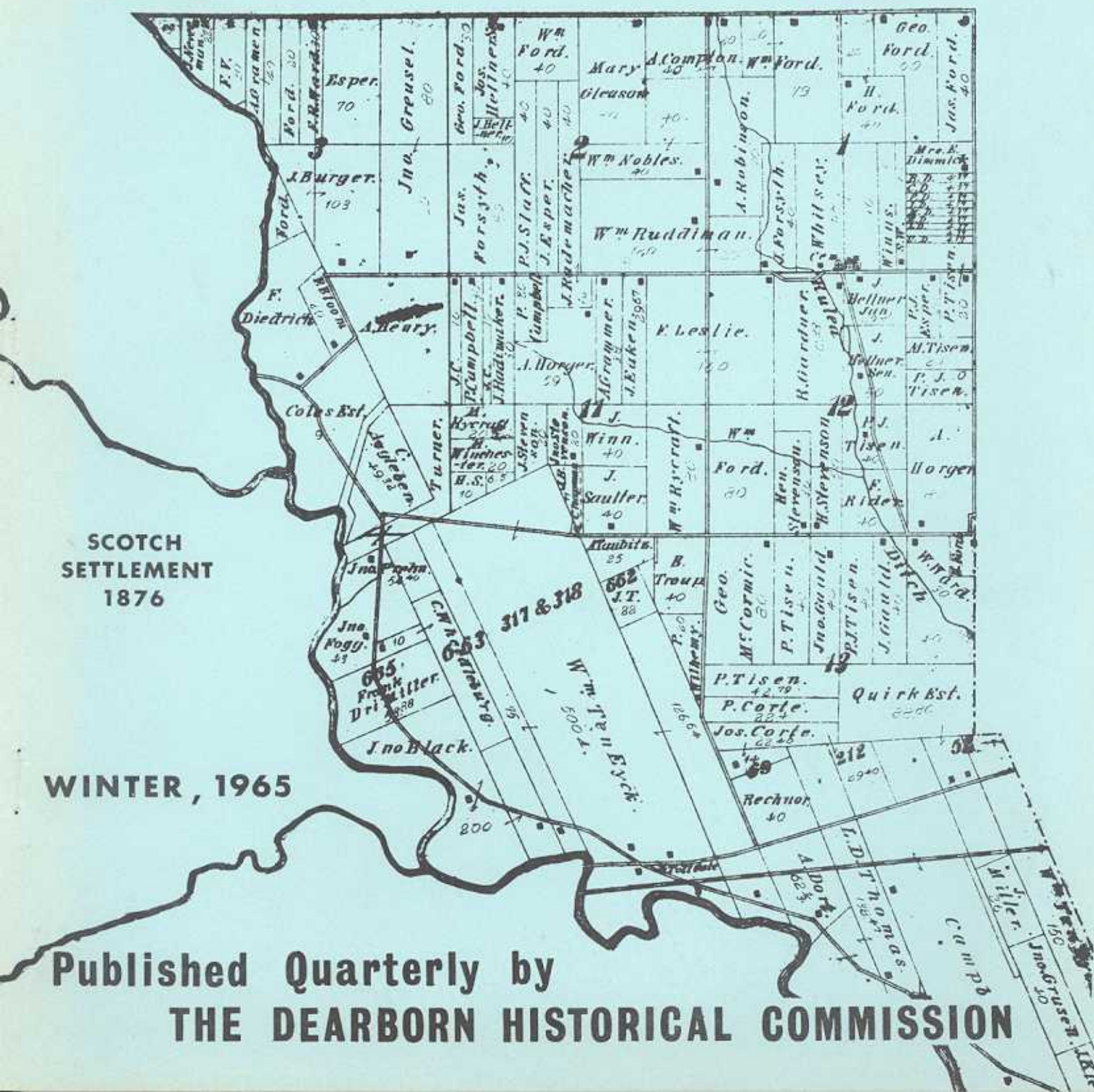


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This publishing venture by the Historical Commission and the staff of the Historical Museum is an attempt to reach an ever-larger audience. Their combined efforts are directed toward making this community a better place in which to live.

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With the above goal in mind, this publication is dedicated to Dearborn's junior and senior citizens.

Orville L. Hubbard

"IF I TRIED TO READ MUCH LESS ANSWER ALL THE CRITICISMS MADE OF ME AND ALL THE ATTACKS LEVELED AGAINST ME, THIS OFFICE WOULD HAVE TO BE CLOSED FOR ALL OTHER BUSINESS. I DO THE BEST I KNOW HOW, THE VERY BEST I CAN, AND I MEAN TO KEEP ON DOING THIS DOWN TO THE VERY END." — ABRAHAM LINCOLN

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SCOTCH SETTLEMENT

FRANK STEVENSON

[EDITOR'S NOTE: FRANCIS LESLIE, HIS WIFE MARY HENRY AND INFANT SON WILLIAM SAILED FROM ABERDEEN, SCOTLAND IN 1833. THE SHIP ARRIVED IN NEW YORK AFTER A 58 DAY TRIP, THEN WENT ON TO PITTSBURGH, CINCINNATI AND DAYTON. THE YOUNG LESLIE FAMILY SPENT THEIR FIRST WINTER IN DAYTON, OHIO. IN THE SPRING OF 1834 THEY WENT BY CANAL BOAT TO CLEVELAND AND ON TO DETROIT AND DEARBORN. IT TOOK TWO WEEKS TO COME FROM DAYTON TO DETROIT AND THE BOAT THAT CARRIED THEM OVER LAKE ERIE WAS NEARLY LOST IN A STORM. AFTER LOOKING AROUND THE FAMILY BOUGHT WHAT BECAME KNOWN AS THE LESLIE FARM, WARREN AVENUE WEST AND BECKNER ROAD, IN DEARBORN TOWNSHIP. FRANCIS CLEARED ENOUGH LAND TO BUILD A LOG HOUSE WHICH HE, THEN 28, HIS WIFE 22 AND SON A LITTLE OVER 1 YEAR, MOVED INTO JULY 4, 1834. THE FOLLOWING ARTICLE WAS WRITTEN BY FRANK L. STEVENSON OF CHICAGO, ILLINOIS IN AUGUST OF 1943. HE WAS THE GRANDSON OF FRANCIS LESLIE AND NEPHEW OF WILLIAM LESLIE AND FREQUENTLY VISITED AT THE LESLIE HOME. WILLIAM LESLIE, WHO LIVED HIS LIFE IN THIS LOCALITY FROM THE TIME DEARBORN TOWNSHIP WAS A WILDERNESS, KNEW MUCH ABOUT THE TOWNSHIP, WAYNE COUNTY AND DETROIT. HE ENJOYED TELLING OF THEM AND MR. STEVENSON RECITES SOME OF THIS IN HIS WRITING. FRANK STEVENSON HAS SINCE DIED.]

THE VICINITY OF WARREN AVENUE AND SOUTHFIELD ROAD TODAY LOOKS MUCH LIKE MANY OTHER PARTS OF METROPOLITAN DETROIT - A NETWORK OF PAVED STREETS LINED WITH COMFORTABLE HOMES - A SHOPPING CENTER HERE AND THERE - TRAFFIC SIGNALS - STREET LIGHTS - A PART OF THE COMMUNITY, DEFINITELY URBAN IN EVERY RESPECT.

YET THERE ARE PEOPLE STILL LIVING WHO REMEMBER WHEN THIS AREA WAS A FARMING COMMUNITY FAR OUTSIDE THE CITY LIMITS. THEIR FAMILIES, ORIGINAL SETTLERS, CAME THERE WHEN THIS SECTION WAS STILL A VIRGIN FOREST. FOR THIS PART OF DETROIT AND ADJOINING DEARBORN WAS THE LOCALITY LONG KNOWN AS THE SCOTCH SETTLEMENT.

THE HEART OF THE SETTLEMENT CENTERED ALONG WARREN AVENUE FROM SOUTHFIELD TO THE CEMETERY LOCATION ON WARREN. DISTRICT SCHOOL No. 1, DEARBORN TOWNSHIP SCOTCH SETTLEMENT SCHOOL, USED TO BE ADJACENT TO THE CEMETERY. THIS HISTORIC SCHOOL, BUILT IN 1861, NOW STANDS IN HENRY FORD'S GREENFIELD VILLAGE. ITS PREDECESSOR, THE ORIGINAL SCHOOL OF THE SETTLEMENT, STOOD ACROSS THE ROAD AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE RICHARD GARDNER LAND AND APPROXIMATELY OPPOSITE THE SETTLEMENT CEMETERY ON WARREN AVENUE. IT WAS FRAMED AND PUT UP BY GEORGE TROUP, JOHN GAULD, AND OTHERS IN THE WINTER OF 1839-40 AND WAS READY FOR THE THREE MONTHS SCHOOL IN THE SUMMER OF 1840. IT WAS NOT A LOG STRUCTURE BUT FRAME, THE LUMBER FOR WHICH CAME FROM GEORGE TROUP'S EARLY SAWMILL. THE LAND UPON WHICH THE SCHOOL STOOD WAS LEASED FOR THE SUM OF TEN CENTS PER YEAR FOR TWENTY-ONE YEARS. MISS LOVEDY RUDDIMAN, A SISTER OF WILLIAM RUDDIMAN, A YOUNG WOMAN OF TWENTY-TWO, WAS THE FIRST TEACHER.

