was much cheered, she did wish her

Ben were not so completely under Holmes' domination. For five years now, he had been participating in Holmes' swindles with no great profit to himself.

Mrs. Pitzel would have been puzzled and more than likely alarmed if she had known what Holmes was doing . . .

On Sept. 28, he registered as "Alexander E. Cook and children" at Atlantic House in Cincinnati, across the Ohio river from Covington, Ky.

On Oct. 2, Holmes left Indianapolis for Detroit. Alice and Nellie Pitzel were with him. Little Howard was not. He wrote Mrs. Pitzel the time had come for the family reunion.

But when Carrie arrived in Detroit with Wharton and Dessie, Holmes told her she might as well return to Galva "because there's an investigation under way." When she refused his request to keep Wharton and Dessie, he refused to let her see the older children. Poor Mrs. Pitzel returned to Illinois. Holmes went on to Toronto with Alice and Nellie.

On Oct. 18, the widow was summoned yet again by Holmes. But when she and the two little ones reached Toronto, he told her "no reunion yet." However, he had rented a house for her in Burlington, Vt., where she could wait for her husband and older children.

"I know I can't see Ben," she said, "but why doesn't he write to me?"

"Because of the investigation," Holmes replied readily. "A letter might be intercepted."

The trusting woman went off to Vermont.

On Oct. 21, Holmes rented a house on St. Vincent street in Toronto.

Then he went to New Hampshire to visit his first wife and his 15 year old son. While there, he cheated a brother out of \$300. The Pitzel girls were not with him.

Just about this time Police Chief Larry Harrigan of St. Louis received a curious letter from an imprisoned bank robber, Marion Hedgspeth, alias Hedspeth.

Hedspeth said that the previous June a fellow jailbird named George Howard told him of a plot to swindle \$10,000 out of a Philadelphia insurance company with a man named Ben Pitzel. Howard told him all the scheme lacked was an honest lawyer and he promised Hedspeth \$500 if he could get one for him.

Attorney Jephtha Howe, brother of Hedspeth's lawyer, took the case. Now Hedspeth had learned that the insurance had been paid but he hadn't received his \$500. Howard jumped bail and hadn't been heard from since.

This letter brought police—and insurance company—action.

Howe was horrified to hear that he was involved—even unknowingly—in anything

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## HOLMES MURDER CASE

(from preceding page)

illegal. And Mrs. Pitzel, who had returned to Galva [about 200 miles from St. Louis] was glad to tell everything she knew about Holmes because she now despaired of ever again seeing her husband or her three missing children.

Ben, she said, was devoted to her and the children, "but so much clay in Holmes' hands." The two men first met in 1889, when Holmes bailed Ben out of jail in Terre Haute on a bad check charge, and they had been in cahoots ever since.

Carrie said Holmes worked on her husband, who was addicted to alcohol, to pull an insurance body swindle. In spite of her objections, Ben took out the \$10,000 policy on Nov. 9, 1893, naming her as beneficiary.

He moved to Philadelphia some weeks before he opened an office and wrote that he was exceedingly lonesome for the children. Because she thought the presence of the older children would keep him from drinking, said Carrie, she let them go to Philadelphia with Holmes.

She never saw them again and, apparently, neither did Ben. Just four days before his death he wrote her, "Have you seen or heard from Alice, Nellie, or Howard? Since this man got possession of them, I have not."

"I don't think he substituted a body. I think he killed my husband—and my children!" she exclaimed.

The tortured woman put into words what many people thought.

The body was again exhumed. This time a coroner's jury concluded that Pitzel—or whoever it was—had been chloroformed by Holmes. The fugitive was charged with murder and with conspiracy to defraud the insurance company.

Holmes was arrested in Boston on Nov. 19, 1894, when he was about to take a train for Burlington, where he thought Mrs. Pitzel was still waiting. Instead, he went to Philadelphia. On the train, he offered the detective who was guarding him \$500 to submit to hypnotism then and there. [Investigators who visited the Burlington house in which Mrs. Pitzel stayed found a large bottle of chloroform in the cellar.]

In Philadelphia, the prisoner admitted he defrauded the insurance company "by swearing the body was Pitzel's when it was actually B. F. Perry's." Pitzel, he said, was in South America with his three children.

Now Holmes revised his story.

He said that Pitzel, in an alcoholic rage, killed himself with chloroform, leaving him [Holmes] to carry out the insurance plot alone. The Pitzel children were with a Minnie Williams from Fort Worth—he couldn't say exactly where. Maybe South America, or Detroit, or England.

Slowly, the incredible story of Harry H. Holmes was emerging . . .

Originally, his name was Herman W. Mudgett and he was born to a respectable couple on May 16, 1860, in Gilmanton, N. H. He was

raised on a farm near Burlington. Extremely bright, studious, ambitious, he became a teacher at 16. At 18, he married a New Hampshire girl, Clara Lovering. At 19, he was the father of a son and a student at the University of Vermont in Burlington. At 20, he settled his wife and baby in Ann Arbor, Mich., and matriculated at the University of Michigan.

At 21, Mudgett had the first of many ideas which were to make him infamous. At his behest, a fellow student, who wanted to leave school, obtained a \$1,000 life insurance policy and named him beneficiary. Together, they obtained a young male body which bore a remarkable likeness to the policyholder.

