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COVERED WAGON DAYS ON THE OLD OVERLAND TRAIL

The Road to the "Great West" Led Through Shelby County and Other Points in Missouri

By Edgar White

After devoting several years of investigation among the "oldest inhabitants" of northern Missouri in an effort to locate the lines followed by the Overland Trail of the Forty-Niners across the state, George Pohlman, member of the Macon Historical Society, gave up the attempt because of the fallibility of human memory.

When questioned, the O. I.'s were quite sure they knew exactly where the road ran, but the investigator discovered early in his quest that they didn't agree with each other. They were honest and meant well, but time had played tricks with their memories.

There was nothing left but to dig up the original field notes from long forgotten depositories in the cellars of court houses and other official buildings. Sometimes the sheets were found on old yellow notes mixed with a lot of junk, where they had probably been stored for half a century or more.

Pohlman worked on the job two years, taking such time as he could spare, until he had the record complete. Now he has a map showing every foot of the historical highway that had been forgotten so long that nobody knew anything about it for sure.

In getting together this information Pohlman was partly inspired by the ambitious boy who counted a million before nobody had ever done it before, and because he knew it would be of importance to definitely locate buildings, stream crossings and engineering features along the road. It was like digging up a buried city. When submitted to modern engineers who know the country today they expressed surprise at the skill shown by the men who built roads nearly 100 years ago, and how well they solved the very same problems that confront the road builders of today. There is a long stretch on the western di-

the gold-seekers. The quest for gold in the gulches of California was like a nation gone mad. It was the greatest gamble since the American colonists cut loose from Great Britain, and picked up the gauntlet of battle. In January 1848, a workman at Colonel Sutter's sawmill near Col-



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loma, California, encountered some curious looking stuff in a channel he was digging, and when shown to Sutter he pronounced it gold. Sutter and his men kept quiet about the discovery until their mill was completed, when they got out a lot of the ore and shipped it to Sacramento to be treated. It wasn't long before the "amazing" result of the test reached San Francisco, and from here the news spread over the world, gathering rich color as it traveled.

The whole country talked about it. Men caught the idea that California was underlain with gold and all you had to do was to go there and pick it up. Mark Twain and his brother Orion traveled West before the excitement was over and the author of

THE IMPORTANT TASK OF PRESERVING THE HEALTH OF THE RESIDENTS OF SHELBY COUNTY

Biographies of Physicians and Reminiscences of Olden Days Chronicled Below By a Beloved Shelby County Doctor

By Dr. J. D. Smith

In trying to comply with the request of the Chairman of the Centennial Committee having the matter immediately in charge, that I prepare a short historical sketch of the early physicians of Shelby County, I assume that I am not expected to write a biography of the physicians of Shelby County up to now, but I interpret this request to be that I should present in a reminiscent way my first-hand knowledge of these physicians whom I knew personally and somewhat intimately, likewise such historical facts as I shall be able to get of physicians who lived and practiced in the early days of the county's organization. Handicapped somewhat by illness from which I have not fully regained my strength, I yet approach the matter with a real interest because of the fact that I not only knew these men, as said above, personally and somewhat intimately, but the beginning of my acquaintance with them marks the beginning of an epoch in my life which has colored and influenced it during the practically sixty-four years of my activities as physician in Shelby county.

To begin with it is quite natural in pursuance of the task which I have undertaken, to pay my respects to the first physician whom I met in Shelby county and who thru the number of years I knew him influenced me in a rather large way, dating from the beginning of my practice in the county sixty-four years ago this coming September.

Doctor Phil Dimmitt

I walked into his office in September, 1871, being at the time less than twenty-three years of age, introduced myself, telling him somewhat in detail who I was, where I graduated in medicine, told him that I was a physician and was looking for a location, and who after a short conversation with rather unusual frankness, said to me, "Yes, there is ample room for a young doctor here. Only two of us, both of us getting along somewhat in years. There is ample room for another doctor." Further volunteering the information that he expected in the not distant future to retire from active practice.

I had talked with him but a short time when I was duly impressed that here was a real dynamic character, a man of large size, physically strong and active, genial, positive, interested in his work, and of course I was especially pleased for his words of encouragement.

Doctor Philip T. Dimmitt was born in Washington county, Kentucky, December 11, 1824. He moved with his family to Missouri in 1829 and located near Palmyra. He was educated at Marion College, and at the age of twenty-one began the study of medicine under Dr. J. H. Kibby of Palmyra, Missouri. Subsequently he took a course at the Missouri Medical College where he graduated in 1849. He also took a supplemental course in the St. Louis Medical College where he graduated in 1852. He then resumed his practice at Monticello, Lewis county, Missouri, where he commenced practicing in 1849, and continued there until 1856, when he located near Boonville, Cooper county, Missouri. He remained at Boonville four years and moved to Shelby county in the spring of 1861. Having a number of slaves whom he wanted to give employment and not desiring to sell them or hire them out, he located on and improved a farm about five miles northeast of Shelbyville, where he continued to practice his profession until the fall of 1868 when he located at Shelbyville. Dr. Dimmitt practiced his profession until 1874 when he retired from active practice, at which time he organized the Shelby County Savings Bank and became its cashier. Dr. Dimmitt continued in the banking business until his wife died in 1892.

at which time he retired from an active and very successful business and useful life. He was married the second time to Mrs. Hattie Hillias of Nevada, Missouri, in July, 1893. Dr. Dimmitt died at his home in Shelbyville on November 22, 1895.

Dr. Dimmitt impressed his strong personality upon me as an individual and physician. He enhanced this impression by giving me many opportunities to get clinical facts from his extensive practice, not in the exercise of my professional activity, but thru his kindly disposition, he frequently invited me to ride with him over the prairie roads to the homes of his patrons, where I was graciously introduced, when I had the opportunity to see him examine patients, inquire into their history and reach his conclusions in the way of diagnosis. Then in his wonted practical manner proceed to apply means to the ends as in his judgment was indicated for the benefit of his patients and their restoration to health.

Occasionally he would do me the



ADOLPHUS E. WOOD

Who was the first doctor in Shelby county. He settled in Oak Dale in 1833, where he built what was then a mansion, entirely of walnut. The house still stands and is occupied. His son, the late Dr. A. G. Wood, and his grandson, Dr. A. M. Wood, both took up the practice of medicine, the latter having his office at Shelbyville at the present time.

honor not only to talk at length about peculiarities of this or that case but encouraged me to make suggestions of my own. Also he would occasionally do me the honor to send me to see a patient of his or when he was detained and could not immediately answer the call to send me as his representative. In this manner I was being slowly induced into the practical principles of therapy which he had learned and tested in his fairly long and more or less arduous experience in the practice of his profession.

From the type of man indicated above, you would naturally expect a man of courage, and likewise as indicated by the following incident I would say he was a man of rare good judgment.

In my early acquaintance with him he related to me the following incident in his experience: Before locating in Shelby county he was practicing his profession in Lewis county. There he met another strong man in his profession. Possibly thru active rivalry and also possibly thru the ardent and wise counsel of over zealous personal friends of each, slight differences developed into a real rift between them. This rift increased, developing into an open enmity, so that in his judgment he had to deal with two horns of a real dilemma, either to seek equally promising fields free from this menacing shadow of possibility, or stay and run the risk thru persistence and increasing irritation, possibly supplemented by some overt act of strong provocation, prone to result in a situation which might

ultimate in a real tragedy, thru the death of one or both of these gentlemen. In the exercise of rare, good and wise judgment, he elected to cut the Gordian knot by folding his tent and seeking other fields of endeavor, Shelby county the gainer.

Dr. Dimmitt also impressed his strength of character and ability as a practicing physician from its various angles on several young men who succeeded me after I had moved to Shelbyville. In succession as I recall them they were as follows: Dr. A. B. Miller, who practiced medicine in Shelbyville for a number of years and who married one of his patients while living there; Dr. Charles F. Wainright who succeeded him, and Dr. William Carson. I know this to be a fact from repeated conversations with these gentlemen in later years when Dr. Dimmitt had retired. They would relate to me some circumstances, or case or medicine, the use of which they had learned so satisfactorily under his teaching.

As I remember one incident, which happened about two or three months after I began practicing at Shelbyville, Dr. Dimmitt, who was detained with a patient and unable to answer his call, sent me to the country to see a case of membranous croup (so called). He gave me positive, specific instructions as to how I should proceed, at the same time asking my pardon, by saying, "Doctor, take these suggestions kindly please. I have had a large experience with this type of cases. I think you will get along all right, if not I will get out with you later." Between the croup and the remedy and inexperienced, the scene was somewhat harrowing and caused me to pray earnestly, if not loudly, that if the good Lord would guide me thru that case successfully I would never practice medicine any more. The patient got well, I didn't keep my promise and I have been in trouble ever since.

Doctor A. G. Priest

After having met Dr. Dimmitt, the next day called upon his contemporary, Doctor A. G. Priest, the other and very reputable physician of Shelbyville.

Growing out of the great differences in temperament my reception was not so cordial, but not so particularly discouraging, without, somewhat blunt, if not in specific language, yet by strong intimation he conveyed the thought that if I located there success or failure would be up to me, virtually saying, "If you expect to wear spurs you must win them." I determined to locate in Shelbyville.

Dr. Priest was also a strong and vigorous man physically, and an able practitioner of medicine, enjoying the patronage of a wide circle of clients and numbering among his acquaintances a corresponding number of friends. He was somewhat high tempered, dignified, earnest, with the courage of his convictions. While he was very considerate and loyal to his patrons and friends he brooked no overt interference with his private business. Always glad to extend his full meed of kindness, he was ever ready to defend vigorously any encroachment upon what he considered his inalienable rights. To appreciate him fully one had to learn to know him. He did not carry his heart upon his sleeve but as I learned to know him better and more intimately I learned to appreciate him more fully as being a kind hearted, worthwhile friend and an able consultant.

During the years I knew him up to the time of his death, I was not infrequently a guest of the refined, generous hospitality of his home. In fact, under the gracious presence and management of his good wife I seemed to get the impression that their big table in their big dining room was always set

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LOOKING INTO THE HISTORY OF THE VILLAGE OF LENTNER

"Hank" Carroll Tells About the Biggest Town on The C. B. & Q. (Between Shelby and Clarence)

By H. S. Carroll

The history of Lentner dates back to the completion of the old Hannibal and St. Joseph railroad, which according to the history of Shelby County was in the year 1859. When this road was built there was no intention of ever having a station at this place, hence no provision was made, as was the case in all the other towns along the right-of-way. That is to say, only



H. S. CARROLL

the usual breadth of the right-of-way was laid out through here, and for this we are thankful as it makes our little village more compact and presents a more pleasing view. At the time the road was built, however, a large stock raiser and shipper, a Mr. Towne, owned a large farm just west of Crooked Creek, which runs about three quarters of a mile west of Lentner, and as a special favor to this stockman a side track was built along the main line which runs almost thru the center of the farm. This farm was a noted place and known far and near as the Towne Farm, and it still is a fine farm. However, as the country settled up and more stock was raised for shipment over its road, and the siding not being on any road, it was decided to move the side track to the road crossing where Lentner now stands, and it was given the name of "Crooked Creek Switch" and it went by that name until a postoffice was established here November 21, 1873. Lentner has had as postmasters the following:

George K. Williams, Nov. 21, 1873 (established); Elizabeth Williams, Dec. 18, 1877; William J. Donnelly, Feb. 27, 1879; Charles E. Hixon, Dec. 6, 1880; James H. Melson, March 9, 1886; Lucy M. Byrum, Feb. 19, 1891; James H. Melson, August 27, 1897; Pearl Melson, Sept. 8, 1908; Hansford S. Carroll, August 11, 1913. The present occupant, and writer of this article, H. S. Carroll, has been for almost twenty-three years been postmaster.

At the time, however, a wealthy landowner, Lentner Lathrop, owned a little more than two complete sections of land around and on which Lentner is situated, and in his honor the postoffice was given the name of Lentner. Several other towns and along this line were named in his honor. Lathrop, up in Clinton County, is one of them. The first postmaster appointed was a Mr. Williams, and the office was for several years conducted by him in the depot, which was built when the decision was reached to establish a station here. No business establishment was erected here until in 1880, when C. E. Hixon and Lat Wood built the first store and went into business. Mr. Hixon was appointed postmaster and the office was moved into their store building and conducted with

their business.