THE GENERAL LOCATION OF THE SCOTCH SETTLEMENT, HOWEVER, EXTENDED A MILE TO THE NORTH AND A MILE TO THE SOUTH FROM WARREN AVENUE AND TO THE WEST ALONG WARREN TO THE RIVER ROUGE WHERE THE ROAD DEAD-ENDED AND ALSO TO THE EAST ON WARREN FOR SOME DISTANCE. THE "SCHOLARS" OF THE SCOTCH SETTLEMENT SCHOOL CAME FROM THIS DISTRICT. THE ROAD TO THE NORTH WAS REFERRED TO AS THE "NORTH ROAD" (NOW JOY ROAD), THE ROAD TO THE SOUTH AS THE "SOUTH ROAD" (NOW FORD ROAD). SOUTHFIELD WAS CALLED THE "NEW ROAD" AFTER IT BECAME A ROAD AT ALL. THE EARLY SETTLEMENT WAS RELATIVELY CLOSE TO THE CREEK, CALLED ROULO CREEK, WHICH RAN NORTHWEST TO SOUTHEAST AND CROSSED WARREN AVENUE A SHORT DISTANCE WEST OF THE CEMETERY. A DIP IN THE ROAD EXISTS THERE TODAY. THAT DECLIVITY MARKS THE LAST VESTIGE OF THE CREEK WHICH CROSSED THERE. IT WAS OFTEN USED BY THE SETTLERS AS A TRAIL DOWN TO THE MICHIGAN PLANK ROAD (NOW MICHIGAN AVENUE), MORE THAN TWO MILES AWAY. THE MILES WERE LONG IN THE 1820'S AND EARLY THIRTIES WHEN THE SETTLEMENT HAD ITS BEGINNING. A JOURNEY TO DETROIT BY OX TEAM OR ON FOOT WAS OFTEN A TWO DAY ABSENCE. THE NEAREST POST OFFICE WAS PEKIN, LATER CALLED DEARBORNVILLE, REACHED BY WAY OF THE RIVER ROUGE.

THE FIRST RUDDIMAN HOME WAS THAT OF WILLIAM RUDDIMAN, THE ELDER, UP STREAM A SHORT DISTANCE NORTH OF WARREN. THE HOMES OF JOHN KIRK AND OF RICHARD GARDNER WERE TO THE EAST AND THAT OF FRANCIS LESLIE TO THE WEST OF THE CREEK CROSSING ON WARREN AVENUE. THIS WAS ABOUT THE CENTER OF THE EARLY SETTLEMENT. RICHARD GARDNER CAME IN 1828, JOHN STEVENSON IN 1829. OTHERS CAME IN THE EARLY THIRTIES; AMONG THEM WILLIAM RUDDIMAN (IN 1833) OF ABERDEENSHIRE, SCOTLAND, GRANDFATHER OF DR. EDELL A. RUDDIMAN, OF DEARBORN. THE LATTER REMAINED FAITHFUL TO THE HOMESTEAD AREA AND UNTIL A FEW YEARS AGO LIVED ON SOUTHFIELD ROAD IN THE TWO STORY BRICK HOUSE WHERE HE WAS BORN. THE LAND HAD BEEN CLEARED FROM THE WILDERNESS BY HIS FOREBEARS WHO BOUGHT IT



GRAY HOME

DIRECTLY FROM THE GOVERNMENT. BUT THE IMPLACABLE GROWTH OF DETROIT FORCED HIM TO MOVE AT LAST WHEN SOUTHFIELD ROAD WAS WIDENED. THE BUSY HIGHWAY PASSES DIRECTLY OVER THE SITE WHERE THE OLD HOME STOOD FOR SO LONG.

NOT FAR DISTANT FROM THE CREEK WHERE IT CROSSED THE "SOUTH ROAD" WERE THE HOMES OF THE GAULDS, GRAYS, WILLIAM FORD (HENRY FORD'S FATHER), AND FARTHER ALONG TO THE WEST, STEVENSONS, WARDS, LORIMERS, JONES, MCCORMICKS, TROUPS. ON THE "NEW ROAD" (SOUTHFIELD), ABOUT MIDWAY BETWEEN WARREN AND THE "SOUTH ROAD" (FORD ROAD), WERE THE RYCRAFTS AND COCKBURNS, THE LATTER AT THE END OF A LANE BETWEEN LESLIE AND RYCRAFT. THE RIGHTS OF EGRESS AND INGRESS WERE NOT FULLY UNDERSTOOD OR APPRECIATED IN THOSE EARLY TIMES, NOR THE BLAZING ON THE TREES OR MONUMENTS OF THE EARLY SURVEYORS. ARGUMENTS SOMETIMES RESULTED OVER SUCH, AND THE PROPER LOCATION OF FENCES. ON WHAT IS NOW SOUTHFIELD TO THE NORTH OF WARREN WERE THE HOMES OF WILLIAM RUDDIMAN (DR. E. A. RUDDIMAN'S FATHER AND ALREADY REFERRED TO), ARCHIBALD ROBERTSON, AND WILLIAM NOBLE. NEARBY ON SOUTHFIELD TODAY STANDS THE WILLIAM RUDDIMAN SCHOOL, NAMED IN HONOR OF THE DOCTOR'S FATHER.



MCCORMICK HOUSE AND BARN

FARTHER TO THE NORTH ON SOUTHFIELD, BUT OUTSIDE THE SCOTCH SETTLEMENT AREA, WAS THE HOME OF ALEXANDER HENDRY, AN ABERDEEN-SHIRE MAN, COOPER BY TRADE AND BROTHER-IN-LAW OF FRANCIS LESLIE. AS WAS AND STILL IS THE CUSTOM IN THE OLD COUNTRY FOR THE FARM TO HAVE A NAME, HE CALLED HIS FARM "BARREL EARNINGS". ON THE "NORTH ROAD" WERE THE HOMES OF WILLIAM GEORGE, SAMUEL AND HENRY FORD THE ELDER AND THE OLD COMPTON HOME. IT WAS WILLIAM FORD OF THE "NORTH ROAD" WHO FOUNDED THE FORD MEMORIAL CHURCH, NOW LOCATED ADJACENT TO THE SCOTCH SETTLEMENT CEMETERY ON WARREN AVENUE. IT WAS ORIGINALLY LOCATED AT THE "NORTH ROAD" AND SOUTHFIELD - COMPTON'S CORNER OF EARLY TIMES. THIS WILLIAM FORD AND THE ELDER HENRY WERE AMONG THE EARLIEST SETTLERS AND FOUNDED THE FORD CEMETERY ON THE "NORTH ROAD".

WILLIAM FORD OF THE "SOUTH ROAD" (THE FATHER OF THE PRESENT DAY HENRY FORD) WITH HIS FATHER, JOHN, CAME TO THE SETTLEMENT ABOUT 1848, A LATER DATE THAN THE FORDS OF THE "NORTH ROAD". ONE DAY THEY WERE ALMOST LOST, WANDERING THROUGH THE CLEARINGS FROM DEARBORNVILLE TO THE SETTLEMENT, TRYING TO FIND THEIR KINSMAN SAMUEL FORD OF THE "NORTH ROAD". FORTUNATELY THEY MET UP WITH WILLIAM LESLIE, A YOUNG MAN OF FIFTEEN, WORKING IN A FIELD OF STUMPS AND HE DIRECTED THEM ON THEIR WAY.

TO THE EAST OF THE CEMETERY AND SCHOOL LOCATIONS, ON WHAT IS NOW WARREN AVENUE, WERE THE HOMES OF PETER WINN, JOHN MACKIE, WILLIAM MOIR AND JAMES GARDNER, BROTHER OF RICHARD GARDNER. JAMES AND RICHARD GARDNER MARRIED, RESPECTIVELY, ELIZABETH AND ISABELLA GAULD OF NEW BYTHE, ABERDEENSHIRE, SCOTLAND. THE HOME OF RICHARD GARDNER, SQUIRE GARDNER AS HE WAS OFTEN CALLED, WAS A DISTANCE BACK FROM WARREN AND FACED A ROAD THAT RAN ANGLEWISE FROM WARREN TO THE "SOUTH ROAD".

ON THE NORTH SIDE OF WARREN, GOING WEST FROM THE CEMETERY, ON THE ELEVATION TO THE RIGHT JUST BEFORE GOING DOWN TO THE CREEK WHERE THE "DIP" NOW IS, WAS THE ORIGINAL SETTLING PLACE OF THE ROBISON FAMILY. THEY STAYED A COMPARATIVELY SHORT TIME, MOVING ON BY OX TEAM TO THE PRAIRIE COUNTRY OF TAZWELL COUNTY, ILLINOIS. IT WAS ON THIS ELEVATION THAT LESLIE ROBISON, LATER MAYOR AND PROMINENT BUSINESS MAN OF PEORIA, ILLINOIS WAS BORN. THE JOHN KIRKS AND LATER THE WHITSEYS FOLLOWED IN OWNERSHIP OF THE LAND LEFT BY THE ROBISONS.

AFTER CROSSING THE CREEK, ON THE ELEVATION TO THE LEFT ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF WARREN, WAS THE LOG HOUSE OF FRANCIS LESLIE OR FRANK LESLIE AS HE WAS FAMILIARLY CALLED. HE CAME TO THE SETTLEMENT IN MAY, 1834 AND MOVED INTO HIS NEW LOG HOUSE JULY 4, 1834. HE HAD LEFT ABERDEENSHIRE, SCOTLAND A YEAR BEFORE AND WAS IN AMERICA, WORKING IN PENNSYLVANIA AND OHIO FOR A YEAR BEFORE COMING TO DETROIT AND THE SETTLEMENT. HIS RECEIPT FOR TRANSPORTATION TO AMERICA READS AS FOLLOWS:

"ABERDEEN, 6 JUNE, 1833.

