

SCIOLA

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Notes

Sciola is old; it dates from the earliest days of Montgomery County. So of course its history should be compiled before that of Tenville. Well, being a resident of Tenville, that thought didn't occur to me until too late. In fact, I had no intention of ever delving into Sciola's past. But there it was; every time I passed by, I would think of all that fascinating history that has been lost forever, and would feel a twinge of guilt because the process continues day by day. Another old timer passes on, uninterested descendants destroy the old pictures and letters, and one more piece of the puzzle is lost.

And so I started poking around a bit, just to see what was available, and promptly found myself thoroughly hooked on the subject. I ended up with several notebooks of material on widely varied subjects. There didn't seem to be any satisfactory way of arranging it into categories. Then I thought, why should it be rearranged? The people of Sciola lived their history one day at a time. And so I have recorded the events as they took place, and for the most part, as they were reported at the time. No doubt you will find it confusing at times, but it probably was to them, too.

I have tried to avoid repetition, so some items pertaining to Sciola are in the Tenville history, and conversely, there are a few items in this report which should have been in the Tenville book.

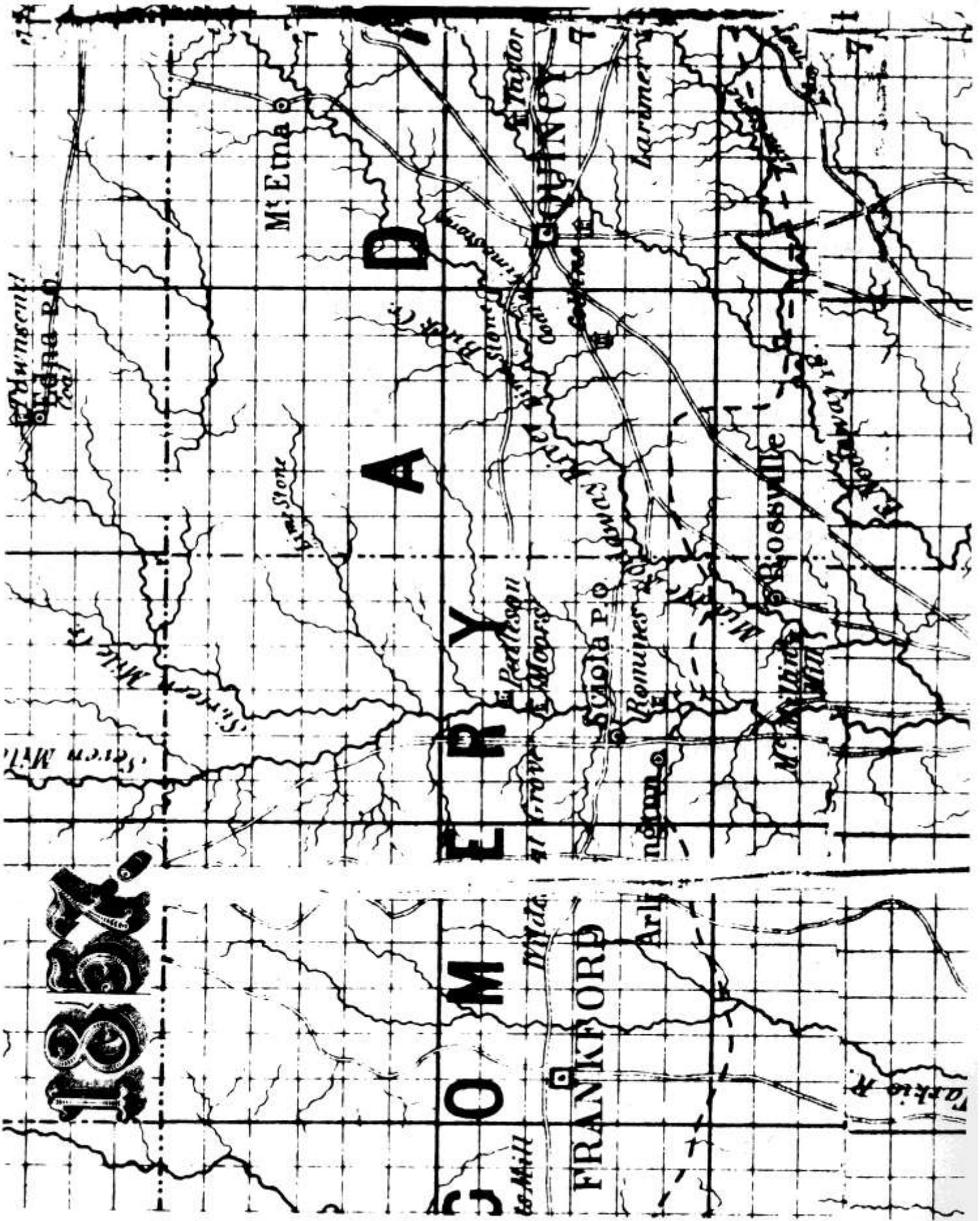
I am deeply indebted to Carolyn Harter for her gracious permission to use the files of the Villisca Review for my research. Without that treasury of history, this project would have been impossible. I also appreciate the opportunity to consult the old Red Oak papers, and the Grant Chief.

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A
Diary

-1854-

19 August; National Archives: The contract for mail route Number 9430 was awarded to Samuel Riggs. Mail contracts usually ran for a period of four years. This route ran from Afton, Union County, Iowa, to Glenwood, Mills County, Iowa, by way of Queen City and Quincy in Adams County; Sciola, Frankfort and Oro in Montgomery County; and Indian Creek, White Cloud and Fayette in Mills County.

--- 3 Aug, 1876; Villisca Review; from "History of Villisca and Vicinity", by H G Thurman, read at the Centennial Fourth of July celebration at Villisca:
.. Shortly afterward (1853) there was a state road located, running from Chariton, Lucas County, to Glenwood, Mills County. This road crossed the West Nodaway about seven miles north of Villisca. Shortly afterward a mail route was established on this road. A Post Office located at Sciola; Chauncey Sager was the first Postmaster at Sciola, which was the first office opened in the county. The site of this village has been changed several times, and it is said to now be nearly one-half mile from where it was originally located.

The contract for carrying the mail on this new route was awarded to Samuel Riggs, a Democratic politician of some note, who carried it on horse back for some time, when it passed into other hands and a hack was put on the route.....

-1855-

2^d March; National Archives: The Sciola Post Office was established and Chauncey Sager appointed Postmaster.

--- 25 Nov, 1921, Review 50th Anniversary edition; interview with D. S. Wheeler; I was born November 6, 1870, in the old Sciola Post Office building, located on the west bank of the West Nodaway River, east and about 40 rods south of the present P. S. Focht home.....

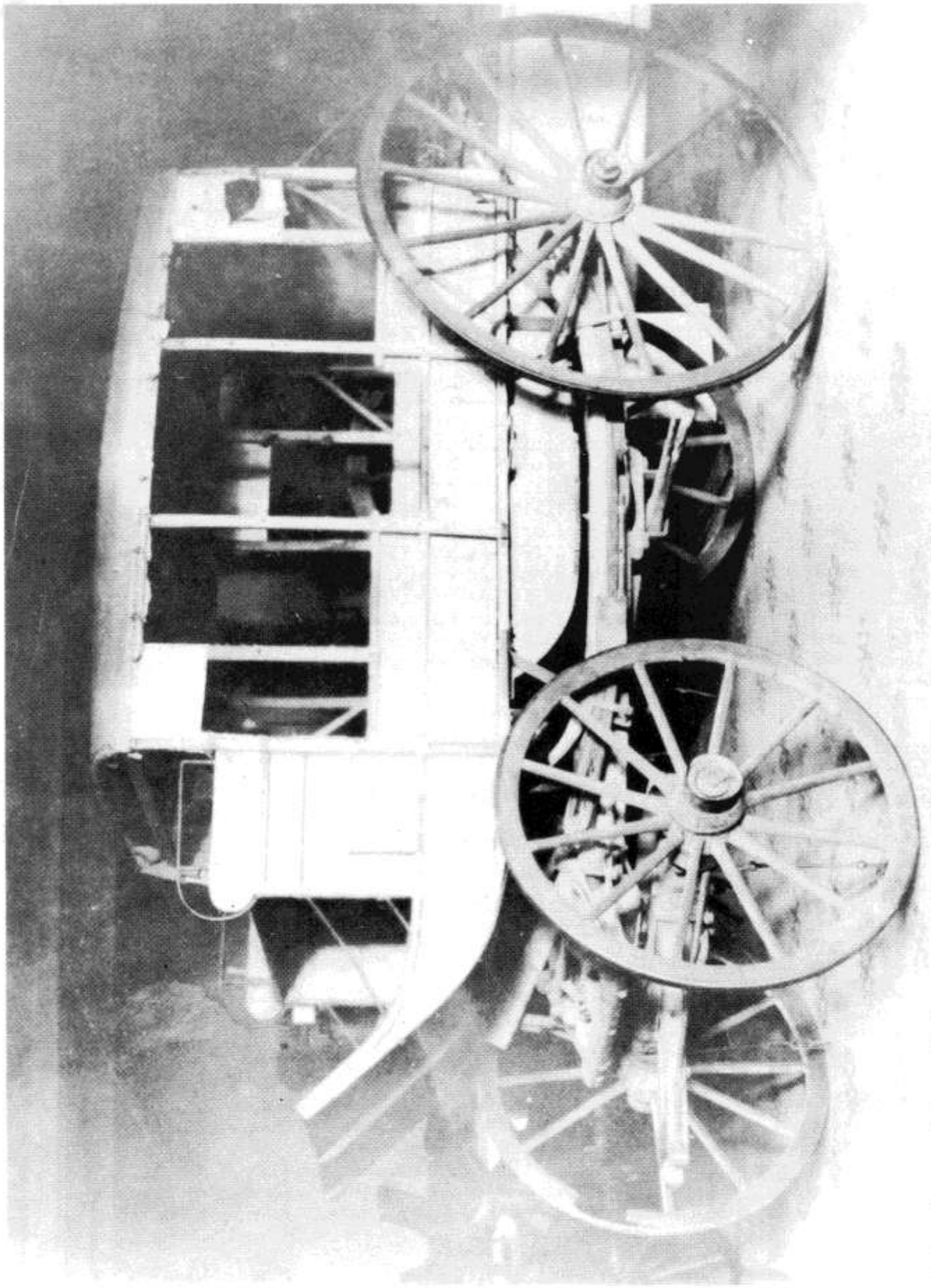
(Note: Tradition says that Sciola was the name of a little Indian girl, and was chosen by the Postmaster's sister, Lucinda Sager, who married John M. Bolt)

--- Account by Robert A. Dunn: In 1855, J. W. Wallingsford put in a steam saw mill near by (the Sager home).

-1856-

--- History of Montgomery County, by W. W. Merritt, 1906: The County allowed \$70 for building a bridge on the County road at Wallingford's steam mill on the West Nodaway.

--- History of Montgomery County, 1881: General James H. Lane, of Kansas, led three or four hundred free state men from the east to settle in Kansas. They camped on the Nodaway, near Sciola, and Gen. Lane spoke there. On that day, there was



A two horse jerky, which was used on the Western Stage line through Sciola in the late 1860's. It is now on display in the State Archives Museum in Des Moines.

a notable foot race. Lane's men boasted that they had a man who could outrun any man in the states. The Montgomery County men didn't purpose to be bluffed with any such chaff as that; they offered to furnish a man who would beat the brag runner in a race 100 yards, for \$10. The money was soon raised, the ground stepped off, and a line of men formed all along on each side. The men had run only a few yards when a dog jumped in before them and kept running ahead right in their way; but the Montgomery County man finally jumped clear over the dog while it was putting in its best licks, and reached the goal by eight feet ahead of the other "fast" man, and took the purse. The Lane men didn't brag much after that.

- November; Montgomery County District Court records: We, the Grand Jurors of Montgomery County, find that Isaac Bolt and John T. Patterson did on the 20th day of September, 1856, committ an affray by assaulting each other in a public place and did then and there strike, kick, bruise, maim, halt, lame and otherwise injure each other and to the great annoyance of public peace and order
- 31 December; District Court records: To the sheriff of Montgomery County, greetings. You are hereby commanded to arrest the body of Joel H. Bean on a charge of selling whiskey recognizance for \$300 or convey his body to jail....