They placed the body surreptitiously in this conspirator's bed, and then he disappeared. The insurance company paid—no questions asked. Mudgett was \$1,000 richer and his course was set for life.

By 1885, he was Dr. Harry H. Holmes, suave and courteous. He was bigamously married to a well-to-do Chicago girl, Murta Belknap. They had three children and lived in a fine house in suburban Wilmette.

Holmes marketed water from Chicago city pipes as an elixir "from my own mineral spring"; he peddled a machine [hitched to city gas pipes] "guaranteed to change city water into illuminating gas." In 1887, he answered an advertisement placed by a "Mrs. Dr. Holden" who wanted someone to assist in her drugstore at 63d and Wallace on Chicago's south side.

At first, Mrs. Holden was delighted with her new assistant and approved his employment of I. L. Conner and his wife, Julia. In time, Conner disappeared and Julia, with her 8 year old daughter, Gertrude, went to live with Dr. Holmes.

Then Mrs. Holden disappeared and Holmes owned the drugstore.

In 1892, he purchased a four story brick building across the street from the pharmacy. He rented the ground floor stores and let it be known that the upstairs apartments would be remodeled to accommodate visitors expected to attend Chicago's 1893 World's fair.

Julia Conner and her daughter disappeared as Emily Cigrand, a typewriter [as stenographers were called in those days], came into Holmes' life . . . and went out like the others.

Then he met Minnie Williams, a school teacher who owned about \$20,000 worth of property in Texas. She thought Holmes' name was Harry Gordon. After she moved into the Castle, she invited her sister, Anna, to come north for the wedding.

After papers were signed giving Harry rights to Minnie's Texas property, he went south and borrowed on the property, using the name O. C. Pratt.

In November, 1893, he announced that the Castle had been burned and he sought to collect \$60,000 fire insurance on it. Insurance investigators insisted on examining the building from top to bottom, and this Holmes would not allow. So Holmes—or rather, Minnie Williams—surrendered the policy.

Now comes a strange quirk—  
In Denver on Jan. 17, 1894, using the name George Howard, this amazing man married Georgie Ann Yoke. And Minnie Williams was a witness. Don't ask how or why—the fellow could charm anybody into almost anything.

After that, Minnie Williams and her sister Anna disappeared.

When police entered the Castle in Chicago they learned very quickly why Holmes didn't want insurance investigators to go thru it.

In his "office" on the second floor there was a windowless bathroom. Here a rug hid a trap door. The door led to a concealed stairway which connected a secret cellar room and a third floor "laboratory."

In the laboratory stood a vault. In the basement room was a deeply bloodstained table which obviously had been used for dissection. Nearby was a "disposal unit," a large grate with a firebox below and a removable iron covering in front.

Police began to dig beneath the cellar floor. Mostly they turned up quicklime, but they also found 17 ribs, three sections of vertebrae, and several teeth attached to a jaw bone.

In Philadelphia, Holmes, who had grown a beard between the time of his arrest and June 3, 1895, when he pleaded guilty to fraud, professed to know nothing about the gruesome discoveries in the Castle. What about the women who had disappeared? Anna was the only one he could account for.

He said that one week after Anna's arrival in Chicago, Minnie beat her sister to death in a battle for his affections. Obligingly, he said, he put Anna's body in a trunk and dumped it in the lake. As for Minnie, he knew nothing about her whereabouts except that she had the Pitzel children with her. One that he insisted.

The monumental task of tracing the youngsters, who hadn't been seen for eight months, fell to Detective Frank P. Geyer.

Finally, on July 15, 1895, Geyer found the decomposed bodies of Alice and Nellie Pitzel in the cellar of the house on St. Vincent street in Toronto. And the following month he found a charred mass in the chimney of a house in Irvington, Ind., a suburb of Indianapolis. That was all that was left of little Howard Pitzel.

The one man murder ring came to trial in Philadelphia on Oct. 28, 1895.

In the middle of jury selection, Holmes fired his lawyers and conducted the examination himself. When the prosecution began calling witnesses, he cross-examined.

No witnesses were called in his defense. His lawyers simply argued that Pitzel killed himself. But on Nov. 2, the jury found him guilty and Judge Michael Arnold sentenced him to be hanged.

On May 7, 1896, Holmes confessed that he had killed 27—approximately two a year for 13 years—but he refused to say who or why. A few hours later he stepped to the scaffold in Moyamensing prison. With eyes gleaming and voice sharp, he pronounced a curse on all who were responsible for his situation. Then the trap door opened and he fell to his doom.

