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March 19, 1981

Dear Friend:

Ypsilanti's great history began in 1809 when three French explorers -- Gabriel Godfroy, Romaine LaChambre and Francois Pepin -- established a trading post on the west bank of the Huron River, 100 yards north of the Old Sauk Trail (Michigan Avenue).

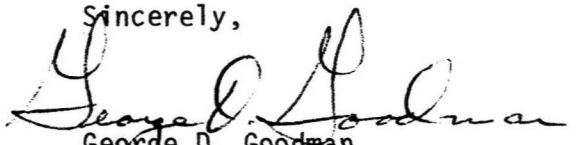
Their enterprise in laying out 2632 acres in 1811 for 4 French Claims is a splendid example to all generations to come.

The efforts of the Ypsilanti Historical Society, organized in 1960, have made us all aware of Ypsilanti's remarkable Heritage. Ypsilanti citizens as well as former residents of our area have become interested in the city's history and learning where their families fitted into scenes of the past.

Ypsilanti now has a fine Historical Museum at 222 N. Huron Street, expertly staffed by volunteers, which is visited every year by more and more people. The Society has a membership of more than 375 and publishes a quarterly known as "Gleanings".

If our Historical Museum is to continue to grow, we need continued financial support and additional family records, photos, diaries, letters and memorabilia.

Sincerely,


George D. Goodman
Mayor

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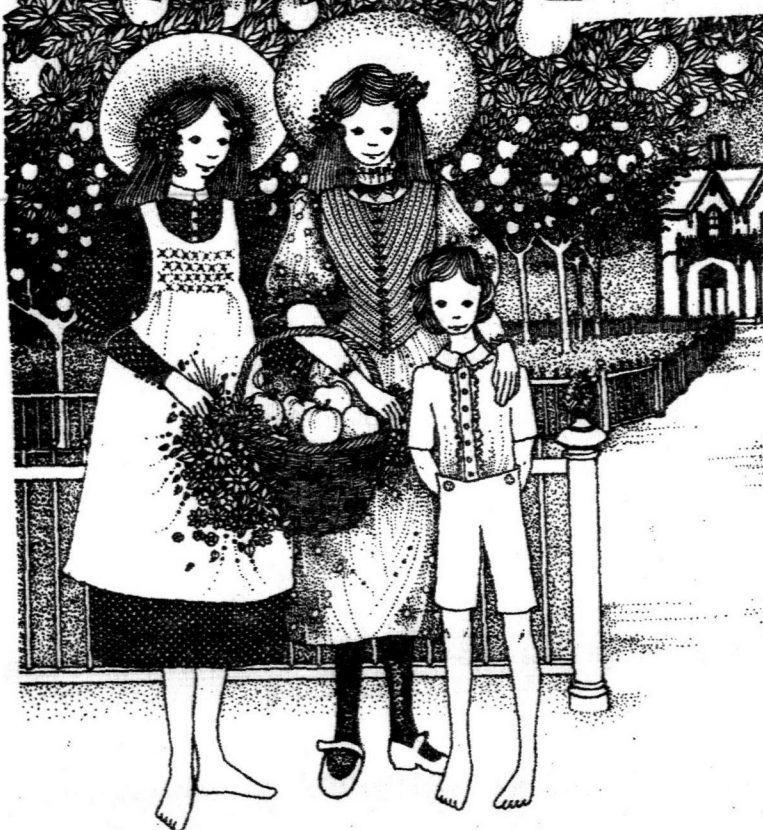
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DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS
(so the Ladies can do
their shopping) IS NOVEM-
BER 8TH

Ypsilanti Historical Society

INVITES MEMBERS AND FRIENDS TO ATTEND THEIR ANNUAL FALL
DINNER ON NOVEMBER 14th, 1982 at the MASONIC TEMPLE,
76 NORTH HURON ST., YPSILANTI, MI.

ROAST BEEF DINNER WILL BE SERVED BY THE EASTERN STAR WOMEN.