-1857-

- 1881 History: Mr. J. Cooney of Washington Township relates that in 1857, he came to Sciola, having been told, east, that it was a live, smart young town, had two or three wagon shops, and he could surely find work there. When he reached the town there was nothing of it but an out-door portable sawmill, and a grocery store built of slabs
- 16 April, 1926; Review; obituary of Wm. T. Atwood: The following year (1857) he, with another young man as a partner, operated a general store near Tenville, on the land which is now the home farm of P. S. Focht.....

-1858-

- 1906 History: Samuel Riggs was allowed \$8.43 for locating a state road through the County.
- 1 July; 1881 History: The Western Stage Company started a daily hack line between Chariton and Plattsmouth by way of Red Oak, and carried the mail. But the hack did not pay, and they subsequently obtained the privilege of serving this mail route by buckboard conveyance at such times as there was not other business enough to use the two-horse hack profitably. This "company's option" system continued for about three years, with the option generally in favor of the buckboard; but after this time the business and travel increased so that the hack was kept on continuously.
- Cavalcade of a Century; 1853-1953; Montgomery County County, Iowa: The Western Stage went through this section and Washington Township was one of the points where horses and drivers were changed.
- 11 October, 1917; Grant Chief; from interview with Wm. T. "Uncle Billy" Atwood, who came to Montgomery County in 1856: He mentioned the mail station at Arlington (Note: Uncle Billy was rather confused), told how the old stage drivers came whirling in with horses on a gallop, changed horses and were on their way. At night the floor of the old cabin was covered with straw ticks, and the weary travelers stretched their tired bodies on those ticks, pulled a quilt over them and slept the sleep of the righteous. The mail was at that time carried by stage from Ottumwa. There were no bridges, consequently all rivers were forded, which was rather exciting at times of high water.....

--- 13 August, 1886; Red Oak Express; obit of Perry B. "Buckskin" Tracy: in 1858, he established the line through Iowa, driving the first buckboard over the roadless prairie

-1859-

31 March; National Archives: Isaac Bolt was appointed Postmaster. (Note: he lived on the Mayhew corner)

-1860-

8 June; trades and professions listed in the 1860 Federal Census, Washington Township:

John C Robb; wagon maker

Charles Beasley; carpenter

Michael Doyer; prairie breaker

Edward Adair; physician and surgeon

Jed Cooney; carpenter

Anna Dolbell; schoolteacher (listed in J W Patterson household)

Simon Cambell; stage driver

Perry Tracy; stage driver

(Note: This was a nephew of "Buckskin" Tracy. The stage drivers were enumerated in the household of Isaac Bolt)

-1861-

--- 1881 History: First Sciola school house was built. (See school section)

10 June; District Court records: Bill to Wm. Horton - To medical attendance on wife in Parturition, mileage and detention, \$20.50.

H. D. Taylor, Doctor

(Continuation) February, 1863: To Wm Horton - H. D. Taylor claims of you the sum of Twenty-two dollars and 50 cents..... appear 25th February, 2 o'clock pm before John W. Patterson, JP.

(Note: The claim was settled in District Court for \$6.62.)

-1862-

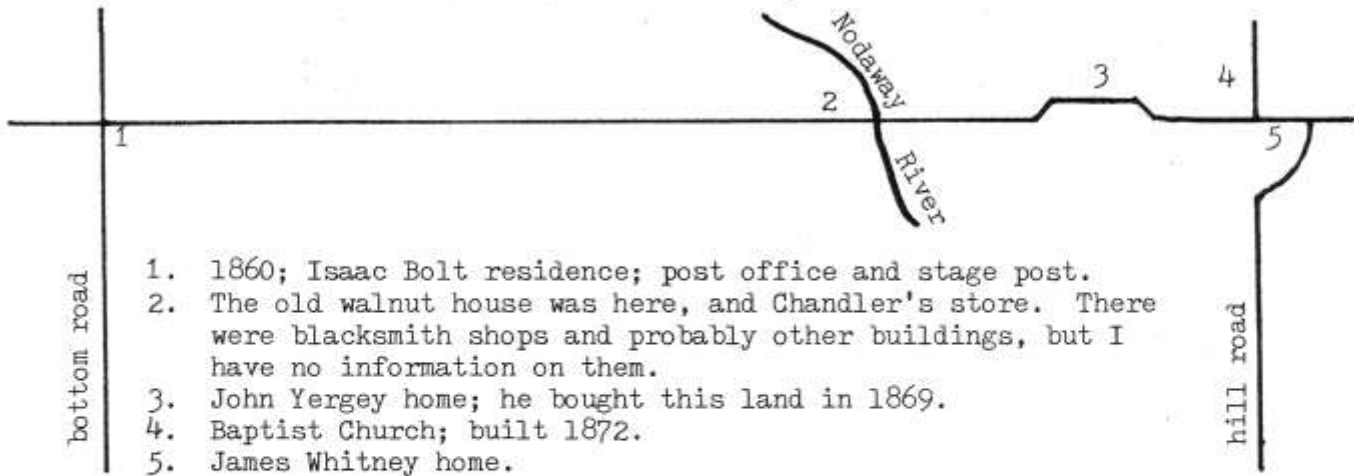
--- 11 May, 1923; Review: In conversation Tuesday morning with a representative of the Review, G. L. Edwards of Cumberland stated that about the time of the opening of the Civil War, he was one of the mail carriers on the old stage route, between Afton and Quincy.....

Mr. Edwards drove a buckboard on the route during the winter of 1862 and until the fall of 1863, putting in nearly a year in the employ of "Buckskin" Tracy, who was superintendent of the stage route.....

The mail route from Afton to Quincy covered a distance of 35 miles, and Mr. Edwards received a salary of \$15 per month and his board from "Buckskin" Tracy, who was so named because of the buckskin suit he wore. The road followed the ridges across the prairie in as nearly a direct line as possible from one station to another The trail was not very plainly marked, and often he found it necessary on stormy nights to get out and lead his horse in order to keep from losing his course. Most of the trips he made alone though occasionally he had a passenger.

The mail was brought by stage from Ottumwa to Afton, usually arriving at the latter place well toward evening, after which Mr. Edwards started on his

Sciola: 1860 to early 1880's



1. 1860; Isaac Bolt residence; post office and stage post.
2. The old walnut house was here, and Chandler's store. There were blacksmith shops and probably other buildings, but I have no information on them.
3. John Yergey home; he bought this land in 1869.
4. Baptist Church; built 1872.
5. James Whitney home.



FARM RESIDENCE OF JAMES WHITNEY,
SEC. 15, WASHINGTON TWP., MONTGOMERY CO., IOWA.
(From 1875 Atlas of Iowa; by Andreas)

nightly drive. He went as far as Lytle station, where he changed horses and continued the trip to Quincy The return trip to Afton was started at noon the next day, the change of horses being made again at Lytle station on the way back. The mail was carried daily between the two stations and was taken from Quincy on west over the remainder of the route

(Note: No doubt an account by the Quincy-Sciola driver would have been very similar to this one. George Edwards married Hattie Chandler Whitney, widow of Frank M Whitney.)

-1863-

- 23 February; Dr. H. D. Taylor vs Thomas Moore, before J. W. Patterson, JP. Dr. Taylor claimed Moore owed him \$26 for medical attention and supplies. (list attached) Moore countered that he didn't owe Taylor anything, but that Taylor owed him \$22.20 for farm services and goods. (list attached) Justice Patterson found for Moore, allowing him \$5.45.
Sept, 1863; Taylor appealed to District Court.
Apr, 1864; Taylor asked for a continuance, as he was in the Army.
19 Oct, 1865; Taylor asked for a dismissal of his suit.
- 1881 History: During the war, when the call was made for 300,000 men, a war meeting was held at Arlington; John Patterson presided; David Ellison of Frankfort made the principle speech, and four men volunteered.

-1864-

15 April; National Archives: Thomas Nelson was appointed Postmaster.

(Note: Thomas Nelson lived in the southern part of the township, and never owned land on the Sciola road. But his father-in-law, Samuel Moore bought, 15 Jan, 1855, the north half of SE⁴ of Section 16.)

- 23 July; Isaac Conner, JP, found in favor of John M Bolt and entered a judgement against Chauncey Sager for 58¢ plus costs. Sager appealed to District Court, and lost there, too.
- 1906 History: Contract placed to build county bridge across Nodaway River on road from Quincy to Glenwood.
- 1906 History: Throughout the Civil War there were many southern sympathizers in Montgomery County. Secret meetings were held, and it was suspected that a branch of Knights of the Golden Circle had been organized, although it was never proven. The meetings, however, stirred up sentiment for the Union, and the Union League of America was organized. Leagues were formed at Red Oak, Milford, and Sciola. A report made 15 October, 1864, shows that J. T. Patterson was President of the Sciola group; J. G. Ross was Secretary, and there were 47 members, the largest League in the County.

-1865-

21 January; National Archives: Paul Welch appointed Postmaster.

(Note: I don't know where the postoffice was. The Welches didn't own land on the Sciola "street".)

- 4 November; Case No. 71, District Court records: Jed Cooney vs John T. Patterson, before Isaac Conner, JP. Cooney asks for \$94 in damages, alledging that Patterson shot and killed one of his cows and damaged another, and also carried off a

hand axe and didn't return it. On 18 November, Justice Conner found for Cooney, allowing him damages of \$53 plus interest.

(Note: In 1866, Patterson appealed the verdict to District Court, where the case was listed as malicious trespass. Patterson stated that the inhabitants of Montgomery County were so prejudiced against him that he couldn't get a fair trial, and asked for a change of venue. The case was transferred to Page County, and no further records were found. But that wasn't the end of the story; see 1866.)

-1866-

22 January; 1881 History: The Methodist Episcopal Church of Washington Township was organized. (See Church section)

- April; Case No. 94, District Court records: The Grand Jury returned an indictment against Jed Cooney, charging that on the first day of December, 1865, said Cooneydid make an assault upon John T. Patterson with an axe.....with intent to kill and murder him

(Note: I didn't find any trial records. Perhaps the indictment was dropped.)

--- 1906 History: Bridge ordered built at Sciola.

(Note: This is apparently the same bridge contracted in 1864. Probably the wartime shortage of men and material interfered with the construction.)

20 June; National Archives: Emily Barnard appointed Postmistress.

19 July; National Archives: Paul Welch appointed Postmaster.

-1867-

- October; District Court records: Susannah Beasley vs David Russell- On 27 October, 1862, Russell bought the south half NE⁴ Sect. 28, Washington Township from Charles Beasley. His wife, Susannah, hadn't signed the deed, and she, now a widow, sued to clear her title to the land. Russell lost the suit and the land; he even had to pay the court costs. I found this interesting, as my home is on the land involved.

-1868-

30 April; National Archives: John W. Yergey appointed Postmaster.

--- 9 August, 1895, Express; Sciola: The old settlers of the county will regret to learn of the death of Mrs. John Yergey, Sr, at her home in Villisca on the 2nd of August. She came to this vicinity in 1856, where until the last few years, she resided in three different homes along our river. Until the railroad began duty in the section they kept the stage station here.

-1869-

- January; 1881 History: Sciola Missionary Baptist Church organized. (See church section)

23 May; from diary of John Jackson of Delaware County, Ohio, who came to Iowa to buy land: Sunday- Clear and warmer. I am going to start home tonight on the stage.
24 May, Monday- I started at nine o'clock and took dinner and breakfast at Quincy. Paid \$6.50 stage fare. I got to Afton just in time to catch the cars for Ottumwa

Robert Taylor

1870	brought from old book	2	95	
June 8	to Tobacco		50	
19	Tobacco		30	
July 2	to ribbon		10	
Aug 30	to 1 ply		40	
	to cash		20	
26	to tobacco		110	
	to 3 prs socks		125	6 70
	paper Western Rural		20	
	postage		20	9 00
	to buttons		08	
	Tobacco		20	
Jan 25 th	to tobacco		20	9 40
Feb 3	to 1 ply tobacco		20	
March 11	Tobacco		50	10 15
	to 1 ply tobacco		5	
	to 1 ply tobacco		5	
Apr 28	to bottle cough cure		15	
	box pills		25	
	paper soda		15	2 20
	thread black		25	2 45
1873	to tobacco		30	
Sept 1	to tobacco		30	
Aug 28 1875	to by the boat			

(From J. W. Barnard's account book)

(Note: John was the grandfather of Glen Jackson. He returned in the spring of 1870, bringing his family. They traveled all the way to Red Oak on the "cars" that time.)