# VEST POCKET ESSAYS



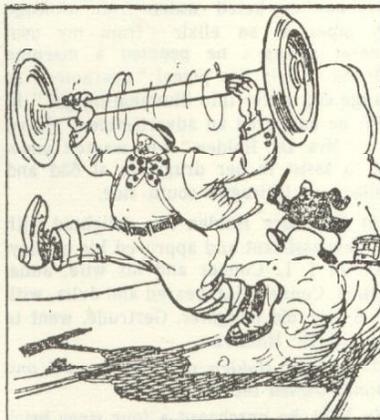
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Colleges were invented a great many centuries ago, but have only become virulent during the last fifty years. Formerly a college was only a place in which to learn things in books and was as dull as a monastery. Now it is a place in which to learn all about science, politics, lawn tennis, history of art, blocking off with the elbow, evidence of Christianity, how to keep a dance programme straight, histrionics, frathouse construction, trigonometry, sign stealing, French, advanced United States, physiology, eating in all its branches, baseball, gymnastics, how to live on credit, matrimony, the science of making the hair stand up straight, political economy, noises—mechanical and vocal—Greek, human nature, girls and policemen. The college student of today learns all there is to learn about all these things in four years, whereas one hundred years ago a graduate was lucky if he could read Latin and Greek at sight and could dodge hearses on the streets. Inventors boast of the great strides made by science in the last century. But science is a canalboat compared with education.

Colleges are useful because they produce teachers, preachers, writers and statesmen. They are a nuisance because they produce 'rah 'rah boys in explosive clothes, who have confined their studies to a thorough education in the conquest of thirst. Happily, these are greatly in the minority.

Statistics show that of all the men in America less than one-fiftieth are college graduates. On the other hand, one-fourth of all the famous men in the country are college men. One-half of the members of Congress are college men. Seventeen out of twenty-six Presidents have been college men. Nine-tenths of the writers of the country and one-half of the millionaires are college men—and only one out of a thousand inmates of prisons are college men.

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## Class of 1924

The 45th anniversary of the Galva high school class of 1924 was observed Sunday, August 10, at a picnic in Wiley park, with 14 present, including members and guests:

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Sandquist, of Alcedo; Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Peterson of Peoria; Mrs. Thisbe Elion Hawks, Mr. and Mrs. James White, Mrs. Theodore Ericson, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Morse and Mr. and Mrs. John B. Thompson and Allan, of Galva, in addition to Mrs. Lora Swanson, who was here from Rockville Centre, New York, member of the class of 1923.

Greetings were read from Mrs. Juanita Anderson, of Chicago; Mrs. Margaret Irwin, of Galesburg; Mrs. Lillian Reed, of Wataga, and Mr. and Mrs. Roland Olson, of Dishop Hill.

Except during the World War II years the class has held a get-together each summer.

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## 1897 Personal Property

### Assessments in County

In the August issue of Galvaland the Henry county real estate assessment figures for each township in 1897 was published.

This is a reprint of the personal property assessments for the same year:

	Reptd	No
	Valtn	dgs
Oxford.....	\$82050	73
Clover.....	93875	55
Weller.....	59340	88
Galva.....	104508	88
Wethersfield.....	70083	112
Lynn.....	46082	82
Andover.....	51840	87
Cambridge.....	146035	103
Burns.....	56289	101
Kewanee.....	392140	267
Western.....	64678	100
Osco.....	78009	76
Munson.....	72943	87
Cornwall.....	61176	100
Annawan.....	42808	87
Colona.....	32944	84
Edford.....	44113	87
Geneseo.....	337344	122
Atkinson.....	59373	98
Alba.....	23031	46
Hanna.....	17197	52
Phenix.....	29338	59
Lorraine.....	34678	70
Yorktown.....	29858	86

Totals.....\$2070392 2210

### SUMMARY.

	Assed	Amt	Agzd
	Value.	Added.	Value.
Lands...	6,268,446	49,867	6,318,312
Lots.....	1,583,341		1,583,141
Total..	7,851,587		7,901,454

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#### RECENT GALVA VISITORS

Mrs. O. W. Johnson, of Elmhurst, was in Galva August 21 while enroute home after spending a week and one-half in Galesburg. She resides at 653 S. Euclid in Elmhurst, near her daughter Mary Lou (Mr. and Mrs. Tom Cain) and also near her son William.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Crumbaugh (Eileen Arvidson), of Kansas City, visited friends and relatives in Galva and Cambridge on August 11 and 12. She is the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Arvidson and the address is 5001 Olive, Kansas City, Mo. 64130.

The Ernest G. Ovitz family (Rebecca Best), of Birmingham, Alabama, spent several days here in mid-August with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leon H. Best. They reside at 2340 Mountain Oaks Lane in Birmingham.

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Richardson and two children, Clark and Kristin, of Minneapolis, came August 21 to spend the week-end in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Hedlund. Mrs. Richardson is the former Harriet Nelson, daughter of the late Alice Thorp Nelson and they were accompanied to Galva by Harriet's grandmother, Mrs. Mabel Thorp, who had spent 2½ weeks in Minneapolis.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Porta (Pearl Weaver) were scheduled to leave August 29 for their home in California after visiting here with Miss Lenora Cummings and with Mrs. Marie Ericson, Mrs. Albert Peve, Mrs. Helen Hunt, Mrs. Harold Stephenson and other relatives and friends.

Mrs. Edythe Lindberg, of Inglewood, California, left August 27 to return home after spending about two weeks here with Mrs. Thisbe Hawks. The James Lindbergs, of Manhattan Beach, California, were here for a short time before going on to Wisconsin to visit her folks.