This building was erected by the master carpenter, Chris Rufener, who was perhaps one of the best workmen the country has ever had. The building is two stories high and a public hall over the store was used for every kind of public gathering, including church services, dances and lodge. The Good Templars were strong in those days and they met in this hall for their lodge work, and our uncle, P. G. McBroom, was the high official of the lodge until he moved to Oregon in 1880. This lodge, however, had been held at a private residence some years before the completion of the store, and he only served a very short time in the new hall. Some big meetings were held there and in fact all of them until the first Christian Church was built several years later. The building of the church and the fact that Lentner was settled by a very pious lot of folks caused the dances to be discontinued and the hall was used for a cigar factory for some years. This was also conducted by Mr. Hixon. His father, the late John T. Hixon, came here in the early days to manage the large Lathrop farm, and he made a fine and successful one. The broad acres were mostly seeded to timothy and every man that wanted work always looked to Mr. Hixon for harvest work which lasted usually for four or five weeks. As he was a fine man to work for, and the pay was good, it was no trouble to get plenty of help. The store passed from the original owners to Lucy Byrum, son of the late Judge Byrum, and he was a most successful merchant. He sold out some thirty years ago and moved to Hannibal. He engaged in business there until his death some two years ago. He sold out to William O'Neal and son, Everett, and they operated only a short time and sold out to our

merchants. Since has built his present larger building. The second business house was erected about thirty-five years ago by George W. O'Bryan, who was also a very successful merchant and ran his store as he did everything else, in a real business way. He sold out and moved to California and the building was passed from one to another, and now belongs to the M. F. A. association, who use it only as a warehouse. The big farm after Mr. Hixon's death was cut up into smaller parcels, Mr. O'Bryan getting the most of it, while the late Jacob Hardsacre obtained all east of Main street and south of the railroad, and Chris Kuhne most of that part north of the railroad. Walter O'Bryan, son of G. W. O'Bryan, now owns some two hundred and forty acres some, and the heirs of the late Jas. McNeely a part. John F. Gorby owns something like 340 acres of it, while J. S. M. Quinley owns 120 acres of it.

Thus the once large ranch has been cut up into many smaller farms, all of which are in a high state of cultivation and valuable. Some fifty years ago the well known Dr. A. G. Wood, who had lived in Walkersville for quite a number of years, moved to Lentner, and many are the folks who were helped into this world by his careful and wise help. No better man has ever lived here than our old family Dr. Wood. His honorable son, Dr. A. M. Wood, now a well known Shelbyville citizen and fine physician, practiced his profession here for some time after his father's death, and many regrets were voiced at his moving (Continued on page 2, Sec. F)



One of the ox-teams which provided transportation over the old Overland Trail.

vision of U. S. 36 that practically parallels the trail of the gold pilgrims, though of course today's engineers didn't know until they saw Pohlman's map, that their minds had met with the pioneer builders on the same problem and had worked it out in the same way.

Some time this summer Pohlman, Photographer Aura Rosch, State Historian Floyd C. Shoemaker and H. B. Dickey, designer of the State Highway Department, will form an expedition to cover the trail between the Mississippi and Missouri rivers, including the start off of the Pony Express at St. Joseph on its 2,000 mile journey to San Francisco, and bring back as far as possible a descriptive and panoramic picture of the route traversed by the covered wagon of

"Roughing It" admitted that was the way he thought about it until he lugged to his cabin a lot of shining mica that old Ballou told him wasn't worth 10 cents a wagonload.

The further east the story traveled the greater was the excitement. There was warrant for it; in the slow-traveling, wax-sealed letters from the far west. Each one carried the news of fresh discoveries.

The nation held its breath until the spring of '49, when the mighty pilgrimage to the land of gold began. There were two ways of getting out there. One was by traveling down the Mississippi by steamboat, taking a sailing vessel at New Orleans, traveling overland across the Isthmus and getting a sailing (Continued on page 2, Sec. F)

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away. But his going was coincident with the advent of the automobile and he, with its aid, still continues to bring help to our sick and ailing citizens. His father, Dr. A. G. Wood, was the prime factor in the promotion of the Bank of Lentner and was a real booster in every way for our village, and it is believed today that could he have lived our bank, under his wise guidance and influence, would be doing business at the old stand. His ideas were sound and business-like and they were a real factor in building up what was once one of the soundest institutions in Shelby County. W. E. Hollenbeck, our machine shop man and blacksmith, came here some thirty years ago from near Kirby and besides raising a large and one of the finest families of children, has built up a large business which has grown until he and three sons are unable to do all the work brought to them. The church was also the outgrowth of J. T. Hixon, Dr. Wood, Curt Mitchell, J. M. Clay, Hugo Boling, J. H. and J. S. Tenney and several other well known citizens, and was a strong institution for many years. But the death of the most influential and consecrated workers, and the removal of others to other locations, has left it like many others in a more or less weakened condition. However, a fine Sunday school is maintained with W. F. Hollenbeck as superintendent, but no regular preaching is held at this time.

Lentner folks are naturally proud of their little village, and while it has in the recent years met with reverses, it still remains the idol of its citizens.

As a sample of the way we do things over here we might mention that besides having the most beautiful lawns and homes found in a like city, we a few years ago graveled our streets, (however, this would be hard to believe at this time,) putting five or six car loads of gravel on them, and only a short time ago we held our annual street fair which attracted much attention and drew large crowds from far and near. Premiums were offered and paid reaching up into the hundreds of dollars, all raised by popular subscription as was the pay for the streets. Only the ones who owned abutting property paid for the graveled of the streets. Time came when we felt like we were too large to continue without some of the other good things in life. Lights and electric power were wanted badly, and by enough to hold several meetings, and committees were appointed to consult with Shelbina for the necessary current, which that city was willing to furnish, but they were restricted to the confines of their city, and it was felt that our dream was doomed for a while. But where there is a will, there is a way, and that way was finally opened when a good friend, O. L. Wright, an electrician with wide experience and who lives in Shelbina, came to our aid. He met with us in our meeting and we formulated a working plan that he put over in a fine way and as a consequence Lentner has as well lighted homes as any city, big or small, thanks to Friend Wright, who for business qualifications, has no peer in these parts. Lentner does and always will owe him a debt of gratitude for his bringing to us the light we desired. For a village of only a few hundred we believe that Lentner cannot be beat. Reverses come and go but the spirit of progress remains and on this foundation we expect to continue to build and work for better things.

The first roads were known as "bee trails", so called because they were started by honey-hunters.

The original name of Salt River was Auhaha or Oahaha, but it was soon called Salt River from the salt springs near it in Ralls County.

Pioneers often wore buckskin pants, which when wet, shrank up. Sometimes after wading through streams the man had to pull the trousers back to their original length by tying one end to a tree and pulling with all his might at the other end.

THE OLD "OVERLAND TRAIL" THROUGH MO.

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vessel for California on the other side.

The other way was to take the Overland Trail across Northern Missouri and follow it from St. Joseph to California. For the latter method most of the travel was in caravans of covered wagons drawn by ox teams.

Isaiah Griffin, who died a few years ago, was one of the swiftly vanishing tribe of the '49ers. As a young man he stood on the hills overlooking the trail day after day, and he said there were many days when between dawn and dark a west-bound caravan of covered wagons was always in sight. Isaiah stood it as long as he could and finally fell under the spell. His most vivid remembrance of the journey was an attack by the Indians out in Nebraska. The wagons were quickly formed in a circle, being prepared for such emergencies, and drove the red men back, inflicting such losses that the enemies gave the wayfarers free passage of the country from that time on.

The American Forty-Niner was of the stuff that developed Daniel Boone. Beardless boys assembled about the men who were recruiting for the caravans. They would listen quietly to the trainmaster's description until he said: "The Indians are mean. If they take you alive no telling what may happen to you."

Then they signed up. It was what they wanted. Adventure. This would be no picnic.

Stories of The Trail Dave Nickell, a Macon county, Mo., path-blazer, made two trips to California in the years of the great pilgrimage, both times in the covered wagon.

No luck. So Dave decided to return home and get rich raising cattle and wheat and corn.

Then he had a dream—tried to forget it—the dream came again—just as plain as could be—a ledge near his old works—one more blast would have revealed the gold, rich beyond telling! You know how a thing like that works on the miner. He couldn't resist—never would have been contented. His wife knew he was going back. She didn't believe much in the dream, but it was no use to tell him so. The oxen were hitched up and back to California he went, found his old place, blew out the ledge and—it had no more gold in it than a concrete sidewalk! But he was satisfied. When he returned home he stayed! He died a well-to-do citizen—made it at stock raising and farming.

Ned Croarkin of Macon county and Phil D. Armour, founder of the great packing industry, were forty-niners, and close comrades. They worked together with pan and sluice-box. Saturday night they would throw the results of their week's work in a pile on the table in the shanty, drawing a knife through the center to determine each man's share. Later, when Armour became wealthy, he educated one of the boys of his mining partner in a law school. His house was never too large and fine to extend a hospitable welcome to "Uncle Ned."

Jim Green of Bevier, had been a poor man all his life. He cleaned up \$20,000 in California, brought it home with him and put it in the bank. He continued to work as a day laborer. The friend advised the purchase of slaves—they could be hired out and would make Green a steady income. The forty-niner took the advice and invested his gold in black men. The Civil War came and his property was freed by the government. When Green died he was janitor of the local public school.

R. M. Clark and two other young men were in "the great gamble." But when they reached Bloomington on the Overland they were tired out and discouraged at plowing through rain and mud. They decided to return home, but on going out to their wagon in the morning they found scrawled on the canvas:

"Success to these brave young men."

In after years Mr. Clark wrote about the incident: "Of course, after that we had to keep on. We let that sign stay on our wagon, and when it got dim we repainted it. No great amount of actual gold re-

warded our efforts in California, but we stuck at the job, and we never quit anything until we had worked it through to the end. Whatever success I have achieved in life is due to that rule, inspired by our unknown friend in a Missouri hamlet."

Among the Shelby county men who yielded to the gold fever in 1849 were John F. Benjamin, J. M. Collier, William Dunn, John Dickerson, Capt. J. A. Carothers, Dr. Mills, C. M. Pilcher, Benjamin Forman, Calvin Pilcher, William Robinson, Charles Rackdiffe, Lafayette Shoots, John, Robert and William Mtgomery. In 1850 a larger number went to the California gold fields, including Robert and Newton Dunn and Adam Heckart.

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for company. Dr. Priest was born on December 10, 1828, in Fauquier county, Virginia. His parents moved to Ralls county, Missouri, in 1841. In 1849 he commenced the study of medicine at Paris, Monroe county, Missouri, under Dr. John W. Long. He graduated from the Jefferson Medical College of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on March 6, 1852. He located at Shelbyville in 1852, where he continued to practice until his death on January 24, 1901.

Doctor A. E. Wood Doctor Adolphus Edward Wood was born in Baltimore, November 15, 1805. He was educated in the schools of New York and at twenty he was placed in charge of a merchant vessel carrying cargoes to Cuba on his brother's boat lines. On one of these trips he remained in Cuba and was married to Anna Caroline Clunette. He attended medical school at the University of San Diego. With his family he left Cuba in 1833, stopping in St. Louis and selling a number of slaves brought with them from Cuba. They came up the Mississippi to Hannibal, landing there in the spring of 1833, remaining in Hannibal a few months. He came to Oak Dale and practiced there until his death from cardiac asthma in 1856.

The suggested mixture of romance and adventure in the above historic sketch might well serve as material for an epoch for some enterprising ambitious young writer.

The beginning of three generations of Doctors of one family in Shelby county. The only parallel of this fact of three generations of doctors in one county in Northeast Missouri of which I have any knowledge is in that of the Doctors Ellery of Lewis county. If I am right in my estimate the three so far as the three generations in one county go, the case of the Doctors Ellery in Lewis county transcends that of the Doctors Wood in Shelby county, in that three generations of that family

have practiced in the little town of LaGrange.

Just draw the picture yourself. A scion of the family of business and political prominence, leaving home on a merchant vessel in the employ of one of his brothers, winds up and finds himself in the wilds of Shelby county, in the sparsely settled environs of Oak Dale. Added to that the arduous duties of a country doctor riding twenty-five, thirty, or even forty miles to visit his patients in the then newly settled country. This reminds me of an incident pertinent somewhat to the history and experience of this man.