RECEIVED OF MR. FRANCIS LESLIE, EIGHT POUNDS STG., BEING FOR A STEERAGE PASSAGE FOR HIMSELF, WIFE AND CHILD TO NEW YORK, BRIG DUNNOTAR CASTLE, THEY FINDING THEMSELVES PROVISIONS AND THE SHIP FINDING BERTH, FIRE AND WATER."

(SIGNED) WILLIAM DUTHE.

THEY WERE YOUNG FOLKS. FRANCIS LESLIE WAS 27, HIS WIFE, MARY HENDRY LESLIE, 21, AND THEIR SON, WILLIAM LESLIE, EXACTLY 2 MONTHS OLD ON THE DAY THE ABOVE RECEIPT WAS ISSUED.

ACROSS THE ROAD ON THE NORTH SIDE OF WARREN, WAS THE FORSYTH HOME. JIM FORSYTH SERVED IN THE CIVIL WAR, WAS SHOT THROUGH BUT CAME OUT OF IT SOUND. FARTHER WEST ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF WARREN, TOWARD THE ROUGE, WAS THE PETER CAMPBELL HOME.

THE MAJORITY OF THE EARLY SETTLERS OF THE SCOTCH SETTLEMENT LOCALITY WERE FROM ABERDEENSHIRE, SCOTLAND, LIKE RUDDIMAN, GAULD, LESLIE, NOBLE, MACKIE, ROBERTSON AND OTHERS; HENCE THE NAMING OF THE LOCALITY. OTHERS, HOWEVER, LIKE GARDNER, COCKBURN, AND FORSYTH HAD COME FROM ENGLAND. THE STEVENSON AND CAMPBELL FAMILIES (SCOTCH-IRISH) CAME FROM THE NORTH OF IRELAND WHILE THE RYCRAFTS AND FORDS FROM THE VERY SOUTH OF IRELAND. SOME FEW FROM THE OLDER ESTABLISHED PARTS OF THE UNITED STATES. THE INFILTRATION OF OTHER NATIONALITIES WAS AT A FAR LATER PERIOD.

WHEN THE SETTLERS FIRST CAME IN THE LATE 1820'S AND EARLY THIRTIES, THE LOCALITY WAS NEARLY ALL GOVERNMENT DOMAIN, FOR THE MOST PART OF HARDWOOD FOREST, A LITTLE CLEARING IN THE WOODS, A LOG HOUSE, THE BEGINNING OF A HOME, AND PLANTINGS AMONG THE STUMPS. MANY HAD A YOKE OF OXEN FOR OXEN MANAGED WELL AMONG THE STUMPS AND IN THE EARLY CLEARINGS. HORSES HAD NOT COME IN AS YET; THE OX WAS BETTER FOR BUILDING FARM LAND IN THE WOODS.

THE EARLY SETTLERS WERE "ALL FOR ONE AND ONE FOR ALL." LOGGING BEES AT THE DIFFERENT PLACES HELPED CLEAR THE LAND MORE QUICKLY AND THERE WAS THE CONSTANT BURNING OF LOGS, STUMPS AND BRUSH. A HARD SLOW PROCESS BUT A MERRY AND JOLLY LIFE FOR THE YOUNG SETTLERS MAKING THEIR WAY TO BE "AMERICAN LAIRDS" AS FRANK LESLIE PUT IT. THE WOODSMAN AND THE WOODCHOPPER WAS THE IMPORTANT MAN. IF HE WASN'T ONE, HE SOON HAD TO BECOME ONE. YOUNG ARCHIBALD ROBERTSON BECAME THE CHAMPION WOODSMAN OF THE EARLY SETTLEMENT.

THE SETTLERS FOR THE MOST PART WERE ALL YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN IN THEIR TWENTIES OR EARLY THIRTIES BUT SOME OLDER ONES HAD COME, LIKE WILLIAM RUDDIMAN, THE ELDER, AND HIS WIFE, BARBARA LESLIE.

THE GOVERNMENT SURVEYORS HAD GONE THROUGH AND BLAZED THE TREES, BUT JUST WHERE THE ROAD WOULD BE WAS SOMETIMES IN DOUBT. ANYWAY, LESLIE BUILT HIS HOUSE BACK TO THE ROAD AND FRONT TO WHERE THE FIELDS WOULD BE LATER.

TALLOW CANDLES SERVED FOR LIGHT INSTEAD OF KEROSENE OIL AS PETROLEUM HAD NOT AS YET BEEN DISCOVERED IN PENNSYLVANIA. THE SETTLER'S YOUNG HOUSEWIFE HAD TO BE ABLE TO MAKE HER OWN CANDLES AND NO HOME WAS COMPLETE WITHOUT THE CANDLE MOLD, PUNK WOOD AND FLINTS FOR STRIKING FIRE.

NEWS OF THE OUTSIDE WORLD WAS SLOW IN REACHING THE SETTLEMENT. DEARBORNVILLE WAS THE NEAREST POINT BY WAY OF THE "NEW ROAD" WHEN THAT WAS OPENED UP BUT EARLIER THE WAY WAS ALONG THE ROUGE AND UP TO DEARBORNVILLE. IN THE LATTER PERIOD OF THE SETTLEMENT, DIFFERENT MEN TOOK TURNS IN GOING TO DEARBORN FOR THE MAIL ONCE A WEEK AND DISTRIBUTING IT THROUGHOUT THE COMMUNITY. THIS WAS OF COURSE BEFORE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF RURAL MAIL SERVICE.

THE EARLY SETTLERS CAME BY RIVERS, CANALS, AND LAKE ERIE TO DETROIT AND THEN BY FOOT OR OX TEAM OUT INTO THE WOODS OF DEARBORN TOWNSHIP.

BUCKLIN'S ON THE ROUGE WAS THE GRIST MILL OF THE SETTLEMENT WHERE WHEAT AND OATS WERE GROUND INTO FLOUR AND FEED. THE SHEEP'S WOOL MADE FINE MITTENS, JACKETS, ETC. THE WOMEN FOLKS COULD KNIT WITH THEIR EYES SHUT AND HALF ASLEEP FROM THE DAY'S WORK. KNITTING WAS THE EVENING'S REST PERIOD BY CANDLELIGHT OR IN FRONT OF THE BIG LOG-BURNING FIREPLACE.



THE EARLY SETTLERS, AS A RULE, HAD THE UPBRINGING AND BENEFITS OF THE CULTURE OF THEIR LONG ESTABLISHED HOMELAND IN THE OLD COUNTRY BUT WITH THE CHILDREN OF THE SETTLERS IT WAS DIFFERENT. THOSE BORN IN THE THIRTIES AND FORTIES HAD LITTLE OPPORTUNITY FOR FORMAL SCHOOLING BUT AS A RULE THE HOME TRAINING IN A RELIGIOUS ATMOSPHERE MADE UP IN CHARACTER BUILDING FOR WHAT WAS LOST IN FORMAL SCHOOLING. THE SCOTCH SETTLEMENT EMPHASIZED CHARACTER BUILDING, INTEGRITY AND DEPENDABILITY AND THAT WAS INSTILLED IN THE CHILDREN OF THE PIONEER SETTLERS.

IN THE DECADE PRECEDING THE CIVIL WAR AND DURING THE WAR, SOME FEW OF THE SECOND GENERATION GOT OUT TO SCHOOL IN DETROIT OR YPSILANTI. HOWEVER, THEY WERE THE EXCEPTION AND GENERALLY CAME BACK TO HELP TEACH AT THE SETTLEMENT OR AT DIFFERENT PLACES IN THE SURROUNDING TERRITORY. DETROIT WAS A FRENCH CITY AT THAT TIME AND FRENCH WAS TAUGHT AS WELL AS ENGLISH.

THE FIRST LAW OF THE TERRITORY OF MICHIGAN IN REFERENCE TO SCHOOLS WAS MADE IN 1827 AND "PROVIDED THAT THE CITIZENS OF ANY TOWNSHIP HAVING FIFTY HOUSEHOLDERS SHOULD PROVIDE THEMSELVES WITH A SCHOOL TEACHER OF GOOD MORAL CHARACTER TO TEACH THE CHILDREN TO READ AND WRITE." THE SETTLEMENT EARLY COMPLIED WITH THIS REQUIREMENT. TODAY BESIDES THE RUDDIMAN SCHOOL, THE SCOTCH SETTLEMENT COMMUNITY HAS TWO OTHER SCHOOLS NAMED AFTER SONS OF THE PIONEER SETTLERS, NAMELY, THE WILLIAM LESLIE SCHOOL AND THE JAMES GARDNER SCHOOL.