The Ralph Dolks, of Washington, D. C., came August 26 to visit his mother, Mrs. Mary Dolk, after visiting Mrs. Ralph Dolk's folks in St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Collinson, of Hollywood, Florida, visited her sister, Mrs. Jennie Lapan.

Mrs. Lora Swanson was scheduled to leave August 31 to return to her home in Rockville Centre, New York, after a month in this area.

#### DR. BURDETT DUNBAR NOW

#### AT MICHAEL REECE HOSPITAL

Dr. Burdett Dunbar has completed two years of duty at Lackland Air Force base in Texas and is now at Michael Reece hospital in Chicago. The family is residing in Glen Ellyn at 1140 Heather Lane.

Dr. Dunbar, a 1963 graduate of the University of Illinois college of medicine, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Marion Dunbar, of Galva. Mrs. Dunbar is the former Suzanne Massingill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Massingill, also of Galva.

#### Ann Cowley Wedding Is

#### Solemnized in Germany

In a wedding ceremony at Karlsruhe, Germany, vows were exchanged on August 8 by Miss Ann Louise Cowley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Cowley (Elizabeth Leaf), of Costa Mesa, California, formerly of Galva, and Sp/4 Joel Thomas Clark, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joel Clark Sr., of San Clemente, California.

The groom is in the Quartermaster Corps at Karlsruhe, where he will be stationed another 18 months during a two-year tour of duty.

The 8 a. m. ceremony in the Solmhaus at Karlsruhe was conducted by three German officials, followed by the service at 12 noon in Gerszweiski Chapel in charge of Philip Lamonth. A luncheon and reception followed in a German restaurant near the barracks.

Ann left by plane for Germany on July 29. She has an elementary teacher's degree and may take a teaching position while in Germany.

Mrs. Elizabeth Cowley has spent some time here in August with her father, Elmer E. Leaf, who was hospitalized a few days for tests, and with her brother Robert.

#### Degree in Fine Arts

Derek Myers recently completed work on his master's degree in fine arts at the University of Iowa. He is the son of Mrs. Florence Myers (Stimp), former Galva teacher, now residing in Lockport, Ill.

#### Address Change

Mr. and Mrs. James Scott (Jeannd Miller)—4907 Guadalupe Dr., El Paso Texas 79904.

#### MIKE'S BASEBALL TROPHY

J. Walter Nelson sent a note from LaGrange, commenting on the recent death of Fred W. "Slats" Hudson:

"In the article it mentioned I received the loving cup donated by Fred for the best batting average in the city league. I still have it and cherish it very much. It reads as follows:

"Presented by F. W. Hudson. Best batting average, City League, 1915. Won by J. W. Nelson, Average 473."

"Also I noted Joe J. Lord received his 50-year pin from the Galva Masonic lodge 243. I will be a 50-year member on September 23, 1969, as I joined on that date in 1919. Hope to live that long to receive my third 50-year pin, as I already have one in banking and in the American Legion, and now the Masonic lodge."

#### ARRIVE FROM ALASKA

Paul Vick and son Paul Allen arrived in Galva August 25 from Cordova, Alaska, to join Mrs. Vick, who had been here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Collinson, since early in the month. They planned to go to Orlando, Florida, to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Vick.

Paul Allen, who graduated last spring from Cordova high school, will enter the University of Montana at Missoula on September 22.

#### AT UNIVERSITY IN FRANCE

Miss Anne DeNovo, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. John A. DeNovo, of Madison, Wisconsin, has been accepted as a student in the university at Bordeaux, France, for her junior year after attending Berkeley the past two years. She left August 27 on a chartered plane from Los Angeles and after several days of sightseeing will go to Pau in the Pyrenees for six weeks of intensive language study.

The John DeNovos visited here recently with his mother, Mrs. August DeNovo.

#### Here From Texas

Mr. and Mrs. Merl Nelson, of Claude, Texas, were recent visitors in Galva and Bishop Hill. They reside at 504 S. Parks in Claude.

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**F. DALE LONG, 60,  
FORMER TEACHER,  
DIES, ROCK ISLAND**

F. Dale Long, 60, of Rock Island, former Galva teacher and elementary supervisor, died August 23 in his home at 936½ -17th St., Rock Island.

Mr. Long served as vocational agriculture teacher in Galva high school from the fall of 1945 until 1953 when he became elementary supervisor, succeeding Randall Parker. During the past eight years he had resided in the Quad-Cities and was a teacher in the Huffman school in East Moline.

He was born August 11, 1909, on a farm near Rushville, a son of John and Anna Howell Long. He attended Schuyler county schools, Mt. Sterling high school and the University of Illinois. Later he received his master's degree from Bradley university in Peoria.

He taught in the Monmouth area before coming to Galva.

He was united in marriage with Evelyn L. Shive and she died in 1950.

His parents survive, as well as one son, Whitney J. Long, of St. Paul; one daughter, Sp/4 Carol Jean Long, with the U. S. Army at Fort McClellan, Alabama; and one granddaughter.

He was preceded by one brother.

Services were held August 27 in the Roby Funeral Home in Rushville, with burial in Herche cemetery in the Rushville area.

**ASSIGNED TO VIETNAM**

Harland Rapp, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Rapp, Rte. 1, Galva, left in mid-August for duty in Vietnam after completing his graining at Fort Polk, Louisiana, and Fort Sill, Oklahoma. He entered the Army on March 12 this year.

