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PAST SCENES and OLD TIMES

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Ypsilanti Historical Museum
~ 220 N. Huron Street ~

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YPSILANTI HISTORICAL SOCIETY

GENERAL MEETING

WHEN - OCTOBER FIFTEENTH AT FIVE O'CLOCK
(Sunday)

WHERE - FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF YPSILANTI
1110 West Cross

PROGRAM - "REMEMBRANCES OF THINGS PAST"

SPEAKERS - Foster L. Fletcher and Arthur J Howard

THIS IS OUR FIRST DINNER MEETING. WE HOPE IT WILL BE
WELL ATTENDED!

TICKETS \$4.00 Adult
\$2.00 Children (under twelve)

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or

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At the July Board meeting the members of that group voted to try for one year having a General Meeting Program each month from October until May on an experimental basis.

The Program Committee, Herbert Cornish, Chairman; Bill Riccobono, Ann McCarthy & Dorothy Disbrow know that the programs listed below are interesting and entertaining.

OCTOBER 15th (Sunday) Five o'clock Dinner Meeting at the FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH - 1110 W. Cross - price \$4. for adult - \$2. for children (under twelve). Tickets available at Museum - (482-4990) - speakers - Foster L. Fletcher and Arthur J Howard.

NOVEMBER 19th (Sunday) 3-5 - 220 N. Huron (Museum) - Mrs. Ethel W. Royce will talk about her BUTTON COLLECTION which she started in 1941 and now contains buttons from Europe, Africa, Asia and the Americas as well as scenes from opera, mythology and buttons featuring the famous and infamous. Mrs. Royce also appreciates questions from the audience about her collection.

DECEMBER 17th (Sunday) 3-5 - 220 N. Huron (Museum)
ALL CITY CHRISTMAS PARTY

JANUARY 21st (Sunday) 3-5 - 220 N. Huron - (Museum)
ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

FEBRUARY 18th (Sunday) 3-5 - 220 N. Huron (Museum)
Mrs. Ruth Reynolds will speak on and answer questions about VICTORIAN COSTUMING THROUGHOUT THE DAY - 'What milady wore - morning, noon and night. Mrs. Reynolds will use in her talk the costumes from our collection.

MARCH 18th (Sunday) 3-5 - 220 N. Huron (Museum)
THE SWEET ADELINE singing group will entertain with a medley of Early American songs for the first part of the program and a 'sing-along' for the second.

APRIL 22nd (Sunday) 3-5 - 220 N. Huron (Museum) Mr. Richard E. Hain of THE RED BARN ANTIQUES will be the speaker. Bring in your 'antique' and Mr. Hain will endeavor to advise if:
1. it is an antique - 2. if it is a valuable antique - 3. 'what' it is if you are not sure; and will answer other questions concerning your treasures.

MAY 20th (Sunday) 3 - ??? INDOOR-OUTDOOR PICNIC at the home of Herbert & Grace Cornish - 830 W. Clark. Bring meat for your family and guests (grills available), a dish to pass, service for the table and a folding chair. Come prepared to play lawn games or talk to old friends and become acquainted with new.

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SPECIAL EVENTS PROGRAM

Ann McCarthy, Chairman of the Administration Committee's Special Events Program has been working very hard to get talented people to explain, demonstrate and display their special hobby - and Ann has succeeded very well in her quest.

All *Special Events' are held at the Museum - 220 N. Huron- and all from two until four o'clock.

SEPTEMBER 23 Frank Burgess - will show, describe and answer questions concerning his COLLECTION OF ANTIQUE DOOR KNOBS.

OCTOBER 22 Kathy Cambell will demonstrate the making of BOBBIN LACE and Anna Anderson, who won two prizes at the 1978 Michigan State Fair for her TATTING will demonstrate that skill.

NOVEMBER 12 Jean Jordan will explain the process of making BRASS RUBBINGS and have on display those she has made while in England.

FEBRUARY 11th Diane Anderson will hold a VALENTINE MAKING PARTY which will be held especially for children.

MARCH 25 Esther Ensign, Jane Salcau and Jane Bird will demonstrate for all ages their skill in DECORATING EGGS FOR EASTER.

APRIL 29th Norma Cichanski will speak on HERBS, cooking with them and decorating with them.

MAY 27th Beverly Shankwieler will be present to tell of DEFOW TOWN - its past and future.

THE STORY OF THE HOUSE AT 220 NORTH HURON STREET

Built in 1860, this house was owned and occupied by three prominent families during its first half century.

Asa Dow, who had been a business partner with Daniel Lace Quirk in Chicago, made this place his home during the years he lived in Ypsilanti. On December 15 1863, when the stockholders of the newly organized First National Bank of Ypsilanti, held their first meeting, Asa Dow was elected President. Mr. Dow was also an incorporator of the newly organized Ypsilanti Woolen Manufacturing Company.

The Dow home on Huron Street - old address, Huron St., N. 42 - was an Ypsilanti show place. From the columns of the Ypsilanti True Democrat, for Friday morning, April 22 1864, we read: "There are few places of its size that can boast of as many beautiful private residences as Ypsilanti. Many of them have handsome lawns and gardens, tastefully decorated with ornamental trees, shrubbery and flowering plants and not a few possess an ornate style of architecture...The dwellings of Messers Dow, Jenness, Sampson, Mills, Loveridge and Major Atwood are all elegant and tasty domiciles and worthy of attention."

The old newspaper files have many references to Mr. Dow, and we wonder if the notice in a July 14 1864 issue, of the death of Minerva Miles Dow, wife of Asa Dow, may be the reason why Mr. Dow left Ypsilanti and returned to Chicago. Mrs. Dow was the second person to be buried in the newly dedicated Highland Cemetery. Mr. Dow died 9-23-1890 in Chicago and is buried in Highland Cemetery also.

In the columns listing real estate transfers for March 17 1865, we read: "Asa Dow to A.H. Goodrich, residence on Huron Street and household goods \$14,000." Quite a large sum of money, even considering the inflated prices of real estate during the closing months of the Civil War.

Aaron Goodrich came to Ypsilanti to manage the Follett House, Ypsilanti's largest and finest hotel. After managing the hotel during the year 1866, he became a salesman for the Batchelder & Company Monument Works, a local marble works that furnished many of the cemetery monuments throughout southern Michigan.

The stately house was occupied by Aaron and Julia Goodrich for about ten years. That they took great pride in maintaining the dwelling and its setting, is attested to by the following new item in the columns of the Ypsilanti Commercial:

"Saturday morning-May 13 1865. A handsome fence - Messers A.H. Goodrich and D.L. Quirk are enclosing their residences

on Huron Street with a new fence that is indeed a credit to our city. It is mainly of wood but molded and sanded to imitate iron. It has elegant iron gate posts and is bolted with iron clamps to large square stone posts sunk three feet into the ground. For durability, it cannot be surpassed and we have seen nothing so tasty. We are told its cost was \$30 per rod."

The Goodrich family moved to Saline and opened the Goodrich House, May 1879. The new owners of the large house at 42 N. Huron (now 220 N. Huron) were Mr. and Mrs. Lambert Barnes. Mrs. Jane Barnes was the daughter of Robert L. Geddes, one of Washtenaw County's earliest pioneers. Mr. Barnes was Superintendent of the Peninsular Paper Company, but soon advanced to the Presidency. He was Vice President of the First National Bank at the time of his death. He served as Mayor of Ypsilanti from 1875 through 1879. Mr. Barnes died unexpectedly June 30 1887, in Detroit where he had gone to have an ulcerated tooth taken care of. His widow lived until 1893.

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In a scrapbook containing articles from the old YPSILANTIAN newspaper we came across these three which we felt would be of interest as a bit of Ypsilanti's past. While we have the YPSILANTI COMMERCIAL, both bound and on microfilm, we have very few copies of the YPSILANTIAN - so if anyone has copies, or knows of copies, tucked away in attics we would be more than pleased to have them in our Archives.

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From the YPSILANTIAN for May 1889:-

"Two beautiful and accomplished young ladies of our city perished in the wild wreck of Johnstown Pennsylvania, and mourning is in our streets. Miss Carrie Richards, daughter of the late Captain Henry Richards, who graduated from the Normal College in 1884, had been teaching in a private school at Johnstown during the past year, and her sister, Molly had left here on Tuesday of last week to be present at the close of the school.

Upon receipt of the news of the disaster, Frank Tooker, a cousin of the young ladies, started for the scene to learn their fate and immediately upon his arrival his telegram was received here: "Both are lost! Carrie's body is recovered".

Mary Richards was born Jan. 11, 1865 and Mary Richards was born Nov. 15 1866. They passed thru all the grades of the Training School and thru a full course of the Normal College. At an early age they became members of the Presbyterian Church."

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The entire community of Ypsilanti was involved in the tragic event with many money raising projects for a memorial.

From The Ypsilantian - Friday March 6 1885

"Twenty-seven years ago (that would be 1858 wouldn't it?) the writer, then a lad from the hemlock hills of central New York, came to Ypsilanti and remained a year or more as a printer, in the office of the Ypsilanti Herald...

the Herald was printed in a wooden building just east of the Follett House, by a Mr. Jones. The burning of the Normal College building and completion and opening of the Follett House, are remembered events of that year. Afterward the paper was printed under S.B. McCracken in a building on the south side of the street where the office was burned in the latter part of 1859. ...Since then in mechanical positions in Detroit and editorial positions in Utica and Syracuse; thru an enlistment in the Army of the Potomas, as publisher of an Illinois paper for seventeen years...But thru all those years, and in all the differing scenes and employments he has carried in his memory the picture of this beautiful city of Ypsilanti - this well-named Queen City of Michigan - and has looked back to it with pleasant recollection; and when he came here last fall, for the first time in more than a quarter century, he felt his pulses quicken at the sight of the familiar features of this charming place."

"I am but a gatherer and disposer of other men's stuff"-
Sir Henry Wotton

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THE UNDERGROUND RAILROAD -

"In the DETROIT POST of last Sunday morning was a column interview with Hon. Erastus Hussey, ex-mayor of Battle Creek, who was for twenty years one of the most active 'agents' in this state, and under whose charge the 'station' at Battle Creek sheltered and sent forward a large number of 'passengers'. The route of that branch of the Underground entered the State from Indiana, and had its first Michigan station in the Quaker settlement in Cass county, proceeding, thence via Cassopolis and Climax to Battle Creek. Mr. Hussey recalls interesting reminiscences of his experience in secreting and forwarding the fugitives. The route then followed the line of the Michigan Central, with stations at Marshall, Jabez S. Fitch, first Liberty nominee for Governor, as agent; Albion, Edwin M. Johnson; Parma, Townsend E. Gidley; Jackson, Louson Wilcox and Norman Allen; Michigan Center, Abijah Fitch; and M. Francisco at Franciscoville. Entering Washtenaw County, Samuel W. Dexter directed the business at Dexter, and Theodore Foster at Scio. At Ann Arbor, Mr. Hussey mentions Guy Beckley, editor of the "Signal of Liberty", as the agent. He should also have recalled Jacob Volland, father of Professor A.J. Volland, Principal of the Ypsilanti High School, at whose house in Ann Arbor the fugitive passengers by the Underground frequently found shelter and assistance. Mr. Volland still lives at Ann Arbor. John Geddes is named in the Post as agent at Geddes, but that is a

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mistake. He never had anything to do with it; but Richard Glazier, who lived on the north side of the river, between Ann Arbor and Geddes, kept a station and harbored many a fleeing fugitive. Thence they used to go chiefly to Plymouth, on the way to Detroit, though many have passed through Ypsilanti to the Quaker settlement in the southern part of the township, and so reached the border at Trenton beyond which the fugitive slave law could not operate. Sometimes, when the crossing at Detroit was too closely watched, the fugitives were sent back to Plymouth and Ypsilanti and forwarded by the Trenton and Grosse Isle route.

Another route entered the state from Ohio, reaching Adrian, north of which place, in Raisin township, lived Mrs. Laura Haviland, famous the country over as the friend of the oppressed. She was personally engaged in conducting fugitives from the south to her place, and they were sent from there to the house of R.L. Hall, father of W.H. and Capt. M.S. Hall of this city. Mr. Hall then lived in Tecumseh, and the sons well remember the arrival of the dusky passengers at their house, whence they were forwarded to the Quaker settlement in this township and thence to Detroit or Trenton...".

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MUSEUM ACTIVITIES ----- Doris Milliman, Museum Director

The summer months have brought many visitors to the Museum and we are finding that many are from out of town. Local residents have brought their friends and relatives to visit and guests have been impressed with our facility. The exhibit of war memorabilia that was arranged by Harriet Stewart, and the miniature Revolutionary diaramas have been a feature and have attracted many visitors. Eileen Harrison and Barbara Parsons arranged this exhibit. Due to popular demand, the exhibit remained on display over the summer months and until September 15th.

The cleaners come once a month so we look spotless and neat. For this, we are grateful to the Society.

We are especially excited that the Public Library is using the facilities in the Archives for a genealogy workshop being planned for a day in October. The planners have been greatly impressed with the help that can be obtained here.

The Administrative Committee meets each month and is planning for some special days for the season. We hope the public will find them of interest and attend them. Ann McCarthy is contacting the persons involved in this project.

A new feature in the "Gleanings" is started in this issue. We will be 'spotlighting' some of our loyal volunteers. This issue contains two of them, so watch for others in the ensuing issues.

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SPOTLIGHTING OUR VOLUNTEERS -----

Ethel O'Connor - One who has been a faithful worker since our days in the present building is Ethel O'Connor who resides with her friend, Gertrude Murray. Ethel has been in charge of scheduling sixty volunteers for the past eight years, and has also arranged for special groups to visit the Museum. To save postage, the schedule is planned for six months and each volunteer receives a copy. She also acts as a hostess at least once a month, and frequently assists with special groups. Her assistance is invaluable and she approaches her assignments with interest and enthusiasm. Her activity in telling children about the Museum is similar to her activity as a "master teacher." She is a most cooperative person, meets the public extremely well and is a highly valued volunteer.

Besides her Museum duties, Ethel assiste with Mass at the

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Parkview Nursing Facility once a week, for which she schedules helpers. She is a monthly worker at the Thrift Shop and has held office in that organization.

In April of this year, Ethel was given an award at the annual meeting of the Michigan Federation of Women's Clubs for being "Miss Club Woman".

She has been active, and has held offices in the Women's Study Club in this city.

All of these activities show what a worthwhile life Ethel leads in her retirement.

Ethel's garden is beautifully kept, too, which as any gardener knows requires time and energy.

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We, at the Museum have found Ruth Reynolds to be an interested and a knowledgeable help with the clothing. She does a fine job of mending and organizing our collection. As she says, she has the 'expertise' for doing the work. Ruth is also a very pleasant person and we are glad to see her come on Tuesday morning. She very kindly wrote the following brief article about herself for us.

Ruth Reynolds- Dorothy Disbrow asked me to write an autobiography about one paragraph long. That will be a hard thing to do, to condense my long and active life into one paragraph. Therefore, I will tell some of the activities that have prepared me for the work I am now doing at the Historical Museum.

I lived in Plymouth, Indiana during my growing-up years. As a small lass of seven or eight years old, I remember sewing for dolls. We called them "penny dolls." They were made of china, with movable arms, were about 2" long and cost a penny. I also learned to crochet about this time. In the 7th grade I was in the first sewing class in the public schools. The regular grade teacher knew very little about sewing, so we worked out the instructions together. During World War I I learned to knit. Up until I was through Business College and working, I had had one ready-made dress and one ready-made coat. All my clothes were made by my mother and some I made myself.

In due course I was married and had two girls to clothe. And as I had been taught I also made all their clothes, dresses, coats, hats, underwear, etc. Whenever there was a sewing class or a course in arts and crafts that I could conveniently attend I did so, always wanting to learn more. Just

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this last winter I took a course in "Stretch and Sew".

After my husband passed on I retired and moved from Somerville, New Jersey back to Plymouth. In order to have something to keep me busy I taught knitting in the local department store for about a year and a half. I also trained as a Laubach teacher and have taught this method of "Each One Teach One" off and on for twelve years. At the present time I tutor two pupils.

In 1957 I had the opportunity to travel to the Holy Lands by way of Egypt. Most of the mementoes I brought back were dress materials, linens and beautiful hand work.

About a year before I moved to Ypsilanti from Plymouth the R.S. V.P. gave me a job at the Marshall County Historical Society with the title of "Curator of Antique Costumes". I thought I was just a "patcher-upper". After moving to Ypsilanti a little over a year ago, the R.S.V.P. placed me in the Ypsilanti Historical Museum doing the same kind of work. I serve three hours a week and have enjoyed every minute of it. I am still learning more about sewing from these antique costumes. But I must admit I prefer modern clothing.

My mother often said: "Anything worth doing is worth doing well." I have endeavored to follow this advice in sewing and hand crafts.

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NOTICE! Do you, or any of your friends or relatives have any hobbies or collections that you would like to have on display at the Museum? We would like to know about them. Please call the Museum: 482-4990 (mornings) or 483-3236

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RECENT ACQUISITIONS

Mrs. William Fitch formerly of Ypsilanti	Granny Square afghan and Fan quilt - made by Mrs. Fitch's mother as a girl-about 1890.
Boatright Plumbing Co. (estate of C. Boatright)	Three account books from Boat- right plumbing 1905 - 2 from 1900.
Helen Adams (estate of)	Old fan with mother-of pearl stems- brown high button baby shoes.
Kathy Campbell	Large modern doll to be used as dress model.
Ruth Reynolds	Button-hole scissors belonging- to Mrs. Reynold's mother-1895
Roberta Miller	Newspaper clipping from a Battle Creek paper which concerns old diary of 1835 telling of a trip through Michigan and a stay in Ypsilanti.
Ada Holmes	<u>Detroit Free Press</u> 5/22/1927 on Lindbergh's flight to Paris.
Ann McCarthy	flour bag "5 lbs Parker's Pio- neer Mix-stone ground...Geo. Parker-Geddes" found in old mill storehouse.
Foster L. Fletcher	Mexican doll for children's room.
Mrs. Joseph Thompson	1916-1940 scrapbook kept by late Joseph Thompson-desk stamp holder- advertising material & supplies four piece silver tea service from Mrs. Thompson's family.
Jean Jordan	Records of "Friends of Library" 1963-1970.
Mrs. Raymon Bair	Handmade bureau scarves
Mrs. Ellis Freatman	Clothes from Mrs Freatman's mother's family- purple cape, plaid skirt, green skirt - 1890.

Ronald Henson	Civil war books and memorabilia,
William H. Bedford	Old fashioned box accordion camera - W.W.I. puttees, belonging to Claude Mower.
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A CORDIAL WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS ---

George & Mary Campbell
7147 Scio Church Road
Ann Arbor

Mr. & Mrs. Thomas English
2610 Ann Arbor Saline Road
Ann Arbor

Campbell Jewelry
107 W. Michigan
Ypsilanti

Mrs. Joseph S. Vail
710 Loranne Avenue
Pomona, California

Marlene K. Davenport
811 Catherine Street
Ann Arbor

Mrs. James Weir
1615 Wells
Ann Arbor

David J. Davis
1 Oakwood
Ypsilanti

Myers, Ronald E., Mr. & Mrs.
305 1/2 Pearl Street
Ypsilanti, Mich. 48197

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OUR WIDE TRAVELED MEMBERS ---

Ann Thorne, our member and friend, called our attention to the book, "A NATURALIST BUYS AN OLD FARM" by the distinguished author, Edwin Way Teale and especially to page twenty-seven where the author writes about the many famous people who came to see them on this old farm in Connecticut.

"When people arrived from Boston, bringing some of my books to be autographed, our conversation never did progress very far. They kept interrupting to exclaim over and over again: 'Oh, the peace and the quiet.'"

"During a later summer, a Midwestern couple, Mr. & Mrs. Carl Scheffler, drove all the way from Ypsilanti, Michigan to see us, then turned around and drove back again. We had never met. But they had read all my books and felt they knew us both of old."

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When Don and Dorothy Disbrow were in Athens this summer they went to a City park where there was an avenue containing marble busts of the heros of the Greek Revolution. Alas, there was none of Demetrios Ypsilanti but there was one of Alexander - which is now in the Archives as a slide.

It has always been a somewhat controversial question just which Ypsilanti Prince should be given credit for the Greek victory over the Turks. Alexander's bust is in the Athens Park - but it is Demetrios who is featured in THE GREEK PHOENIX by Joseph Braddock - this book is in the Public Library.



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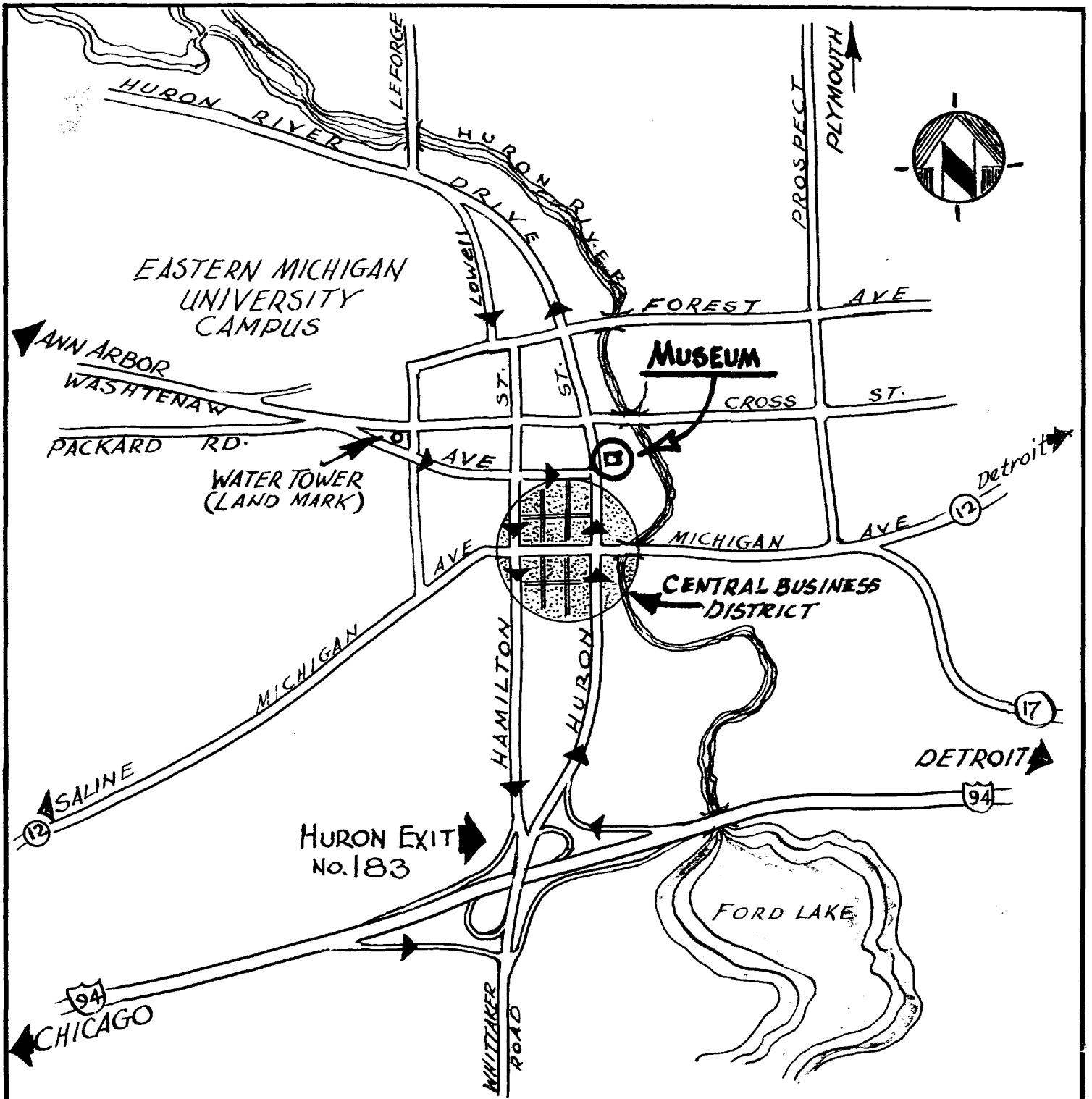
Starkweather Hall, built in 1896, is the oldest edifice on the campus of Eastern Michigan University. Standing on the original State Board of Education land grant, the building was constructed with funds provided by Mrs. Mary Ann Starkweather, a prominent local philanthropist. The property's ninety-nine year lease specified its use as a religious center at what was then Michigan State Normal College. It originally housed the Student's Christian Association, an organization which sponsored lecture series on topics of social and philosophical interest.

The two-story fieldstone structure was designed in the Romanesque Revival style by the Detroit firm of Malcomson and Higginbotham. Its asymmetrical plan features a massive arched stone entryway and grouped windows with cut stone lintels. The tower at the front of the building has elongated vertical windows and a roof covered with orange tile shingles. Inside, hardwood floors, high ceilings, and ornamental hardware are among the more notable features. In 1961 the building was re-roofed, some interior partitions were installed, and several other relatively minor alterations were made.

Starkweather Hall is presently a non-denominational religious center. Surrounded by Eastern Michigan University's modern campus, the building remains the university's main link to its nineteenth century past.

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