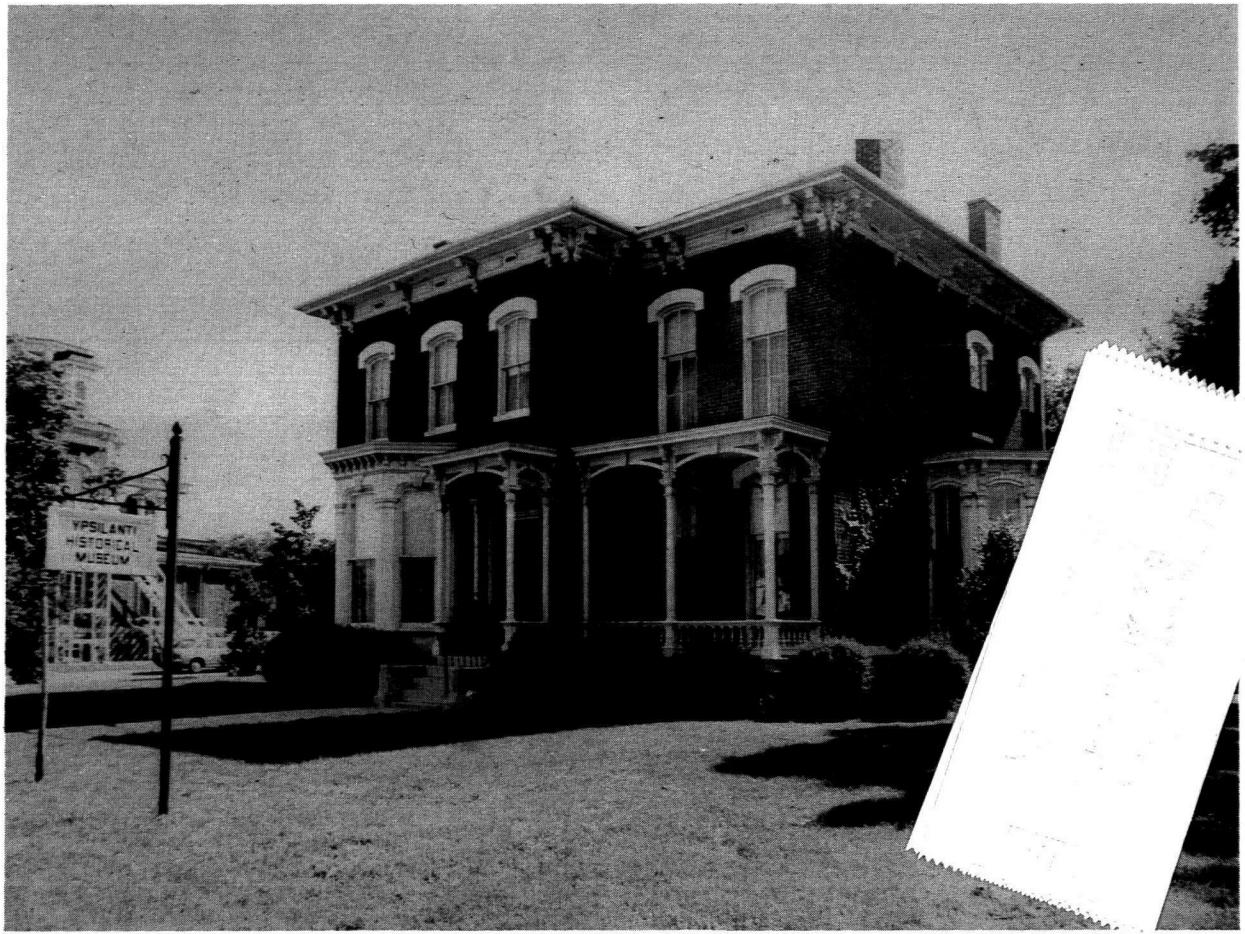


Excerpts Early Presbyterian Church Records

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PAST SCENES and OLD TIMES

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~ 