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**Three Prominent Kewanee  
Residents Die in August**

The deaths of three prominent Kewanee residents occurred during August:

Mrs. A. W. Errett, 82, president of the board of Kewanee Public Library, died August 6 in the Lake Forest hospital. She was librarian in 1910 and 1911 and was a member of the board from 1917 until her death, serving as president since 1931.

Mrs. Errett was active in several groups, including the D. A. R.

Miss Violet J. Parsons died also on August 6, a short time after she was installed as president of Pilot International, a women's service organization, during the convention in Chicago July 19-24. She was secretary-treasurer and also general production manager of the Mail-O-Graph in Kewanee.

Earl G. Taylor, 81, veteran Kewanee automobile dealer, died August 9 in his home on McKinley Ave. He was associated with his father, the late A. C. Taylor, until he purchased the business in 1924. He was active in the automobile, farm implement and hardware business more than 40 years.

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**NEW BRIDGE NORTH OF  
BISHOP HILL; HISTORY  
OF BRIDGES COMPILED**

Work on a new bridge over Edwards river at the north edge of Bishop Hill was started early in August by the Sweborg Construction Co., of Galesburg, to replace the old bridge which collapsed last December 3 under the weight of a Ratliff truck. A large culvert had been in use temporarily.

*In a pile driving operation which was quite a contrast to the labor of the women in the Krans painting, 45-foot reinforced concrete pillars 18 inches square, were driven by a weight attached to a crane.*

Mrs. John A. Oberg (Alfhild Bergren), correspondent for the Kewanee Star-Courier, compiled the following bit of history about the Edwards river bridges:

In the year 1903 three steel bridges with plank driveways were built crossing the South Edwards river lying just north of the village limits and at a mile on each side of the village. One bridge spans the river just about a quarter of a mile east of the Rock Island railroad by the elevator, one mile east of Bishop Hill. The third bridge, referred to as the Tillman bridge, spans the South Edwards a mile west of the village.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Ericson, Bishop Hill residents, recall that Mrs. Ericson's father, the late Eric Lindstrum, living then on the farm where Everett Wexell family now live, a mile north of the Bishop Hill elevator, had bought a "New Huber Steam Engine," which was shipped from Peoria to Bishop Hill by rail, taking them most of the day to unload and fire it up for running. He brought it home on June 17, 1903 over the new bridge that was put in within just a day or so before at the north edge of the village.

Another interesting story was the villagers saying "Eric Lindstrum's New Huber Steam Engine brought a new baby girl to the John Ericson home that night as it rolled by between 10 and 11 p.m. from the depot to the village." That baby girl was Mrs. Floyd (Marie) Johnson, now of Galva.

45 YEARS AGO ...

THE YEAR WAS

1924

The Month Was September

Seven lettermen were on the 1924 Galva football team, coached by A. R. Wetzel — Henry Bridgman, Dan Alderman, Kenneth W. Johnson, Meryl Swanson, Cecil Brown, Fred Waller, and Fred Strong, plus Robert Cowell and Dick Coyle, who had some experience the previous year. Galva swamped Woodhull in the opening game, but lost to Kewanee, 22 to 0, in the second game.

The Rexall drug store of H. O. Hartley was purchased by F. R. Peterson, who had operated a store in Bishop Hill. Mr. Hartley, who had purchased the store from P. O. Norling in 1912, also sold his residence in Galva Heights to Mr. Peterson.

The hard road between Galva and Kewanee was reopened after being closed three weeks due to damage by the cloudburst on August 19-20.

Andrew Arntson was elected president of Lake Calhoun association as successor to Glenn R. Swank, who had been elected president a year previously. Fred Calhoun and Frank Stephenson were vice presidents, John L. Lovgren was secretary and Lloyd H. Lindquist was treasurer.

Interurban service between Galva and Kewanee was resumed September 1 after the line had been idle since the preceding October as the result of its purchase by Dave Wine, of Kewanee. It was acquired by the Kewanee Public Service Co.

Mrs. Pearle J. Bergland was named 15th district president of the Illinois Federation of Women's Clubs, as successor to Mrs. E. O. Brown, who moved to Bloomington.

Drs. Alford & Stewart moved into their new office on Main St., the former Dickinson residence.

The Moline Oil Co. disposed of its oil station to the Roxana Oil Co. and Stanley Cawne became manager, succeeding Enos Mitchell. His assistant was Herbert Palmer and the truck driver was Royce Ringle.

The Houghton Lumber yard in Cambridge was sold to Johnson & Record of that city.

Dr. C. F. Schwab reopened his dental office after attending a six-weeks course in Kansas City.

S. B. Baldwin, who moved here from Kewanee, opened an auto repair shop south of the Galva Mills.

Dode Sherman purchased the W. M. Collinson residence north of the Lincoln school.

Defense Day was observed September 12 with a program in North Cen-

1924 Faculty of Galva

Grade and High Schools

Galva schools reopened September 8 for the 1924-25 term, with a total enrollment of 573, including 200 in the high school, 139 in the North grades and 234 in the Lincoln school according to Supt. F. U. White.