In 1876 in company with several other gentlemen of Shelby county in attendance upon the Democratic National Convention at St. Louis at which Samuel J. Tilden was nominated, several of the older men in the party who had known Dr. A. E. Wood, probably when they were young men, learned that Ben Wood, brother of A. E. Wood, was present as a Tilden delegate from New York. Made it their business to look him up. Being in the crowd I met and was introduced to him. In the course of our conversation he related this incident: That on one occasion in the early days of his brothers residence in Shelby county he had come out here to see him. After some trouble, probably after a hard horse-back ride, he ultimately found himself at his brother's home. The brother, as was the habit of country doctors in those days, frequently had to be away. He was out on one of his long trips. However, he

waited patiently and he was first made aware of his brother's return when he came stalking in somewhat boisterously and informed his good wife that they would have to move, the country was getting too crowded, he had met a neighbor's cow within five miles of their house that morning.

These are simple side-lights on the times and the days in which the citizens of the sparsely settled country of Shelby county lived at that time.

Doctor A. G. Wood Doctor A. G. Wood is a son of the above and Doctor A. M. Wood, the third generation, is now a successful and popular physician practicing medicine in Shelbina.

One of the early physicians whom I met and learned to appreciate was Dr. A. G. Wood, at that time practicing at Walkersville. He was a very capable general practitioner, a man of splendid native endowment, well educated for the day in which he lived, ever kind and considerate toward all whom he met in the ordinary affairs of life. He enjoyed probably a practice extending over a wider area than any other man at that time practicing medicine in the county. Modest in demeanor and yet positive in his convictions, a man whom to really know was a gracious privilege, a man suave in manner and strong in his application of truth as he believed it.

Doctor Adolphus G. Wood was born in Cuba, March, 1831. He studied medicine and graduated from the Medical Department of the University of Iowa in 1859. He

commenced the practice of medicine at Walkersville, when that village was the metropolis of the county, remaining there until 1876 when he moved to Lentner and lived there until his death in October, 1914, at the age of 83 years.

Doctor B. A. Payne Doctor Bennett A. Payne was born September 4, 1840, in Adams county, Illinois. He received his education at Abington College, Knox county, Illinois, and attended Rush Medical College, Chicago, Illinois, from which he graduated in February, 1868. He began the practice of medicine at Hagers Grove, in Shelby county, Missouri, in 1868, but later moved to Clarence in the fall of 1875, where he lived until he died on July 18, 1887.

Several months, as I recall it, after locating at Shelbyville I was called to Hagers Grove to see an old gentleman, Uncle Lacy Morris. To my surprise and gratification, on arriving at the home I met Dr. Bennett A. Payne, the doctor in attendance, whom I had formerly known as a fellow student at Rush Medical College, from which he graduated in the spring of 1868 at the close of my first year.

Dr. Payne located at Hagers Grove in 1868, where he practiced two years. He moved to Clarence, Missouri in the fall of 1875, where he continued to practice up to practically the time of his death.

He was a strong, ethical and popular physician. Was a man of liberal education. Dr. Payne was a student teacher at the University of Ohio at Columbus. I am inform-

ed that he taught French there. His son, Dr. H. C. Payne is now a very popular, successful and prosperous physician living in Paris, Monroe county, Missouri.

Doctor E. F. McCullough. In 1871 there was also located at Bethel, in Shelby county, Missouri, a young physician by the name of Doctor E. F. McCullough. He was alike, capable, aggressive and combative. As a result of these characteristics he soon crossed swords with one of the most prominent physicians of the county and as a result, and to my great surprise he called me not infrequently in consultation.

To express my appreciation of his ability at that time I found that I was learning clinically much about the practical part of my profession with which I was at that time unfamiliar, hence I was largely a beneficiary thru his aggressive and combative disposition towards one of his fellow physicians. One of his good friends in talking to me concerning some of Dr. McCullough's characteristics said that he had heard him say on more than one occasion that by the time he had as many tombstones scattered over Shelby county as this fellow physician, that he too would have a reputation.

Dr. McCullough was quite companionable and soon had acquired a host of friends and a fair following in the way of patronage in his profession. He rode a fine young sorrel mare in which he took much pride. As he continued to develop a wider and growing patronage he

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Back row: ———, ———, Emma Sanders, Paul Dussair, Det Grogg, Walt Tannehill, ———, Charley Copenhaver, Lee Bethards, Sol Winetroub. 2nd row back: Allie Brant, Laura Carlie, Lillie Timmons, Emma Forman, Anna Logsdon, Isa Brant, Jennie Davis, Prof. Dele, Net Winetroub, Annie Timmons, Ona Sprinkle, ———, Grace Ennis, ———, Mary Hutchinson. 2nd row, seated: Rena Carney, Ora Gunby, Myrtie Forman, Mat Forman, Nora Copenhaver, ———, Wright, Lulu Hayward, Mat Gentry, ———, Emma Copenhaver, Pearl Hayward. Front row: Will Gentry, Marsh Copenhaver, Chester Kennerly, Murt Dunn, Aubrey Davis, Kize Armstrong, Bob Cleek, Rob Stewart, Albert Brant, Guy Dussair.

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Continued from page two, Sec. F manifested increasing regard and love not only for his clientele but the entire community surrounding. Repeatedly he has said to me he wanted to live and die in the harness in that community, so satisfied was he.

As a result of this very aggressiveness, during an epidemic of measles in this locality he failed to give himself the attention and care he should have, and continued his active duties thru this epidemic with which he was finally afflicted and which cost him his life. On my return from Quincy, Illinois, one night I was shocked to have my wife tell me that Dr. McCollough of near Bethel, had died, as I hadn't even known that he was sick.

Doctor Ephraim Magoon. Doctor Ephraim Magoon was born in Harmony, Maine, on March 17, 1842. He served in the Union Army during the Civil War. He graduated from the medical department of Bowdoin College in 1867, and practiced in Sebecton, Maine, for two years. Dr. Magoon removed from Sebecton, Maine, in 1869, and located at Clarence, Missouri, where he practiced his profession until 1894 when he moved to St. Louis. He died in St. Louis, Missouri, December 30, 1913. During his residence in Clarence he was quite active in Civic, Fraternal and Religious affairs.

The above history was furnished by his son, Dr. Frank L. Magoon, a successful physician now living and practicing in St. Louis, Missouri.

As I recall, several months after I had located in the county the first medical society, and the only medical society which I have any knowledge of up to that time, was organized in Shelbyville, Missouri. Thru the activity of Shelbyville and Shelbyville men notice was sent out to the doctors of the county inviting their presence to the organization of the Shelby County Medical Society. A few of us assembled in one of the doctor's offices in Shelbyville. I recall that a tall, pleasant gentleman, Doctor Ephraim Magoon was present and gave his hearty encouragement and offered such support as his presence and abilities might serve in the development and maintaining a medical society, and he was regular in his attendance to the meetings of the society.

This was my first introduction to him. During the following years of his residence in Clarence I had occasion to meet him and appreciate him both in the Medical Society and in the sick room.

Doctor E. N. Gerard. Doctor Edward N. Gerard was born August 29, 1834, on a farm near Rensselaer, Ralls county, Missouri. He received his education at the Rensselaer Academy, and taught for a while in the rural schools and at the same time read medicine with Dr. Hayes of Rensselaer. In 1857 he married Miss Priscilla Drane and soon afterwards entered the Medical College at Keokuk, Iowa, graduating in 1861. He then settled on a farm six miles south of Monroe City where he practiced his profession. In June 1864 he sold his farm and moved to Shelbyville where he practiced until the fall of 1895 when he sold his home and practice and moved to Phoenix, Arizona. He remained in Phoenix but a short time when he moved to Mesa, Ariz. Dr. Gerard died March 18, 1904, and was buried in the Phoenix cemetery.

When I approach the subject of this sketch, I am made to stop, think and ponder. Sixty-two years ago on next October 8, I became his partner under the firm name of Gerard & Smith, which firm as such continued for nearly three years. Prior to this time I had known him in Medical Society for practically two years. I had learned to admire the man from many angles, as a more than average all-around physician. Genial, friendly, generous and of an attractive personality. I sought his company for reasons which the above would clearly indicate. I think I may truthfully say without reservation, that at that time I had no thought of a partnership.

His one great weakness, a real weakness, as I recall it, was his careless prodigality, in giving so much of himself with little or no compensation. Which practice with its inevitable results, handicapped him so seriously thruout his professional life, that his casual acquaintances or average friends, were never permitted thru lack of knowledge of his potential strength, to sense the real greatness of this good man.

In the light of recent interests developed thru the study, compli-

tion and talks of Judge V. L. Drain, relative to the Bethel Colony, and passing quickly in review this character in all its angles and phases, I would unhesitatingly say that of all physicians whom I have known, my old friend Dr. E. N. Gerard, would have made the ideal colony doctor.

If I possessed the vision, the vocabulary, and the eloquence of an Edwin C. Hill, and tempted to write a panegyric upon his life and character, I would forego the temptation, in recognition of the fact of the altogether inadequacy of words to do the subject of my theme justice.

Instead, I can only retire to the inner quietude of my being, where in the realm of tender memories, I would be able to see that which I do not see, amid the noiseless noise of memory I would hear the cadences of the voice that I do not hear. A great doctor, a noble man, a devoted husband and faithful, a loyal friend, one of God's finest products. So mote it be.

Dr. E. N. Gerard, Jr., now practicing at Leonard, is a worthy son of a noble sire.

Doctor Demosthenes White. I am unable to get a record of the date of his birth and death, and the college and the date on which he graduated, so am sketching from memory.

Doctor White was an accredited graduate from a first class medical college, practiced in Shelbyville for a number of years and was a member of the Shelby County Medical Society. He had a large enthusiastic following as a physician. Positive in his character, seeming a little cold blooded, but never carried his heart on his sleeve. He left here in the fall of 1873, the writer succeeding him. He went to Chicago or New York where he took a post graduate course, after which he went to Dennison, Texas, where he practiced medicine for a short time. Located at Palmyra upon his return to this state where he lived only a short time prior to his death.

Unlike my friend, Dr. Gerard, he did not believe in giving away anything of value. He believed in giving value received and he believed in receiving as well as giving. Ready and active to render services of which he was capable of doing and demanding just compensation for his services.

Doctor J. W. Ford. Doctor James William Ford was born June 27, 1837, near Lawrenceburg, Kentucky. He was educated at a military school near his birthplace, and after graduating, some time prior to 1860, took a course of lectures at the Kentucky Medical Institute, Louisville, Kentucky. He moved to Shelbyville in 1860 where he practiced medicine a few years when he retired from active practice and was engaged in the drug business up to within several years prior to his death. Having been an invalid several years, he died at Shelbyville, Missouri, February 3, 1890.

Doctor Ford was among the first members of the Baptist church here, and was one of the principal men in building the church. He was active in securing the building of the Waverly House, in the erection of the first brick livery stable, in the establishment and maintenance of the college, and was equally as active and energetic in all public enterprises. The Doctor was public spirited, a man of broad and liberal views, and cultivated mind. All questions for the public well found in him a ready and able champion, and up to the last took a lively interest in all political, intellectual and moral questions. Socially, he was genial, hospitable and jovial, possessed a keen sense of humor and fully appreciated a good joke, and especially given to practical joking among his friends; and, withal, possessed a heart that always beat in sympathetic response to the suffering of humanity.

I could cite a number of his practical jokes occurring thru the number of years during which I knew him, but will cite only one which was typical of him and his practical jokes. Mrs. William A. Reid, who was my neighbor for a number of years, detailed to me the following: She had been carefully fattening a turkey for Thanksgiving dinner. On Thanksgiving morning she repaired to the coop for her turkey, only to find that in some miraculous manner it had escaped or more likely purloined. However, they decided to make the best of it and be content with the ordinary dinner. Along about ten or thirty of that day the family received a very pressing, generous, invitation to take dinner at the home of Dr. Ford, to which being friends they gladly responded. After having enjoyed the splendid

dinner at the home of their host they learned somewhat to their surprise (?) that their host had visited their coop early that morning and robbed them of this noble bird, conscience stricken (?) they sought to and did make good by inviting them out to feast upon their own turkey.