26 October; National Archives: John W. Barnard appointed Postmaster.

(Note: The account by R. A. Dunn said that the Sciola post office and store moved up to the state road in 1858; there had probably been a Sciola store continuously since that time, but no record of one has been found prior to this period. J. W. Barnard lived on the north side of the road, just west of the river. Here he kept the Post Office, store, hotel and probably the stage stop in a two story building that was constructed of walnut lumber. No one knows when this building was erected, or how many times it may have been moved. It could date back to the time when Isaac Bolt was postmaster. The 1860 Census indicates that the stage post was on the Bolt place at that time. Isaac's household included his family, a domestic servant, two farm laborers, and the stage drivers. He would also have been expected to provide accommodations for travelers. He had to put all those people somewhere.)

--- 1881 History: The screech of the locomotive scared the last stage coach out of its boots, about December 1, 1869. Four-horse coaches had been run on this route since the spring of that year, the rapid approach of the B & M Railroad, as it was then called, having wonderfully stimulated trade and travel in this direction.

-1870-

--- From J. W. Barnard's account book:

James Whitney	
June 6; coffee	\$1.00
11; shoe blacking	.15
1 box pills	.25
20; due on cough sirrurp	.10
Sept 16; thread	.10
blueing	.10
Oct. 11; beef, 16 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs.	<u>1.32</u>
Credit by mutton	settled

(Note: This account book reflects the way of life at Sciola. Everything imaginable was available at the store: groceries, candy, stamps, stationery, fiddle strings, Jew's harps, slate pencils, tobacco, clothing, shoes, patent medicines, housewares, hardware, oil, seeds, wood, posts, hay, grain, live-stock- most anything needed. Barnard even loaned money to his patrons.

And anything usable was taken in payment. The credits listed included butter, eggs, molasses, honey, beef, pork, mutton, game, fish, chickens, all grains, hay, wood, posts, livestock. Some persons worked for the Barnards to pay their bills. And sometimes people even paid cash.

8 July; Iowa Homestead and Western Farm Journal: Western Stage Company - This old company ceased to exist as a stage company on Thursday last, the 30th of June. It controlled at one time more miles of staging than any other company in the U. S. and occupied at different times the leading routes in Ohio, Pennsylvania, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, Nebraska, Iowa, Kansas and Colorado, running over a period of about 40 years A monument of gratitude should be erected as a testimonial for the indispensable services rendered by the Western Stage Company...

- 30 July; trades and profession listed in the 1870 Federal Census, Washington Township:
Mira Robertson; dressmaker
J. G. Andrews; shoemaker
Orrell A. Andrews; dressmaker
Mary Holmes; school teacher
Esther Rose; school teacher
J. W. Barnard; merchant
Har(r?)y Douglas; painter
Franklin Boss; stone mason
H. A. Carlton; clergyman
Michael Lair; blacksmith
Jed Cooney; carpenter
John E. Boatman; carpenter
Levi Snyder; carpenter

-1871-

- 17 June; Deed: Sciola Baptist Church from John Yergey; 14 X 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ rods in SE corner NE⁴ SE⁴ Section 16.....
- 1 September; Villisca Iowa Mercury: The Sweepstakes and Harvestors of Sciola had a lively game of baseball last Saturday.
- 15 September; Mercury: We now have a semi-weekly mail from Villisca, via Sciola, Grant and Edna, to Atlantic. The carrier goes up on Mondays and Fridays, and returns Tuesdays and Saturdays
- 22 September; Mercury: Advertisement: Agent for Kynett's medicines; J. W. Barnard, Sciola.
- 13 October; Mercury: J. W. Barnard of Sciola had a calf on exhibition at the Red Oak fair, six months old, and weighing 671 pounds.
- 14 October; Villisca Journal; (in 17 March, 1887 Review): Some wanton wretch set fire to the meadow of James Newlin, near Sciola and burned up a lot of fence and other property.
- 27 October; Mercury: At the Villisca Fair Union BBC of Villisca best baseball club, Pioneer BBC of Sciola second
- Last Wednesday a party of emigrants passed along the road from Quincy to Sciola. Three miles east of Sciola, when they camped, the mother was suddenly taken ill, and died. Strange to say, while the rain was falling almost in torrents, the body was buried by the roadside on the open prairie nearly half a mile from any habitation. The woman left a husband and seven children. There is considerable mystery about the whole affair, from the fact that the remainder of the family were not inclined to say much about it. They professed to be moving to Page County, however.
- 29 December, Mercury: We learn from John Yergey that two hunters in the vicinity of Sciola have killed twenty-three deer this winter, and are still hunting for more.

-1872-

- 5 January; National Archives: John Yergey appointed Postmaster.
--- From J. W. Barnard account book:
 Bridge
- 10 Febr; to board Cooney- 7 meals passed week
 P. Wheeler- 8 meals passed week
- (Note: This appears to be a record of meals served to a bridge crew. The records continue sporadically into January, 1873.)
- 13 June; Villisca Review: Notice of special election 27 June, Villisca, to vote on

the question of tax aid to build a railroad from Villisca to Atlantic to be known as the Villisca Northern.

- 27 June; Review: Dedication - Next Sunday is the dedication of the new Baptist church in Sciola. A general good time is anticipated, and all who feel an interest in the cause are invited.
- 8 August; Review: Latest From Sciola - We have it from reliable authority that the Liberal Rally at Sciola yesterday was a fizzle. Our informant counted the audience and found that there were exactly 30 voters, two women, one little girl, five or six small boys; ten men, only, cheered for Greeley, and eight cheered the speakers. The distinguished gentlemen from Council Bluffs must have felt highly honored by such enthusiasm- such an outpouring of the people.
- 29 November; Review: Elder Roe is preaching half the time in Sciola. -An unusually large number of persons are sick in the vicinity of Sciola. Last Tuesday there were no less than four funerals, and there are a number still lying in a critical condition with little hope of recovery. Typhoid fever is the prevailing disease.
- 20 December; Review: All the horses about Sciola and Milford are sick with the horse disease. (Note: They called it the Epizootic)

-1873-

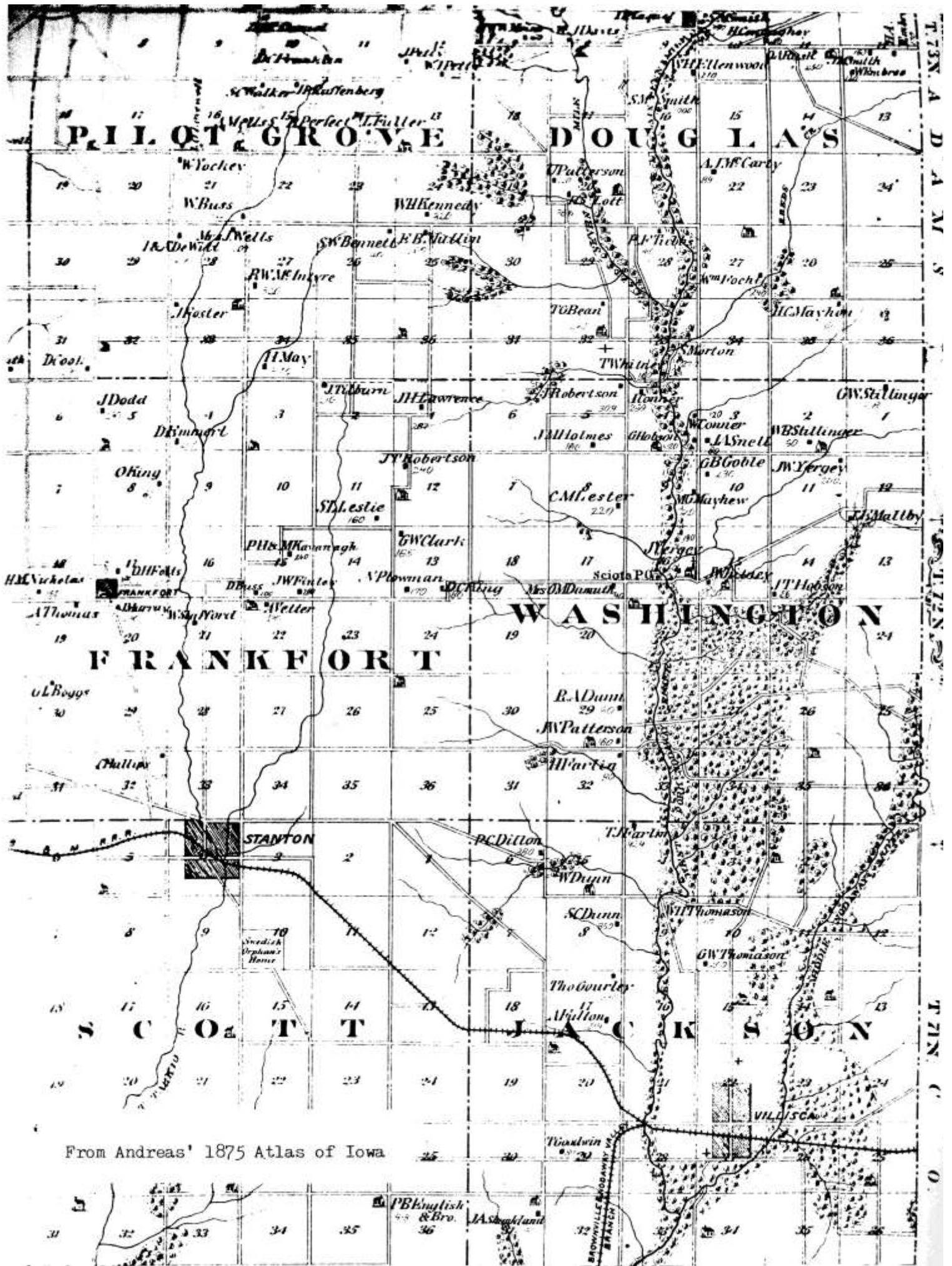
- 3 January; Review: We have reliable authority for making the statement that the Villisca Northern Railroad will be built during the ensuing summer.
- Revival At Sciola - The Baptist Church at Sciola with their Pastor, Rev. J. W. Roe, have just closed a very interesting series of revival meetings, resulting in a great blessing to the community. The meetings continued over two weeks, day and night. The attendance was limited only by inability of the people to get to the church, the "horse disease" raging all the time. The number of conversions cannot be known, but thirty have already been added to the church, eighteen have been baptized, and numbers more to follow. The Church is in a very prosperous condition. With a good house, well furnished, and a strong Church, all united and earnestly at work, great things are expected.
- 21 February; Review: A festival was held at the Sciola Church last Thursday night, with net receipts of \$63.

-1874-

- 7 February; 1881 History: Sciola Grange No. 1868 was organized.
- 16 July; Red Oak Express; Sciola; extracted from a long column: 11 July - A P. of H. Grange picnic was held in a grove near Sciola. A large crowd came from Milford, Arlington, Villisca, and Frankfort. Worthy Master Moates was the announcer. Singing was by Mr. and Mrs. Osman Rose and Mr. and Mrs. John Yergey. Speakers included Hon. W. W. Merritt; Judge J. R. Horton; P. H. Good, Esq; Mr. Shields of Cass County; Rev. Mr. Dorwene, pastor of the Baptist Church. "John Yergey spoke in eloquent terms of Sciola and its surroundings."
- 24 December; Review: Large Corn - William Horton has placed on our table four of the longest ears of corn we have gazed upon this season. These ears are rather long and slender, well filled and of a light yellow color. Mr. Horton informs us that the appearance of the crop was very poor, but when gathered it averaged from 50 to 60 bushels to the acre. He thinks the seed was brought from Keokuk by James Dunn. The four ears weighed 46 ounces.