J. P. Shand was high school principal and other teachers were:

- Gertrude Biederman — English
Katherine Arnold — History
Edith L. Welsheimer — Latin and English
Hallis Miller — Domestic science
Mildred Ely — Commercial

Helen Houghton — English, dramatics, public speaking.

Bernice M. Huffman — Gen. science.
Martha Godfrey — Mathematics

Russell Bickford — Physics, chemistry, mathematics

A. R. Wetzel — Manual training and athletics

Roxy Dunbar — Music and drawing

Grade School Teachers

North grades — Florence Wiley, 6th and 7th; Florence Moore, 4th and 5th; Mildred Holloway, 3rd and 4th; Nellie Sewell, 1st and 2nd.

Lincoln school — Lola B. Glidden, principal; Flora Kline, Bessie McKane, Millie Swanson and Blanche Dunbar, junior high; Florence Nelson, 5th and 6th; Ethel Murchison, 4th and 5th; Esther Anderson, 2nd and 3rd; Cora Johnson, 1st and 2nd.

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tral park, when George D. Palmer was chairman.

Merl Anderson, who had been employed at Highlander's a year and one-half, went to Galesburg to attend college.

Kathryn Wiseman was named editor of the Galva for the 1924-25 term.

The Galva Independents football team was organized, with George Cromien as captain and Howard Lapan as manager. Other players were: C. Cunningham, F. Nelson, D. Craig, G. Harrison, G. Talbot, Eck Haines, W. Burnett, M. Morton, L. Oberg, J. Cowell, E. Nordquist and J. Bradley.

Don K. Manley played in the Bloomington American Legion band during the state convention in Champaign.

Another round barn was being constructed on the Meryl Morgan farm northwest of Galva to replace the one destroyed by lightning.

September 11 was Galva day at the LaFayette fair and September 19 was City of Go day at the Cambridge fair.

R. P. Dexter described a vacation trip to Boston and other eastern points at a meeting of Galva Rotary club.

The Rev. C. F. W. Smith was reassigned as pastor of Galva First Methodist church.

Mrs. G. E. Bonta and Mabel Magnuson, accompanied by Ruth Palmer and Helen Hoare, of Chicago, returned after spending a two weeks' vacation in Colorado.

Chink Anderson, John Moore and Dick Hawks, accompanied by Sidney Moore, of Colona, motored to Waterloo Iowa.

Harley Emery sustained a fracture of his right leg at the Kewanee Fair while he was exercising his race horse.

Weddings in September 1924

Miss Maurine Hanson, daughter of Mrs. Dulie Hanson, was united in marriage with George P. Fenn, of New York City, in Galva Baptist church on September 9.

The marriage of Miss Velma R. Miller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Perry Miller, and Curtis W. Phillips also of Galva, was solemnized September 7 in Alpha.

Miss Violet Lock, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Olof Lock, was united in marriage with M. R. Smith in Kansas City.

LaVeta Sweat, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. Sweat, was united in marriage with William McLennan, of Chicago, on September 25.

The wedding of Miss Grace Benson, daughter of Mrs. J. A. Benson, and Philip H. Myers, of Galesburg, was solemnized on September 7.

Harvey W. Kewish, Galva post office employee, was united in marriage with Mrs. Harriet Barnes, of Rock Island, on September 4.

Deaths in September 1924

Earl Layton Yocum Jr., 11-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Yocum, died in the Yocum summer home at Portage Park, Onekama, Michigan, as a result of complications following a cut on his foot.

Nels Carlson, 63, died at his farm home west of Galva after a long illness.

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30 YEARS AGO ...

## THE YEAR WAS

# 1939

### The Month Was September

Enrollment in Galva schools at the start of the 1939-40 term totaled 589, including 262 in the high school, 82 in junior high, 110 in the North grades and 135 in the Lincoln school.

Lettermen on Galva high school football squad were: Cecil Robinson, Paul Vick, Russell Rosander, Arthur Norbom, Morris Johnson, Orville Florine, Bryce Nordstrom, Roland Brady and Maurice Moriarity. The Wildcats won the opening game from Neponset by a 12 to 0 score.

W. J. Curtis was reelected president of Lake Calhoun association and other Galvans reelected were H. M. Flack, treasurer, and Forrest Kelly, secretary.

A record high of 100 degrees on September 15 was registered here, a few days after readings of 98, 96 and 95 were recorded.

Seventeen Galva young folks were enrolled in the University of Illinois: Jane Houghton, Kenneth Berg, Duane Johnson, Paul Kester, Gerald Nordstrom, Harland Johnson, John Collister, James Forse, Robert Teece, Sarah Houghton, Russell Johnson, Robert Hampton, Quinten Appell, Harold Binge, Robert Soderberg, Carrel Morgan and Vera Hanawalt.

A new school bus for transporting students to Galva high school from Bishop Hill and points west of town was purchased for \$1,897.

Atty. James Young went to Detroit where he was associated with Atty. William Eggenberger.

The Labor day fish fry at Lake Calhoun was attended by about 1,500 persons.

Dr. E. L. Tobie, pastor in Pekin four years, was assigned to Galva First Methodist church, succeeding the Rev. H. B. Oborn.