TIME: 5 PM

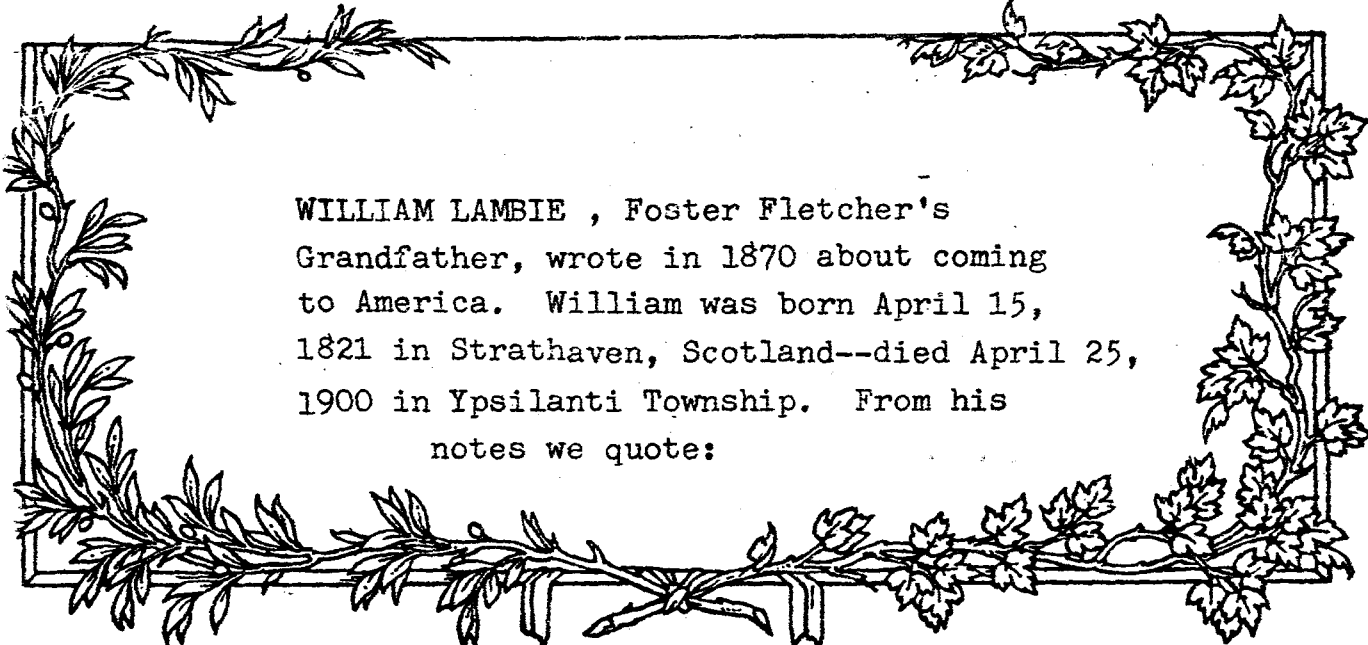
PRICE \$5.00

BOARD MEMBERS HAVE TICKETS!

SPEAKER FOR THE EVENING IS ROBERT A. SCHWEITZER. MR.

SCHWEITZER CURRENTLY TEACHES COURSES IN EMU HISTORIC
PRESERVATION PROGRAM.

"HOW YPSILANTI'S ARCHITECTURE FITS INTO THE 19TH CENTURY SCENE"



WILLIAM LAMBIE , Foster Fletcher's
Grandfather, wrote in 1870 about coming
to America. William was born April 15,
1821 in Strathaven, Scotland--died April 25,
1900 in Ypsilanti Township. From his
notes we quote:

We left our first home in Strathaven, Scotland in April, 1839..
Francis and Mary Hamilton Lambie, the parents with their nine children, the oldest William Lambie who would become eighteen on April 15th.

We were thirty-five in number on that sail boat crossing the Atlantic and arriving at the great City of New York. The transition from crowded passenger ship to that isle of beauty was enough to set anybody's eyes 'In a Fine frenzy rolling' for we felt a thrill of gladness and keen delight in our first impressions of the new world that Michigan has never equaled.

The sail on the Steamer up the Hudson River was delightful, but there was no delight sailing from Buffalo to Detroit. Lake Erie can be very rough. In traveling from New York to Ypsilanti, we saw this was a great and goodly land. It is better than Scotland in two ways: there is more land and less whiskey.

After renting a small house in Detroit, Father and I rode the Central Railroad which had been completed to Ypsilanti in 1838, to Wayne, Michigan; then we walked through the vast woods, forests everywhere with a few trails but no roads, to Plymouth. We greatly enjoyed walking in those quiet, vast forests of America. We called on a kind-hearted farmer, John Lindsay, from our native place. He said he had heard much about Ypsilanti - Ypsilanti

had been incorporated as a Village in 1838 - and he advised us to look for a farm near the Huron River rather than Plymouth. We walked again through great forests and stopped at Perries (Parry) Tavern, a large frame structure where the Ypsilanti Savings Bank stands (SE corner Michigan at Huron). Kilpatrick, the Auctioneer that some of you pioneers will remember, told Father he had the care and sale of a first-rate farm in Superior Township, three miles north of Ypsilanti, he would sell cheap. So we bought the 'Moon Farm' in Superior Township on Geddes road in June, 1839. And we had a fair square battle with privations, exile and penury for many a day. It was the Halfway House between Seldon Corners on the East and Ann Arbor on the west and had a Bar for the sale of whiskey. Kilpatrick, the Pioneer Auctioneer, said we could make more selling whiskey than on the farm. But we preferred the plow to the Whiskey Barrel. (We will refer later to Whiskey in Ypsilanti.)

Both log and frame houses were constructed on the best principals for ventilation in warm summer days.

But when old Boreas piped his bitter blasts through the chinks and cracks in December, we did not need to go in search of the North Pole for the North Pole came in search of us.

In those brave days of old, we sold Butter for 8 cents a pound and eggs for 6 cents a dozen. Got a chip hat and a pair of blue drilling pants from Moore and McAllister every Spring when the hens began to lay. Pioneer farmers in the summer often went to Church in their shirt sleeves. Some of the boys heard good sermons and good Sunday School lessons barefooted. When the barefoot hearers of the word were late, they stepped so lightly on the floor they did not disturb the congregation.

Note...A writer from Wisconsin, June 11, 1886, having visited Ypsilanti and Ann Arbor wrote: Having found Grand Rapids and Kalamazoo Saloon Towns, I next visited Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti. These two places are educational towns. They are comparatively small. Ypsilanti has 6000 people and Ann Arbor 10,000. Both are great saloon towns. Ypsilanti has 13 Saloons and Ann Arbor 40. A Saloon Keeper in Ypsilanti told me that a good Saloon in town would beat a Bank for making money. He said the day had passed for cheap Saloons in Ypsilanti. Patronage came from the business men--men who knew what good liquor was.

The boys enjoyed their liberty, and if they were not able to buy a pair of shoes from our old Pioneer friend W.B. Hewitt, they had the liberty to go barefoot.

From the Waste Book of Francis Lambie....

(If you have an old Dictionary and look up Waste Book, you will find it a Scotch term for record book. Francis made daily entries in this Waste Book from 1858 to 1868.)

Francis Lambie was born March 22, 1794 in Avondale, Scotland and died December 25, 1868 in Windson, Ontario.

Francis and Mary Hamilton Lambie came from Scotland in 1839 and lived on a farm in Superior Township until 1857. Francis never became a citizen and did not like the United States. He kept saying he wanted "to die under the Crown" and moved to Canada in 1857.

Thursday 19 November

Calm and frost. Mary, my wife, went to Windsor. Getting in firewood from a little Frenchman and far too dear but we are nearly out and have to take it.

Friday 20 November

Rather unwell, went in quest of woodcutter, fell into the little River, and fell in a very bad plight indeed. Could hardly get home.

Saturday 21 November

Unable to do the Common affairs about the house.

Monday 23 November

Feel very bad, had Doctor Inglis (from Detroit) and his wife and child. All very kind.

Tuesday 24 November

Had James, Frank and Anne and John Murphy to work. (James and Frank are his sons.)

Wednesday 25 November

Feel a good deal better. The Girls doing well, Murphy working.

Thursday 26 November

Sick, John Murphy went home, paid our Taxes \$24.00.

Friday 27 November

(his handwriting changes noticeably showing great effort)
Frank, Inglis down through the day. James in the evening.

Saturday 28 November

The Doctor and James down, also Mr. Adair afternoon.

Monday 30 November

Isabel and John came down yesterday and Frank went home. William and Agnes and the Doctor all here today. (Isabel a daughter, John a son, Agnes a daughter and wife of Dr. Inglis.)

Tuesday 1st December

Isabel and William and Agnes and Frank went home.

Wednesday 2 December

Mild weather. Mr. Hurst was down - all very kind.

Thursday 3 December

John Murphy thrashing and cutting wood faithfully.

Friday 4 December

John and James and Mr. Hurst down. Weather wild and snowy.

Saturday 5 December

The Doctor and Frank down and all kind and thankful.

Monday 7 December

Yesterday, James and Fanny came down. John Murphy went bank and James Todd came (husband of Isabel).

Tuesday 8 December

The Doctor was down and ordered wine. The weather very rough and stormy and wild.

Wednesday 9 December

Two Doctors down and I write these lines at Father's request. It is with sad conviction sadly settling over all our hearts, that he will write these daily records no more. (The "I" of these last entries is not identified. We know from the Diary of William Lambie that he was with his Father during that final illness and is probably the one who wrote these last entries.

Thursday December 10

James and I stayed with Father - he suffers very little and says he is quite willing to die - told the Minister last evening that his trust was in his Saviour- and he receives every attention gatefully -- and seems only to care that others should get rest and be well looked after. After a noble life his end and peace in believing in that blessed Savior of whom he has said little and served well.

Friday December 25

In the intervening fiteeen days Father continued to change

but little. Mother and all of us by turns being with him till this, the 25th, 1868, at precisely 11 o'clock when he died - William with Mother, Mary and Catharine being present..a sad Christmas - the last of earth!

The bloom of earth has faded
Death stream appears less wide
Faith sees these saints regathering
Now on the other side.

The farm was sold in 1870 and the widow went to live in Windsor with two unmarried daughters. The widow lived until 1892.

This advertisement published in Windsor and Detroit newspapers

FOR SALE

The Old Lambie Homestead, situated on the Canadian Bank of the Detroit River, about four miles below the city, can now be bought cheap, and immediate possession given. This beautiful Villa, consisting of (90) ninety acres of land in a high state of cultivation has 500 of Adair's best fruit and ornamental trees in two orchards, an avenue of evergreens, and Lombardy poplars in front of the house, and a grapery in the rear, between the house and barn. It is on the line of the Niagara South Shore Railroad, within half a mile of the famous Sandwish Sulphur Springs. For beauty and culture unequalled between Windsor and Malden, and with or without annexation would make the finest rural retreat or suburban residence in this region, the fishery alone frequently yielding \$1,000 per annum. The whole will be sold at one. Terms easy. Title perfect. Particulars made known by application to F. Lambie & Bro. Also 50 lots for sale in the Ninth Ward.

F. Lambie & Bro.

Grain, Glour, Money and Real Estate Factors.

March 20, 1870.

THE MAYORS OF YPSILANTI 1858-1981



In 1976 the Ypsilanti Archives and Historical Society compiled a booklet of the Mayors of Ypsilanti. It contained photographs of each Mayor and the dates of his term of office.

The biographical profiles of the Mayors have been presented in "Gleanings" and this issue contains the final segment.

All research presented is the work of Foster Fletcher, Ypsilanti City Historian.

JERRY GOODING, born September 17, 1928 in Milford, Michigan, son of O.E. and Ruth E. Seely Gooding.

Came with parents to Ypsilanti and graduated from Roosevelt High School and from the University of Michigan in 1950.

His first employment was with Whittaker and Gooding Co. in 1944.

Married Marilyn J. Sturm on February 7, 1953. Marilyn is the daughter of Walter J. and Hazel M. Alban Sturm.

Their children are: Terry W., Nancy L., Charles F. and Ann E.

Jerry has been a Director of the National Bank of Ypsilanti since 1965. He was elected Chairman of the Board of the Bank in 1969 and serves in that capacity today.

He served in the Marines in Korea and left the service as a Captain.

His unusual business ability is shown as he serves as President of Cunningham-Gooding and Board Member and Officer in the conglomerate of companies that have evolved since Whittaker and Gooding was founded in 1937 on Cherry Hill Road, Ypsilanti.

Jerry Gooding served four years on the Ypsilanti City Council and was elected Mayor of Ypsilanti in 1965.

He says: "I believe that the most significant accomplishment as Mayor was running a city government that offered full service and protection to its citizens. We were able to do this within the operating budget of the city without raising taxes.

SUSAN H. SAYRE, born December 23, 1916 in Detroit, daughter of Roy G. and Era G. Hayward.

After Detroit Public Schools, Susan attended Wayne State University graduating in January, 1938. She taught elementary school science 1938-1942.

In December of 1940 married George S. Sayre, M.D. After Dr. Sayre's term in the U.S. Navy Medical Corps during World War II, the Sayres moved to Ypsilanti in 1946.

Susan Sayre with four growing youngsters was drawn into City and school activities to which she brought intelligence and enthusiasm.

Through the League of Women Voters, she became aware of the need of the City for a new Hospital. Ypsilanti had two representatives on P.C.H.A. Board and with great effort and co-ordination a new Beyer Memorial Hospital was begun in 1967.

She served on the City Council from 1962 to 1968 and was elected Mayor in 1966, the first woman to be so honored in Ypsilanti.