220 N. Huron Street ~

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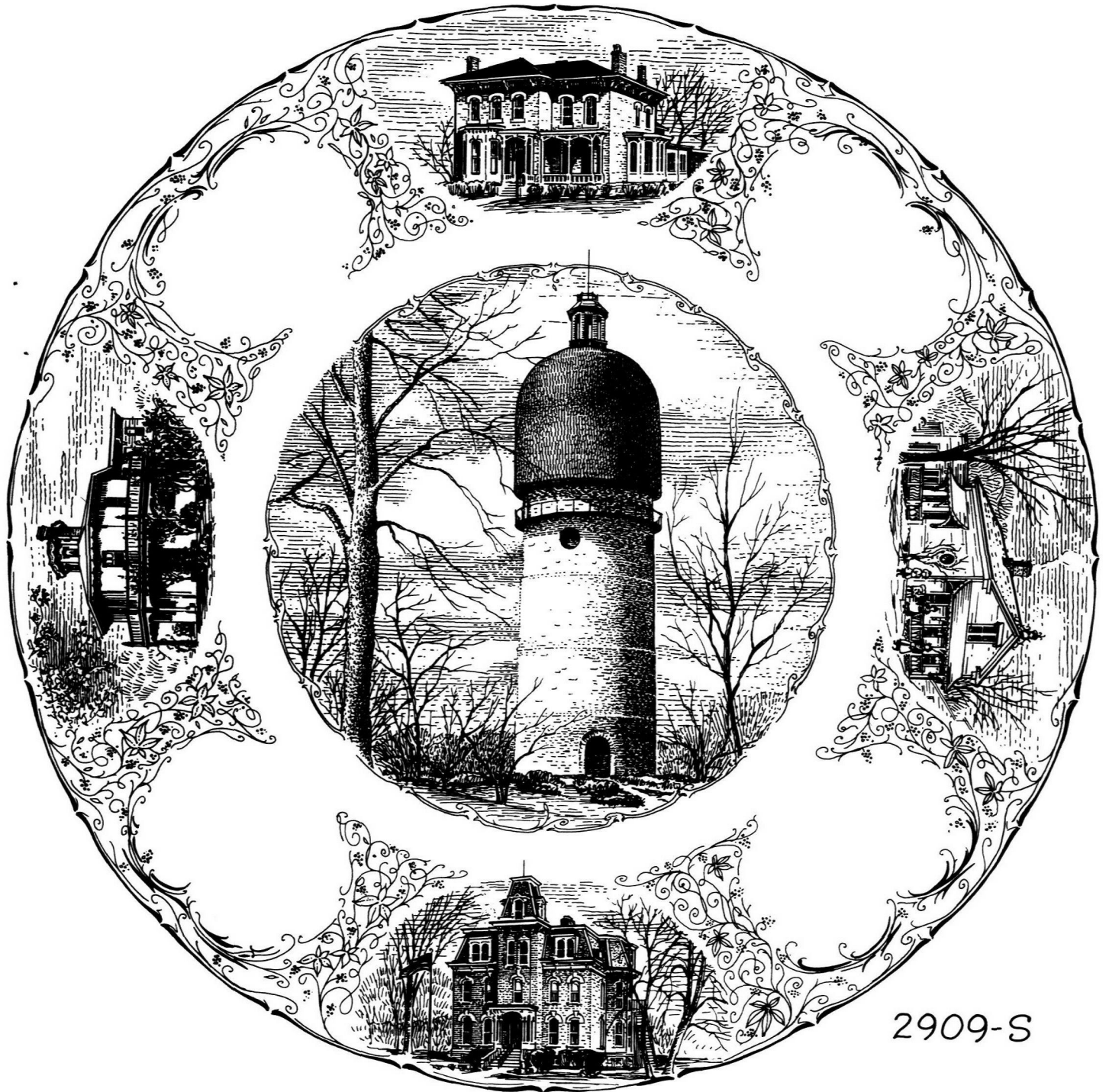
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IMPORTANT NEWS ...

On November first, LaRea and Ward Swarts moved to Reston, Virginia.

A great loss to Ypsilanti and especially to the Ypsilanti Historical Society and the Museum where LaRea has been the Director for four years.

LaRea Foote Swarts was born in Auburn, Indiana. After graduating from Auburn High School she went to the University of Indiana at Bloomington.

On September 2 1928 LaRea Foote married Ward Swarts who was also born in Auburn. Ward began a Pre-Med. course at DePauw University but hated it. Desecting a frog was not to his liking at all. The young married couple moved to Ann Arbor where LaRea worked in Foster's Art Shop and joined the cultural life, going to concerts and hearing lectures by great world figures. She also took courses at the University in the School of Architecture and Design.

After Ward graduated in Architecture in 1935, they moved to Port Huron to wait out the required time before he took the State Board examination for Architects. Then in Ypsilanti 1938-1959 and on to Williamsburg, Virginia where Ward served on the Board of that fabulous project as an Engineer and later as Director of Architecture and Engineering.

LaRea was busy during those years with the rearing of their two children, Stephen and Susan. The family lived in the Greenhow House on Duke of Gloucester Street with

its lovely flower gardens. LaRea found time to work in the Craft Shop, attend classes at the College of William and Mary, founded in 1693. Both Swarts' youngsters graduated from that famous college. LaRea and Ward also served as Host and Hostess for many of the Williamsburg functions, all the time learning from the very special wood and metal craftsmen who lived and work in Williamsburg.

In 1963, LaRea and Ward returned to Ypsilanti. They had spent fourteen years in Williamsburg, Virginia where they were deeply involved in the restoration of our finest example of America's Historical Heritage.

With such a background, how can we ever replace LaRea? She has always been so modest about her ability, just going ahead doing everything that had to be done in the Museum and making the place an outstanding Historical Museum in the State of Michigan and also the middle west. She set displays, entertained special groups with interesting talks but never too busy to check on the Museum to be certain all doors were locked, lights were out, rooms dusted and floors mopped after a leaking roof. Intelligence and energy, plus many talents...we are unable to heap enough praise and thanks on LaRea Foote Swarts.

She has been working with three of our devoted members; Doris Milliman, who was our first volunteer Museum Director, Harriet Stewart and Bets O'Neill, explaining techniques and procedures so that the Museum will be in good hands.

Ward and LaRea both served on the Board of Directors of the Ypsilanti Historical Society with Ward giving so many volunteer hours of architectural advice on old homes in Ypsilanti. He drew the plans for the present rooms for the Archives. No other City or Museum has ever had such a high ranking Williamsburg authority as a willing consultant.

We repeat again, Ypsilanti has been doubly blessed having Ward and LaRea Swarts as our residents.

Mr. & Mrs. Ward Swarts
11675 Charter Oak Ct. Apt 101
reston, Virginia 22090

From the Presbyterian Church Records -
Ypsilanti, November 13, 1835

The Session met at the call of the Moderator-

Present- I.M. Wead- Chairman
James Loomis, Ezra Carpenter - Elders

Began with prayer -

The case of Samuel P. Glover was called up -
He having been visited and labored with and still manifesting an unrelenting spirit and a contempt of the Session - Therefore, Resolved that Samuel Glover be hereby excommunicated from the Church of Jesus Christ.

Closed with Prayer-

(signed) Ezra Carpenter, Clerk

Ypsilanti, November 20th 1835

...Resolved that a committee of four be appointed to nominate from individuals to be ordained as Elders of the Church.

Resolved that while said Committee are consulting, to have a season of prayer in their behalf that they may be guided from above so as to nominate those whom God approve and bless in so responsible an office.

Ezra Carpenter, Clerk

Ypsilanti, December 18th 1835

Session met at the call of the Moderator

Began with Prayer

Deacon Carpenter complained of Brother A. Clarke of the breach of his marriage covenant in not living with his

wife - He stated that he had taken the first steps of labor as prescribed in 18th Mathew; but had failed in gaining him, and that he had notified him to appear before the Session.

The second step was taken by Deacon Carpenter and Brother Sage who failed in their object and that now agreeably to the direction of the Gospel they appear and tell it to the Church.

Brother Clarke acknowledged the offense with which he was charged and that he wished the Session to proceed if he was not present the same as if he were.

It was unanimously resolved - that he be suspended.

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We are indebted to Mary and George Campbell for these old 1832 to 1850 Church Session records.

Do you ever wonder about Ypsilanti's History?

Perhaps the Archives of the Historical Museum might be able to help you. We have helped many people. If the Archives are not open when you visit the Museum ask a Museum Guide for the form on which to write your inquiry - and be sure to give us a little outline of your own history.

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Visitors from England have registered in the Museum in September and many have been with us from California, Arizona, Georgia, Louisiana and Virginia.

Four packs of Cub Scouts toured the Museum this last month and two more are on the schedule for November. If you have a group wanting to visit the Museum, phone Ethel O'Connor at 482-7952, our very competent Chairman of the Scheduling, for a date.

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There is a dogwood tree in memory of our departed member Mildred Harris, planted on the south side of the Museum, supervised by Arthur J Howard. The donors were; Grace Thompson, Josephine Calkins and Hazel Davis. The Charles Haglers gave the dogwood on the north side of the Museum in memory of Mildred Harris. Again, it was planted by Arthur J Howard.

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Thru the interest of the Ypsilanti Rotary Club, the State Historical Marker #237 was moved from the closed I-94 Rest Stop south of Ypsilanti, by the State Highway, and installed on the front lawn of the Museum.

More than eighty members enjoyed the October Historical Society meeting at the home of Grace and Herbert Cornish on Clark Road.

They have refurbished the Jeremiah Newton house, filled it tastefully with antique furniture and fascinating clocks ranging from a 1790 magnificent Grandfather's clock to the small perky Coo Coo. No speeches or reports. Each clock had a typed explanation and date.

On the dining room table was a large bowl of hot cider flavored with home made spices; a variety of cookies and sweets, everything furnished by the Cornishes. The cider was served by Ethel O'Connor and Paula Riccobono with Merry Maude Wallace passing plates of cookies and doughnuts. A truly unique and inspiring Society meeting.

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The Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, New York is seeking information on all Major League players.

Ypsilanti had two Major League Baseball players. One was Archie McCarthy who was a pitcher for the Detroit Tigers in 1902; the other way Frank Owen, also a pitcher, with Detroit in 1901, and then with the Chicago White Sox for seven very successful years.

We were able to furnish the vital statistics for Frank Owen but only the birth date for Archie McCarthy.

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Jim Mathias, McKenny Hall Manager, very graciously set up a table for us to sell commemorative plates in McKenny Hall the time of Eastern Michigan's Homecoming, October 7th. Katharine Philbin, Dorothy Disbrow, Carl Scheffler, Arthur J Howard, William Riccobono and Foster Fletcher managed to create a lot of interest in the plates and sell 25 of them.

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And now before year end, will all you forgetful people who have not paid your dues, please send your payment to James Westfall (Box #336). Don't leave us, we need your support more than ever.

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We are pleased to have Flossie and Roe Bennett as our new neighbors at 213 N. Huron. They plan to refurbish the old Deubel place and make their home there.

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Mary Wier gave many interesting things from the Deubel house. One item was a very large buffet-sideboard which was carried across busy Huron Street by City Firemen Dan Tooman and Karl Jurgenson. It is a handsome interesting piece of furniture and is nicely situated in our lower level rooms.

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A CORDIAL WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

ANSCHUETZ, Robert R., Mrs.
101 E. Forest

BAZLEY, Elizabeth, Mrs.
15408 Ellen Drive
Livonia, Mich. 48154

BROOKS, Daniel, Mrs.
525 Fairview Circle

BUCK, Vincent -family
5474 Red Oak

CHAMBERS, Bruce, Mr.
2277 Bryn Mawr Apt 821, West

CZOPP, Richard A.
9690 Cherryhill

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DICKERSON, Clark, Mrs.
2000 E. Leonard
Grand Rapids, 49505

ETZEL, Scott, Mr.
2277 Bryn Mawr, #821, West

HARGRAVE, William, Mr. & Mrs.
202 Middle Drive

HENNEY, Robert, Mr.
% A.E. Holmes
1573 S. Congress

HILL, Rodney, Mr. & Mrs.
1010 Congress

HOMEL, Michael, Mr. & Mrs.
1357 Huron River Drive

KLEMMER, Harvey, Mrs.
12812 Jingle Lane
Silver Springs, Md., 20906

MUNSON, Kenneth C.
P.O. Box 616
Wyandotte

OLDS, Lloyd, Dr. & Mrs.
862 A Ronda Mendoza
Laguna Hills, Calif., 92653

YOUNG, Kenneth C., Mr. & Mrs.
115 Adams

YPSILANTIS, Homer N-family
43 Webcomet Road
Arlington, Mass. 02174

SHUGG, Gilbert, Mr. & Mrs.
5 Hillcrest Blvd.

SCHREPPER, Robert, Mrs.
929 Pearl Street

NELSON, James B., Mr. & Mrs.
614 N. Mansfield

RECENT ACQUISITIONS

Judge Rodney Hutchinson	Contract for one year unlimited service for telephone at 406 Maple-January 22, 1912
Mr. & Mrs. Rene Burgess	Abstract for house at 1 Oak St.
Jack C. Miller	THE ACE published by Apex Motor Corp., Ypsilanti, Vol. #1, No #1
Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Thompson	Small white souvenir dish made in Germany - "Water Tower, Ypsilanti Water Works" about 1895.
Clyde Breining	Ypsilanti High School Yearbooks, 1904, 21, 22, 20, 1918
Mrs. Lester Miller	Record of I. Berlin's "All Alone" sung by Lewis James of Ypsilanti
Mrs. Hazel Cullis	AURORA 1909
estate of Arthur L. Johnson	Shoeless ice skates, wooden base, metal runners-over 100 years old.
donor unknown	scrapbook of clippings from "Press" 1969-1976
Mrs. Daniel Brooks	Pictures of Daniel Brooks, newspaper articles and pictures about Brooks Grocery store
Mrs. Wm.F. Wilcox	A petosky stone
Mr. Ralph Chapman	Two scrapbooks about Theodore Roosevelt and one on Lincoln
Mrs. W. Swarts	Three Detroit Telephone books 1972-73, ironstone meal platter and vegetable dish (English) 1860-70
George Tackman	ATLAS OF WASHTENAW COUNTY 1874, Dedication program Emmanuel Lutheran Church 1923, balls from 1920
donor unknown	Keystone slide projector
Dr. Paul Hubble	Paper on "The James Eller family and the Bushwackers of Wilkes Co. N.C. 1864-1865", Two poems by Dr. Hubbell "To An Indian Flint" and "Stonewall's Man".

Mr. Joseph Thompson	Program-"Washtenaw County Country Club Golden Anniversary 1899-1949 "Joseph H. Thompson, Inc. Advertising folder for 'The New Dodge Sedan' 1934, Article "Japanese Attack on Pearl Harbor 12/7/1941, bio. material on Benjamin Thompson, Oliver E. Thompson and Edward I. Thompson, Constitution and Bylaws Washtenaw Country Club, "Rooster of Officers 2nd Bn 34th Infantry, MST-World War One, photographs of Oliver & Mrs Oliver Thompson.
Ralph G. Fader Dearborn	YPSI-DIXIT 1901
Foster L. Fletcher	Two sterling thimbles (old), Gabriel Campbell's Civil War sword and sword belt, old newspapers from late 1800s, Harris family genealogy prepared by Foster & Mary Fletcher 1966, photographs, biographical material, family memrobilia from the family of Anne (Muir) Campbell and Robert Campbell, great grand parents of Foster Fletcher.
James Westfall	Ypsilanti City Directories-1917, 1920,1922,1924
Karl Ehnis Whitmore Lake	"Pine Tar Toilet Soap" box, chart of Human Body found in attic of old school-1890
Bradley M. Harris, M.D.	period clothing, linen towel and sheet (1880), newspaper clippings, parasols, purses, diplomas, straight razor (1877), newspaper clipps of Mary Shaw's, Harris family bible, mirror once belonging to Sweet family .
Mr. & Mrs. J. Cox	Three volumes "Demorests Magazine" 1887 period
Mrs. Ben Sovey	Programs and promotional material from Ypsilanti Players 1953-55
James Wortley	4 issues MICHIGAN HISTORY -1976

John Seaver	Large pictures of Hiram Seaver (1827-1901) and Mary E. Putnam Seaver (1851-1912)
Lucille Langworthy	Pressed glass cruets and cruet holder belonging to Miss Lanworthy's mother-about 1870
Martin Open	U.S. Officer 5th Army uniform and German officer's uniform-W.W.2
Mrs. Ernest Kerbyson Grass Lake	Child's parasol - pink & white
Mrs. James Weir Ann Arbor	These items are from the Cameron-Duebel estates-gilded cast iron Victorian clock-love seat, large buffet, comode chest, table and chairs, fan, diplomas, books, walnut plate taken from the new post of Samuel Post home -carved from the wood by the father of Harry Stockdale
Ray H. Gorlitz	1920 earphones, wall hanging scales (1931), hot cake griddle
S.A. Disbrow, M.D.	framed "fireman's diploma" issued to Norman W. Towner (father of Tracy Towner) by City of Chicago in 1844
Mr. Gurnsey K. Earl Ann Arbor	Cleary College paper (1899), 100th Anniversary Bulletin Presbyterian Ch (1857-1957), Catalog Ypsilanti Union School 1862, 2 wood planes, 1 wooden bit brace, 1 wood shaver. (The tools came from the store of Cornelius B. Earl-"Sash & Blind Shop-411 E. Cross-mid 1800's)
Mrs. R. Dailey LaJolla, California	1912 wedding dress of Helen (D'Ooge) Dailey (daughter of Benjamin L. D'Ooge)
Ruth Boughner (estate of Arthur E. Richardson M. Czopp	AURORAS from 1899 until 1924 Cleary Business College 16th Annual Catalog 1900-01
Mrs. Michael Philbin	Heavy maroon and cream drapes found in the attic of 109 Elm.