-1875-

- 7 January; Review: Miss Damuth, teacher at Arlington, has diphtheria, and the school is closed. There are twenty cases in the vicinity.



From Andreas' 1875 Atlas of Iowa

18 February; Review: Found - on the 2nd day of February in the corn crib of S. A. McBain on the farm of John Gourley, some 7 miles north of Villisca, a mitten for the left hand. The said mitten can be had by calling on Mc and paying for 50 bushels of corn which disappeared on the above mentioned date.

25 February; Review: Notice - A man leaving my farm about the 6th inst. and stealing a lot of 4 x 4 scantling is requested to return them or abide by the penalties of the law. "Those who live in glass houses should not throw stones."

John Gourley

28 February; letter to Franklin Harris Burr, Atlantic, Iowa:

Sciola, Iowa

Dear Cousin Frank,

..... There has been three deaths the past week in one family and another child not expected to live this day out. It was in Sam Sieptere's family. His wife died about a year ago, and guess they were very destitute. The children were just scurvy with dirt, and when the Neighbors wanted to wash them, their father would not let them.

There was a festival at the Church last Wednesday night. We had a splendid time.

Sciola is getting to be quite a place. Had a shooting affray here day before yesterday. Jason Haskill came in to John Ogden's house from which place he had been ordered out more than once. Mrs. Ogden threw water on him, which he says burned him. Mr. Ogden shot at Mr. Haskell twice but did not hit him. Mr. Ogden ran away that night and yesterday Haskell took the woman up for assault. Pa was the woman's lawyer but got cheated. They fined her six dollars and costs but what she going to do, had 3 small children, and Pa finally got them to remit the fine. the Justice of the Peace and Constable gave her their fees, so nothing went out of her pocket. Mr. Haskill was around their house last night, and Pa is up there now. I dont know how it will turn out.

Write soon,

From your aff. cousin

Kate R. Barnard

28 March; letter to Franklin Harris Burr, Atlantic, Iowa:

Sabbath Evening

Sciola

Dear Frank,

..... We have just moved into the city of Sciola. It is an awful place to live in especially for a little boy. There is a family in John's house between John's and here, of seven children very tough bad boys. McMoran's and the blacksmith shop on the other with the high river in the rear.

There has been a great deal of sickness and it has been very fatal. One day last week Francis Redman buried four children. One of them had been buried three or four days when the other died, so they took up the first one and took them all in the school house, had a sermon (Telegraphed for Eld. Roe) and buried them all in one grave.

Ever since you were here the sickness has raged. Three of Levi Scepters have died, leaving only two. Sam Scepter lost four. Riley two. Tubbs two, Havens one, I cannot begin to tell you all. I suppose you have heard of Mrs. Helme's death. I intended to have written to you after Jeffy Mayhew's and Mrs. Helme's death but I was sick. I went to Mrs. Helme's funeral and was not out again for eight weeks. Mrs. Uncle Adam Shoemaker died about two weeks ago.

Kate expects to teach out towards Stanton. Ella Maxwell at the Lair School, Cad (?) in the district Tom Reed lives in. Sally in Frank Been, Elva in Arlington. Eva Smith, Amy Lester's sister, in Prall dist. Miss Greenlee in Bolt, & Om expects he can get the Dunn school for Charlie. Wally Smith starts for California tomorrow. He has waited on Kate some Judd & Elva Pratt & Cad etc.

..... I got the shirts today. Will fix them right off. Om took it for

granted that you sent the cap for him to wear. he said it was just what he wanted. I was going to write to you to box up anything in the shape of wearables and send them down. Boots, shoes, hats, caps, etc etc etc.

We had a sing over to John's this PM with Dr. Knowles.

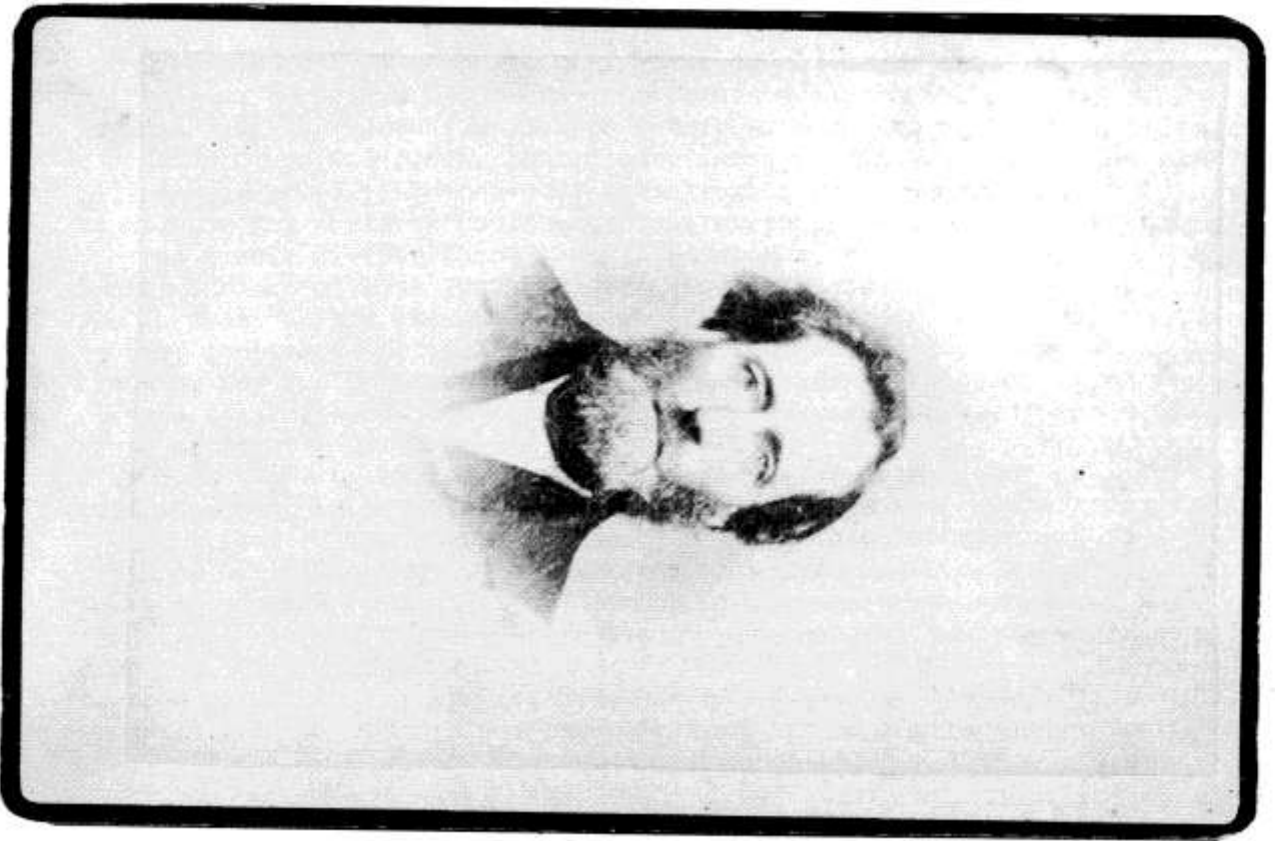
Love to you,
Aunt EM

(Note: the letter was written by Esther Barnard Rose.)

- 29 April; Review: Wallace Post Office - We understand that a new post office has been established in this County, four miles north of Sciola, at or near Morton's Mill, by the above name; J. W. McClintoc, postmaster.
- June; 1906 History: Early in June, grasshoppers appeared in clouds and did great damage to crops. They came on Sunday, literally covering the ground, consuming every green thing. They stayed until Tuesday.
- 5 August; Review: Notice - I will sell, at the store of Ingman and White, in Villisca, Iowa, on Saturday, July 31, 1875, at 2 o'clock PM, the contract for building Two Bridges, one at Bolt's run, near the Bolt school house, and one near John Yergey's, both in Washington Township; to be 30 feet span, each.....
G. P. Ingman, Commissioner
- 12 August; Case No. 932; District Court records: State of Iowa vs J. W. Barnard, before James S. Newlin, JP. Barnard was found guilty of selling unwholesome meat. It was claimed that he sold meat from a hog that died on the way to market. Barnard appealed to District Court, and was acquitted. Witnesses appearing for the state were Merritt Wheeler, Orrell M. Damuth, Wm. H. Thomason, Ed. Parsons, George W. Thomason and C. M. Davis.
- 23 September; Review: Dr. Leeper, from Ohio, has located at Sciola.....
- 11 November; Review: The question before the house up at Sciola is: Where is Dr. Leeper?

-1876-

- 20 January; Review: About January 1 of the present year, the new Arlington Flour Mills situated six miles north of Villisca on West Nodaway River, began work and have been busily engaged ever since. The building is commodious, filled with good machinery and is doing good work. Both mills are run by water power. The dam is built of square timbers, bolted and tied securely together and rising like a wall of masonry, gives it great power of resistance.... The proprietors, Ellenwood and Smith, are both practical millers, and with the large field of patronage they have about them, there can be no question about their prosperity.
- 27 January; Review: We are glad to hear that business at Sciola is picking up a little, notwithstanding the "times". Mr. Parsons, the blacksmith of that place is shoeing his way into a competency. Mr. J. P. Chandler opened a dry goods store late in the fall and is doing well. He will enlarge his room and stock in the spring.
- 15 February; National Archives: James P. Chandler appointed Sciola Postmaster.
- 24 February; Review: Last evening the people of Sciola, assisted by several of our own citizens, inaugurated a temperance revival in that region, which, judging from the success of the first meeting, held in the Sciola schoolhouse, will accomplish a vast deal of good. Mr. Newland was made President of the meeting, and Mr. Newman, Secretary. After rousing speeches by prominent men of the neighborhood and several from this place, the pledge was presented and 80 names obtained. On next Wednesday evening, a permanent organization will be effected and the ball begin to roll in earnest.
- The young ladies of Sciola will not go with men who drink.
- 8 March; National Archives: John Yergey appointed Postmaster.



John W. Barnard



Emily Merritt Barnard

- 9 March; Review: On Tuesday evening, the Sciolans turned out enmasse to a Festival held in the Baptist Church, in the interests of the Methodists of that vicinity. We understand the house was densely crowded.
- 20 April; Express: On Saturday night last the house of Mr. Park Lester, near Sciola, was entered and Mr. P's pockets rifled of \$28.00 in money and promissory notes to the amount of \$300.00. The next morning his pantaloons were found hanging on the fence in front of the house.
- On the Thursday night previous an attempt was made to get in the house of Mr. James Whitney, but the rascals were discovered and driven away.
- 8 June; Review: Mr. Asbury Connor and lady of Sciola, started Monday evening for the Centennial and a visit in Massachusetts.
- 15 June; Review: The Sciola blacksmith, Mr. Tom Gregory, is doing good work and has an increasing patronage. Mr. J. P. Chandler, at the same place, has enlarged his store room, increased his stock, and is selling everything at Villisca prices.
- 29 June; Review: We understand that large delegations will come from Milford and Sciola to celebrate with us next Tuesday (Centennial Fourth of July)
- 31 August; Express: Sciola, a quiet little vista sleeping undisturbed only by the rippling waters of the Nodaway River. It is a town by name, but nature or magic hasn't done much toward the vista of one grocery and two blacksmith shops..... The Nodaway River is a picturesque stream, skirted by belts of timber.
- 14 September; Review: The oldest inhabitants say the freshet was never equalled in the Nodaway Valley. The flood of 1857 is remembered by many as the largest that has occurred since the settlement of the country; the flood of last week exceeded it in height of water by from two to three feet
- At Sciola, every inhabitant was forced to flee to the highlands. Much damage resulted, the heaviest loser probably being Mr. Chandler, the storekeeper of that place, whose goods were spoiled to the extent of \$200.
- 21 September; Review: The Republicans of Sciola and Washington Township met at Lair's school house on Friday evening, September 15, for the purpose of organizing a Hayes and Wheeler Club

-1877-

- 22 February; Review: Mr. Thomas Gregory, formerly the jolly blacksmith of Sciola, started on Monday's train for Southern Colorado. He proposes following his trade in the mountains.
- 6 May; Review: To The Editor: This part of the country is blessed in many ways. The soil is very deep and rich, plenty of timber, water and stock range, good mills in abundance and coal plenty not more than seven or eight miles distant.
- This part of the county was settled first, and consequently is well up in church and school advantages. The Baptists have a good society and a good house at Sciola. The ME Church is well represented at this place, having an exemplary class of perhaps 40 or 50 members.
- The clerical and legal professions are well represented, but an unassuming class of men and don't seem disposed to stick up their cards.
- The temperance society is over 150 strong and in good working order, and the interest on the increase. It is presided over in the person of a 250 pound temperance man of more than ordinary good qualities.
- The Grange at this point is very prosperous and accordingly reaping the rewards of low rates on goods and other articles by dispensing with middle man, and thus saving a large per cent by buying of the manufacturers.
- Our schools are taught by ladies. Our directors acting on the wise and fair reform policy of employing the ladies to teach the children and the young men to till the soil and marry the school ma'ams whenever an opportunity occurs.
- This Township is republican in politics and could turn out some as fine

politicians as any township in the State.