Doctors A. L. Yancey and E. S. Davis.

While not partners, yet their society and ethical understanding of the amenities and responsibilities of the medical profession was such that for many years of their practice they acted as team mates thru perfect understanding, one for the other. No petty jealousies seem to have ever been manifest to disturb this pleasant relationship of these two high class ethical physicians in the same community.

I met both of them a number of times in the sick room where sometimes I was called to see patients with one or the other of them and other times I had one or the other of them to see patients with me. I enjoyed the counsel of either of these gentlemen according to their particular line of efficiency as I conceived it.

Doctor Yancey, the elder of the two men, was a very strong, capable, all round physician. He did quite a little surgery incident to the type of surgery done in the country at that time.

Doctor A. L. Yancey was born in Covington, Kentucky, July 4, 1824, and obtained his education in the Medical College at Louisville, Kentucky, between the years of 1844 and 1848, beginning his practice in 1848. He came to Missouri in 1857, and located at Hunnewell, the same year the town was laid off, thereby becoming the first resident doctor of Hunnewell. Dr. Yancey died at Hunnewell, May 15, 1897, after practicing his profession in Hunnewell for forty years.

I knew Doctor Davis well. Modest and quiet in his demeanor but there was ever in his attitude that which you would sense as firmness and a willingness to defend his opinions and his rights against all comers. He was kindhearted and appreciative and ready to reciprocate any acts of courtesy and kindness. He enjoyed a large practice, was strictly ethical in all his professional relations, and between himself and Dr. A. L. Yancey there was a reciprocal loyalty, suggestive of the friendship of Jonathan and David.

For a number of years prior to his death he would answer a call to some old patron or friend who still clung to memories of his past efficiency, and could not let go of holding on, but he had ceased for a number of years to engage in active work.

Doctor Davis was born in Marion county, Missouri, three miles south of Warren on March 3, 1830. He entered the Medical Department of the Iowa State University in 1856 and graduated with the degree of M. D. in 1858. He located in Hunnewell in 1859, where he spent the remainder of his life. He practiced his profession until his death, which occurred April 1, 1920.

Doctor W. S. Sanders.

Doctor William S. Sanders was born in Monroe county, Missouri, in 1850. Read medicine under Dr. Hanger at Woodlawn and graduated from what is now Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri, in 1874. He practiced in Shelby county for about forty years. Twenty-seven years at Hagers Grove and thirteen years in Clarence where he died in 1914.

Doctor Sanders engaged in the practice of his profession successfully and profitably for twenty-seven years at Hagers Grove. Later, in the year 1901, he moved to Clarence, where he continued to live and practice medicine up to the time of his death.

Sometimes seemingly a little austere, never argued. He was a man of few words, but was ethical in his relations to his fellow practitioners and exacted as much from them. He was strongly individualistic peculiar unto himself, as is largely true of all of us. To illustrate, I have been called to his community at different times in consultation with him. He would take me into the house, introduce me to the family and with a very brief outline light his pipe and stroll off somewhere about the premises, leaving to me the duty of delving into the history of the patient, weighing the symptoms in relation to their history as I might elicit them and forming my own diagnosis and conclusions. I would then hunt him up or he might have returned, at which times his greeting almost invariably was "Well, what do you think?" After stating my opinion and making my suggestions as to treatment, "All right. Write it down or state your opinion to the patient and his fam-

ily." If agreeable to him he would at once so state to the family and willingly give it a fair trial.

One time when I had been to Hagers Grove with him to see a patient, and if memory serves me right the patient was Dr. Frank Roy, when on our return trip as we drove into Clarence, he drove up to the home of a prominent citizen. He said to me, "Doctor, they are expecting you, go on in, see the patient, tell them who you are, get all the data you can, then I will meet you at the office where we will have our consultation." This incident is typical of what occurred on several occasions when I visited patients in consultation with him at Clarence.

Doctor William Carson.

Doctor William Carson was born in Palmyra, Marion county, Missouri, May 5, 1846. He attended the University of Virginia and the St. Louis Medical College. He graduated from the St. Louis Medical College in 1868 and located at Montgomery City, Missouri. He remained there but a short time when he moved to West Ely, later moving to Shelbyville in the year 1872, where he practiced for three years, then removed to Oak Dale where he practiced his profession for 13 years. Dr. Carson then moved to Shelbyville where he became a partner of Dr. C. F. Wainwright, which continued for several years. He continued to practice in Shelbyville up to the time of his death, which occurred February 10, 1922.

I became acquainted with Dr. Carson, the subject of the above sketch, while he was living in Shelbyville in 1873. Afterwards Dr. Carson moved to Oak Dale where he practiced 13 years. He was popular and quite successful. During these years, as I remember, he was an active, interested member of the Shelby County Medical Society, as a rule regular in attendance. Very friendly disposition, a lover in a small way of sports. He liked to go hunting and fishing and manifested keen enjoyment at his success in these pastimes. He liked to play croquet and in a way took more or less interest in all general sports as a fan. A gentleman by instinct, training and practice, cordial in his relations to his friends and the community generally. He had a real love for his profession, was strictly ethical in his relation to his fellow practitioners and always ready to respond to the needs of the sick, and devoted to his patrons.

Doctor Samuel Kennerly.

Doctor Samuel Kennerly was born in Frederick county, Va., February 1, 1828. He was married to Miss Frances Hanger, the daughter of Doctor John C. Hanger, of Virginia, in 1850. Dr. Kennerly graduated from Richmond Medical College in 1849 and located at Hermitage, Virginia, where he practiced until 1876, when he moved to Shelbyville, Mo., where he became a partner of Doctor E. N. Gerard, which partnership continued about two years. Dr. Kennerly died at the Baptist Sanatorium at St. Louis in 1904 at the age of 76 years.

I knew Dr. Kennerly very well. In fact he succeeded me not only in the practice of medicine in Shelbyville, but likewise as the partner of my friend Dr. E. N. Gerard. He retired from active practice for several years before leaving Shelbyville. Married a second time, to a Hannibal lady, and moved to that city after his marriage. He was a man of good ability, very quite energetic, positive in his likes and dislikes, but tolerant towards other creeds and sects. He was a devoted member of the Methodist church, South.

The Doctors Smith. Though I have put forth reason-

able efforts, even asking for help from others, I have not been able to obtain a connected line of history relative to a group of Doctors Smith who practiced in the north-west part of the county, ranging from Bethel, Cherry Box and Leonard.

Dr. A. C. Smith practiced medicine in that territory. I do not recall that I ever had any personal acquaintance with him.

Doctor G. L. Smith, an elder brother, practiced at Cherry Box for a while, later moving to Shelbyville where he practiced for a time, perhaps two or three years, from which place he moved to some point in the central part of the state. (These brothers were accredited graduates of an accredited college, and I have been told did good work in the respective localities where they practiced in this county.)

I recall another Doctor Smith, John W. Smith, not related to the brothers named above and from an entirely different family, who at one time practiced at Bethel. I had some pleasant acquaintances with him thru professional work. He moved from Bethel to a farm north of Newark, in Knox county, where I was called on one occasion to see an important case, a deep Lumbar Abscess, which we operated very successfully. Later, if my memory serves me correctly, he moved to Plevna where, I believe, he died in the last several years of his life. He was afflicted with diabetes. Being quite a young man and with the method of treatment in vogue, his case was hopeless, a fact which he fully recognized. How different would be the picture at the present day. Under the magic effects of the judicious use of insulin, he might have lived out his full expectancy. All honor to those young

Canadian Doctors who gave the world this most priceless product.

Doctor A. B. Miller. Doctor A. B. Miller was born February 1, 1852, in Marion county, Missouri. He attended school in Palmyra, Missouri, and later at Central College in Fayette, Missouri. In 1875 he went to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and attended Jefferson Medical College. He graduated from there in 1878 and located in Shelbyville, Missouri. In 1879 he was married to Miss Lillian Rush, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Liburn Rush. In 1882 he moved to Macon, Missouri, where he practiced until his death, which occurred June 24, 1923.

I became acquainted with Dr. A. B. Miller shortly after he located at Shelbyville, where he practiced medicine for four years, and which acquaintance thru somewhat close association enlarged into a close and personal professional understanding and real friendship. He was by nature and temperament deliberate, careful and analytical in the study and treatment of his cases.

From the start he was somewhat an enthusiast of medical organization and was our efficient secretary during the years he was in Shelbyville.

The promise of his early years, while living in the county, was carried out by his continued work and thru a reasonable ambition to achieve. He grew in ability, popularity and in the size of his clientele. He continued to grow and became a very popular and beloved physician, which the citizens of Macon can contemplate with pride.

One of the first important cases he had in Shelbyville was Miss Lillian Rush, the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Liburn Rush, a Methodist minister. This case proved to

be a serious one, as diagnosed by Dr. Miller and Dr. Phil Dimmitt, as a bad case of spinal meningitis. In this, one of his earlier, important patients, what ordinarily would have been regarded devoted professional attention to his patient thru zeal for success, became assiduous. To make a long story short, the patient got well, but it seems the Doctor did not cease his attentions: He had gotten started that way and for the life of him did not know how to stop. It is presumed that during the long days of convalescence that he was still a regular attendant, encouraging his patient by his presence and magnetic courage to put forth every effort to achieve health. Which after its achievement and when the Doctor might reasonably be supposed to have no further excuse to call professionally, I can easily imagine that he was somewhat more than usually in evidence, to the extent that one day the Rev. Rush, possibly sensing the fact that the doctor had done well his part and that now naturally it was up to him to do his part, so inquired of the doctor as to his bill, saying that he wanted to pay him for his services. The doctor in harmony with an unwritten law in the medical profession expressed the fact that it was his rule not to charge the ministry for professional services. The father insisted that he wanted to know what his bill was so he could make arrangements to pay. The doctor then said to him, "Well I am willing to vary somewhat my habit in this case. In fact I have been thinking about it myself and I have concluded to charge you, possibly the largest fee that you have ever paid in your life. To be frank, I am asking the hand of your daughter in marriage." We now draw the veil of

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GROUP AT THE OLD "4-ROOM SCHOOL" IN SHELBYVILLE



Front row: Florence Hewitt, (babies—Myrtle Perry, Puby Vestry), Mae Vestry, Docia Gunby, Ona Hiles, Flora Dines, Mat Winetroub, Mice Hewitt, Budge Hayward, Harry Hale, Emmett Carille. 2nd row: Nora Ritter, Mayme Perry, Della Carney, Daisy Hewitt, Lizzie Dunn, Nora Carney, Will Carson, Teacher, Miss Eva Stewart, Joe Miller, Frank Riddle, Everett Sanders, Art Dussair.

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privacy and shift the scene to another time. The doctor collected this bill in 1879, and in conversation...

As has been said, the doctor while living in Shelby county was always an enthusiast for medical organization, and which continued after he moved to Macon and while for these years, he was the efficient secretary for the Macon County Medical Association...

From the time he moved to Macon it was always one of his dreams that in some way he might see a hospital developed there. It did not develop as a medium of his activity but it did materialize thru the generosity of one of his admiring business friends...

Doctor C. F. Wainright. Doctor Charles F. Wainright was born in Lewis county, Missouri, near Monticello, July 11, 1858. Graduated from the Missouri Medical College, St. Louis, Mo., March 11, 1882...

In 1888 he went to New York City entering Bellevue Hospital Medical College, graduating from there March 11, 1889. He then returned to Shelbyville, resuming his practice for a short time. Later locating in Kansas City, Mo., where he continued in general practice...

In May 1913 he located in Englewood, N. J., where he lived only one year. His death came May 6, 1914.

I have many fond memories of the character of the above sketch, Dr. Charles F. Wainright. The record shows that he attained distinction in his profession...

I recall with much pleasure my visit to his home where I enjoyed the generous and fine hospitality thru a period of several days while he was living in Kansas City, at which time he occupied the chair of Professor of Internal Medicine at the University Medical School...

On one occasion I sat back in the wings of the City Hospital where he was giving a clinical lecture on typhoid fever. Always fulsome in his expressions of confidence and friendliness towards myself...

To further illustrate his bigness of heart and generous impulses, toward me, while he was lying in New York City, and boarding at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, he wrote to me several times urging me to come to New York, saying, "You need the change and the benefits of another post graduate course..."