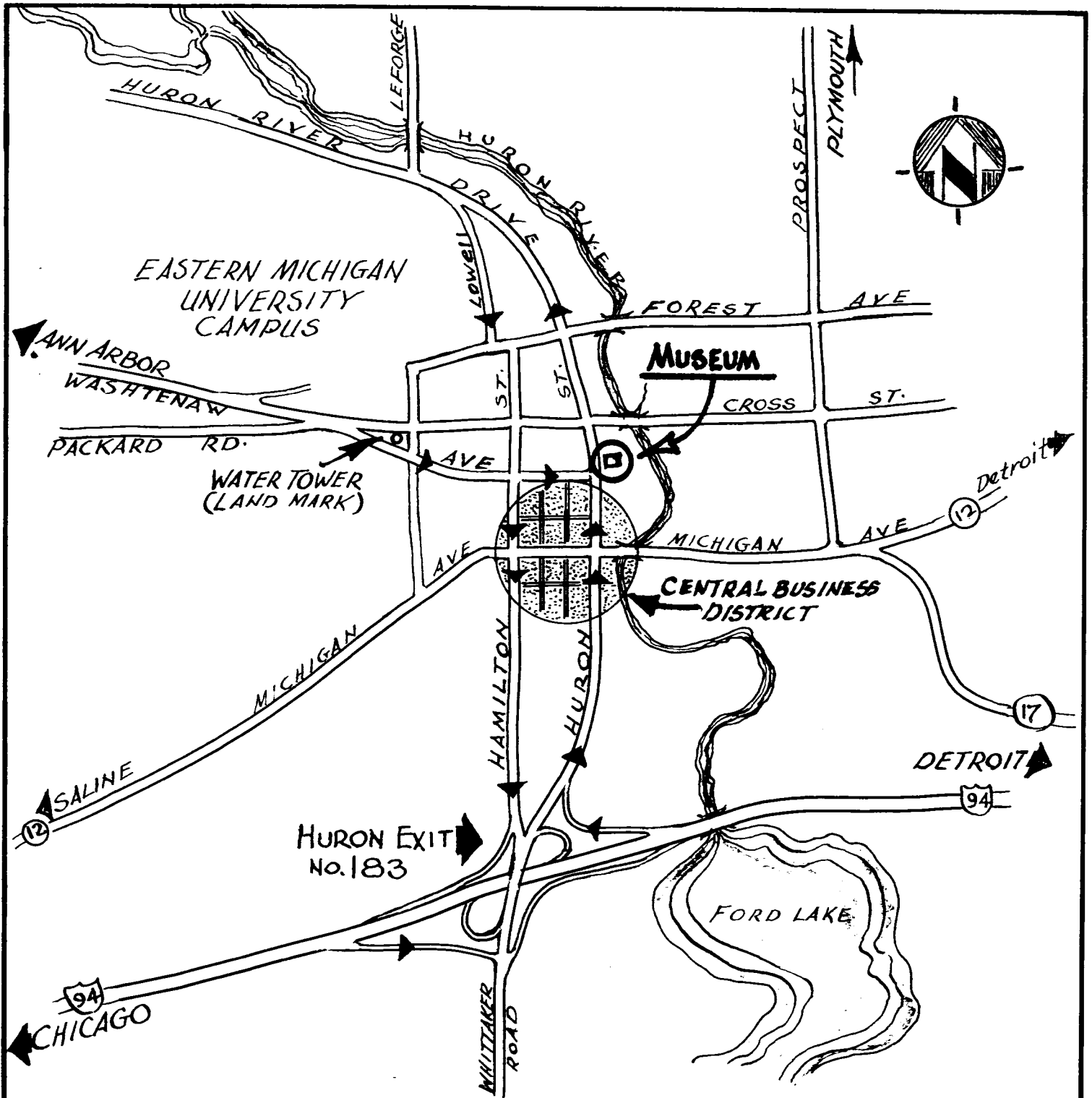
Mr. Stephen Swarts Jackson, Michigan	Bayonet-pre World War One
Mr. James MacDonald	Victorian and decorative easel.
Mrs. B.W. Craycraft	Library table - 1900 period
Margaret Anderson Belleville	Hand woven plaid scarf once be- longing to Sarah Scott Prince- over 100 years old.
Miss Evangeline Lewis	Photograph of Beta Nu Soriety- Ypsilanti High School-1908 - everyone identified
Miss Doyne Wolfe	Wool gathered from the backs of Turkish sheep-to be used for demonstration in Spinning Room
James & Mary Westfall	Original painting by Edward Thompson given to Dr. Westfall in 1936 - hand-made nails from the "White School House", now 137 N. Washington
Mrs Raymon B. Bair Ann Arbor	Cast iron minature wood burning stove, with utensiles - Russian doll-clay bowl pipe from Chicago World's Fair-1933

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TWO FORTHCOMING EVENTS AT THE MUSEUM -

On December 18th (Sunday) from four until six the WASHTENAW COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY will hold their annual Christmas party at our building.

* ON JANUARY FIFTEENTH (SUNDAY) THE YPSILANTI HISTORICAL
+ SOCIETY WILL HOLD THE ANNUAL MEETING - election of officers,
+ etc. - FROM THREE UNTIL FIVE. PLEASE NOTE THIS DATE
+ ON YOUR CALENDAR.
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