In conclusion let me say that with a proper effort at least 25 more subscribers to your most excellent paper could be secured.

Sciola, April 17, 1877

H. A. Carlton

- 6 September; Review: The Sciola Baptist Sunday School held a picnic Saturday. Elder Pattison and Mrs. Beavers delivered addresses. It was an enjoyable affair.
- 13 September; Express: Mr. J. P. Chandler of Sciola is in the Dry Goods and Grocery trade and is doing a fine business. He came to Sciola less than two years ago.....
- 27 September; Express: A new east and west road has recently been opened through the Nodaway bottom, crossing the river at Arlington Mills in Washington Township. A Queen Truss combination bridge has been built at this point at a total cost of \$878, a part of which was paid by the township.

-1878-

- 10 January; Review: Adv. - US Mail and Hack Line- from Villisca to Atlantic, via Sciola, Wallace, Grant, Newlin's Grove and Cass Center. Leaves Villisca Monday and Friday at 7:00 am Leaves Atlantic Tuesday and Saturday at 7:30 am Fare; To Grant, \$1.00; from Grant to Atlantic, \$1.50. I have a good covered hack for passengers, and drive fast teams.

Jas. Bunker

- 17 January; Review: The new grist mill of Silas Morton near Wallace has been completed and now running on custom work. The old mill was entirely destroyed by the high waters in the Fall of '76. A site for the new building, some 30 rods below, was secured from Mr. Theodore Whitney and a race cut from the old dam which remains as before

In making the excavation, a large burr oak tree was found some twenty feet below the surface in such a state of preservation as to be used for pins about the frame and foundation piles for the building. A large elm, over four feet in diameter, was growing over this oak, showing that it must have been embedded for more than a century.

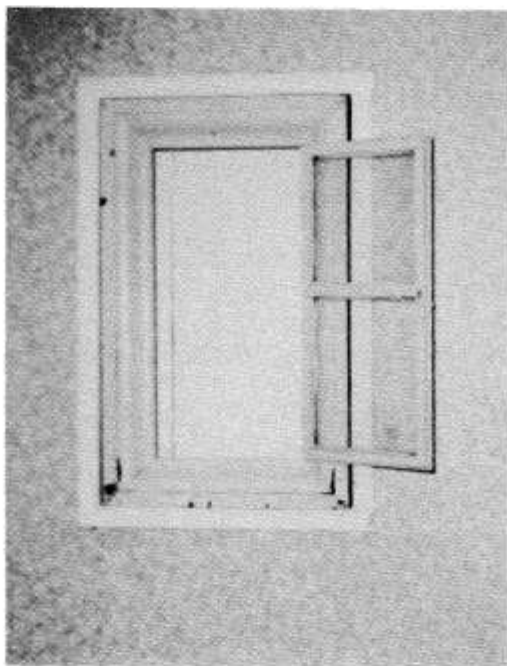
- 21 February; Review: The farmers in the vicinity of Sciola have a Club which meets at intervals to discuss questions of interest to the farming community. We are convinced that organizations of this kind would be a benefit to our farmers in every neighborhood if properly conducted
- 28 February; Red Oak People's Telephone: The citizens of Washington Township met in the Bolt Schoolhouse on Saturday evening, February 17th, and organized a green-back club. The meeting was largely attended and thirty-eight joined the club. C. M. Lester was elected President; B. Mellisir, Vice-President, and Parke Lester, Secretary.

- 1879
26 Jan; Review: Adv. - O & C's Cough remedy - J. P. Chandler, Sciola.
- 3 April; Review: Mr. George Wesner, near Sciola, sent seven loads of fine peach blow potatoes to town last Tuesday. He gets 40¢ a bushel for them. A man can make money raising potatoes at that price.
- 10 April; Review: Miss Ella Johnson will preside over the Bolt school near Sciola next term.
- 15 May; Review: Mr. J. F. Moates of Sciola called (in the Review office) yesterday. He had just been to Chicago with three car loads of cattle and hogs, and looked cheerful as a man always does when he strikes a good market.
- 12 June; Review: Adv. - Smith and Ellenwood's Gold Dust Flour.
- 26 June; Review: the old boss of the Villisca and Atlantic Hack line has changed his base of operations to other fields. No more will the old chariot drawn by the liveliest mules on the road, come rattling into town, with its precious burden of mails Thirteen years ago this month, Jim (Bunker) carried the first government mail into Villisca. Sciola was then on the great western

route, and the mails were carried down from there four or five times a week to the handful of houses among the hazel thickets dignified by the name of town...

(Note: This is misleading. The Villisca post office was established in 1863, but for the first three years, the mail was taken directly there from Quincy. This item refers to the time when the mail was first carried to Villisca from Sciola.)

- 10 July; Review: Red Oak, Milford, Sciola, Mt. Etna, Icaria, and Holt all had good celebrations on the Fourth.
-Mr. John Bolt brought his three-year old thorough-bred horse, Henry Ward Beecher, down to Villisca to celebrate the Fourth. The colt is a perfect beauty, with handsome limbs and of light sorrel color Good judges say he has great speed in him, which will show itself in due time.
- 17 July, Review: Articles of Incorporation have been filed for the Villisca and Northern Railroad
- 21 August; Review: Our friend, John Yergey, of Sciola, is hauling lumber to build a house on his farm near the Baptist Church at that place.



(Note: This was probably the house where Arnold Anderson lives (or for the old-timers, the Tim Erickson place). There is a peculiar window in that house. It is near the ceiling in a corner of the dining room, and opens like a door. A rather vague tradition says it was the stage coach ticket window, but if it dates back to the Western stage, that room is older than the main section of the house. No one can now state with any certainty the purpose of the window, but my guess is that it was placed in that position so that the mail pouch could be passed back and forth from the postmaster to the driver of the mail hack without the latter leaving his seat. John Yergey was postmaster at the time the house was built.

- 18 September; Review: Among the pacing horses competing at the Union fair was G. Wesner's Sciola Maid.
- 25 September; Express: Dennis and W. S. Stidger are both wanted at Sciola. They should go in a two horse wagon and bring away the Telephones and Democrats that have accumulated at that office, after paying the accrued postage. They are both now liable to more fifty dollar fines than they have subscribers, for their constant violations of the postal laws.
- 27 November; Review: Mr. N. P. Mayhew of Sciola, who kept a herd of 600 cattle in one of the sparsely settled counties north of this, returned home a few days ago.
- 11 December; Review: The Sciola people will soon organize a Lyceum and a prominent feature will be a Lyceum Gazette, with which we want to exchange
- 25 December; Review: The Rev. Thompson, a revivalist has been engaged the last four weeks in holding a series of meetings in the Baptist Church here.....

- 1 January; Review: Sciola Echoes: Davis Bros. have opened out in business in the glass front, one door west of the blacksmith shop, Main street
- 15 January; Review; Sciola: Jan. 7, 1880 - Sciola is full of news. It has been visited by a gentleman lecturing on the subjects of phrenology and physiology. He examined the heads of several person. Sciola is blessed with a corps of croquet players who seem to think they must play croquet if it is muddy The pastor of the Church here is Rev. J. Barr From the talk that one hears in Sciola anyone would think that the railroad would be here in about two weeks.
- 29 January; Review: The Methodist meeting at the Hobson school house is now running with a full attendance.
- 5 February; Review: The Township of Washington of which Sciola is the capital, has heretofore been divided into six sub-districts for school purposes, but the directors last September reorganized the township into nine sub-districts, each two miles square, which change is satisfactory to the people and will require the building of three new school houses, and the moving of one or two.
- 19 February; Review: J. P. Chandler has bought the glass front building, L. Davis having sold his stock of dry goods and groceries and quit the business.
- 26 February; Review; Sciola: The United Brethern are holding a protracted meeting at the Hobson school house. Rev. Mr. Service from Adams County is the leading minister engaged.
- 25 March; Review; Sciola: The baseball fever has broken out here this spring, and the prospect is good for a strong nine for the coming season. A splendid game was played Saturday pm at the ball ground in the Mayhew pasture, north of Sciola.
- 8 April; Review: Rev. John Barr preaches in Villisca every first and third Sabbath in the month and at Sciola every second and fourth Sabbath.
- 5 August; Review: J. P. Chandler has made some improvements on his neat little store room and is doing a good, square business. A good blacksmith shop is one of the needs of Sciola now.
- 2 September; Review; Sciola: Washington Township is now fully supplied with school houses and will have nine schools running the coming winter.
- 14 October; Review: The Garfield and Arthur club of Sciola is a live, working institution and its members are conducting an exciting campaign this fall.
- 1880-1881 Iowa State Gazetteer and Business Directory: Sciola is on the West Nodaway River, which furnishes power. Ships grain and stock. Church, Baptist. Population, 100. Mail semi-weekly. John Yergey, postmaster.
Bird, M. R; carpenter and builder.
Chandler, J. P; general store
Davis, S; blacksmith

- February; 1881 History: Grange - Sciola Grange No. 1868 was organized February 7, 1874, by J. Woodin, Deputy. The charter members were - A. D. Barker and wife, C. M. Lester and wife, Louis Davis and wife, P. J. Lester and wife, J. F. Moates and wife, J. O. Atkins, J. S. Taylor, G. B. Goble and wife, James Shoemaker and wife, John H. Cantrell, A. S. Prather and wife, James Whitney and wife, Waldo Connor and wife, O. A. Rose and wife, A. T. Burgum. The first officers were: J. F. Moates, Master; C. M. Lester, Overseer; J. W. Barnard, Lecturer; James Whitney, Treasurer; P. J. Lester, Secretary. This grange holds its meetings in the schoolhouse of district No. 2. There are now 28 members- 15 males and 13 females. September 30, 1877, this grange reported 52 members. It is now, February, 1881, in good running order, and the State Secretary, W. L. Carpenter, reports it as one of the staunch, live-oak granges that has taken firm root in good soil, and intends to stay. They have traded through the state agent some-

times as high as \$1,000 per year, to the great advantage of their own members and also of outside neighbors. For a while they held grange feasts quarterly, but now hold them twice a year. Their regular meetings are on the second and fourth Saturdays of each month. Present officers: C. M. Lester, Master; J. T. Hobson, Overseer; Amy Lester, Steward; A. Barker, Assistant Steward; Mrs. Emma Prather, Chaplain; A. Prather, Gatekeeper; Mrs. Mary Barker, Ceres; Mrs. Hobson, Pomona; Mrs. M. Prall, Flora; Mrs. Ada Lester, Lady Assistant Steward.

In the course of its history, this grange has had internal troubles which fully account for its present reduced membership; but they were of such a local and personal nature that it is best to entirely omit them from any permanent record.