The Rev. Carl H. Malmquist was returned as pastor of Southside Methodist church for the sixth year.

Garrigan's Market installed 345 cold storage lockers for rental to farmers and others.

John Martin sold his milk route to Phil Smith, and another change was the sale of V. E. Trolin's milk business to the Lapan Dairy.

The 70th anniversary of Galva Lutheran church was observed, with the Rev. Nels Bengtson as pastor and with a former pastor, the Rev. L. B.

Benson as a guest speaker. Three members of the 1876 confirmation class were present—Charles Larson, M. O. Swanson and Mrs. J. H. Jones.

Mrs. John Thompson, who returned home after several weeks in Sweden, told of lifeboat drills and an extra charge for "war risk insurance" as war clouds gathered in Europe.

Miss Florence Hedman, American Airlines stewardess between Memphis and Newark, was visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Hedman.

V. V. Headland was compiling material for a history of the Military Tract—15 counties in western Illinois.

Franklin Krans, who had operated the Texaco station six years, opened a men's clothing store in the room on Front St., which had been vacated by John Williams.

Lawrence Carper, formerly of Buda assumed the operation of the Standard oil station west of the Crown Cafe, succeeding Donald Lind.

The lunch room of Helen Hise was reopened after much remodeling, including a 16-foot addition.

After 27 years, the Henry County Interscholastic association was abandoned, with concentration on the Blackhawk conference.

Mr. and Mrs. F. F. McCutchen observed their golden wedding anniversary in their home on Northwest 6th Ave. on September 5.

The new bridge across the Illinois river at Hennepin was dedicated on September 17.

Miss Ellen Anderson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Emil M. Anderson, was united in marriage with George C. Hellwig, of Chicago, on September 2 in Chicago.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Riesebieter.

### Deaths in September 1939

Mrs. C. P. Riner, 67, the former Mina Nelson, died in a Kansas City hospital after a week's illness.

Patrick W. Moriarity, 72, died in his home on West Division St. The children were Mrs. Allen Tolman, of Peoria, and Maurice and Marion, at home.

Edward A. Lindbloom, 73, operator at the Burlington tower until 1924, died in the home of his son, Lyle Lindbloom.

Mort Jackman, 81, a former employee of Galva water works, who had assisted in laying the original water mains here, died in Kewanee.

Mrs. Tracy Sparling, 63, former resident of this community, died at her farm home near Andover.

Mrs. M. E. Ericson, former Galvan died in Los Angeles. Her husband was a former cashier in the Yocum bank.

### MENDEL IS GOVERNOR'S GUEST

S. L. Mendel, of Galva, who has served as the Illinois commander of the United Spanish War Veterans, attended annual Veterans' day at the Illinois State Fair on Sunday, August 10 and was a guest at the luncheon given by Governor Richard Ogilvie for heads of the various veterans' organizations. He was accompanied to Springfield by Harry Norbom.

### Drum Corps in Competition

The Kewanee Black Knights Drum & Bugle Corps, which included several Galva members, participated in the drum corps contest and ranked fourth. First place went to the Chicago Cavaliers.

Local members include: John Headley, Wesley Ball, Dwane Nelson, Calvin Korth and Bonny and Susan Halls.

### GALVA DAY GOLF AWARDS

At the annual Galva Day golf event at Midland country club August 15, the mayor's trophy was received by Frank Bailey, of Lake Calhoun, with a low net of 57.

Rich Falk had a low gross of 78. Rich is a member of a Glenview insurance firm after resigning as freshman basketball coach at Northwestern university, Evanston.

### PURCHASES FARM RESIDENCE

Dr. William E. Frymire, a Galva dentist, has purchased the Main farm residence and some outbuildings six miles west of Galva. The Frymires have been residing at 417 Northwest 1st St.

### GRADUATES AS NURSE

Miss Marlene Young, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Ray Young, was among the 44 graduates of the Moline Lutheran hospital school of nursing participating in graduation exercises August 24 in Centennial Hall of Augustana college, Rock Island.

She is scheduled to begin her duties September 15 in Brokaw hospital, serving the Normal-Bloomington area.

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LaFayette Pupils, About 1911

Pupils in the LaFayette school posed for this picture in 1911 or 1912, with their teacher, Fannie Martin. The photo is the property of Mrs. Lucille Honson Bergstrom, of Bishop Hill.

Front Row:

1. Harry McCabe
2. Claridon Grimm
3. Bill Dickerson
4. Delmar Reed
5. Luke Claycomb
6. \_\_\_\_\_
7. Robert Ingels
8. Floyd Frail
9. Corliss Ingels
10. Earl Janes

Rear Row:

1. Alberta Taylor
2. Lucy White
3. Lenora Brown
4. Velma Gelvin
5. Esther Huffman
6. Dorothy Hoadley
7. Audrey Lake
8. Fannie Martin, Teacher
9. \_\_\_\_\_
10. Kathrine Sandberg
11. Birdie Brazee
12. Edith White

MALCOLM KNOWLES DIES AT 72

Malcolm Knowles, 72, retired Victoria area farmer, died August 7 in St. Mary's hospital, Galesburg.

He was born in Moline, where he grew to young manhood.