While she was Mayor, George Semple was the capable City Manager and the famous Greek Theatre opened at Briggs Stadium on the campus of Eastern Michigan University. During her tenure the City Water Purification Plant on old Race Street near Spring Street was enlarged. With in allocation of \$25,000 from the City Council the old Ladies' Library was moved from 130 N. Huron Street to the remodeled Post Office building at 229 W. Michigan and became the Ypsilanti Public Library in 1962 while Susan was first serving on the City Council.

The Sayres now reside at 2028 Collegewood and Susan is sevretary in the office of her husband.

JOHN H. BURTON, born July 18, 1910, in St. Louis, Missouri, son of George and Dahlia Burton, he studied business administration at ~~Sowes~~ Teachers College in St. Louis. He came to Ypsilanti in 1936, where his brother was living.

John worked at Ford-Rouge Plant and then served as chairman of the bargaining committee of the now defunct Kaiser Frazer Local 142 UAW.

Appointed to the staff of the UAW by the late Walter P. Reuther in 1954, he served under the late Roy Reuther as a PAC coordinator for the 1st and 13th Congressional Districts.

In 1960 he was appointed to the staff of Region 1E by Regional Director Bard Young, as Education Director and at the time of his retirement, was servicing representative for several plants in the Region. John retired in July of 1975.

He and Willie Vaughn were married April 22, 1939.

He served as the Mayor of Ypsilanti from 1967 to 1976 and was

on the Washtenaw County Board of Supervisors from 1966 to 1970. When John was elected Mayor of Ypsilanti in 1967, there were few Negro Mayors in the entire United States. Old Life Magazine ran his picture and a story about this fact.

There were several constructive accomplishments for the betterment of the City when John was Mayor. After considerable surveying and planning, North Huron River Drive was completed and a new bridge was built crossing the Huron River at Factory Street. Ford Motor added to their land holdings by acquiring land on each side of old Race Street, now called Catherine Street. It was during his tenure that he skillfully managed to have the City of Ypsilanti remodel the brick house at 220 North Huron Street so it could be used as an outstanding Historical Museum manned by the Ypsilanti Historical Society.

He filled a number of important civic and public positions. He was regional chairman of the Michigan Municipal League, member of the Comprehensive Health Planning Council of Southeast Michigan and a member of the Michigan Public Health Department Advisory Council. He served as a member of the Advisory Council Adult Education Program, Eastern Michigan University, University of Michigan and Wayne State University.

He received the distinguished Service Award by the Greater Ypsilanti Area Chamber of Commerce, Ypsilanti Branch NAACP, Second Baptist Church of Ypsilanti, Ypsilanti Association of Women's Clubs, Sigma Rho Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., Xi Phi Beta Sigma, Inc., Washtenaw Community College, Washtenaw Board of Supervisors and the Negro Business and Professional League.

He and his lovely wife Willie are enjoying their retirement years together.

TIMOTHY J. DYER, born December 29, 1937 in Ypsilanti, son of **John** and Genevive Lynn Dyer.

After St. John the Baptist Catholic School, he attended Ypsilanti High School. He received a Bachelor of Arts from Eastern Michigan University in 1961 and his Masters Degree in 1965. He was awarded a PhD from Wayne State University.

Tim became Superintendent of the Wayne Westland Community School District on July 1st, 1973. There are more than sixty schools in that District and it is the 6th largest District in the State of Michigan.

He is serving his second term as Regent for Eastern Michigan University, having been appointed by Gov. William Milliken on January 1st, 1973.

During his tenure of office as Mayor of Ypsilanti, 1968-70, he was instrumental in seeing the plans for Ypsilanti's first Senior Citizens Hi-Rise accomplished. An ordinance was passed for Open Housing.

Tim is a resident of Westland, Michigan.

RICHARD LEE BOATWRIGHT born February 20, 1928 in Ypsilanti, son of William and Eva Chapman Boatwright. Early years spent with his foster mother, Mary A. Sieber.

Attended Woodruff School, West Junior High School and Ypsilanti and Roosevelt High School, graduating from Roosevelt in June, 1946. Richard studied piano with Mrs. James (Margaret) Breakey, Jr. and voice with Carl Lindgren at Michigan State Normal College. Richard was the first recipient of the Ypsilanti Rotary Club Carl Lindegren Scholarship.

After High School he enlisted in the United States Army and had his basic training at Fort Knox, Kentucky and was assigned to the Alaskan Command.

Entered Michigan State Normal College in February, 1948 as a Music Major in Education earning a B.A. Degree in August, 1951. In 1957 he received an M.A. Degree in Administration.

Married Margaret June Boutell, daughter of Nelson Dashner and Mary Crocker Boutell, June 24, 1950.

After serving for four years as a music teacher in the Van Buren Schools, Belleville, he was hired by the Crestwood School District in Dearborn Heights to establish a music curriculum.

In 1961 he entered the Administration of the Crestwood Schools. Through all these years the Boatwrights maintained their resi-

dence in Ypsilanti.

Always interested in civic and political affairs in Ypsilanti, Richard L. Boatwright was elected Mayor of Ypsilanti in 1970. During his administration, he succeeded in establishing a Charter Revision Committee, completed the North Huron River Drive which was a major project, upgraded the book-keeping operation of the City and the Motor Pool method was adopted for leasing vehicles to the various departments.

The Boatwrights were very interested and helpful in the Ypsilanti Historical Society, Margaret serving as Secretary of that organization.

GEORGE D. GOODMAN, born September 13, 1940 in Saginaw, Michigan, son of George V. and Thelma Goodman.

After Public School, George graduated from Roosevelt High School in June, 1958. He received his B.A. Degree from Eastern Michigan University in Political Science in June of 1963. He served four years as Company Executive Officer, Adjutant Company Commander, U.S. Army (United States and Germany). After that he was an instructor at Roosevelt High School 1967-68.

George served as Assistant Director of Admissions for the University of Michigan 1969-73 and completed his Masters Degree in Educational Administration from Eastern Michigan University in June, 1970.

In 1973 he became Director of Opportunity Program, University of Michigan and is still serving in that capacity.

In 1970 he was elected to the Ypsilanti City Council and after serving as Mayor Pro-Tem for the City he was elected Mayor in 1972 and has continued in that position to the present.

George's civic commitments are many and varied:

Member of Board of Directors of the Huron Valley Girl Scout Council for Washtenaw County 1972-78.

Member, Board of Directors, Ypsilanti Chamber of Commerce, Industrial Development Corporation, 1975 to present.

Member Human Relations Commission, Ypsilanti 1967 and Chairman 1969.

1979 Washtenaw County United Way Board of Directors to present.

President Michigan Municipal League, Ann Arbor 1978-79.

1979 Member, Michigan Black Historic Sites Committee.

1973-78 Board of Directors, Youth for Understanding, Washington, D.C.

1975 and 1979 selected by the U.S. Department of State to represent the United States in a joint conference with Soviet officials in Exeter, New Hampshire and in Washington, D.C.

1979 State of Michigan Legislature, A Resolution of Tribute to Honorable George D. Goodman, Mayor of Ypsilanti.

Distinguished Community Service Award, Ypsilanti Area Chamber of Commerce.

1974 Distinguished Service Award, Ypsilanti Area Jaycees and selected as one of the Five Outstanding Young Men in Michigan.

1972 Alumni Honors Award, Eastern Michigan University Alumni Association.

Membership in American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers since 1968.

1978 to present - Mid-America Association of Education Opportunity Program Personnel.

Life member Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, N.A.A.C.P. and Ypsilanti Historical Society.

While serving as Ypsilanti Mayor many things were accomplished.

To list a few: Construction of new Fire Station, Municipal Swimming Pool, Move City Hall from the Quirk Mansion to present location, Replacement of Factory-Spring Street Bridge and also the old Prospect Street Bridge.

George has had a busy fruitful life and is serving exceedingly well in many places.





It is time to say thank you...there are so many individuals, our members, our supporters who do so much during the Heritage Festival...during times of crisis (minor and major) ...during times of celebration. The Ypsilanti Historical Museum is indebted to:

Tom Durant for his determination to see the Museum ceiling repaired in time for the Festival.

Evie Green at City Hall who worked with us to expedite the process.

Tim Conway of the Building Inspection Department who responded to a broken pipe in the basement efficiently and caringly.

Richard Wood of the City Development Office for his advice and direction in the preparation of Grant Proposals.

Van G. Whaler for being supportive of those Grant Proposals.

LaVerne Howard who is always a phone call away, who always responds, who spends countless hours in this Museum.

Doris Milliman and Rene Burgess for a wonderful Barn Sale that brought hundreds of buyers and lookers.

Our Members who donated their white elephants, and worked, and made phone calls, and then came and made purchases.

Ethel O'Connor for staffing the Museum over nine hours for each of the three days of the Festival.

Guides who came and shared their knowledge with our visitors, especially those of you who are not regulars...we appreciated your help so much.

Nathalie Edmunds for a "stupendous" Festival, how proud Ypsilanti is of you.

Parade Chairman for the Best Yet parade!

Burgess Family for the Barn Float and Pioneer Family that made us a special part of that terrific parade.

Linda Hahlbrock and Michael Miller for preparing such an outstanding "June Bride" Display...It was so good people kept coming back to see it again.

The Art Howards and the Laverne Howards and the Burgess' for cleaning and painting and spiffing everything up for company. We could go on and on...we all deserve a pat on the back. It was well-done!



Report on the Barn Sale.

September 2, 1982

To the Board Members of the Ypsilanti Historical Society:
As co-chairman of the Barn Sale, I wish to report that we had a successful sale, due to the fact that we had a fine response from Society members for help and for articles to sell. This can be attributed to the advertising in Gleanings and to the telephoning done by Rene Burgess, Linda Hahlbrock and Ruth Brown as well as other members. Ruth called me to say how happy she was to be asked to help for she enjoyed visiting with people.

Much credit is due to Foster Fletcher and LaVerne Howard for their untiring efforts in obtaining the use of the Barn from the National Bank of Ypsilanti. Carl Worley and LaVerne spent many dirty hours cleaning the Barn to make it ready for the sale. They also brought tables and set them up. The pigeons resented the "take over" of their premises, but, for the most part, co-operated well. There was a skirmish or two with them, but we won!

The faithful members who did the marking and arranged the articles deserve a big Hand Clap. These included Kathryn Howard, Linda Hahlbrock, Thelma Worley and Elinora Miller who worked tirelessly for several days along with this writer. Ron Miller and Mike Miller lent their able assistance whenever time allowed from their other activities. The former obtained the use of the van from Bailes Pharmacy to help dispose of the few articles remaining after the sale.

Other helpers, including Frank Burgess, spent time assisting as they could to make the sale the success that it was and we are grateful for all they did. Although the project was work, we had our fun moments and certainly became better acquainted with Society members.

The Burgess family promoted the Sale in the Parade with a "Red Barn" float and their costumed family.

'Twas a job well done by everyone. Thank you all.

DORIS MILLIMAN

(Doris' Report was received with applause for a job well done indeed. The final figure will show a profit of about \$900!)





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1311 Hunter Ave.
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Ann Arbor, MI

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Acquisitions

Mrs. Carl Scheffler
Ypsilanti, MI

Black silk coat, velvet collar and trim. Circa 1910.

Cotton flannel dressing sacque, embroidered.

Miss Eileen Harrison
Ypsilanti, MI

Material on Women's Committee of Ypsilanti Greek Theater, 1966.

Minutes of YHS, 1967.

Paper entitled "Interview with Judge James E. Breakey, March 19, 1967.

Program from Recognition Dinner, 50th Anniversary of Ypsilanti Press, March 10, 1904-1954.

Dummy front page, Ypsilanti Press noting 25th anniversary of George Handy's career in journalism, dated November 2, 1933.



Mrs. John Barr
Ypsilanti, MI

1 granite colander

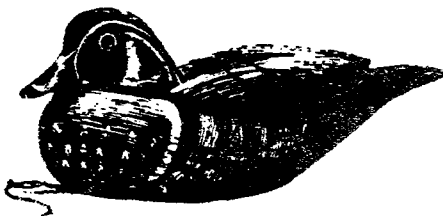
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Detroit, MI

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by J. Dorman Steele, Ph.D., F.G.S.
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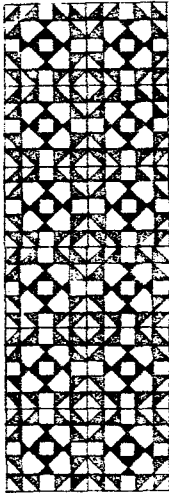
Our Young Folks 1866 Bound edition of early periodical for children. Contributors include Harriet Beecher Stowe, F.T. Trowbridge and T.B. Aldrich.

Cyclopedia of Modern Travel: A Record of Adventure, Exporation and Discovery for the Past Fifty Years: Comprising Narratives of the Most Distinguished Travelers Since the Beginning of the Century. 1856.

History of Livingston County, Illinois 1878.



ACQUISITIONS con't



The Spell of the Yukon by Robert
W. Service (undated).

Life and Missionary Labours of
That Holy Man, Francis Xavier (New
York: pb. by Thomas Bakewell,
Paul & Thomas Printers) 1814.

History of Insects, Library of
Entertaining Knowledge. Boston:
1832.

The History and Antiquities of
the Tower of London with Memoirs
of Royal and Distinguished
Persons by John Bayley, F.R.S.,
M.R.I.A. second edition London:
Jennings & Chaplin 1830.

City Legends by Will Carleton
New York: Harper & Bros. 1890.

Five old planes marked as follows:
3/4" I. Veal, 3/4" I Birch, 1/2"
Wallace, 3/4" flat Sandusky Tool
Co. Ohio, and #146 1 3/4" flat
marked A. Holland & Co.

Mrs. Wm. Bazley
Livonia, MI
and
Mrs. Harvey Klemmer
Mount For, FLA

Lap Robe circa 1850. Crocheted in
afghan stitch with extensive em-
broidery. Colors brown, claret
and rose. Lined and back in wool
plaid and fringed. It is assumed
Lydia McMichael Sutherland, great
grandmother of Mrs. Klemmer and
Mrs. Bazley made the robe.

Estate of Lucille
Langworthy

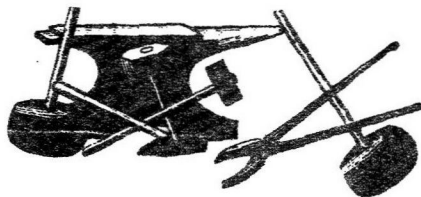
Blotter advertisement from A.F.
Smith & Son Inc, Electrical Con-
tractors, 815 W. Michigan, Ypsi-
lanti.

1982 Directory of the First
United Presbyterian Church, 300
North Washington St., Ypsilanti.

Cookbook, The Practical Receipt
Book by Experienced Housekeepers
compiled by the ladies of the
Methodist Episcopal Church of
Titusville, Penn. 1876.

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Baby quilt, blue and white, lined in white flannel. Made by Myrtle March Langworthy, wife of Elmer Langworthy for Lucille Langworthy, her niece.

Man's shoe, high-topped black leather.

Eight apothecary bottles, found at 108 Maple in old well site. Includes "Dr. King's New Discovery, Chicago, Ill" blue, "C.W. Rogers Drugs & Books, Ypsilanti, Mich" clear, and "R.H. Kilian, Ypsilanti, Mich" clear.

3 clay marbles

18" X 22" charcoal portrait of child approximately 3 years.

Girls Drum-Corp Uniform (1945). Includes Tunic, kilt, belt, hose, Busby and glengary. Jacket is red with black epilets and brass buttons. Kilt is the Brodie tartan. 5 ft baton, silver head with wood shaft.

3 hats--1 pink straw with flowers, 1 black velvet cloche and 1 natural straw.

American Flag 5' X 9'.

Ypsilanti Dixits 1901, 1905, 1906, 1907, 1908. 1909 Aurora.

Ypsilanti Home Assoc. Treasurer's Book for 1914.

Photo of Signal Corps, 1917, partially identified.

"The History of the Macon Churches" compiled by R.E. Simonsk, postor of the Clinton-Macon Circuit 1933-34.

Ford at Fifty 1903-1953. Simon & Schuster Inc., New York 1953.

1916 Aurora.

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Ypsilanti, MI

Complete set of "Post Card Collectors Magazine" 7 volumes, Index for vol 1-5. Postcard Collecting by Bernard Martin Stadtmiller. Bernard Martin Stadtmiller, died November 28, 1981. Donated on his birthday, August 13, 1982 by his sister.

Mr. & Mrs. Fred Schaeffer
Ypsilanti, MI

3 photos of the interior of home at 730 W. Forest, Ypsilanti.

Two academic hoods that belonged to Dr. L.N. Jones, President of Michigan State Normal College 1902-1912.

Brainard's Little Steps in Music Land 1903. Primer for grades 1 and 2.

Collection of clippings, photos and correspondence from Ypsilanti Players production of "I Remember Mama", May, 1953

23" X 19" framed colored photo of horse and dray, Dryden, MI, Lapeer County, Oxford & Northern Railroad.

19" X 28" ornately framed watercolor scenic signed A. Nestor.

30" X 38" framed print of "Rite of Spring".

6 photos of Riverbrink Park, 1902-1912.

Jerry Fouchey
Ypsilanti, MI

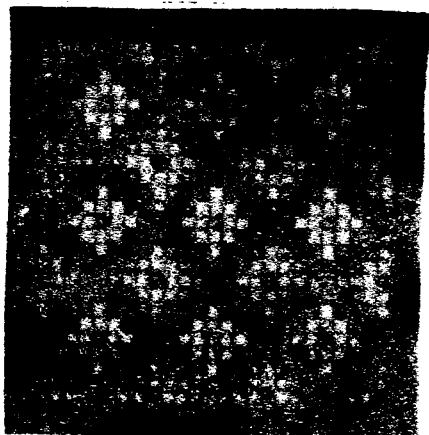
Quart Milk Bottle from Ypsilanti Dairy with cap.

Ypsilanti Public Schools
History Project
Jerry Fouchey, Facilitator
Ypsilanti, MI

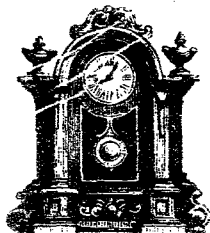
"Indian Roads That Became Roads in Ypsilanti" written by Charleen Holly.

"School Life Long Ago and Today" written by Lucille Brooks & Barb Dykman

The Heritage Festival Plan "Pioneer History Hands-on Activities" written by Judith G. White.



ACQUISITIONS con't



"Tracing your Family History" by Karen Clancy-Connell.

"Ypsilanti in World War II: Industrial, Social, and Economic Revolution" by Flora Brumfield

"Ypsilanti On the Move: An Overview of Physical Ed. Developement" by Deborah Woolner.

"Historical Locations and Buildings" written by Bene Fusilier

"Growing Up With Jessie Swaine" written by Lucretia Cregar.

"Holiday Celebrations of the Past" written by Terry Josey.

"Downtown Ypsilanti Over the Years" written by Kathy Willoughby.

"Fleece to Fabric: A Study of the Fiber Arts As They Developed in the Ypsilanti Community" by Mary Lewandowski.

"Historical Perspective: A Selective Look at the Past Through Ypsilanti Newspapers" by Ann Smith.

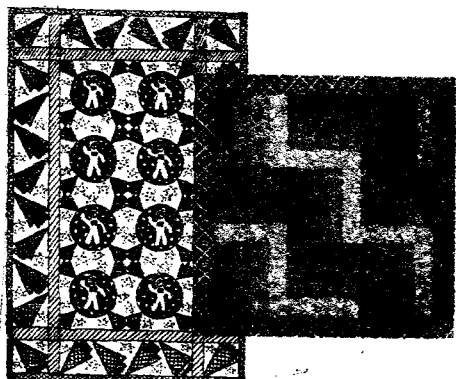
"Studying Your School's History" written by Mary Stowe.

"Riding the Rails" written by Jerry Fouchey.

"Ypsilanti In the Civil War" by Martha Kacanek.

"Journey Back With Jessie To the 1890's" written by Cheryl Wilbanks.

"Ypsilanti Meets New Technology: Electricity Powers the Communication Revolution of Yesterday and Today" written by Richard Lewandowski.



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"Records of the Hertler Family from Sielmingen, Germany and the Harwood Family from England via New England--Early Pioneer Settlers of Washtenaw County, MI" by Donald and Elizabeth Harwood pub. Katz, Ann Arbor, MI July, 1973.

Ellen Thomas
Ypsilanti, MI



"Grand Carnival and Fete at the Capital of the United States, February 20th and 21st, 1871" Invitation addressed to the Hon. Mayor of Ypsilanti, Mich. (Parmenio Davis was Mayor at the time and he was Ellen's great-grandfather)

Mrs. Laverne Howard
Ypsilanti, MI

Clippings from Ypsilanti Press, 1967, detailing the history of the Greek Theater.

Mrs. Bancroft Brien
Ypsilanti, MI

Candle Mold came from 220 North Huron attic many years ago.

Linda Atchinson Kissner
Brooklyn, MI

Tin Loving Cup

20" miniature spade with red wood handle

(Both items passed to new senior class at Roosevelt High School at the Annual Alumni Banquet. Linda received them May 24, 1969.)

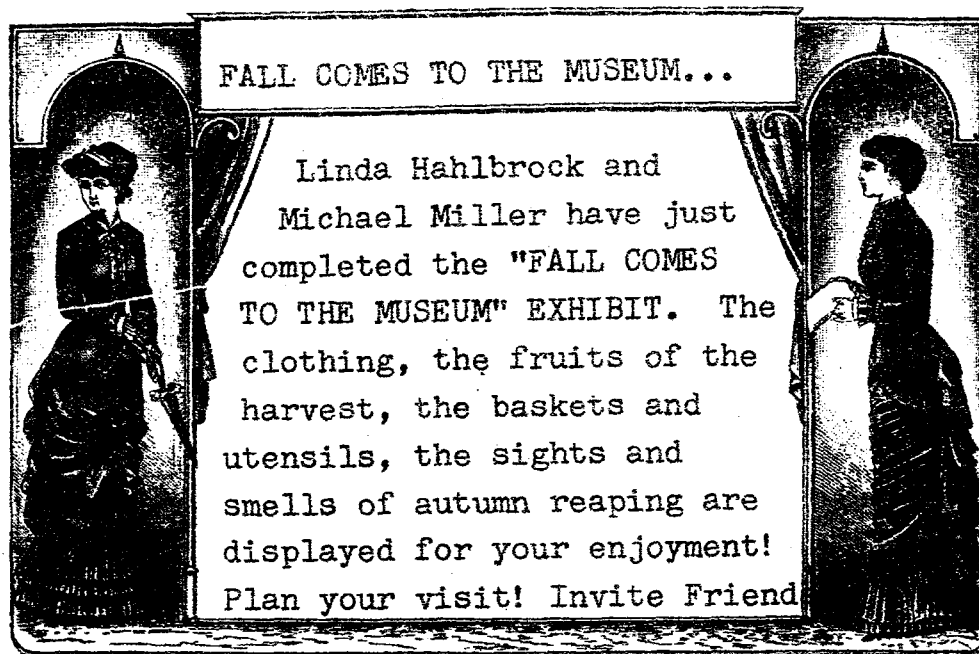
Mary McKie Wier
Ypsilanti, MI

photo of Huron Street in the 1890's, Dee Deubel Cameron in photo with the Museum in the background.

Ionia McCreatty Dixon
Belleville, MI

Beaver Hat, stovepipe type.





This Exhibit is exciting! The beautiful woolen capes and shawls, the velvet suit jacket with braid intricately detailing the lines of the garment, the black velvet hood with beading about the face and ermine tails on the ties, and the muffs of fur and stuffed with down. The ladies in the parlor are dressed as they might have come to this house to visit, to read the Bible, to plan how to help a family in need.

The Special Exhibit Room carries out the theme "Autumn Comes to the Museum". You will see an array of woven baskets. Perhaps some were used to do marketing, others as containers for threads and yarns, and some to insulate bottles of water. The 1912 Michigan State Normal College football team is on display and a pillow cover stitched by a loyal fan, "Waa Hoo Hoo Waa.....Michigan State...Rah Rah Rah". Crocks and Kraut Mashers and Colanders and the Canned Bounty of the larder are all on display. Do take time to treat yourself and your family and friends to AUTUMN AT THE MUSEUM!

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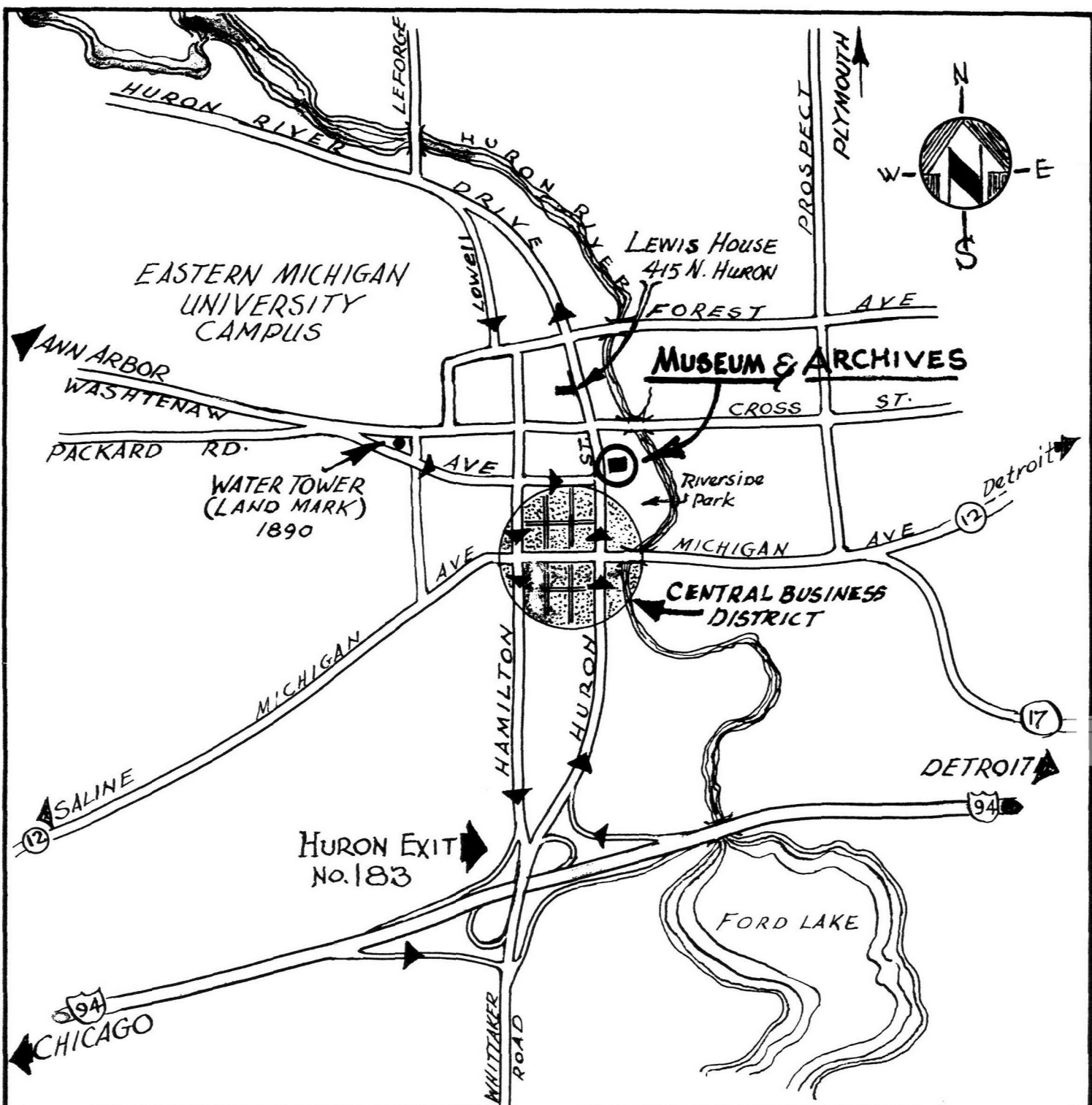
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State legislation was passed in 1957 authorizing local governing bodies (Ypsilanti City Council) to "raise and appropriate money" and help with "any activity or project which...tends to advance historical interests" of the community. Public Act 213, 1957 applies to cities and villages.

February 2, 1960, Mayor Rodney E. Hutchinson appointed the following to serve as a Historical Committee: Mrs. H. Z. Wilber, Mrs. George Ennen, C.D. Bassett, T.S. Webber, Westly M. Dawson, Harry F. Shaefer, Miss Clara Sweet, Mrs. Elson (Ruth) Shaw, F.B. McKay, Mrs. M.I. Stadtmiller, E.R. Isbell, Albert W. Brown and the Mayor as Chairman with Louis S. White serving as City Historian.

October 10, 1960, the organizational meeting of the Ypsilanti Historical Society was held in the Estabrook School.



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