- 24 February; Review: Rev. Randolph, pastor of the ME Church at Milford, is holding a series of protracted meetings at the Hobson Schoolhouse.
- 17 March; Review: Sciola is minus a blacksmith, Mr. Neusem having gone west to grow up with the country. Mr. Bird still runs his carpenter shop in good shape, and J. P. Chandler still supplies the most of his many customers with goods at the old stand on the northwest corner of Main and Water streets.
- 9 June; Review: Our friends in the vicinity of Sciola are to enjoy a rich treat next Saturday evening, in a vocal concert, by the Ravencroft family of this city.
- 14 July; Review; Sciola Echoes: Sciola is no longer in grief for the want of a blacksmith. Harry Briggs has bought M. R. Bird's shop and tools and is doing a lively business

-1882-

- 5 January; Review; Sciola Scions: The town has been quite lively for some time past. There has been considerable shooting done here- at glass balls, etc. Mr. Bird has a novelty in the way of a swinging target. Saturday the 24th witnessed some fine shooting, in fact, it was hard to beat. Some turkey matches were shot off, also some fellows shot off their mouths.....
- 12 January; Review; Sciola Echoes: The Dakota fever broke out in this vicinity some time ago, and spread with such fearful rapidity, that it threatened to depopulate the community Some have gone, and others going; some have backed out and others backing
- Frank Breese is blacksmithing in Sciola and is doing good business.
- 20 April; Review: Our young friend Frank Whitney has bought the Chandler store at Sciola, and intends increasing the stock and widening the facilities for doing business.

(Note: I was unable to learn just when Frank Whitney moved his store to the site south of the Baptist Church, but it was probably soon after he purchased the business.)

- 10 May; Telephone: In order to secure an organization of the Farmer's Alliance in each Township, it was ordered at the last county meeting, that the farmers in the following townships would meet at their usual places of voting, to perfect an organization, that they may be entitled to delegates at the next County meeting, 27 May, 1882 Washington Township, Friday eve, May 19 The President and Secretary of the County Alliance will be present to assist in organizing.
- 5 June; Deed: Sciola Baptist Church from John Yergey; Lot 2, or one acre in south east corner NE^{1/4} SE^{1/4} Section 16....
- 7 June; National Archives: Frank M. Whitney appointed Sciola Postmaster.
- 8 June; Review; Sciola Echoes: The Sabbath school at the Baptist church is prospering under the management of J. A. Snell, Superintendent.
- The members and friends of the Baptist church spent one day in fencing and repairing the church yard and cemetery.

- There was a mass meeting at the Baptist church Sunday, May 28, to organize a Temperance League.
- The Methodist school organized May 21st. Mrs. Amy Lester is Superintendent.
- It is rumored that our old PM is going to resign. He is the oldest PM in the state. (Note: John Yergey)
- 31 August; Review: Rev. Miller and family started on Saturday eve for Dakota. They were to stop over Sunday at Sciola, where Mr. Miller was to preach his last and farewell sermon to the Baptist congregation.

-1883-

- 15 February; Review; Sciola Siftings: Coon hunting is all the go now
- 12 Apr; Review; Sciola Siftings: Our new blacksmith at Sciola is doing good work. -Sciola can now boast of a music teacher. Miss Hattie Gallup is giving lessons to scholars who live in Sciola and suburbs.
- 12 July; Review: B. F. Clayton has taken the contract for carrying the mails from this place (Villisca) to Milford, and will run a first class passenger hack.
- 13 September; Review: on 23rd day of September, 1883, at the Sailor School House in Washington Township, Montgomery County, Iowa, a special election will be held on the question of a 3% tax for a railroad.
Signed; John M. Bolt; Adam Shoemaker; J. E. Moates, Trustees

-1884-

- 3 January; Review; Sciola: There has been a protracted meeting at the Hobson school house the last four weeks, conducted by the Rev. Branson of the ME Church. -Christmas was duly observed with a Christmas tree both at the Baptist Church and the Hobson school.
- 10 January; Review: Messrs. Theodore Whitney and John Bolt attended the Mexican Soldiers' Reunion at Des Moines Tuesday last.
- 30 January; Telephone: Adv. - We have added loaning to our insurance and are now prepared to loan money at six per cent on real estate, on as good terms as any firm in the west. You will have no interest to pay in advance, and the commission will be so small, that you will never miss the amount.
Signed, M. V. Selley, Sciola
- 14 February; Review; Sciola Scions: Singing school has broken up; also the debating club.
-The Sciola school, taught by O. W. Bean, terminated last Saturday.
-For blacksmithing, call on J. Beckwith, the city blacksmith, who will do your work just to suit you.
- 14 March; Review: The Baptist Church at Sciola has just purchased a very fine Kimball organ.
- 18 September; Review: A Blaine and Logan club will be organized at Sciola Thursday evening. H. E. Deemer of Red Oak is expected to address the meeting.
- 4 December; Review: Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Holmes of Sciola started this week for a visit of several month's duration in Ohio We wish them a pleasant trip but who will officiate at Gretna Green in Mr. Holmes' absence?
- 19 December; Express; Washington Twp: Our Democratic friends held their Mug-wump pow-wow, last week over Cleveland's election. They believe in letting their light be seen so they made their bon-fire on the hill east of Sciola, and regardless of expense, they squandered three gallons of coal oil, one kerosene barrel, and a wagon load of old lumber.
- 1884-1885 State Gazetteer: Sciola ... 50¢ fare to Milford or Villisca on the mail stage.

- 13 January; Review: The circle hunt in Washington Township last week was not a success. His wolfship was too slick for them, and slid out between stations.
- 5 February; Review: F. M. Whitney of Sciola offers his store building for sale or rent, Post office in connection with store.
- 20 February; Express; Washington Twp: J. F. Moates has a Polled Angus bull, coming three years old, that weighs 1600 pounds. His age cannot be told in the usual way. He reminds one of a buffalo.
- 26 February; Review: Messrs. J. F. Moates and J. C. Chandler of Washington Township returned last Saturday from Keota, Keokuk County, Iowa, where they purchased an imported Percheron-Norman horse, a very picture of beauty. He is coming four years old, a glossy jet black His weight is 1700, and he cost \$1750. His owners are justly very proud of him.
- 10 April, Red Oak Sun; Sciola: There is Sunday School at the Baptist Church every Sunday and also at the Hobson school, and preaching every two weeks. The school house has been thoroughly cleaned, and it is to be hoped that the men and boys who chew tobacco will keep it in their pockets and out of their mouths during services.
- 8 May; Express; Sciola: The Census just completed by Assessor Yergey shows 867 inhabitants in Washington Township.
- 8 May; Sun; Sciola: Miss Lillie Taylor is giving instructions in music.
-John Barker has bought a new twine binder.
- 5 June; Express; Sciola: Lizzie Fuller is now the Sciola Postmistress and merchant.
- 11 June; Review: On Monday morning, Mr. John Yergey, Sr, and his son George started with a team from Sciola for Stanton, Nebraska, where resides Mr. Yergey's son-in-law, Prof. Ira Lamb. Mrs. Yergey and the household goods will go by rail.
- 9 July; Review: A grand picnic and celebration was held in Lester's grove near Geo. Hobson's. Music, speeches and basket goodies made the day memorable. The singing was grand, and the reading of the Declaration by Mr. Nutting, betokened a degree of talent that properly trained will make a mark in the world. The oration by Mr. Jas. Carlisle was well written and delivered in a calm, easy, style. Mr. J. D. Schriver made one of his felicitous addresses, full of patriotic fire and old-fashioned 4th of July sentiment. All around, it was a grand day for Sciola.
- 23 July; Review: Born; to Mr. and Mrs. John Mullins, July 17, a daughter.
- 21 August; Express: The rain fell in torrents, causing some of the streams to reach the highest water mark known in years. This was especially true of the Nodaway rivers, the bridges over which were mostly washed away. One report is that a wave a mile in width and six feet high came rushing down the middle of the Nodaway, sweeping everything before it. This may be somewhat overdrawn, but will give an idea of the amount of water that must have fallen
- 17 September; Review; Sciola: Rev. Adair delivered his farewell sermon to his flock at the Hobson school house last Sabbath.
-Boys, for five days now you have the opportunity of taking your girl to the fair.
-A magic lantern show went the rounds at our school houses last week, to the delight of the little ones.
-Seed corn is now being picked and suspended in airy places by our provident farmers.
- 9 October; Express; Washington Twp: A young man by the name of Bates, from Nebraska, eloped with the 16 year old daughter of the Widow Doan last week. They went out for a buggy ride and failed to return.
- 15 October; Review; Sciola: Jud Mayhew and wife were completely surprised Wednesday evening of last week, by the advent of a large number of young folks, all equipped and eager to dance. They danced.

- 5 November; Review; Sciola: We understand that the new blacksmith of this place has purchased the shop and an adjacent building, formerly used as a carpenter shop. The latter he is enlarging, and repairing, intending to reside therein when complete.
- 12 November; Review; Sciola: The boys were exuberant on election day. The exciting event of the day was a horse race in the PM. This seemed equally attractive to young and old, and for a time the polling place was almost deserted.
- 19 November; Review; Sciola: Sciola sports will attend the shooting match at Morton's Mills Thanksgiving.
-The moonlight of last Friday night was utilized in this vicinity. There were two "hops" on that night, and at so short a distance apart that a discord was produced when the 'fiddlers' did not play in the same key.
- 17 December; Review; Sciola: A Party of seven hunters killed 75 rabbits one day last week.
-There will be a Christmas tree at the church on Christmas eve, given by the Sunday School. A cordial invitation is given to all.