Wainright would have been more than an ordinary man in almost any line of endeavor to which he might have given his allegiance and ability. In a way he was a general, in founding up his forces and his practice. He was not only cheerful and jovial but his personality was attractive, magnetic...

tracted to himself by virtue of this characteristic other good spenders. He succeeded thru these characteristics above indicated, in drawing to himself wealthy patrons who appreciated and were willing to pay for these personal attributes...

He was a good doctor, which is saying much, but as indicated above he possessed abilities that would have carried him far along other lines of endeavor. I think he would have made a wonderful salesman...

Doctor R. N. Turner. Doctor R. N. Turner was born in Clark county, Mo., in 1851. He came to Shelby county in 1869. Graduated from Rust Medical College in Chicago in 1873. He began the practice of medicine the same year with his brother, Dr. Luther Turner...

He was a man of moderate means, high character, superior education and fine intelligence, and was eminently public-spirited in all affairs affecting the interests of the people. He was a member of the Christian church and also of the Masonic and A. O. U. W. Lodges of Clarence.

The above historical sketch is from his obituary published in one of the papers, presumably of Clarence.

I knew Dr. Turner during the few years he engaged in the practice of his profession in Clarence. I remember him as an active, capable, highly ethical and very worthy representative of his profession. I also can attest to the correctness of the things said with reference to his character and standing in his obituary.

Doctor E. P. Horn. Doctor Eusebius P. Horn was born in Virginia, April 24, 1853. He came with his parents to Missouri when 15 years of age and settled in Shelby county in 1865. In 1877 he began the study of medicine, and two years later entered the College of Physicians and Surgeons at Keokuk, Iowa...

I know Doctor Horn, the subject of the above sketch, thruout the years of his residence in Leonard, in the northwest part of the county. It was my privilege to be called not very infrequently to see cases with him in consultation. I remember him as a capable, general practitioner. A genial, honorable gentleman.

Doctor H. C. Vaughn. Doctor Harrison Clay Vaughn was born on a farm near Strother, Monroe county, Missouri, on April 2, 1850. He received his early schooling at Strother, and taught country school in Monroe county for seven years. He attended the Missouri Medical College of St. Louis, Mo., entering in 1878 and graduating from this institution in the spring of 1890...

The subject of the above sketch, a large, physically awkward, jovial, lovable man, located in Shelbyville in the year 1895, buying out Dr. E. N. Gerard, who because of ill health, or other reasons best known to himself, moved to Arizona. In approaching the subject matter of this sketch I am at once reminded of some of those traits of my old friend Dr. E. N. Gerard.

An able general practitioner, benign in manner, friendly and cordial, he at once attracted and drew to himself much of the following of his predecessor, Dr. E. N. Gerard. Devotedly attentive to his patients, rendering good and efficient service. I think there are now many of his patrons living in and around Shelbyville, who will attest to the truth of my statement...

that there was ever in evidence the strong desire to render value received. In other words, his desire was to give rather than to receive. At times in thought and almost literally in person he lived with his patients. Profit and emolument being the least of the considerations which impelled and guided him in the loving and devoted care which he gave them.

Dr. Vaughn was loyal to and rejoiced in the friendly association of his professional brethren.

This kind, genial man in the manifestation of some of the faults of humanity was unique, quick tempered. He would sometimes express himself in strong terms. To sum up the combined characteristics of unwitting acts or statements, others not knowing him as I did, might get the impression that he might be provoked to violence, but the strong leash of control thru the higher dominance of his character would render such a denouement unthinkable in the minds of those that knew and loved him. Recognizing such a threat thru careless words, as simply an impulse of strong emotion which would die aborning.

Doctor J. M. McCully. John Milton McCully was born May 8, 1851 in Randolph county, Mo., and at the age of nine years moved with his parents to Shelby county, where he grew to maturity. He attended the local district schools of Taylor township, later attended Mount Pleasant College in Huntsville, where in 1870 he was graduated receiving the degree of Bachelor of Arts. He immediately afterward began the study of medicine under Dr. Luther Turner of Cherry Box. He then entered the St. Louis Medical College, now Washington University, and in 1873 received his degree of Doctor of Medicine.

He started his professional career in Sue City, Macon county, Mo., where he lived for nine years. He then moved to Shelbyville, Mo., and his health not being so good for a time he gave up his active practice and purchased the Shelbyville Index, which weekly paper he edited for two years. He then engaged in the drug business and also carried on the practice of medicine.

In 1898 he organized the Shelby County Telephone Co., the first to be established in the county. He was president of the Shelbyville school board for 12 years and during this time assisted in establishing the high school, the first one north of the Missouri river.

In 1903 he moved to Clarence, Mo., where he continued in the drug business and his professional work. He was always interested in agricultural pursuits and during his later years spent much time at his farm north of Clarence. He died June 16, 1932, in the Furnish hospital at Shelbyville, Mo.

The writer thru personal knowledge of the current events during the times indicated can testify to the various business activities of the doctor in Shelbyville and of his value as a citizen during the years of his residence there. And also to his deep interest and efficiency of his activities as a member of and for a long period of years as president of the school board. He was never actively engaged in the practice of medicine in Shelby county, acting only in this capacity incidentally to the drug business.

It was the privilege of the writer and his wife to have been present at the marriage of the doctor and Martha Alice Rawlings, his bride, as unexpected guests, growing out of the fact that we were boarding at the Old Shelby House in Shelbyville at the time, in the parlor of which they were married, and were invited by the wife of our host, Uncle Tom Garrison, the proprietor of the hotel, to witness the ceremony. Only a few months had gone by since we two were blushing bride and proud groom and hence very interested spectators.

Doctor J. H. Gentry. Doctor James H. Gentry was born in 1857, and was reared on a farm near Rensselaer, Ralls county, Mo. He was educated in the Old Van Rensselaer Academy, an institution sponsored by the Presbyterian church but patronized widely by people of all religious beliefs.

After graduating from this school he taught school for several years. He attended the Medical College entrance and graduation are unknown. The writer became acquainted with Dr. Gentry when he first came to Shelbyville in 1884. He was a bright promising young physician. Shortly afterwards, he became affiliated with Dr. E. N. Gerard, as his partner. Later he married Nellie, the youngest daughter of Dr. Gerard. Sponsored by the ability and popularity of his father-in-law everything looked very rosy for him, but in the early years of his career he fell victim of that hydra-headed monster, Russian Influenza, later denominated by the French thru their characteristic facility of expression and the suddenness of its onset, LaGrippe.

While I did not attend him, if my memory serves me correctly, he had a protracted illness from which he slowly recovered, regaining to all appearances his usual health, but upon the resumption of the activities of his profession it was soon apparent to him and his family that he had never fully regained his former health and strength. The kite never seemed to be able to rise quite so high again. As a result of his impaired health he sought more salubrious fields, selling out to Dr. Pollard in the year 1895. Locating in Arizona he regained his health but he began to hanker after the flesh-pots of Egypt, as it were, his thoughts turning to the place of his halcyon days, to the days of his courtship and marriage. But his contract of sale with Dr. Pollard was for a fixed term of years. Hence he located at Shelbyville, where according to the letter of the law of his contract he could only come so far and no farther. But he practiced medicine several years there. At the expiration of his contract the curtain of restriction was raised and he re-located in Shelbyville. For a time he was encouraged with the renewed hope of regained health but that fell monster LaGrippe had left its mark, lowering his constitutional resistance to that degree that his later experience at Shelbyville was marked by attacks of sickness of greater or less degree, thru greater or less times. In the fall of 1904 he again decided to move to his Canaan of hope, Arizona, where he died at Mesa in 1905, and was buried at Phoenix.

in 1889. He practiced at Granville, Monroe county, Mo., until 1894 when he moved to Clarence where he enjoyed an extensive practice until the time of his death, June 29, 1909.

The writer remembers Dr. Megee very favorably. Met him in the sick room a number of times. Was my daughter's physician at one time while living in Clarence.

Doctor Cornelius Hanger. Doctor Cornelius Hanger was born September 8, 1836. He practiced medicine in Clarence for years and reared a family. He was the father of Dr. Arthur C. Hanger. Dr. Hanger died March 6,

1894, and is buried at Clarence, Mo. The writer knew Dr. Hanger as a courtly, dignified and capable physician, of the type of his day. I knew him when he practiced at Clarence. Doctor J. R. Daniel. Doctor James R. Daniel was born in Randolph county, Missouri, November 27, 1860. Attended the rural schools and Kirksville State Normal School, after which he taught for some years. Graduated from the Missouri Medical College, St. Louis, Mo., in 1888. Practiced medicine at Jacksonville, Mo., for one year. They moved to California where he practiced for three years. Returning to his native state he located in Clarence in 1894 where he was active until the time of his death. He died in Rochester, Minn., in January, 1926. The writer knew him as a capable, ethical physician. Doctor J. J. Smoot. Doctor James J. Smoot was born in Marion county, March 21, 1847. His father was Josiah Smoot and his mother's maiden name was Harriet Whitaker. Both came from Loudoun county, Va. His father was a Baptist minister, and

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SHELBYVILLE MISSOURI

PRESERVING THE HEALTH OF SHELBY COUNTIANS

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came to Marion county, Mo., in 1833. He was but 9 years old when his father died and was at that early age thrown upon his own resources.



DR. J. J. SMOOT

Shelby county in April, 1876. I enjoyed a very pleasant professional acquaintance with Dr. Smoot. He was engaged in the practice of his profession on a farm near Bethel from 1876 to the date of his death.

Strong, vigorous, hearty, had a contagious laugh, altogether a merry hearted man. A jovial, capable and very efficient physician, enjoyed a large and lucrative practice. His friends were gauged by the number of his acquaintances.

In 1877 he was married to Mollie W. Wilson and in 1879 bought a 40 acre farm. To this union were born seven children, Edward M., Lena C., Jessie J., (deceased), Grover W., Lester R., Laura (deceased), and Allie Taylor.

In 1887 he bought the first steam threshing machine ever operated in Shelby county.

In 1893 was elected Representative of Shelby county.

In 1910 he bought the first Ford car in the county.

In December, 1916, his wife, Mollie, died. He died April 20, 1929.

Doctor W. W. Owen.

I knew Dr. Owen almost from the date of his location at Oak Dale, Shelby county. Through the number of years of his practice there he enjoyed a rather extensive practice, his territory extending over a relatively wide field. He was a capable, practical physician, devoted to his patients. He was active in political matters, being a Democrat, in the affairs of the county, and liked to talk of national affairs. The death of his good wife was quite a blow to him. He did not tarry long at Oak Dale after her demise, but moved from one place to another. He died at Alasco, the cement town below Hannibal. He was a genial, friendly, vivacious man. A member of the Shelby County Medical Society, which he attended with fair regularity, I have many pleasant memories of him.

At times visiting some patients with him we would ride from one place to another and upon entering the home, Dr. Owen was usually perfectly at ease in the home of his clientele, and would take advantage of me by saying, "Mrs. Brown (or Mrs. Jones, as the case might be) Dr. Smith would like a good cup of coffee," which was forthcoming and which the doctor enjoyed very much.

Doctor Lemuel Franklin.

I recall that when I came to the county sixty-four years ago there was practicing out at what is now known as Franklinsville, northeast of Shelbina, a Dr. Lemuel Franklin. I met him two or three times after I moved to Shelbina. I am of the impression that he was not a graduate of any accredited medical college. I do not know where he got such training as he had, but he had quite a following around about that section of the country where he lived, and did family practice for them and had quite a respectably sized clientele. He was a large, fine looking gentleman, I would suppose to be about 60 or 70 when I met him. The one particular characteristic which I recall of him, with his large body you would expect him to speak in stentorian tones. He was wonder-

fully suave in voice and manner. I do not recall the time of his death. Franklinsville I assume was named in his memory.

Doctor I. N. Hill.

In a discussion of Lobar-Pneumonia at our Medical Society. I have in at our Medical Society. I have been assured that he was a strong man, a man that had a great host of friends, and a fine patronage in Clarence.

Doctor I. N. Hill was born in Madison county, Kentucky, in the year 1819. He began the study of medicine first under Dr. A. H. Robertson, of Roschport, and in due time entered the Transylvania Medical College, of Kentucky, from which he graduated in 1846. He then located at Woodville, in Marion county, where he practiced for 12 years, coming thence to Shelby county. In 1858 he located at Clarence. He died at Harwood, Vernon county, in 1911 at the age of 92 years.