WILLIAM LESLIE, WHO AS ALREADY RECITED, WAS BROUGHT TO THE SETTLEMENT AS A LITTLE CHILD IN THE SPRING OF 1834 AND PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 89 IN 1942, USED TO TELL HOW THE SCOTCH SETTLEMENT CEMETERY GOT ITS START. IN THE EARLY FORTIES, A FIELD OF WHEAT WAS GROWING WHERE THE CEMETERY NOW IS. THERE WAS A DEATH IN THE COMMUNITY, A MRS. HALL. THERE WAS NO BURYING PLACE EXCEPT AT A CONSIDERABLE DISTANCE AND TRANSPORTATION ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE. IT WAS SUGGESTED TO CUT OUT A CORNER OF THE WHEAT FIELD AND BURY HER THERE AS THE LAND WAS DRY AND SELF-DRAINING TO THE CREEK. SO, THERE IN THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE WHEAT FIELD THE LADY WAS BURIED AND THE SCOTCH SETTLEMENT BURYING GROUND STARTED. A LITTLE LATER A QUARTER OF AN ACRE OF THAT WHEAT FIELD LAND WAS PURCHASED FROM BETSY AND JOHN KIRK BY FIFTEEN OF THE SETTLERS, NOVEMBER 4, 1844. RICHARD GARDNER DREW THE DEED AND THE NAMES OF THE FIFTEEN PURCHASERS WERE JAMES GAULD, RICHARD GARDNER, JOHN KIRK, JOHN MACKIE, WILLIAM RUDDIMAN, WILLIAM NOBLE, JOHN STEVENSON, JOHN GAULD, JOHN GRAY, FRANCIS LESLIE, WILLIAM COOKBURN, GEORGE TROUP, WILLIAM MOIR, AND ARCHIBALD ROBERTSON. WHILE THE CEMETERY WAS INCORPORATED IN MARCH, 1877, UNDER THE NAME OF EVERGREEN CEMETERY AND ITS FIRST BOARD OF DIRECTORS WAS WILLIAM NOBLE, WILLIAM RUDDIMAN, FRANCIS LESLIE, GEORGE MCCORMICK, AND JOHN STEVENSON, IT IS GENERALLY KNOWN AS THE SCOTCH SETTLEMENT CEMETERY. NEARLY ALL THE EARLY SETTLERS AND MANY OF THEIR CHILDREN HAVE THEIR MARKERS AND PLACE OF MEMORY THERE. THE INTEREST IN THIS CEMETERY EXTENDED MUCH BEYOND THE LOCALITY OF THE SCOTCH SETTLEMENT AS, FOR EXAMPLE, THAT OF ALFRED AND ELEANOR WOODWORTH WHO LIVED ON THE MICHIGAN PLANK ROAD. THE THIRD GENERATION HAS SEEN TO IT THAT THE PROPERTY IS MAINTAINED FITTINGLY AND FINANCIALLY SAFEGUARDED. A SPECIAL DEBT OF GRATITUDE GOES TO OLIVER N. AND RICHARD W. GARDNER WHO MADE POSSIBLE THE ENLARGEMENT OF THE CEMETERY BY THE DONATION OF ONE ADJOINING ACRE.

WILLIAM LESLIE NEVER SAW A BUGGY UNTIL 1845 WHEN HE WAS 12 YEARS OLD. AN ITINERANT MISSIONARY PREACHER BY THE NAME OF WELLS FROM THE RIVER RAISIN LOCALITY HAD MANAGED TO GET INTO THE SETTLEMENT WITH ONE. THOSE WERE THE DAYS OF OXEN AND LOG CHAINS INSTEAD OF HORSE AND BUGGY. THE PREACHER CIRCUIT RIDER, ELDER MOREL, CAME FROM LIVONIA TO PREACH TO THE SETTLEMENT, SUNDAYS, FROM 1840 TO 1845, BUT NOT WITH THE BUGGY ATTACHMENT.

THE SETTLER'S RIFLE ALWAYS HAD TO BE HANDY AND READY. MR. BEAR DIDN'T HESITATE TO CLIMB A PIG PEN ENCLOSURE AND GET AWAY WITH A LITTLE PORKER FOR WHICH HE HAD AN ESPECIAL LIKING. THE WHINE OF THE WOLVES OFF TOWARD THE ROUGE WAS OFTEN HEARD. AN OCCASIONAL PEACEFUL INDIAN, BUT NOT OFTEN, WAS SEEN, AS THE INDIAN WAS MOVING FURTHER WEST. YET THE SETTLERS OF 1832 WERE READY AND ARMED, AS WAS RICHARD GARDNER, TO DO THEIR PART IN THE SO-CALLED BLACK HAWK WAR HAD IT BEEN NECESSARY.

NATURALLY THE SETTLER HAD TO BE ABLE TO COPE WITH ANY SITUATION - BLACKSMITH, WHEELWRIGHT, RIGGER, BUILDER, ETC., THOUGH FOR THE MOST PART FARMER. TRAINED IN THE OLD COUNTRY, IT WAS A NEW SORT IN DEARBORN TOWNSHIP, WAYNE COUNTY, TERRITORY OF MICHIGAN IN THE EARLY 1830'S.

EACH LOG HOUSE GENERALLY HAD SOMETHING OF A CELLAR WHERE THE NATURAL COOL OF THE CLAY EARTH SERVED NICELY AS A COOLING SYSTEM OR THE COOL OF A STONE-BUILT WELL DOWN WHICH A ROPE WAS DROPPED WITH A PAIL OF BUTTER AND CREAM ATTACHED.

WINE, MADE FROM ELDERBERRIES WHICH GREW ABUNDANTLY ABOUT THE ZIGZAG FENCES, AND PRESERVES OF CITRON, PEACHES, PLUMS, OR CHERRIES WERE KEPT IN THE CELLARS OF THE LOG HOUSES. PORK WAS SALTED DOWN IN BARRELS; SMOKED HAMS AND BACON SIDES HUNG FROM THE BEAMS. ABOVE GROUND WERE PITS FOR VEGETABLES AND APPLES TO CARRY THROUGH THE WINTER PERIOD, ADDING A RARE FRESHNESS TO THE CONTENTS WHEN OPENED IN THE SPRING.

THE SMOKE HOUSE WAS OFTEN SOME GOOD SIZED TREE IN THE WOODS WHICH IN THE COURSE OF TIME HAD ROTTED OUT INSIDE. FAILING AS A TREE, IT WAS TAKEN DOWN AND MADE INTO A GOOD SMOKE HOUSE, SET END UP NEAR THE HOMESITE, A SUITABLE OPENING MADE AT THE BOTTOM - PEGS AND POLES INSIDE THE HOLLOW OF THE TREE ABOUT TEN FEET UP FOR THE HAMS AND BACON TO CURE ON - A SMUDGY HICKORY FIRE STARTED AT THE BOTTOM - THE PERFECT SMOKE HOUSE.

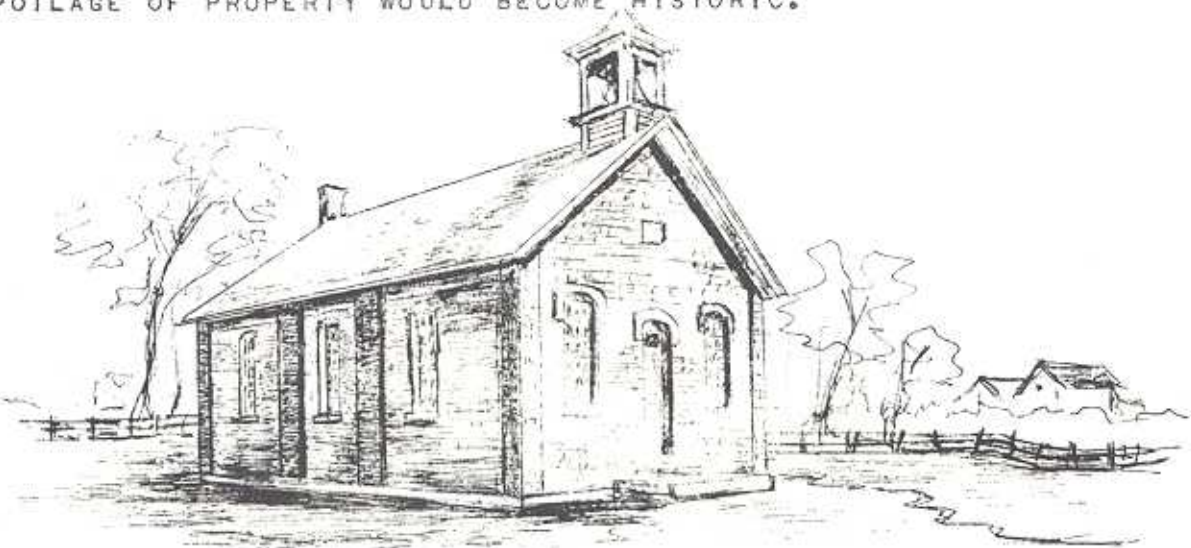
THE EARLY SETTLERS NEVER SAW GRANULATED REFINED WHITE SUGAR; IT WAS BROWN. HOWEVER, IN THE SPRINGTIME, WHEN THE SAP WAS "RUNNING" IN THE MAPLE TREES OF THE WOODS, BASSWOOD SPILES WHICH WERE FORMED EASILY, WERE INSERTED IN THE TREES AT AN ANGLE OF ABOUT 15 DEGREES AND PAILS HUNG UNDER THEM TO CATCH IT. THE SAP WAS GATHERED AND BOILED DOWN IN LARGE KETTLES IN THE WOODS AND FURNISHED SYRUP AND MAPLE SUGAR IN ABUNDANCE WHICH ANSWERED NICELY FOR SUGAR CANE. TEA AND COFFEE WERE LARGELY A LUXURY. RAW COFFEE BEANS HAD TO BE ROASTED AND THEN GROUND IN THE COFFEE MILL. ORANGES, BARBER POLE CANDIES, AND RAISINS WERE DELICACIES FOR THE CHILDREN AT CHRISTMAS TIME. THESE WERE PUT IN MITTENS OR KNITTED BROWN STOCKINGS WHICH WERE HUNG AT THE BIG FIREPLACE. THE THIRD GENERATION OF SETTLERS REMEMBER SOME OF THIS.



FOR ENTERTAINMENT AND AMUSEMENT THEY HAD SPELLING "BEES" AT SCHOOL, RECITING BY HEART FROM MCGUFFEY'S READERS, STORY TELLING, OLD COUNTRY YARNS, FIDDLERS AND SQUARE DANCES, MORE OR LESS HARD CIDER, PICNICS AT SOME FAVORABLE GROVE IN THE SUMMER TIME, SWIMMING IN THE ROUGE, A FOURTH OF JULY VISIT TO DETROIT, AN EXCURSION TO LAKE ST. CLAIR OR LAKE ERIE. SHEEP WASHING IN THE RIVER ROUGE IN THE SPRINGTIME, AND THRESHING BEES IN THE AUTUMN WERE ALL WORK BUT ALSO HIGH SPOT EVENTS. OH SAY, DON'T YOU WISH YOU HAD LIVED IN THE SETTLEMENT BEFORE ONE OF ITS OFFSPRING TURNED THE WORLD UPSIDE DOWN WITH NEW ROADS AND GAS?

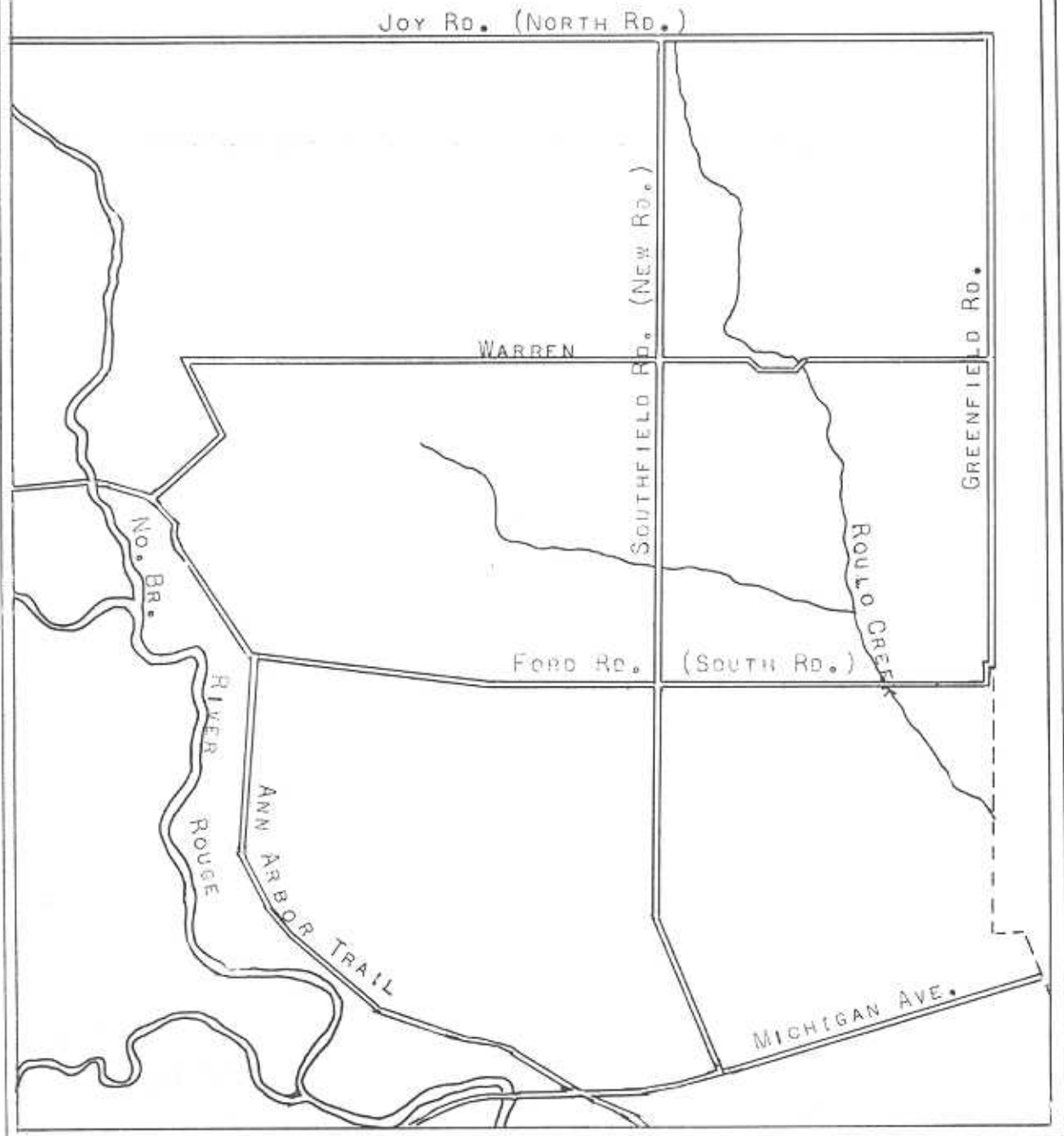
THE EARLY SCOTCH SETTLEMENT SETTLERS, FOR THE MOST PART, KEPT THE SABBATH DAY SACRED. IT WAS A HOLY DAY FOR RESTING AND READING OF THE BIBLE.

DR. RUDDIMAN ATTENDED THE SCOTCH SETTLEMENT SCHOOL THAT WAS BUILT IN 1862, AS DID HENRY FORD FROM THE "SOUTH ROAD". THEY WERE SEATMATES AND CARVED THEIR INITIALS IN THE DESK TOP, LITTLE THINKING AT THE TIME THAT SUCH DELIVERATE MISCHIEF AND SPOILAGE OF PROPERTY WOULD BECOME HISTORIC.



MAP OF OLD SCOTCH SETTLEMENT AREA (1876)

(SHOWING PRESENT DAY ROADS)



EARLY TIMES IN DEARBORN

A LETTER BY FRANK A. GULLEY

[EDITOR'S NOTE: FRANK GULLEY (1850-1938), SON OF ALFRED B. AND SOPHIA A. GULLEY, WAS BORN ON THE FARM HIS GRANDFATHER CLEARED IN 1830. THE GULLEY FARM ON THE NORTH SIDE OF MICHIGAN AT GULLEY ROAD WAS ONE OF THE MOST PROSPEROUS FARMS IN DEARBORN AND IN MICHIGAN. IN 1877 FRANK GULLEY MARRIED BESSIE HAIGH. HIS WIFE DIED IN ARIZONA IN 1902. MR. GULLEY WAS AMONG THE FIRST GRADUATES OF MICHIGAN AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE (NOW MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY) RECEIVING HIS B.S. DEGREE IN 1880 AND M.S. IN 1883. HE SERVED AS PROFESSOR OF AGRICULTURE AND DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATIONS AT MISSISSIPPI STATE COLLEGE, TEXAS A. & M. COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA FROM 1880 TO 1894. HE MOVED TO PHOENIX, ARIZONA WHERE HE WAS SUPERINTENDENT OF THE ANGLO-AMERICAN CANAIGRE COMPANY IN WHOSE INTEREST HE VISITED EUROPE FOR TWO YEARS. FOR SEVERAL YEARS MR. GULLEY MANAGED AN EXTENSIVE CHICK HATCHERY NEAR ST. LOUIS. FOR ABOUT 21 YEARS HE MANAGED AN ESTATE AT ALTON, ILLINOIS. WHEN HIS EYESIGHT FAILED MR. GULLEY RETURNED TO DEARBORN, ABOUT 1929, TO MAKE HIS HOME WITH HIS SISTER, MRS. LOUIS (MINA) IVES. HIS LAST YEARS WERE DEVOTED TO READING, WRITING AND RESEARCH. PROFESSOR GULLEY WAS A PIONEER IN TEACHING AGRICULTURE AND PUBLISHED MANY PAPERS. THE FOLLOWING LETTER WAS WRITTEN AT ALTON, ILLINOIS, SEPTEMBER 29, 1928, BY FRANK A. GULLEY TO HIS SISTER.]

MRS. LOUIS IVES,

REFERRING TO YOUR REQUEST OF THE 25TH, AM GLAD TO AID IN TRACING THE OLDER PEOPLE AND EVENTS OF DEARBORN BUT I HAVE BEEN AWAY FROM THE OLD TOWN SINCE 1871 EXCEPT FOR SHORT VISITS. I HAVE NOT KEPT UP WITH CHANGES SINCE THEN AND HAVE FORGOTTEN MUCH THAT TOOK PLACE IN MY YOUNGER DAYS.

GOING BACK TO CIVIL WAR TIMES, IN THE SIXTIES, I RECALL A FEW PROMINENT PEOPLE AND HAPPENINGS NOT MENTIONED IN HENRY A. HAIGH'S "EARLY" AND "LATER DAYS" IN DEARBORN.

IN THE SIXTIES, CERTAIN DISTRICTS IN THE NORTHEASTERN AND NORTHWESTERN QUARTERS OF THE TOWNSHIP WERE KNOWN AS THE SCOTCH SETTLEMENTS. THERE WAS AN IRISH SETTLEMENT OVER NEAR THE BRAINARD ROAD. THEY WERE PROTESTANTS. I RECALL THE NAMES OF ONLY TWO FAMILIES: THE STEWARTS AND BROWNS.

THERE WERE IRISH CATHOLICS AROUND DEARBORN AND THROUGH THE TOWNSHIP. MUCH THE SAME WAS TRUE OF THE GERMANS. THE SCOTCH WERE ALL PROTESTANTS. THE GERMANS AND IRISH WERE BOTH CATHOLIC AND PROTESTANT. THE FORMER ALL VOTED THE REPUBLICAN TICKET; THE LATTER WERE DEMOCRATS.

WM. DALY, IRISH, A FINE CITIZEN, WELL LIKED BY EVERYONE, WAS THE STRONGEST MAN POLITICALLY. FOR MANY YEARS HE SERVED AS SUPERVISOR AND JUSTICE OF THE PEACE. NO ONE COULD BEAT HIM.