Mrs. Knowles survives, and there are two daughters, Mrs. Paul Rollins (Mary), of Altona, and Mrs. C. D. Craig (Phyllis), of Naples, Florida; five grandchildren and two sisters.

Services August 11 in Johnson-Gill-Schuster Chapel were conducted by the Rev. K. Belmont Metzger. Interment was in Galva cemetery and bearers were Morris Lovgren, Doug Sayle, Russell John Collinson, Dale Caldwell, Roy Chapman, Harris Welin.

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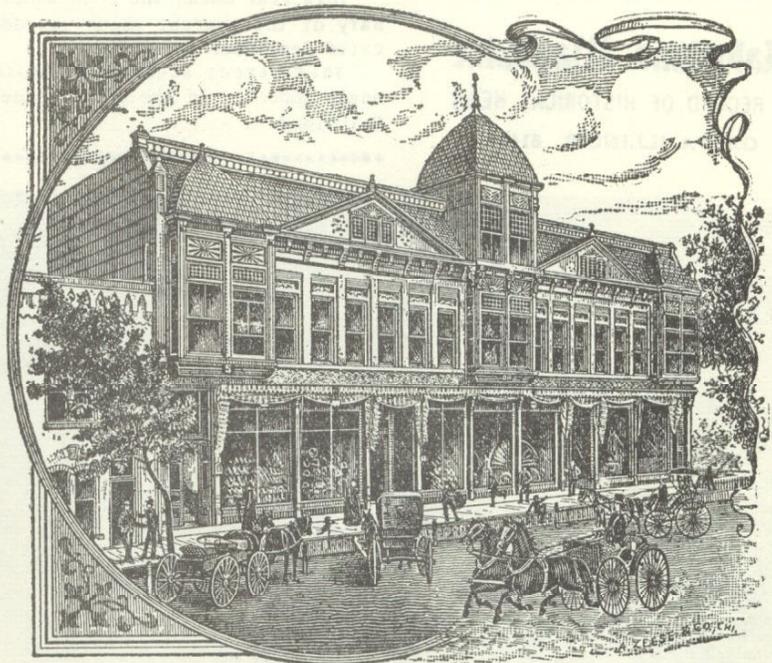
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# NEKOMA'S 100 YEARS

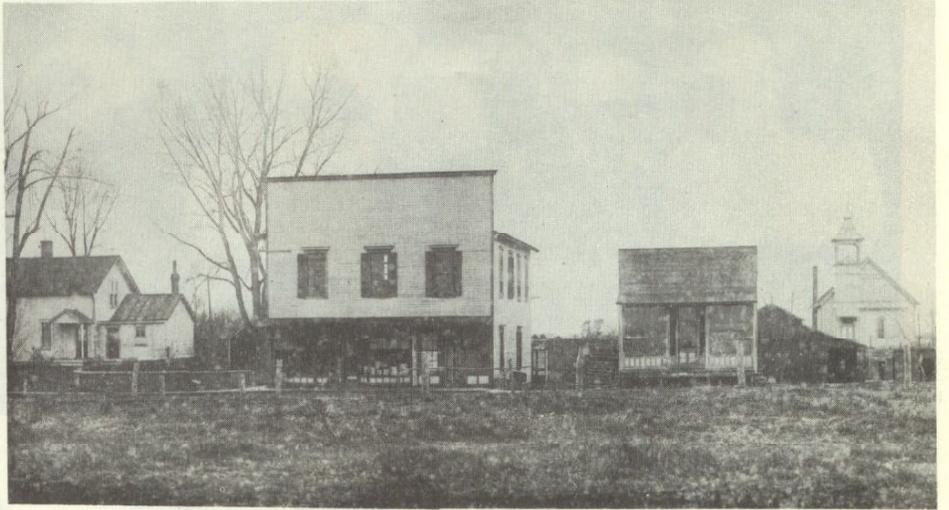
**NEKOMA HOMECOMING  
PLANNED ON SEPT. 14  
AS CENTENNIAL EVENT**

Nekoma's history will pass in review Sunday afternoon, September 14, when a homecoming will be held in the little Weller township village, starting with a potluck dinner on the church grounds about 1 p. m.

There will be no parade (unless an impromptu one is organized) and instead of a formal program, the afternoon will be spent reminiscing and looking at old pictures and clippings. Many Nekoma pictures, such as the two on this page, have been published in Galvaland since the first of the year.

The public is invited, according to Mrs. Donald Thomson and Mrs. LaVerne Carlson, who are in charge of arrangements. Those unable to attend the dinner are urged to drive over for at least part of the afternoon.

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The Nekoma scene above includes the store on the north side of the tracks, with Liberty hall on the second floor; another store building north of it, and the Nekoma church in the background at the right.

This year marks the 80th anniversary of the church, which was dedicated September 8, 1889.

This street scene from another angle appeared in the April issue of Galvaland.

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The large picture below shows carpenters installing the porch and doing other work on the front of the store building and Liberty hall, which had been a part of the old North school in Galva. It was moved to Nekoma early in 1895 after it was purchased by J. L. Wier.

Both pictures were loaned by Mrs. H. M. Flack (Helen). They had been owned by her mother, the late Mrs. Esther Osbloom.