Doctor Gideon P. Chevront.

Doctor Gideon P. Chevront was born October 18, 1849, near Jane Lew, Lewis county, West Virginia. He, with his parents, moved to Missouri in the fall of 1856, and settled on a farm southwest of Leonard. Dr. Chevront taught school, and while teaching, read medicine under the supervision of his cousin, Dr. G. L. Smith. He later attended the College of Physicians and Surgeons at Keokuk, Iowa, for two years, graduating in the year 1876. He then began the practice of medicine near Bethel, in Shelby county, later moving to a farm northeast of Bethel and for 12 years continued the practice of medicine, farming and raising live stock at the same time.

In the spring of 1888 he sold his property in Bethel township, retiring from active practice of medicine and purchased and moved to a farm east of Leonard. He spent over two years as a merchant in Leonard, but being aware of his falling health, retired from his work and began to shape his business and make ready for the summons he so soon received. This summons came to his home at 3 o'clock, April 8, 1893. In ill health for two years, the direct cause of his death being erysipelas.

I knew Dr. Chevront favorably by reputation as a popular and successful physician practicing on a farm northeast of Bethel. I had no personal acquaintance with him but met him professionally the first and only time that I can recall, in conjunction with Dr. E. P. Horn in the case of an accident occurring near Leonard, which required amputation.

Doctor A. K. Musgrove.

Doctor A. K. Musgrove was born at LaBelle, Mo., on July 14, 1870. He graduated from the College of Physicians and Surgeons in Louisville, Kentucky, June, 1891, and located at Bethel, Mo., in the same year, where he practiced until August 27, 1903, when he developed a chronic ailment from which he never recovered, dying at Bethel, Mo., July 11, 1930. I became acquainted with Dr. Musgrove shortly after he located at Bethel in 1891. Knew him more or less intimately, not only through out the activities of his professional life but saw him more or less frequently after he was invalided, up to the time of his death. In many respects he was a rare character. A giant in physique and strength with the energy of a buzz saw. During his active years as a practitioner he enjoyed a large following in the way of friends and patronage. No roads too rough, no nights too dark, no mud too deep for him to attempt in pursuit of his duties as physician. In supreme confidence in his integrity, his reasonable ability, in the love and support of his clients and friends, he marched valiantly forth at times in sheer seeming disregard of opinions. He apparently delighted to put his worst foot foremost, inwardly chuckling in noting the reaction of his friends to this peculiar characteristic.

Doctor Nathaniel Manson Read.

Doctor Nathaniel Manson Read was born in Spencer county, Virginia, March 26, 1837. He was the third generation of his family bearing the degree of M. D. Graduating from the University of Virginia, he located at Charlottesville, in 1860. Spent a year as intern at Baltimore hospital, now known as Johns Hopkins. He enlisted as physician and surgeon in the Confederate army under General Price in 1861 and served until the close of the war. He was present during the inaugural addresses of both Abraham Lincoln and Jefferson Davis. He practiced for a short time in Washington, D. C. Moved

to Missouri in May 1866 and located at Granville where he remained until January 6, 1893, when he moved to Clarence where he enjoyed the confidence and esteem of a wide circle of friends and patrons. He died January 11, 1930, having reached the ripe old age of almost 93 years.

The above is a very interesting history of a very interesting character. I knew him practically from the time he located at Clarence. Had met him once before. I recognized him as a man of strong individuality, well educated, a thinker and at the time I knew him a man of large experience in several of the varied walks of life, rounding out a character which to know was not easy to forget. As a physician he was particularly painstaking in keeping notes on his cases. I do not recall that I ever saw a printed clinic form in his office but repeatedly after seeing a patient with him we would retire to his office for careful consideration and consultation. I have seen him bring out a memorandum book, written with meticulous care in a handwriting suggestive of that of a painstaking girl in her diary. He had noted fever, pulse, et cetera, from day to day as the history had been going on.

He was individualistic in his type. I have been a guest at his home on different occasions. The hospitality of himself and good wife was as typical and generous as the man himself.

Doctor U. S. Durham.

Doctor U. S. Durham was born at Jacksonville, Mo., March 4, 1865. Attended college at Kirksville, Mo. Matriculated in the Missouri Medical School and graduated from St. Louis College of Physicians and Surgeons in 1889. Did post graduate work in Chicago and New York City. Began practicing at Duncans Bridge, Monroe county, Mo., then at Maud and later moved to Clarence. Dr. Durham practiced in Shelby county for 16 years. He died at Moberly, on March 17, 1913.

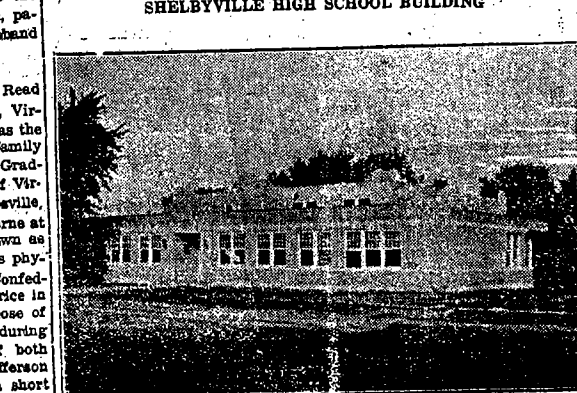
The writer knew Dr. Durham while he was actively engaged in the practice of his profession at Maud. Saw patients with him on more than one occasion. He was a physician of real worth and ability, a man of wonderful energy and activity. Thru which characteristics he placed large drafts upon his physical ability thru an extensive and arduous practice. As a result his usefulness to the community and to his profession was terminated all too soon by his early demise.

Doctor Gregory Delaney.

Dr. Gregory Delaney was born December 6, 1871, on a farm near Woodlawn, Monroe county, Mo., where he grew to manhood. He attended the old Missouri Medical College at St. Louis, graduating from there in 1896. He returned to Monroe county and practiced a short time at Madison before locating at Emden. He remained at Emden practicing his profession until his death which occurred on January 2, 1923.

I became acquainted with Dr. Delaney shortly after he located at Emden, a beautiful little town in the eastern part of the county. Personally he was a strong, large, genial and energetic man. He was a very capable physician. I saw him not infrequently during these years of his residence in Emden and I am pleased to say that when I was fortunate to be called in consultation with him that I usually found thru his painstaking observation and careful analysis of symptoms relative to the history of his case clinically, he usually had developed a very clean diagnosis for our consideration. He acquired a very large practice, was a very successful and prosperous physician, his practice extending over a wide territory. He was a regular attendant and active member of the Shelby County Medical Association. I enjoyed the hospitality of his home, graced by his good wife and charming daughter, Lillian.

SHELBYVILLE HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING



I esteemed the doctor very highly as an ethical and very capable physician and friend. I have many tender memories of my association with him and his family.

Doctor C. M. Chapman.

Doctor Charles McVey Chapman was born on a farm in Monroe county, Mo., on March 17, 1866. He attended University Medical College of Kansas City, Mo., and graduated from that school in 1900. Dr. Chapman located at Shelbina immediately after his graduation and practiced his profession here until his death on January 22, 1924.

Dr. Chapman was my partner for nearly three years and was a very capable physician. He had an enthusiastic and devoted following. During the last years of his life he was in ill health and died of pneumonia in January, 1924.

Doctor L. L. Smith.

Doctor Lawrence Letton Smith, practicing physician of Shelby county for 26 years, was born in Newark, Knox county, Mo., on July 17, 1867. He grew to young manhood there, and attended the Anderson Academy at LaBelle, Mo., in preparation for the study of medicine. Later he continued this preparation at Park College of Parkville, Mo.

In 1895 he entered the Barnes Medical school, now incorporated with Washington University of St. Louis. In 1899 he received the M. D. Degree from that school and returned to Newark for a short time.

Soon after graduation, however, Dr. Smith joined the popular westward movement at that time and went to Glendale, Arizona, where he practiced medicine for two years, returning to Missouri in 1906. He began practice in Bethel, Shelby county, Mo., at that time and was in active practice there for 26 years.

In 1908 Dr. Smith married Miss Dora Bragg of Bethel, and in 1910 their only son, Paul Letton Smith, was born.

During the World War Dr. Smith served for six months with the 9th Division of the American Expeditionary Forces stationed at Camp Sheridan in Montgomery, Ala. He was a member of the Medical Corps of that Division, serving with rank of First Lieutenant.

On return to civilian life in 1918 he resumed his practice at Bethel. In that community Dr. Smith was quite active in civic affairs and also served a number of years as president of the Shelby County Medical Society. He was a member of the American Legion and of the Masonic Lodge.

On July 4, 1932, he died of cerebral hemorrhage while at his office in Bethel.

I became acquainted with Dr. Smith not long after he located at Bethel and thruout the years of his residence there. Thru professional association in Medical Society and the sick room I learned to appreciate him as a physician of large worth. He was active in his

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attendance in the Medical Association and as indicated above was its president for a number of years. During many of informal talks which came before this body, when not immediately concerned with something directly professional, I learned of his broad view-point in life, his geniality and interest pertaining to the things of real value in the social world. As a physician I learned to appreciate his steadiness, patience and untiring attendance upon his patients in times of real stress. As also his ability, thru his fine social qualities to enjoy life thru his association with his professional brethren, his patrons and his many friends.

As I heard a professional brother remark once, "he was a steady puller." Capable of and did good team work and out of his rich experience ever ready with his contributions in the way of professional help.

Doctor Ladd.

Many of the old residents of Clarence remember Dr. Ladd but little dependable data can be secured. He married a Miss Taylor of Clarence and practiced medicine there for many years. Moved to Odessa where he died having reached the ripe old age of four score and ten.

Doctor D. H. Matthews.

Dr. Drury H. Matthews practiced in Clarence during its early history and is buried in the cemetery there. He was born in 1840 and died in 1888. Many early residents remember Dr. Matthews as a gentleman and able practitioner of medicine.

Doctor H. T. Willis.

Doctor H. T. Willis was born in 1864, on July 3. Dr. Willis attended the public schools of Shelbina and the Shelbina Collegiate Institute. He entered the University Medical College of Kansas City in 1895 and graduated from this college in 1898. After receiving his degree he located at Shelbina where he practiced until his death on February 25, 1910. In 1902 he was appointed county physician and served as such until his death.

Doctor Daniel A. Dobson.

Doctor Dobson was born near Warrensburg in 1849. He graduat-

ed from Beaumont Medical College of St. Louis, Mo., in 1887. Dr. Dobson started practicing his profession in Randolph county, near Jacktownville, soon after his graduation from medical college in 1887, then moved to Lakennan. Sometime later Dr. Dobson moved to Hunnewell where he died on July 5, 1918, at the age of 69.

Doctor John Carothers.

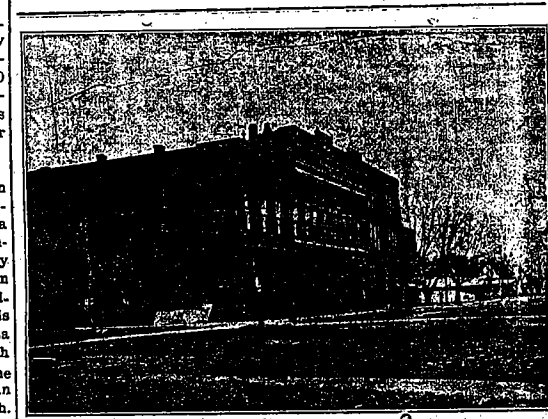
Doctor John Carothers was born in or near Carlisle, Pa., January 4, 1796. His parents were Thomas and Elizabeth Loudon Carothers, and he was a grandson of Captain John and Mary Armstrong Carothers.

Dr. Carothers practiced medicine in Carlisle, Pa., several years before coming to Shelby county, Mo. He came to Shelbyville in 1842. Dr. Carothers died June 8, 1855 and was buried in the I. O. O. F. cemetery in Shelbyville, Mo.

The above sketch was furnished me by Frank Carothers, a descendant now living in the county.

Coming from Carlisle and having practiced at Carlisle, which is not far from Philadelphia, it is presumed that he graduated at one of the Philadelphia medical schools, either Jefferson medical school or the medical department of the University.