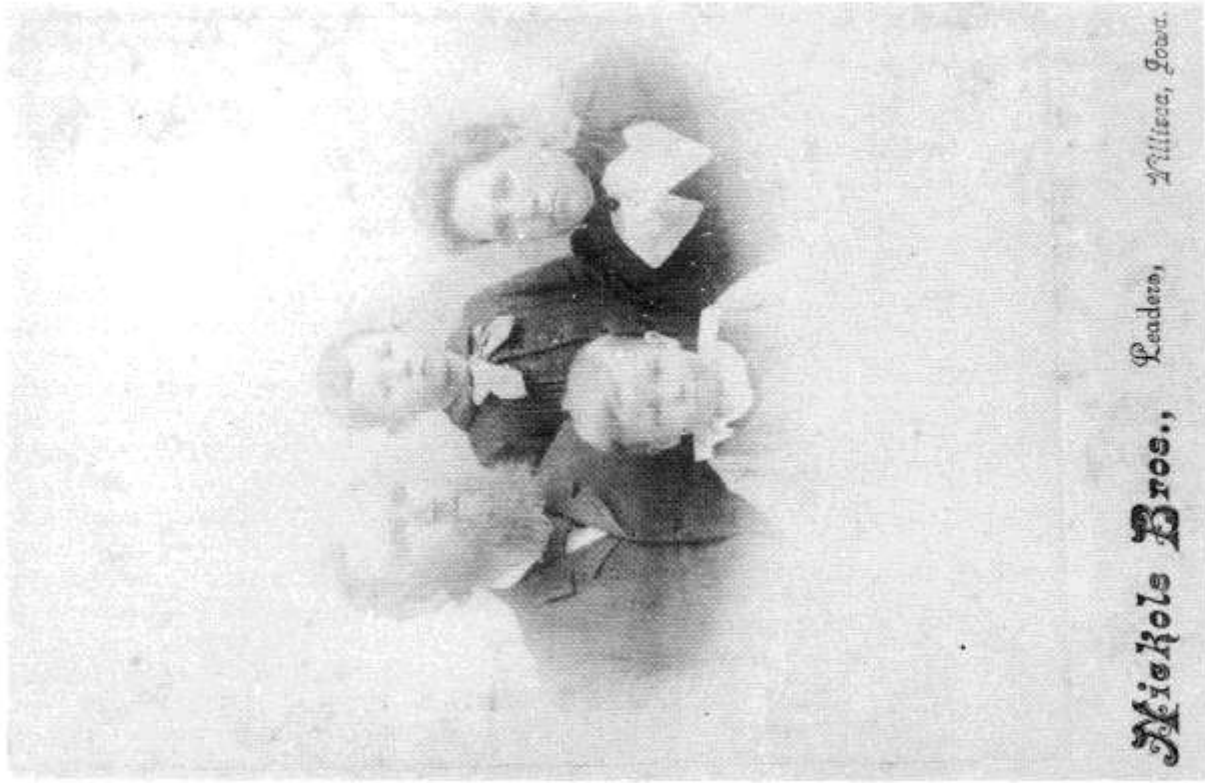
-1886-

- 21 January; Sun; Sciola: Jas. Whitney and Merritt Wheeler captured a horse thief a few days ago, for whose arrest a reward of \$25 had been offered.
- 18 February; Review: The new steel rolls of the Ellis pattern, for John Ellenwood's Arlington Mills arrived Tuesday. There are four pairs of them
- 4 March; Review; Dunnville: That famous eared animal, the image of the one which our Samson of olden time humbled by using one of its jaw-bones for a bloody purpose, and the property of Jas. Whitney, of Sciola, has, on several occasions lately, been heard to pour forth its melodious and soul-stirring notes at the distance of six miles.
- 31 March; National Archives: Lizzie Fuller appointed Sciola Postmistress.
- 8 July; Review: Fourth of July Celebration At Villisca - the wheel barrow race was run with six contestants, blindfolded. They went every way, and no one hit the box, but Mr. Ad Bolt came within 17 feet of it and took the wheel barrow.
- 12 August; Review; Dunnville: "Garden Sass" lies withered and dead. Many are the stalks of corn that have no "shoots". Wheat will average 10 bushels.
- 9 September; Review; Sciola: We notice quite a substantial fence has recently been erected enclosing the school house and grounds of No. 5.
-Rev. Adair preached his farewell sermon at the Hobson school house last Sabbath. He has been on this work for two years.
- 14 October; Review; Mrs. Barnard is repairing her house in the suburbs of old Sciola, which she with her son-in-law and family intend occupying this winter.
- 21 October; Review; Sciola: Meeting was held at the new Lutheran (Norwegian) Church, last Sunday evening. The preaching is in the Norwegian language, and quite a number of the young people attend for the novelty of it.
- 29 October; Review: Mr. Arch Baker, southwest of Sciola, is building a new barn.
-James Bolt, who went to Missouri for apples, returned last week. His apples cost him about 30¢ per bushel.
- 4 November; Review: The game of baseball between the West Nodaway and Wolf Ridge nines at Morton's Mills resulted in a score of 45 to 33 in favor of Wolf Ridge.
- 11 November; Review; Sciola: Art Fuller, Sciola's candy maker has secured an all winter's job with Bromley, in Red Oak.
- 18 November; Review; Sciola: All interested in the Sciola Sabbath School should attend next Sunday, as the advisability of continuing the school during the winter will be considered.
- 25 November; Review; Sciola: Shooting matches are the rage now. One at Ad Bolt's next Thursday and also one at Morton's Mills, the same day.



VILLISCA. *Smith* IOWA.

Lizzie Fuller; postmistress and merchant



Nichols Bros., Villisca, Iowa.

Dr. G. S. Wood and wife,
Kate Barnard

-A meeting is appointed for Thursday evening, November 25, to make arrangements for a festival to be held at the church proceeds will be applied in liquidation of a debt of long standing against the church.

-1887-

28 January; Express; Sciola: There will be a shooting match at the sportsman's cabin next Saturday.

(Note: There is a story of an old shack along the river where the men played cards, and known as the Robber's Roost. Perhaps this is the same one.)

4 February; Express; Sciola: The new sawmill will furnish the county with a large amount of native lumber for bridges which is far superior to pine for strength and durability.

-Rev. Mr. Corbet of Elliott has been holding meetings at the Baptist Church here for several evenings this week; the church is trying to make arrangements to have him preach for them regularly.

11 February; Sun; Sciola: A Literary Society was organized at Center school house last Friday night.

19 May; Review; Sciola: Some nice fish have been caught in our little river, lately. John Yergey likes fish, but doesn't enjoy a bath every day, when the water is so cold, especially when he doesn't get the fish.

9 June; Review; Sciola: The baseball boys are expecting to be out in their uniforms next Saturday. Their ground is on the farm of M. G. Mayhew.

28 July; Review: The third BB nine will go up to Sciola tomorrow to play a game. A nine of the small boys, little but frisky on the diamond, will go along to engage the younger Sciolans. There will be some foot races, also.

5 August; Sun; Sciola: J. W. Bolt, after playing 9 innings of ball last week, ran a footrace with W. S. Ellis of Villisca and beat him easily. A Villisca paper claimed for Ellis the title of champion of the county, and if that claim was correct, J. W. Bolt is now entitled to wear that honor.

2 September; Express; Sciola: Rev. C. J. Rose of Oberlin, Ohio preached at the Baptist Church last Sunday morning and evening. After the evening service a pleasant reunion was enjoyed.

7 October; Express; Sciola: The new iron bridge at Arlington Mills is one of the best, if not the best, bridge in the county. The total cost is \$2050. It stands on steel piers filled with broken rock and cement. Over 40,000 pounds of stone and 12 barrels of cement were used in filling them. The main bridge ought to be good 100 years from now. The old bridge was sold at auction last Saturday. It brought something over \$50.

(Note: I didn't learn why a new bridge was needed after only ten years, but the old bridge may have been damaged in the flood of August, 1885)

20 October; Review: We understand the Baptist Association has sent a minister to the society at the Sciola church.

21 October; Express; Sciola: N. P. Mayhew has started out as an auctioneer.

27 October; Review; Sciola: Isaac Bolt forgot to take his turnips in Monday night and they are all frozen.

3 November; Review; Sciola: The sportsmen of Sciola advertise a big shooting match for Thanksgiving Day.

10 November; Review; Sciola: There was a meeting at the Saylor schoolhouse on Thursday last week to organize a Farmers Alliance. There was a good attendance and an organization was effected.

- 17 November; Review: The Arlington Mills have been crowded for some time past for storage room, and Jno. Ellenwood determined recently to enlarge his space. He is now building on an addition of 16 feet and the same height and width as the main building. This will enable Mr. Ellenwood to handle more easily his largely increasing business.
- 1 December; Review; Sciola: Miss Ida and Johnny Holmes walked all the way from Sciola to Villisca last Saturday, a distance of ten miles.
- 9 December; Express; Sciola: The carpenter and blacksmith shops are rented and work will begin in a few days.
-The Sciola store is being fixed up, newly sided and is now receiving a coat of paint.
- 29 December; Review; Sciola: Fuller and Long have opened a blacksmith shop and are doing a flourishing business.
-The Free Methodists will begin a series of meetings at the Sciola Church January 3.

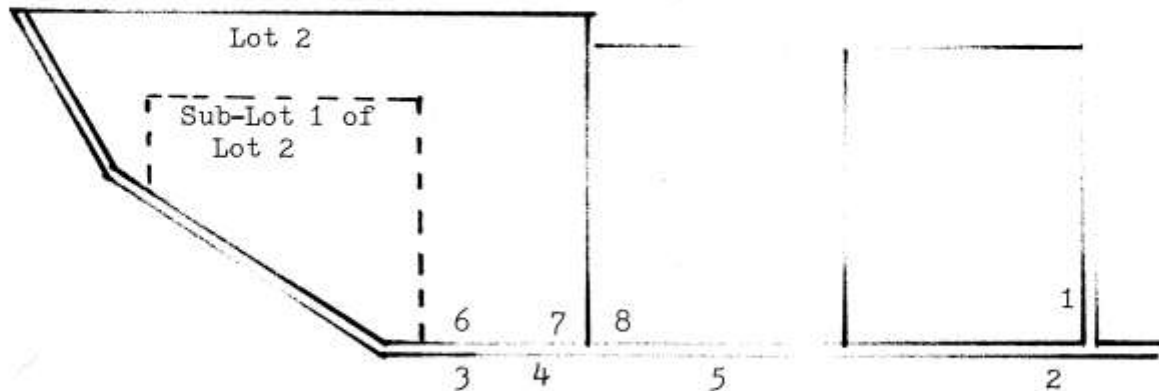
-1888-

- 5 January; Review: Rep. John W. Yergey started for Des Moines yesterday. Much is expected of Montgomery County's representative at the coming session. He is expected to work and vote for a fair reduction of freight rates, for a 2¢ a mile passenger rate, for a better management of the school book business, for economy in state expenses.
- 12 January; Review; Sciola: An able speaker from Des Moines will address the members of the Farmer's Alliance on Thursday evening, Jan. 12.
-A Literary Society is in full blast at the Sailor schoolhouse.
- 27 January; Red Oak Montgomery County Independent; Capitol Jottings: Mr. Yergey, representative from Montgomery County, occupies seat No. 26 in the center of the young Republican leaders. He does not say much but is ever busy at his desk attending to the wants of his constituents. He will support every measure calculated to reduce taxes, and promote good government. Mr. Yergey was remembered very liberally by the speaker in the arrangement of places on committees. He is chairman of the committee on Agricultural College, institution for the deaf and dumb, County and Township organization, constitutional amendments, horticultural and forestry, public lands and buildings, and congressional districts.
- 30 March; Sun; Sciola: A \$500 tax has been voted to build a new school in District No. 2.
- 4 May; Sun; Sciola: The baseball club played on their new ground, just west of the Sciola bridge They have put up a lot of hitching posts near their grounds.
- 10 May; Review; Sciola: The Alliance received their first order of goods from Chicago last week, consisting of sugar, coffee and kerosene.
-Painted on the front of the Sciola store is the word "Groceries". It is a neat job, and is the work of A. M. Fuller.
- 31 May; Review; Sciola: Miss Lizzie Fuller has a fine assortment of glassware. Those desiring one of these nice dishes can obtain it by purchasing a box of baking powder.
- 21 June; Review; Morton's Mills: Celebrate the Nation's birthday at the Mills. The Nodaway Valley Band is doing some very hard work in the way of preparing music for the celebration.
- 13 September; Review: There will be a grand Republican rally and Pole Raising at Sciola, on Friday, September 21st, under the auspices of the Sciola Republican Club. Several good speakers will be present, among others, Mr. Carl Snyder and John Y. Stone. Everyone is invited to come out and help make the demonstration a grand success.

Program

Music- Moyer's Cornet Band

Sciola: Early 1880's to 1910



Lot 2 was surveyed in 1901, when Ed Roach bought two acres from John Erickson. It was subdivided in May, 1906, when Sum Wheeler bought Sub-Lot 1 of Lot 2.

1. Baptist Church
2. Whitney store. I haven't been able to find when Frank Whitney moved his store from the river to this site, but it was probably soon after he bought the business from J C Chandler in 1882. Other merchants there were Lizzie Fuller, June, 1885; J A Whitney, 1892; Larson Brothers, 1896; T J Bolt, 1900; and John F Taylor, 1901.
3. Chandler house. I don't know if Chandlers lived here while they had the store down on the river, but they did after that.
4. Blacksmith shop. I don't know when the first shop was built. In 1895, James Whitney razed the old shop and built another. A number of different smiths worked there; I don't know when it was discontinued.
5. Meat market, built 1896 by William Howard. In 1900, it was Dr. McConoughey's office. In 1904, a Frey was barbering there. The Archer family moved there in 1908, and Herb had a barber shop.
6. 1892; Orrill Damuth rented land from John Erickson, and built a combination store and house. Its exact location isn't known. In December, 1896, a news item said the old store was torn down, but I don't know if it meant this one. Sammie Damuth managed the store.
7. 1899. E. H. Roach built a blacksmith shop, although he didn't buy the land until 1901. Several others had charge of this shop at various times.
8. Sammie Damuth died in 1894, and in 1896 Louie rented land from the Church and erected a new combination store and house. She was still operating it when she married Sum Wheeler. In 1903, they sold it to John F Taylor, who moved over from the Whitney store. Others who had it were Edd Duff, 1905; Sum Wheeler, 1908; and B R Mayhew, 1909.