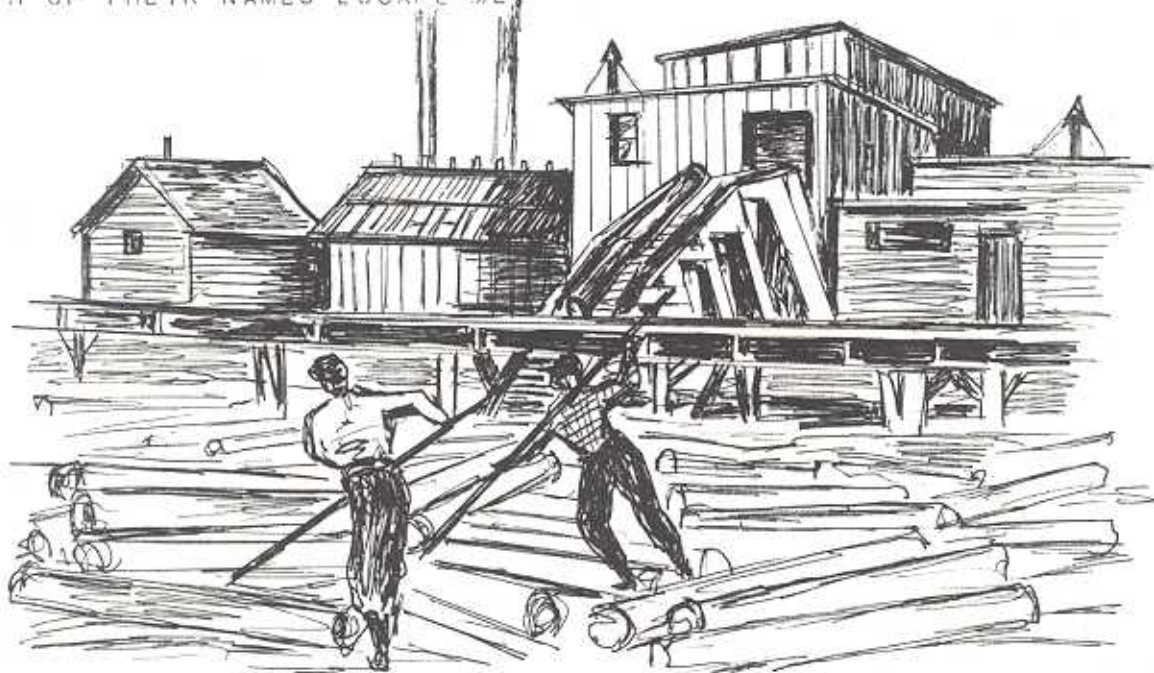
NOW AS TO A FEW MEN THAT EVERYBODY KNEW AND THOUGHT WELL OF - MORE OR LESS, FOR ALL LEADERS HAVE ENEMIES AS WELL AS FRIENDS.

IN THE NORTHWEST WAS J. B. WALLACE. HE OWNED AND OPERATED THE WALLACE SAWMILL ON THE ROUGE RIVER. HE WAS ALSO A FARMER AND WAS CLASSED AS ONE OF THE LEADING CITIZENS OF THE TOWNSHIP.

ON THE WEST SIDE OF GULLEY ROAD AS YOU WENT SOUTH FROM BRAINARD ROAD, WAS THE HARRIS FARM. IT WAS OWNED BY CHARLES B. HARRIS WHO WAS ONE OF THE LARGEST AND MOST SUCCESSFUL FARMERS OF THE AREA. HE LIVED IN WHAT WAS THEN A MANSION AND HAD GREAT BARNs. EVERY FARM IN THOSE DAYS INCLUDED A GOOD ORCHARD BUT THE HARRIS ORCHARD HAD THE LARGEST AND FINEST VARIETIES OF APPLES IN THE TOWNSHIP. HARRIS WAS AN EXCEPTIONALLY GOOD CITIZEN.

CHAS. BRAINARD'S WIFE WAS A DAUGHTER OF THE HARRIS FAMILY. A BROTHER, OLD CAPTAIN HARRIS, A BACHELOR I THINK, LIVED WITH THE HARRIS FAMILY. HE WAS A GENIUS WHO RARELY LEFT HOME AND WAS NOTED AS A GREAT TALKER. MOST OF HIS TIME WAS SPENT WITH A YOKE OF OXEN THAT HE THOUGHT WERE THE BEST IN THE COUNTRY. A YOKE OF OXEN COULD BE FOUND ON MOST FARMS IN THOSE TIMES.

IN THE NORTHWEST SCOTCH SETTLEMENT LIVED A MAN WHO OWNED AND RAN A STEAM SAWMILL. HE WAS WELL THOUGHT OF BY HIS NEIGHBORS. ANOTHER GOOD CITIZEN, WHO KNEW NEARLY EVERY MAN IN THE COUNTY, SOLD MOWING MACHINES, REAPERS, AND OTHER FARM IMPLEMENTS. BOTH OF THEIR NAMES ESCAPE ME.



GOING SOUTH ACROSS THE "PLANK ROAD", NOW KNOWN AS MICHIGAN AVENUE, WAS MR. DORT OF DORT'S STORE. MR. DORT, FATHER OF DALLAS DORT, BUILT UP A CONSIDERABLE BUSINESS AT INKSTER AND MR. INKSTER, OWNER OF INKSTER'S STEAM SAWMILL, ALSO HAD A STORE. THE TWO HAD A TRADE NEARLY EQUAL TO DEARBORN'S TRADE.

THE MILL MADE THE VILLAGE OF INKSTER. FOR MANY YEARS INKSTER'S MILL BOUGHT LOGS FROM ALL OVER THE TOWN (SHIP). I HAULED LOGS THERE FROM THE GULLEY FARM.

A GOOD HALF OF THE FARMERS IN THE TOWNSHIP SPENT THE WINTERS HAULING LOGS TO INKSTER, AND CORDWOOD TO DEARBORN FOR THE M.C.R.R. (MICHIGAN CENTRAL RAILROAD), 10,000 CORDS OR MORE. THE M.C.R.R. TOOK MOST OF THE LUMBER FROM INKSTER SO THAT THE RAILWAY COMPANY SUPPLIED A LARGE PART OF THE CASH REVENUE OF THE FARMERS FOR YEARS.

THE INKSTERS WERE A CULTURED FAMILY WHO HAD ENJOYED BETTER OPPORTUNITIES IN EARLY LIFE THAN THE AVERAGE CITIZEN AND WERE HIGHLY RESPECTED IN THE COMMUNITY.

ON THE PLANK ROAD, BETWEEN THE TOLLGATE AND THE CROSSROAD TO INKSTER'S MILL, IN A SMALL TWO ROOM SHACK, LIVED AN INTERESTING AND WELL KNOWN GENIUS, "OLD SQUIRE WHITEMAN". THE FRONT ROOM CONTAINED A CHEAP WOOD TABLE, THREE CHAIRS, A SHELF WITH HALF A DOZEN LAW BOOKS, AND THERE WAS AN OLD BRASS CANDLESTICK LOADED TO THE GOURDS WITH ACCUMULATION OF OLD TALLOW. I CAN CLOSE MY EYES AND RECALL THE ROOM AS IT LOOKED THEN. WE BOYS NEVER GOT A PEEP INTO THE BACK ROOM ALTHO WE WERE VERY CURIOUS CONCERNING IT.

THE SQUIRE HAD PICKED UP SOME LEGAL KNOWLEDGE, AND SERVED HIS CLIENTS IN DALY'S JUSTICE OF THE PEACE COURT AND IN DEARBORN. I HEARD DR. SNOW, ONE OF HIS CLIENTS, SAY AT ONE TIME THAT HE WOULD RATHER TRUST HIS JUSTICE OF THE PEACE LAWSUITS TO THE "OLD SQUIRE" THAN TO ANY LAWYER FROM DETROIT FOR HE HAD HORSE SENSE.

I REMEMBER SEEING THE "OLD SQUIRE" MORE THAN ONCE, WHEN HE MUST HAVE BEEN AT LEAST 70 YEARS OF AGE, MAKING HIS WAY ON FOOT TO OR FROM HIS HOME TO ATTEND COURT FOR SOME ONE. IN SUMMER TIME HE WORE HIS HEAVY COWHIDE SHOES HUNG OVER HIS SHOULDER. HE WOULD SOMETIMES TALK TO ME, GIVING GOOD ADVICE AND NO CHARGES. HE WAS A GENIAL OLD CHAP AND WELL THOUGHT OF.

ABOUT TWO MILES SOUTH FROM THE JIM DALY CORNER ON MICHIGAN AVENUE LIVED ANOTHER WELL KNOWN AND INTERESTING PARTY, "OLD MAN COGSHALL". I MAY NOT HAVE SPOelled THE NAME CORRECTLY. HE OWNED A LARGE FARM OF GOOD LAND AND WAS QUITE A STOCK GROWER OF HORSES, CATTLE AND SHEEP. FOR 20 YEARS HE HAD NOT HAULED A

LOAD OF MANURE FROM HIS STOCK SHEDS. MY FATHER TRIED TO BUY SOME OF IT, BUT HIS REPLY WAS, "NO FARMER EVER SELLS MANURE". WE GOT SOME OF IT AFTER HE DIED.

NOW THIS OLD MAN WAS NOT WELL LIKED BY SOME OF HIS NEIGHBORS. HE WAS SOMEWHAT OF A RECLUSE, SELDOM LEFT HOME, BUT HE WAS ALWAYS ON HAND AT THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING HELD IN DEARBORN.

TOWN MEETING, INHERITED FROM OUR PURITAN PREDECESSORS, WAS AN IMPORTANT EVENT IN THOSE DAYS. NEARLY ALL OF THE MEN IN THE TOWNSHIP WERE ON HAND FOR THE GREATER PART OF THE DAY AS WERE THE BOYS WHO BY HOOK OR CROOK COULD GET AWAY FROM HOME.

THOSE WERE THE "GOOD OLD DAYS" BEFORE "PROHIBITION SAPPED THE MORALS" OF THE COUNTRY. WHISKY WAS CHEAP, A CONSIDERABLE PART OF THE VOTERS WERE IRISH AND THE COMBINATION BROUGHT ABOUT THE USUAL RESULT. BUT THE IRISH WERE BY NO MEANS ALONE IN GETTING WELL "LIT UP" BEFORE THE DAY WAS OVER, AND THE TOWN BECAME LIVELY AND NOISY.

MR. COGSHALL, ALWAYS ON HAND AT THE TOWNSHIP MEETING, CAME IN ON HIS HORSE ABOUT 9 A.M., DRUNK BEFORE NOON, HELPLESS BY 5 P.M. WHEN SOME GOOD SAMARITANS WOULD CARRY HIM OUT, PUT HIM ON HIS HORSE, AND START HIM FOR HOME WITH A CHEER. HE WAS NEVER TOO DRUNK TO SIT HIS HORSE LIKE A GENTLEMAN. I HAVE GIVEN THIS SKETCH OF THE GENTLEMAN, NOT TO CRITICIZE HIM, BUT AS AN EXAMPLE OF A TYPE OF THOSE TIMES. EVERYONE IN THE TOWNSHIP KNEW HIM OR OF HIM BUT VERY FEW PEOPLE EVER SAW HIM AT ANY OTHER TIME. HE WAS A PERMANENT EXHIBIT AND HAD STANDARDIZED HIS PROGRAM.

ANOTHER VERY IMPORTANT EVENT IN EARLY DAYS IN DEARBORN, OF EQUAL IMPORTANCE WITH TOWN MEETING, WAS THE BIENNIAL WAYNE COUNTY DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION TO NOMINATE COUNTY OFFICIALS FOR THE ENSUING TWO YEARS. IN FACT, THE TOWN MEETING WAS A PURITAN SUNDAY IN COMPARISON. DRAY LOADS OF REFRESHMENTS IN KEGS AND BOTTLES CAME FROM DETROIT. WHY THEY HELD THIS CONVENTION IN DEARBORN I NEVER LEARNED. POSSIBLY THE VISITORS COULD ENJOY GREATER INDIVIDUAL FREEDOM THAN IF IT HAD BEEN HELD IN DETROIT. THERE WERE NO POLICEMEN OR A JAIL IN DEARBORN IN THOSE GOOD TIMES.

I SUBMIT THE FOREGOING AS IT MAY CONTAIN A FEW ITEMS OF INTEREST AND SUGGEST THAT YOU USE ANY OF IT - OR NONE AS YOU SEE FIT. I HAVE SPOKEN AS AN EYE WITNESS AND WITH NO EXAGGERATION.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

F. A. GULLEY

NEWS FROM THE MUSEUM

APPOINTMENT OF NEW HISTORICAL COMMISSIONER. APPOINTMENT OF FREDERICK BAUER, 45, FORD RADIO ENGINEER SUPERVISOR AND AUTHOR, TO THE DEARBORN HISTORICAL COMMISSION WAS ANNOUNCED IN JANUARY BY MAYOR ORVILLE L. HUBBARD.

MR. BAUER BRINGS TO THE HISTORICAL COMMISSION A SPECIAL INTEREST IN RAILROAD RESEARCH AND WRITING. HE CO-AUTHORED A PHOTOGRAPHIC HISTORY OF THE DENVER AND SALT LAKE RAILROAD, "THE MOFFAT ROAD", AND RECEIVED THE HIGHEST MERIT AWARD CONFERRED BY THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR STATE AND LOCAL HISTORY.

CURRENTLY COLLECTING DATA FOR A STUDY OF HENRY FORD'S HISTORIC DT&I RAILROAD, MR. BAUER IS ALSO WRITING A PAMPHLET ON EARLY TRANSPORTATION FOR THE MICHIGAN CIVIL WAR CENTENNIAL COMMISSION.

ALL FORD VEHICLE RADIO ENGINEERING OPERATIONS ARE HEADED BY MR. BAUER AND HE ALSO SERVES AS CHAIRMAN OF THE AUTOMOBILE MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION RADIO COMMITTEE. AS A UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE TO EUROPEAN COMMON MARKET NEGOTIATIONS RECENTLY HELD IN STOCKHOLM AND LONDON, HE WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN LIFTING PROPOSED RESTRICTIONS UPON THE EXPORTATION OF U.S. BUILT CARS IN EUROPE.

THE NEW COMMISSIONER IS A PAST-PRESIDENT OF THE ENGINEERING SOCIETY OF DETROIT, PAST-CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMUNICATIONS PROGRAMS OF THE INSTITUTE OF ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC ENGINEERS, AND HOLDS BOTH BACHELOR'S AND MASTER'S DEGREES IN ENGINEERING FROM WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY.

A FIFTH GENERATION DETROITER AND SEVEN YEAR RESIDENT OF DEARBORN, MR. BAUER AND HIS WIFE, GERALDINE, LIVE AT 40 MEADOW-LANE WITH THEIR THREE CHILDREN, MICHAEL, PATRICIA AND KATHLEEN.

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NEW STAFF MEMBER. IN MID-FEBRUARY MRS. HENRY L. MIGA (BERTHA M.) JOINED THE MUSEUM AS A PART TIME TYPIST IN THE RESEARCH DIVISION. THE COMMISSION AND STAFF WELCOME MRS. MIGA AS THE LATEST STAFF MEMBER.

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JUNIOR HISTORIANS PRODUCE ONE-ACT PLAY. ON JANUARY 7, 1965, TWELVE MEMBERS OF THE DEARBORN JUNIOR HISTORIAN ORGANIZATION OF

THE MUSEUM PRESENTED A ONE-ACT PLAY AT THE REGULAR DEARBORN HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETING. THE PERFORMANCE AT THE McFADDEN-ROSS HOUSE PORTRAYED THE OLD SCOTCH SETTLEMENT SCHOOL. THIS PROGRAM INCLUDED A TYPICAL ONE ROOM SCHOOL SCENE WITH AUTHENTIC PROPS AND COSTUMES. BEFORE THE PLAY COMMENCED EACH OF THE YOUNG HISTORIANS QUOTED STATEMENTS DEARBORNITES HAD COMPILED SOME YEARS AGO. MISS MARY V. MACDONALD OF THE MUSEUM STAFF DIRECTED THE PRODUCTION. THE CAST PRESENTED HER WITH A SURPRISE CORSAGE AS SHE INTRODUCED THE PROGRAM.

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MUSEUM GUILD SELLS HISTORICAL PRINTS. THE MUSEUM GUILD OF DEARBORN SOLD PRINTS ON MICHIGAN'S HISTORY AT THE RECENT GARDEN AND BUILDERS SHOW AT COBO HALL. THESE BEAUTIFUL COLOR SCENES PAINTED BY MICHIGAN ARTIST ROBERT THOM ARE PART OF A SERIES OF PAINTINGS COMMISSIONED BY THE MICHIGAN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY. MEMBERS OF THE VARIOUS ORGANIZATIONS COMPRISING THE GUILD PROVIDED VOLUNTEERS AT THE SALES BOOTH. TWELVE PAINTINGS COMPLETED TO DATE WERE EXHIBITED AT THE SHOW.

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VOLUNTEER HELP. ANYONE INTERESTED IN OCCASIONALLY VOLUNTEERING A FEW HOURS OF THEIR TIME AT THE MUSEUM SHOULD CONTACT THE OFFICE. WHEN THIS QUARTERLY IS ASSEMBLED THERE IS ALWAYS NEED FOR EXTRA HANDS. THERE ARE ALSO OTHER PROJECTS NEEDING ASSISTANCE IN WHICH SOME OF OUR READERS MAY BE INTERESTED. PLEASE CALL THE MUSEUM OFFICE AT 274-3170 FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

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NEW EXHIBITS. NEW CHANGING EXHIBITS AT THE McFADDEN-ROSS HOUSE INCLUDE "BRICKMAKING - DEARBORN'S FIRST INDUSTRY"; MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS, "GOOD OLD-FASHIONED RHYTHM"; OLD BASKETS, "A TISKET, A TASKET"; CHINA, "PATTERNS IN BLUE AND WHITE" AND "DESIGNS IN BROWN AND WHITE"; AND WEAVING AND SPINNING DISPLAYS.

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CHAIRMAN HAIGHT A GUEST AT WHITE HOUSE. MR. FLOYD L. HAIGHT, CHAIRMAN OF THE DEARBORN HISTORICAL COMMISSION, JOINED A GROUP OF DISTINGUISHED DEVOTEES OF LINCOLN AND THE LINCOLN PERIOD AT THE EXECUTIVE MANSION FOR LUNCHEON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1965. MR. HAIGHT WAS ONE OF 110 SPECIAL GUESTS OF PRESIDENT AND MRS. LYNDON B. JOHNSON IN THE STATE ROOM. THE

COMMISSIONER IS ALSO CHAIRMAN OF THE MICHIGAN CIVIL WAR CENTENNIAL OBSERVANCE COMMISSION.

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HISTORICAL MUSEUM WORKSHOP. MUSEUM CHIEF CURATOR, WINFIELD H. ARNESON, ATTENDED A DINNER AT WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY ON FEBRUARY 24TH INTRODUCING THE HISTORICAL MUSEUM WORKSHOP. DR. WILLIS F. DUNBAR ORGANIZED THE PROGRAM FOR STUDENTS CONSIDERING THE MUSEUM PROFESSION. THE COURSE IS DESIGNED TO ENABLE STUDENTS TO LEARN ABOUT THE PRACTICAL AND THEORETICAL OPERATIONS OF MUSEUMS.

ALEXIS A. PRAUS, DIRECTOR OF THE KALAMAZOO PUBLIC MUSEUM, AND EUGENE T. PETERSEN, DIRECTOR OF HISTORY PROJECTS FOR THE MACKINAC ISLAND STATE PARK COMMISSION, ARE INSTRUCTING THE PROGRAM. THEY WILL TAKE THE CLASS OF 30 STUDENTS ON FIELD TRIPS TO SEVERAL MICHIGAN MUSEUMS. ON APRIL 3, THE GROUP IS SCHEDULED TO VISIT THE DEARBORN HISTORICAL MUSEUM AS WELL AS THE HENRY FORD MUSEUM AND GREENFIELD VILLAGE.

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UGANDA MUSEUM CURATOR VISITS MUSEUM. ON FEBRUARY 16, 1965, MR. CHARLES SEKINTU, CURATOR OF THE NATIONAL MUSEUM IN KAMPALA, UGANDA, IN EAST AFRICA, WAS A GUEST OF THE DEARBORN HISTORICAL MUSEUM. MR. SEKINTU HAD RECENTLY COMPLETED A MUSEUM TRAINING PROGRAM IN THEORY AND PRACTICAL APPLICATIONS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO. HE CAME TO DEARBORN AFTER VISITING OTHER MUSEUMS BETWEEN HERE AND COLORADO. HIS PLANS WERE TO VISIT OTHER MUSEUMS ACROSS THE COUNTRY BEFORE RETURNING TO UGANDA. THROUGH AN EXCHANGE OF IDEAS BETWEEN MUSEUM PEOPLE AROUND THE WORLD THE PROFESSION IS RAPIDLY IMPROVING ITS STATURE AND COMMON GOALS.

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NEW BOOKS IN THE ARCHIVES. RECENT ADDITIONS TO THE MUSEUM LIBRARY INCLUDE:

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BY FRANK B. SARLES, JR. & CHARLES E. SHEDD.

"TOYS THROUGH THE AGES" BY DANIEL J. FOLEY.

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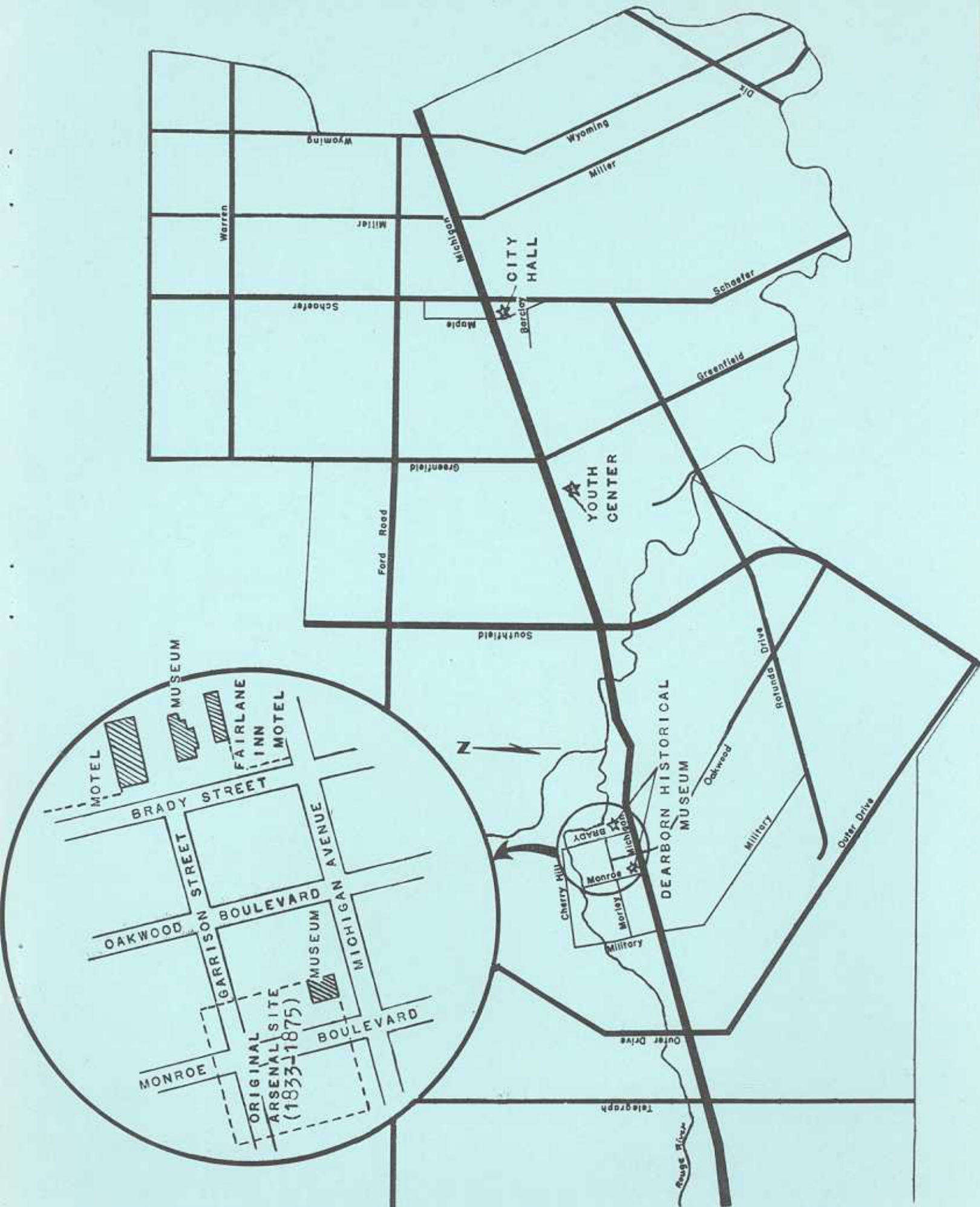
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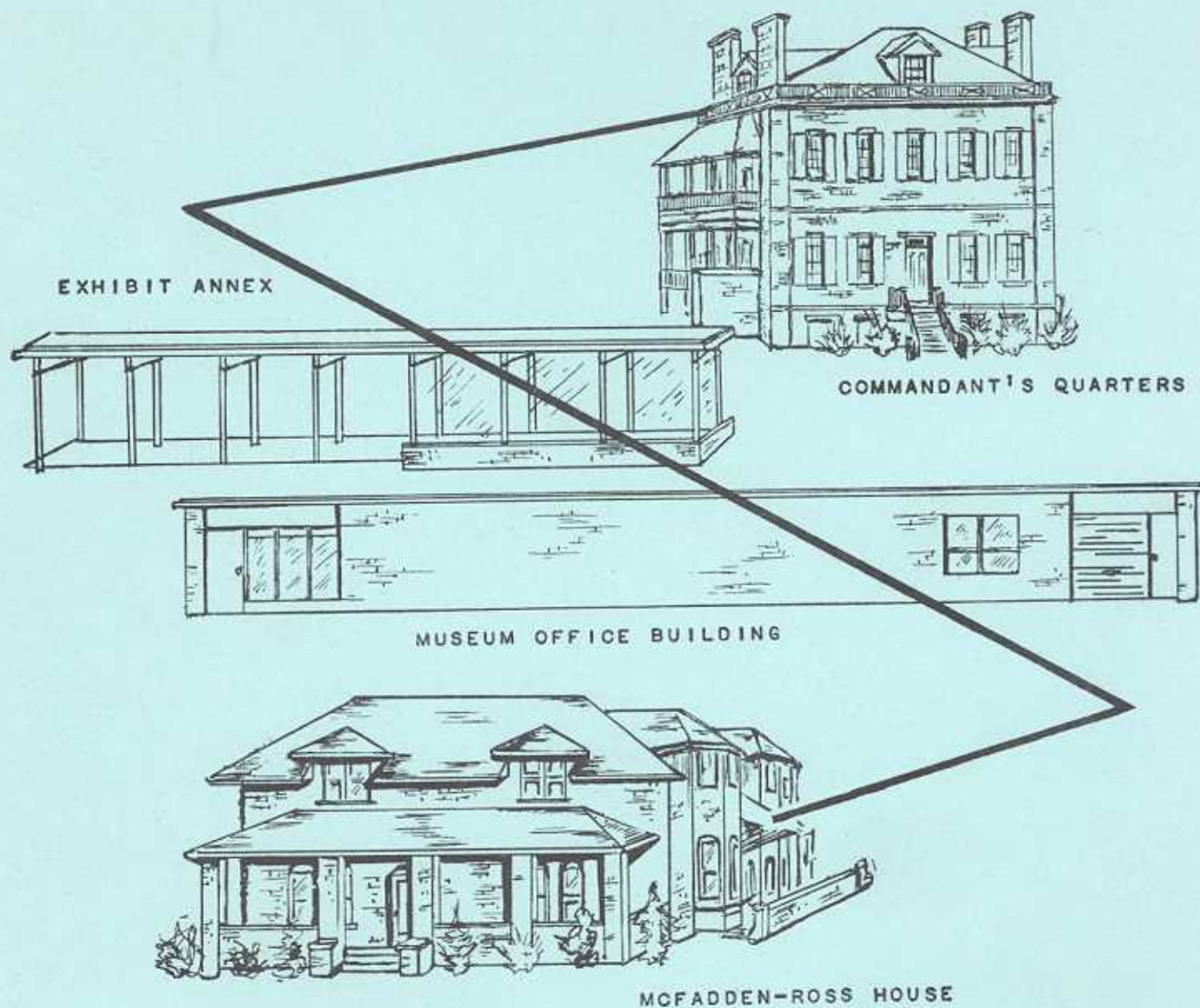
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