Doctor James Bell.



The Mitchell building and the old Freeman opera house located on the south side of West Main Street before the fire which destroyed them about fifteen years ago.

Doctor James Bell was born in Carlisle, Pa., on September 9, 1800. His parents were James and Jane Carothers Bell, and he, also a grandson of Captain John and Mary Armstrong Carothers. Dr. Bell was a cousin of Dr. John Carothers and came to Missouri about 1842. He was united in marriage to Miss Amanda Dickerson, October 13, 1844. Dr. Bell was well known among the early settlers of Shelby county. He also operated a drug store in Shelbyville for several years. He died June 20, 1876, and is buried in the I. O. O. F. cemetery in Shelbyville.

The historical sketch above does not establish the fact that he was a graduate in medicine or that he ever practiced medicine in Shelby county, but only that he ran a drug store. To which fact I can attest as I became acquainted with him almost immediately after I had located there. He continued to conduct the drug store until the time of his death. Other than this I am unable to comment. I was present at the death of his wife, which occurred as a result of apoplexy.

Doctor T. H. Irwin.

Doctor Thomas Henderson Irwin was born January 13, 1805, in the state of Virginia. He came to Missouri in 1837 and located at Shel-

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When Pa Brought Ma To Old Settlers They Came In 'n Awful Hurry!



And those days are gone forever. Everything is changed. Ma has only one souvenir of that memorable day when Pa hustled her into Shelbyville in that thar gas buggy. He bought her a ring that sweltering afternoon, for being such a faithful wife-maybe, at Dimmitt's Jewelry Store and she has it to this day. A gift that lasted from the time that she was a young woman until she became a white haired old lady. And so it is. Times change, science and civilization progress, until we have nothing to remind us of the good old days except those gifts whose value far excels their cost, those gifts that last down through the ages.

And on this momentous occasion, the 100th anniversary of the founding of Shelby County, again some reminder should be given to those whom we love. Something that they can wear through the years, with its value becoming greater with each year that passes. Something that will never go out of date, but will constantly remind one of the donor.

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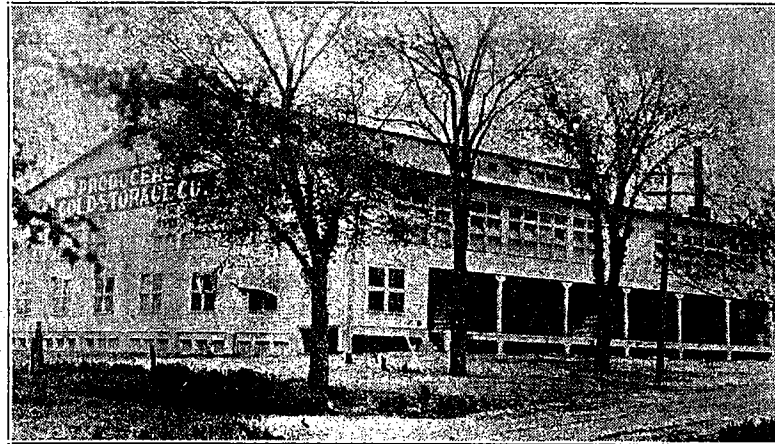
GREETINGS!

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The Farmers Produce Co., Shelbina
The Farmers Exchange, Leonard
The Producers Cooperative Assn., Clarence

The Farmers Exchange, Bethel
The Farmers Exchange, Lentner
Brown Sisters Store, Emden
Collier's Grocery Store, Hunnewell

HISTORY OF THE LOCAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

This summary of the Presbyterian Church of Shelbyville, Mo., giving the names of the different pastors and those connected with the church from its organization...

The Presbyterian Church of Shelbyville, Mo., was organized by the Rev. Wm. P. Cochran of the Presbytery of Palmyra, Mo., July 30, 1859...

At this meeting Dr. Darius Day was elected Ruling Elder. The newly organized church was called the "Presbyterian Church of Shelbyville"...

The names of the following served as pastors of the church since its organization, some of them for several years at a time, and others only for a short time...

The following have held their membership in this church: Susan Terrill, Alice Forman, John Dunn, Elizabeth Dunn, Henry T. Sheetz...

Bennette, Hettie Engle, Jane Casey, Mary A. S. Casey, Alexander Graham, Wm. Ross, Ada H. Purnell, Mary A. McMurtry, Sarah Sheetz, Elizabeth Powell...

Devin, Sarah Doremas, Maggie S. Collier, Edmund Augustus Graves, Robert Meves, George Kirtley, Dora Belle Tolle, Charles Henry Kelson, Wm. J. Crawford, Elmira J. Crawford, Robert C. Calvert...

Brooks, Mrs. Marshall, Kate Marshall, U. G. Forman, Wm. M. Vaden, Mrs. A. C. Vaden, Mrs. Retta Terrill, Sadie Armentrout...

Hollander, Dr. J. H. Gentry, Zeta Muldrow, Ella Grant, J. Harve McChesney, John S. Mahaffey, Earl Thomas Gooch, Elizabeth Stowe, Forrest Muldrow, Elmer Murray Muldrow, Maria Alpaugh...

The first physician in Shelbyville was Dr. John W. Long who arrived in the spring of 1836.

HISTORY OF TOWN OF HUNNEWELL

By Mrs. Ray Rubison The town of Hunnewell was laid off August 15, 1857, by Josiah Hunt, land commissioner of the Hannibal and St. Joseph Railroad...

The town was named for H. Hollis Hunnewell, land agent for the Hannibal and St. Joseph Railroad. At this time the town site was covered with prairie grass as high as a horse's back...

Mr. Wheeler sent to Paris for an old Baptist preacher by the

name of Ayers and dedication services were held. This was the first, we are told, religious service held in Hunnewell...

Lineman Kellogg started digging a well to supply water for the trains. In New York state any well dug down to sea level would produce an abundant supply of water...

Blackburn & Balliett's Brilliant built a block of brick buildings in 1874. In the second story are two halls, occupied by the Odd

Fellows and Masons. The first child born in Hunnewell was Maggie Durbin, a daughter of the first family in the place...

From Sharpsburg, a little country town about 6 miles northeast of Hunnewell, Bill Burditt and A. B. Thiehoff moved in a stock of groceries. Snider & Blackburn moved in another from Kendall...

The first postoffice was established in Snider & Co's. store in the fall of 1857, and John H. Snider was the first postmaster.

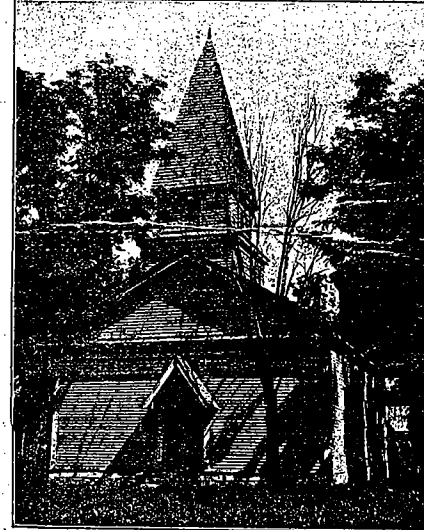
In 1859 the first school house

was built. The first teacher was a man named Shaw, a Massachusetts Yankee, and a graduate of Harvard. The first preaching was done in this school house soon after its completion...

When the war broke out in 1861, the population of Hunnewell was about 500. There were four stores, two blacksmith and wagon shops, a good hotel, etc.

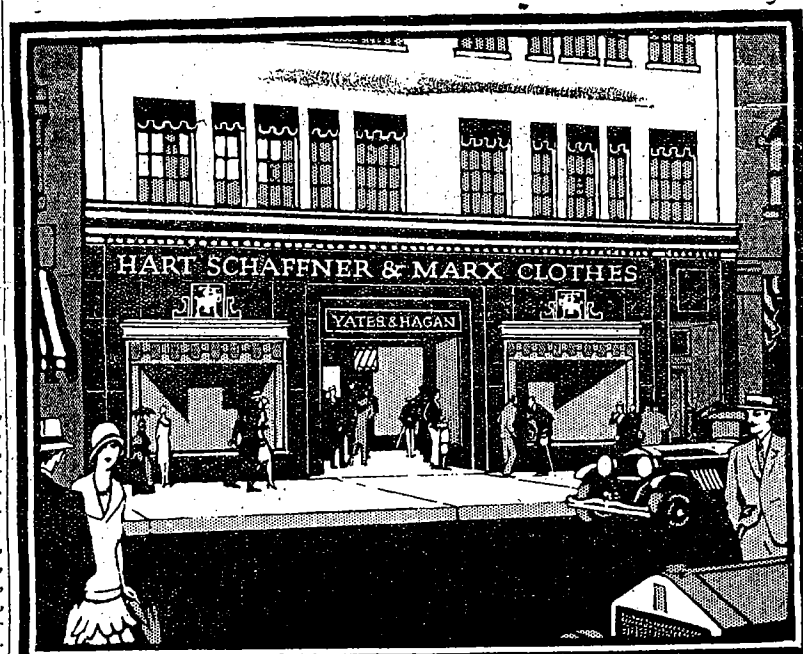
On June 15, 1861, the first Federal troops made their appearance.

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SHELBYVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Advertisement for the Auditorium Hotel in St. Louis, featuring a drawing of the hotel and text describing its location and amenities.



CONGRATULATIONS TO SHELBY COUNTIANS On Their First One Hundred Years Of Peace, Progress and Prosperity

We pause to pay tribute to the founding and settlement of Shelby County by those hardy pioneers in 1835. The progress of Shelby County has been rich in achievement. Its development has contributed much to the advancement of northeast Missouri.

Today, as in the past, progressive citizens of Shelby County continue to exert their wholesome influence throughout the great middle west. The Shelby County Centennial is a noble and deserving tribute to those early pioneers in which we are proud to have a part.

Yates & Hagan CLOTHING COMPANY Hannibal, Missouri

Large advertisement for Central Abstract & Loan Co. featuring the headline 'WE EXTEND GREETINGS TO YOU ON THIS 100th ANNIVERSARY Of Shelby County' and details about insurance and abstract work.

HISTORY OF TOWN

OF HUNNEWELL

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July 10, came the Monroe City fight and with it the secessionist troops under Dr. Foster on their way to burn the Salt River railroad bridge.

About the 1st of September, came Martin E. Green's troops on their way to the Shelbina fight. That night the Salt River bridge was again burned.

During the Porter raid the Federal troops were stationed here. In July, 1864, Bill Anderson and his men burned the bridge and block house at Salt River.

Doctors The first doctor to come to Hunnewell was Dr. A. L. Yancey, who moved in from near Kendall. Dr. E. C. Davis was the second doctor. He came from near Warren. Dr. York came before the war from the East. He laid out the York addition to Hunnewell. Shortly after the close of the war he started west. In Kansas he was murdered by the famous Bender gang.

Stores

Richard Durbin built the first house in Hunnewell and this was built on the south side of the railroad track. They were the first family to move into Hunnewell. Several stores were built on that side of the track. The first hotel was a large structure of the old Southern style. It was torn down and moved from Old Clinton and rebuilt in Hunnewell. Smith & Hall, Smith's son-in-law, were the proprietors. Hunnewell today, 1935, is a little village of about 350 population. There are more business houses on the north side of the railroad than on the south. A blacksmith shop and implement store run by John Horn & Sons, also a feed business run by them is all that is located on the south side.

A general merchandise store operated by Chris Horn & Son, one by L. M. Landrum, the Pepper barber shop, Hunnewell Bank, John O'Daniel drug store, Grover Givan's undertaking establishment, Bennett garage, W. H. Y. Byrd produce house, Harwood's hardware and notion store, office of Hunnewell Graphic, Telephone Exchange, another general merchandise store, the hotel, operated by Mr. and Mrs. Fred Behringer; a restaurant, operated by Mrs. Gene Ash; post office, with Mrs. Vera Yancey postmistress; are all on the north side of the railroad track. Mrs. Goldie Howe is editor of the Graphic; Dr. R. L. Parker is the physician and has offices over Harwood's hardware store. A new brick school building with a high school was built about 1925.

PRESERVING THE HEALTH OF SHELBY COUNTIANS

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byville, Shelby county, Mo. where he continued to live and practice medicine until within two years before his death which occurred on July 24, 1872, at the home of his son, A. B. Irwin.

I remember the subject of the above sketch well. I recall him as being a stately, grey haired old man walking about the streets of Shelbyville supported by a long cane. My impression was that he was a much older man than the above sketch, which is taken from his obituary written by Rev. Lillburn Rush, would indicate.

Doctor J. N. Coons. Family records and tradition tell one that I was born in Athens, Fayette county, Kentucky, on September 23, 1828.

"At 12 years of age I came on horseback from Kentucky, behind two wagons bringing my father and family, landing in Fabius township in Marion county, Mo., on October 19, 1841.

"I was educated in private schools in Kentucky, in public schools in Missouri, in LeGrange Academy and in Baptist College in Palmyra. I was never graduated in these schools but I had a fair English education and some knowledge of Latin, especially in the grammar of both languages.

"My medical education was had first thru the tuition of medical friends, then in the medical department of Iowa State University, where I graduated in 1857.

"After graduation I offered for practice in Shelbyville, Mo.; and after 11 years practice I took a medical course in St. Louis Medical College, now Washington University, and graduated there in 1858.

"My health failing from a too

heavy practice in Shelbyville, Mo. I bought my old homestead and moved to it in Marion county in 1870. With health regained, I left my old homestead and came to Palmyra in order to give my children better facility for education. "I practiced medicine in Palmyra till about ten years ago, when I bought a small fruit farm near Hannibal, Mo., and moved there. I removed in 1912 to my old home in Palmyra, Mo., where among old friends I hope to spend my few remaining years." (By Dr. Coons, before his death, which occurred November 9, 1915.)

The writer of the above sketch has done his work so much better than I could possibly hope to do, that it leaves nothing further for me to do in that line. I would respectfully suggest, however, that Dr. Coons in reciting his personal history, had set a worthy and commendable example, which is well worthy of emulation. I did not have the pleasure of Dr. Coons' acquaintance, but I heard much favorable comment relative to him as a man and physician, from the very beginning of my practice in Shelby county.

Many years ago, I had the good pleasure to meet him on one occasion in Palmyra, where I was invited to be present at an operation. Recognizing that fact that Dr. Coons, while active, was on his way down the western slope, I made bold to ask him his age. With a broad and ingratiating smile he gave me his age but suggested that he was not particularly anxious to have it broadcast, adding with a slight grimace, "that old age in our profession is not altogether an asset." Doctor.

Doctor Frank Turner. Doctor Turner practiced medicine for several years at Shelbyville. He was a partner of Dr. William Carson while there. He moved to Monroe City where he practiced until his death from appendicitis. Dr. Turner was a brother of Dr. George Turner, who practiced in Monroe City many years before his death which occurred two or three years ago.

Doctor G. E. Farr. Doctor George E. Farr was born at Leonard, Mo., October 31, 1878. Graduated in medicine from the University Medical College of Kansas City, Mo., in the class of 1906. Practiced at Cherry Box, Novelty and Shelbyville. Moved to Clarence and practiced there preceding the war. He enlisted in the services and died in a training camp in Texas.

Doctor A. G. Hanger. Doctor Arthur C. Hanger, a son of Dr. Cornelius Hanger, was born July 11, 1862 and died at Cherry Box, Mo., October 13, 1914. Dr. Hanger practiced medicine in Clarence for a number of years as a member of the firm of Read & Hanger. Seeking a more favorable climate he moved to Colorado. Returning to his native state in 1912 he located at Cherry Box where he practiced until the time of his death.

Doctor L. W. Dallas. Doctor Dallas practiced medicine at Hunnewell for a number of years and moved to Texas some years ago.

Doctor R. C. Leak. Doctor R. C. Leak practiced medicine here about the years of 1873 and 1878, and moved back to Kansas, where he lived before he came to Shelby county.

Doctor G. T. Giles. Doctor and Mrs. Giles came here from Palmyra to make a home for their son, Honorable R. P. Giles, whose wife had died shortly before their coming here. Dr. Giles never sought to engage in the practice of his profession after he came to Shelbina. Dr. Granville P. Giles was born in Wythe county, Va., Sept. 24, 1821. In 1848 he moved to Missouri and settled in Granville in Monroe county. Granville was presumably named for him. In 1865 Dr. Giles moved to Palmyra and in 1877 he moved to Shelbina where he died Jan. 6, 1895.

Doctor C. E. Vandiver. Doctor Charles E. Vandiver was associated with me from 1896 to 1897. He moved from here to Palmyra and later moved to Hannibal. In later years he moved to Nebraska, where he died in 1926.

Doctor Theodore Griffin. Doctor Griffin was associated with me for about a year in 1895. He came to Shelbina from Lakanan and moved from here to Kansas City.

Doctor Anthony Minter. Doctor Minter was born in Virginia in 1794 and died at Shelbyville, Mo., in 1871, at the age of 77 years. He is buried in the I. O. O. F. cemetery at Shelbina.

Doctor Sparrow. I met Dr. Sparrow on several occasions, during the several years he was engaged in the practice of his profession in this county.

Doctor W. W. Todd. Doctor W. W. Todd was a partner of mine for a year. He was a very attractive and highly honorable young physician with bright promises. He moved to St. Louis in response to a very attractive offer from Dr. E. W. Sanders, a very prominent physician, specializing largely in obstetrics and diseases of children. Dr. Todd died about a year after he left here.

Doctor Henry M. Pollard. Doctor Henry M. Pollard was born on February 4, 1861, in Shelby county, Mo. Was educated at the Kirksville State Normal school. Entered Missouri Medical College at St. Louis in 1885, and graduated from that school in 1888. He took a post-graduate course in New York and also in Chicago at the Polytechnic school. He began practicing in 1888 at Maud, Shelby County, Mo., and after seven years moved to Shelbina where he practiced until his death on August 21, 1910.

He was capable, quite active and successful as physician, both at Maud and in his new field at Shelbina. He was genial, friendly, aggressive and ethical. Thru his ability to do surgery he attracted quite a following as an operator and consultant over the county. For the last two years of his life he did not enjoy what prior to that time had constituted his general good health, which of necessity slowed up his work thru the remainder of his life which was terminated by his death on the 21st day of August, 1910.

THE SHELBY COUNTY PIONEERS

By Rev. Marcus L. Gray Chillicothe, Mo.

I One hundred years of fruitful time, One hundred years in healthful clime, Since Shelby's Pioneers first came To build their homes and prairies tame.

II Kentucky sent her noble sons, They came in wagons and with guns; And others came from Tennessee, A race of men full brave and free.

III Ohio men were not unknown, Good farmers, all, they held their own; From Indiana settlers came, And hardships dire they overcame.

IV From Illinois they came in force, For hardy life they laid their course; E'en old Virginia found our shores, For them we opened wide our doors.

V From other states and far off lands They came in friendship, joining hands To build a Commonwealth for all, For noble worth, our shielding wall.

VI They found unconquered woodland streams, And fertile lands beyond their dreams; Wide rolling prairies, roaming deer, And bee trees rich for pioneer.

VII The sharp-eyed wolf was often seen, His hunger made him lean and mean; The rattlesnake was here and there, His rattle bade them then beware.

VIII The log house built became a home, Where dwelt good will beneath its dome; The latchstring hung outside the door, And welcome, all, both rich and poor.

IX The fireplace for heat and light, And happy children, faces bright; The hearth where mother baked the bread, On pone cornbread the children fed.

X The children slept in trundle-beds, And rested there their weary heads; The daily hum of spinning wheel, And then the click of yarn on reel.

XI The loom whence came the bright blue jeans, From garden patch she gathered greens; She sang old hymns for children's ears, And prayed for them with smiles and tears.

XII Four yoke of oxen turned the sod, At evening tired homeward plod; Plows roared through the hazel brush, The drivers drove them with a rush.

XIII The corn was cut and put in shock, When winter came was fed to flock; Hog killing time then came around, A feast for child and hungry hound.

XIV Through timber tall the roads were cut, Along new roads the settler's hut; Tall prairie grass was trodden down, And there sprang up the little town.

XV Our pioneers were noble men, Their virtues worthy of our pen; Their manhood won eternal fame, To God, manhood the greatest name.

Dr. L. O. Nickel, Moberly, Mo.; Dr. Frank Devin, Washington; Dr. G. C. Lydie, Atlanta, Mo.; Dr. C. E. Salyer, Hannibal, Mo. Paraphrasing from Priscilla to John Alden in Miles Standish, I would say, "Speak for yourselves!" And I adjure you by all that you revere in the past, all that you hold dear in the present and all for which you hope thru faith in the future, speak in such thoughts, terms and manner as to merit and receive the approval of your higher, better selves, of the Christ within you.

I congratulate all of you upon your wonderful wealth of opportunity in your profession thru the wonderful facilities which are yours at the present day.

I give you my blessing and I invoke for you the eternal omnipotent love of eternal God. The subjoined lines, which I caught over the radio sometime within the year, appealed to me very much and as is my custom when I feel within my being the vibrant response to some sentiment or truth I try to make them mine by tucking them away in the files of my memory. But fearful that these lines below I

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The scope of these sketches by intent and purpose as interpreted by me thru the request of the Chairman of the Committee implies particularly to physicians of the early day who lived and practiced in this county.

To the physicians in Shelby county now engaged in the active and honorable practice of their profession, and to those physicians who in the past have practiced their profession honestly, capably and ethically in Shelby county, and who are now living and practicing their professions elsewhere, whose names are subjoined with their places of residence are as follows: Dr. D. E. Singleton, Ft. Leavenworth, Kan.; Dr. S. M. Hall, Kansas City, Mo.; Dr. V. J. Smith, Hannibal, Mo.; Dr. R. S. Battersby, Columbia, Mo;

The above facts were furnished by Judge J. T. Turner of Clarence.

Doctor W. M. Bayliss. Doctor William M. Bayliss was born in Virginia in 1850. He received his B. S. Degree from National University at Lebanon, Ohio, in 1878. Graduated from the Kansas City Medical College in 1882. He practiced for some years at Milford, Texas, from which place he moved to Clarence. Was superintendent of the tubercular institution at Mt. Vernon, Mo., also served or was physician at the state hospital at Fulton at one time. On retiring from this he returned to Clarence and resumed his practice. Served as postmaster and died in St. Louis, Mo.

How well I remember him. Proud as a prince, as sensitive as a woman, an able physician devoted to his patrons, a kind and loving husband and father, and extravagantly loyal to his friends. I love his memory.

Doctor T. A. Gordon. Doctor Gordon practiced medicine a number of years ago at Maud. Was an ethical and capable physician. Thru ill health has been retired a number of years and is now living in Shelbina.

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might not be able to keep intact in my memory, I wrote in to that incomparable master of ceremonies Major Edward Bowes, who recited a few gracious words he complied with my request and I herewith pass them on and I respectfully and reverently dedicate them to all who may read.

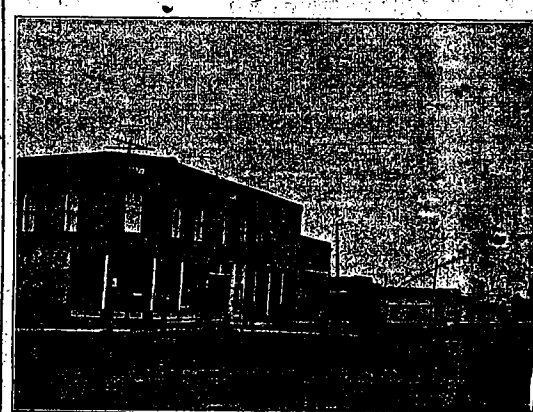
Afterglow. The day died in a flood of crimson flame That bathes the hills in beauty richly rare, And all the world bowed down, and I, too, came

To stand in wonder and to worship there. And then a small voice seemed to question me; "Where death shall come and I must gladly go,

Will there be one to love my memory? O Lord, shall I, too, leave an afterglow?"

In Appreciation. I especially desire to thank my friend, Dr. Frank K. Roy, for valuable help in furnishing me data of some of the early physicians of Clarence and vicinity. Respectfully submitted, DR. J. D. SMITH, M. D.

HOW THE WEST SIDE OF THE SQUARE LOOKED



A view of the Priest Drug Store and other buildings on the west side of the square before the fire in which they were destroyed in 1927.

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