Raising of Pole- 11 am
 Song- Wolf Ridge Glee Club
 Procession- led by Dunnville Martial Band
 Basket Dinner- 12:30
 Music by Band- 1:30
 Song- Glee Club
 Invocation
 Speech- Hon. John Y. Stone
 Song- Villisca Glee Club
 Adress- Carl Snyder
 Song- T. L. Dyer
 Closing Speech- J. D. Schriver
 General Jubilee- Everybody

by Order of Committee

- 27 September; Review; Sciola: (Note: This item reports that the pole raising was spoiled by rain) Moyer's Cornet Band broke in their new uniforms by coming up to the schoolhouse from the store in the rain 80 foot pole was raised on corner opposite the schoolhouse. The George Long grove was prepared for 2000 will be held at a later date....
- 28 September; Sun; Morton's Mills: Moyer's Cornet Band is now neatly uniformed in Blue, with gold trimmings. The caps are known as relief caps. The uniforms were made in Philadelphia.
- 5 October; Independent; Sciola: The democrats are making a great blow about the big crowd at the Hatton meeting. There were about 250 there and not over 25 were democrats.
- 11 October; Review; Sciola: The postponed Republican Rally was held last Thursday, with an attendance of 500.....
- 18 October; Review; Dunnville: John Gourley and William Wilson have new wind engines.
- 1 November; Review; Sciola: Mr. Smiley took a photograph of the Center school last week.
- 15 November; Review: The Republicans of Washington Township held a ratification meeting at Sciola, Monday evening. The Villisca Band and a delegation of our citizens were present The freehanded and hospitable George Long opened his house to all comers, and set out a splendid supper to Villisca visitors.
- 6 December; Review; Sciola: J. S. Shoemaker was sick last week and was not able to attend the turkey picnic at A. H. Shoemaker's, No. 258 West Main Street, Sciola.
- 13 December; Review; Sciola: Mr. Long has made some necessary improvements at our schoolhouse in the form of a new coal-house and platform.
- 28 December; Sun; Sciola: There is a shooting match every Saturday.

-1889-

- 28 February; Review: The fine two story residence of Jas. Whitney at Sciola was burned with almost the entire contents Thursday evening. No insurance. A strong wind was blowing at the time and the light was seen in Villisca.
- 29 February; Review; Sciola: The Township meeting held at Center School house, March 11, to vote on the system of graded schools resulted in 14 in favor and 27 against it.
- 21 March; Review; Sciola: The citizens of Sciola and vicinity are talking of starting a cheese factory.
- 22 March; Independent; Sciola: Jake Shoemaker has quit hauling cream for the Villisca creamery and is now engaged in hauling eggs for a Red Oak firm.
- 28 March; Review; Sciola: Mrs. I. S. Bolt is getting scholars for a music class.
- 23 May; Review; Sciola: The boys have organized a ball-play on I. S. Bolt's ground where they will meet every Saturday pm to play.

- 24 May; Independent; Sciola: J. R. Newman and Jed Cooney have the contract for building the new school house in district No. 2; the bid being the lowest, \$410.
- 20 June; Review: The following combination of Villisca ball talent under command of Capt. Lee Harris, went to Sciola Tuesday and played the picked nine there to the tune of 18 to 9. Villisca nine- Jno. Woodburn, Lee Moore, Jas. O'Leary, Lee Harris, E. Stewart, Wm. Wires, W. Moore, Shawgo, J. Littlejohn. Sciola nine- B. Burman, B. Shoemaker, S. Damuth, T. Bolt, S. Ferris, C. Carney, C. R. Rouse, S. Wheeler, M. Prall, Capt.
- 22 August; Review: Holmes Chapel was dedicated on Sunday the 18th inst, by Rev. Fletcher Brown, Vice-President of Simpson College, at Indianola. The church is 28 X 40, 14 foot corner posts on brick foundation, surmounted by a spire and is furnished in good style. The pulpit is especially good. The entire cost, exclusive of stoves and bell, which are yet to be provided, has been something over \$1500.
- Rev. Brown preached at 11 am. There was preaching at 3 pm by Rev. Campbell, and in the evening by Rev. Brown. Not more than one-third of those in attendance could be seated in the house. Everybody had plenty to eat when the hour to display chicken arrived.
- 12 September; Review: The residence of John Gourley in Washington Township is fast nearing completion and is a fine building.
- Mr. James Whitney's new house was raised, last Monday, on the foundation where the old house stood.
- 24 October; Review: Obit of Isaac Bolt: coming to this county in August, 1854, making his home near Sciola Mr. Bolt was one of Iowa's successful pioneers. It was his work to help build the bridges, mills, schoolhouses and churches. He made and owned a farm of 1000 acres, one of the best farms in the county.....
- 5 December; Review: Lee Harris rusticated in Washington Township part of last week, and assisted Robert Dunn in a grand hunt in the forests near Sciola. One result of this hunt was the discovery and capture of the wild cat which has been seen by different parties in that area for sometime past.
- Sciola: The Center schoolhouse in Washington Township has been moved back and turned to front to the east.
- 12 December; Review; Sciola: Miss Lizzie Fuller has a library of select books.
- Morton's Mills: The band boys have their hall completed at last. It will be opened by an oyster supper, about Friday eve, December 13th.
- 19 December; Review: The (Band) hall stands on the road running east and west past Mr. Atwood's and across the bridge directly north of the mill. It is a frame building 18 x 36, one story and has three windows on each side and fronts to the south. The cost was between \$300 and \$400. Mr. Atwood donated the grounds upon which it stands for the benefit of the boys.

-1890-

- 23 January; Review; Sciola: Bennett Sickler of Washington Township is working up an extension of the telegraph line from Dunnville to Sciola. It will be a great convenience.
- 31 January; Independent; Sciola: Center school has sent for their new bell.
- The new blacksmith seems to have plenty of work.
- 6 February; Review; Sciola: Some of the young sports of Sciola meet at Merritt Wheeler's Saturday nights where they practice the art of boxing, Addison Wheeler being the instructor.
- 21 February; Sun; Sciola: The new bell at the school house is up. It is a good toned one.
- 24 April; Review; Sciola: Quite a crowd witnessed the baptizing at Arlington last Sunday. There were six immersed.

- 9 May; Review; Sciola: Arbor Day was observed in Washington Township. Ten trees and some shrubbery were planted at the Center school house.
- 9 May; Independent; Sciola: Last Saturday the men built a fence around the church and set a row of hitching posts and things look much better now.
- 18 July; Independent; Sciola: Quite a congregation gathered at the church to hear J. C. Fremont, the colored orator.
- 3 September; Review; Sciola: NOTICE: Persons who have been in the habit of shooting, hunting, fishing, etc, on the Sabbath day, in the vicinity of Sciola and Morton's Mills, are hereby referred to Sec. 4072, of the Code of Iowa, and notice is hereby given that the law in such cases made and provided, will be promptly enforced hereafter. A word to the wise is sufficient.
- Law-Abiding Citizens
- 11 September; Review; Mortons Mills: Judd Mayhew has traded for the old Isaac Bolt place.
- Ide McCulloch is quite an engineer. He has made, with saw, ax and hammer, a full-blooded wind machine. Ide says he will put it to turning grind stones, corn shellers and the churn.
- 23 October; Review; Sciola: Sam W. Baker began carrying mail on the Villisca and Milford route Tuesday. He expects to be well equipped for carrying passengers, parcels, etc. Leave orders at the post office.
- 19 December; Independent; Sciola: Our people appreciate the privileges of a daily mail.
- 25 December; Review; Dunnville: Joe Lucas has moved his saw mill into the Bolt timber and will begin operations about the first of January.

-1891-

- 1 January; Review; Sciola: The Methodist and Baptist Sunday Schools united in having a Christmas tree at the Baptist Church. The tree was elaborately decorated with presents of all kinds and nearly all present were remembered.
- Cards are out for a grand ball at the band hall tonight.
- 8 January; Review; Morton's Mills: The diphtheria is still raging. Mr. Corbin's buried two more of their children Saturday.
- 16 January; Independent; Sciola: The big wolf, the terror of the pig raisers of Hacklebarney, was killed last week. He was chased out of the brush by the hounds belonging to Uncle John Gourley, and was shot by Charles Doane and John W. Yergey he weighed about 75 pounds.
- 23 January; Independent; Sciola: Thomas Bowman has left us and Sciola is again without a blacksmith.
- 12 February; Review; Sciola: A Farmer's Alliance, under the name of the Nodaway Valley Alliance was organized at the Sciola Schoolhouse Tuesday evening. The following are the officers elected: James Newlan, Pres; Sam Damuth, V- Pres; J. W. Yergey, Sec; Andrew Monson, Treas.
- 27 February; Independent; Sciola: The lowest theft we ever heard of was one that occurred here last week. B. Burnum, after hard work, had managed to collect about \$15 worth of skunk skins, which were carefully hung up to dry, when some one relieved him of their care.
- 24 April; Independent; Sciola: A poor old German woman carrying a basket and wearing men's heavy boots was seen tramping through the eastern part of this township last Monday. Some kind hearted persons who were at the post office when she came along paid her fare on the mail coach to Villisca. She said she was going to Red Oak to find work.
- 2 July; Review: Luke Walker took charge of the mail route yesterday morning between Morton's Mills and this place (Villisca). He will be prepared to take one or more passengers each trip, carry parcels, etc, and drive good rigs at all times.
- 10 July; Express; Sciola: A queer rig passed through here Sunday evening, consist-

ing of an old half-breed Indian woman, driving a pair of blind horses attached to an old buggy with harness composed principally of strings and strips of cloth.

- 13 August; Review: The rain last Thursday morning raised the rivers higher than they have been for years. Considerable damage was done. West River was high enough to back water over the mill dam.
- 20 August; Review; Sciola: A large portion of Sciola attended the Old Settlers reunion in Villisca last Saturday.
- 27 August; Review; Sciola: Sam Light and family moved to Villisca last week. Mr. Light will carry the mail from Villisca to Morton's Mills.
- 4 September; Express; Sciola: A. H. Shoemaker, Wm. Hobson, Chas. Damuth and several others of our citizens are in attendance at the State Fair this week.
- 1 October; Review; Sciola: T. A. Bolt will have a dance in his new house next Friday evening.
- 22 October; Review: The Washington Township school district case was tried at the recent term of the District Court and resulted in a writ of mandamus being issued to compel the board to furnish petitioners a school.

(Note: I haven't been able to find a record of this.)

- 23 October; Independent; Morton's Mills: W. T. Atwood is running the molasses works day and night.
- 29 October; Review: Republicans At Sciola - Monday night was the occasion of one of the most enthusiastic meetings in the history of Washington Township Center School House was packed Chairman Yergey Speakers included Rev. Shipman, pastor of the ME Church at Red Oak; Joseph Junkin of Red Oak; Col. Chantry, candidate for Senator all in all it was a splendid exposition of republicanism.
- 12 November; Review; Sciola: There was a wood chopping at the church, Saturday PM, and a festival in the evening.
- 26 November; Review; Sciola: Shooting match at Merritt Wheelers Saturday. Thanksgiving Thursday, and turkeys are in demand.

-1892-

- 14 January; Review; Sciola: 32° below zero Tuesday morning.
- 29 January; Independent; Sciola: Samuel Damuth, Sciola's new merchant, is hauling lumber for his store building, which he expects to have ready for occupancy by March 1.
- 4 February; Review; Morton's Mills: A shooting match, or anything resembling it, would be well attended in this vicinity, if the participators' nearest neighbor lay a corpse.
- 5 February; Independent; Sciola: This township is called upon to give up another old and esteemed citizen in the person of Mrs. E. M. Barnard, who died at the home of her brother, the Hon. W. W. Merritt, of Red Oak, last Friday She will be greatly missed by the sick and afflicted ones among whom she was a constant visitor.
- 15 February; Sun; Sciola: A dancing club has been organized and gives dancing parties at the band hall twice a month.
- 18 February; Review; Dunnville: A festival was given at Hazel Grove Friday night, the proceeds to be used to purchase a bell for the school. Something over \$12 was received.
- 26 February; Sun; Sciola: Mr. Bennett is the new blacksmith here.
- 4 March; Sun; Sciola: Mrs. O. M. Damuth rented a piece of land of J. Erickson in Sciola and has built a house and store combined. Her son Samuel will move in with her and superintend the store.

- 10 March; Review; Morton's Mills: The meetings at Holmes Chapel closed last Saturday night with 31 additions to the church.
- 8 April; Independent; Sciola: Washington Township now has one colored citizen.
- 15 April; Independent; