

COLOR HISTORIC DEARBORN!

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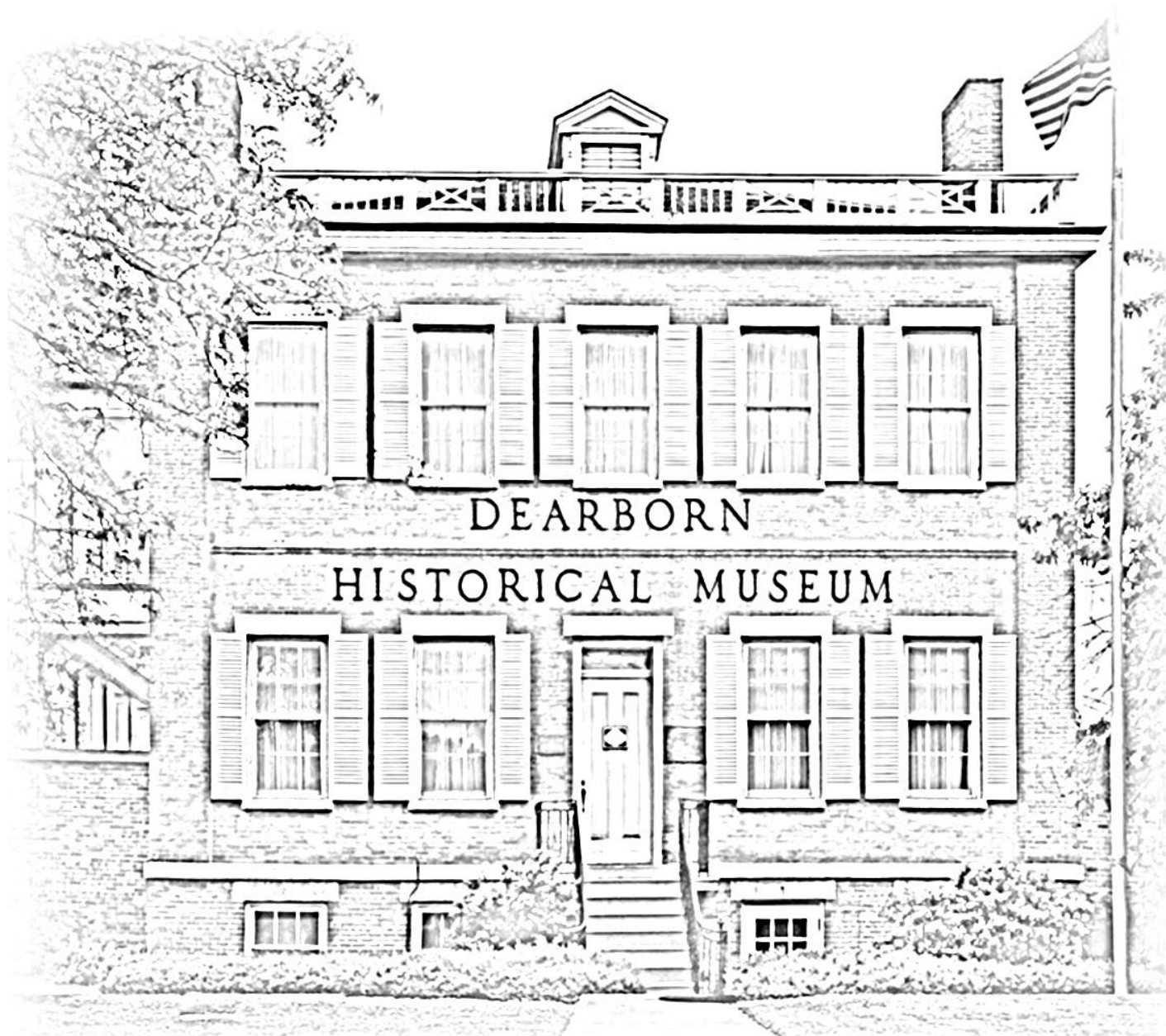
The Nowlin Family moved to what is now Dearborn in 1835 and were some of the first European-American settlers to come to the area that is now Dearborn. William Nowlin wrote a famous book called *The Bark Covered House* which details what life was like back then.



The Commandant's Quarters at 21950 Michigan Avenue was built in 1833 to be a home for commandants at the Detroit Arsenal in Dearbornville. This picture of the Commandant's Quarters dates to 1864, during the time of the Civil War.



After the Civil War, the Arsenal was closed. The former Commandant's Quarters saw many uses over the years. In this picture from 1934, it is a police station.



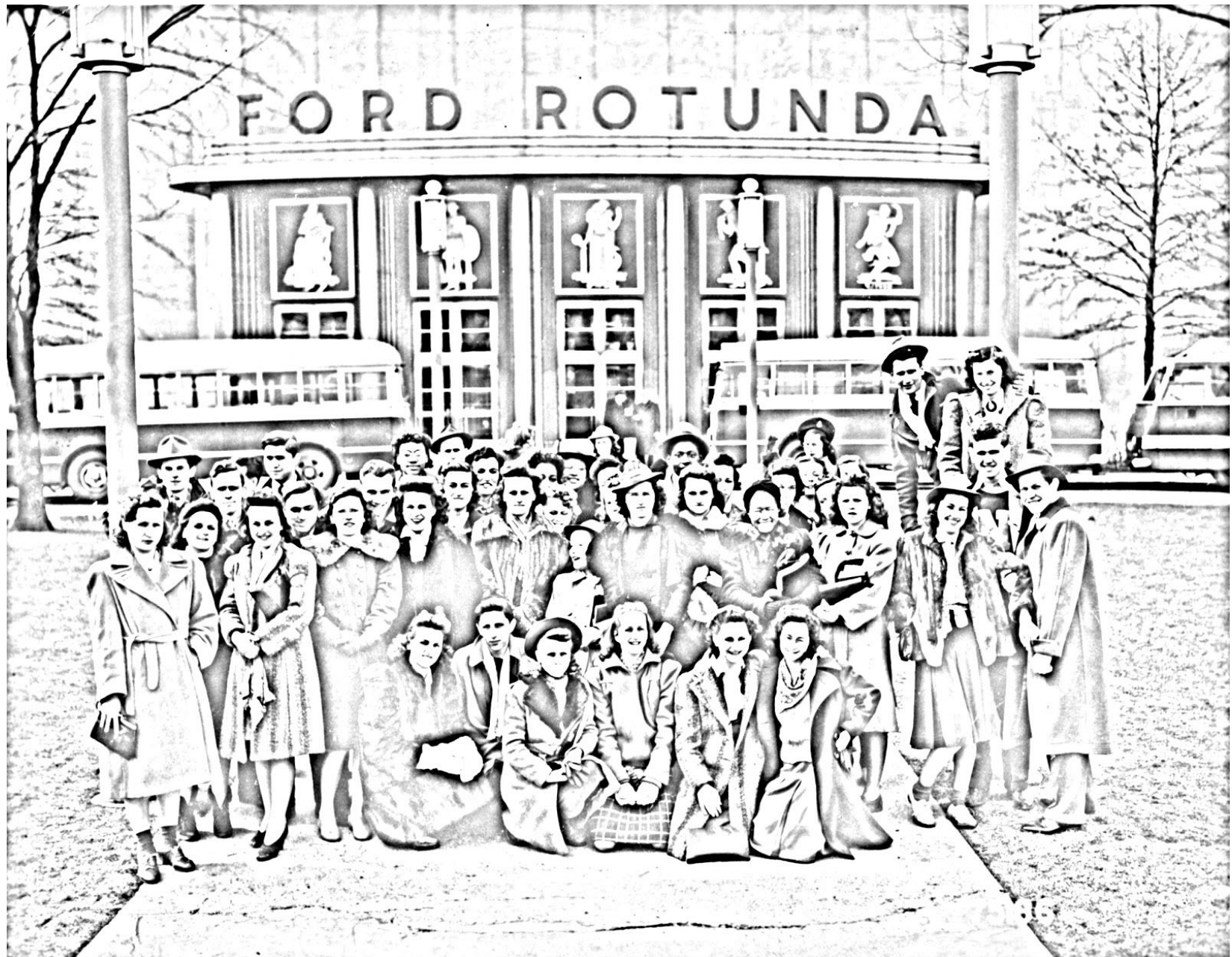
In 1950, the former Commandant's Quarters became part of the Dearborn Historical Museum. It is the oldest building in Dearborn in its original site and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.



Dearborn's old City Hall (13615 Michigan Avenue) was built in 1921. This picture shows what it looked like during the 1940s. It is also listed on the National Register of Historic Places.



The Gardner House was built in the 1830s by early Dearborn settlers. Henry Ford would sometimes visit it when he was growing up. In 1929, the Gardner House was moved to Greenfield Village. In 1996, it moved to the Dearborn Historical Museum.



This is a group posing outside of the Ford Rotunda in the 1940s. The Ford Rotunda was built in Dearborn in the 1930s and was a popular tourist attraction for Ford Motor Company. Unfortunately, it burned down in a fire in 1962.



The McFadden-Ross House (915 S Brady) was originally built in 1839 to be the powder magazine for the arsenal in Dearborn. After the Arsenal closed, it became a farmhouse. Today, the McFadden-Ross House is part of the Dearborn Historical Museum.



The Ford Rouge Assembly is a large automotive factory built in 1928. It is famous for producing so many vehicles and now offers tours showing how automobiles are made!



The Upstairs Downstairs School was Dearborn's only school building from 1857 to 1894. Much has changed since it was built! It was located on the west side of Monroe Street north of Garrison Street.



The Wagner Hotel (22011 Michigan Ave) was built in 1896 in the early days of Dearborn. Today, it has been renovated by Ford and is a modern office space.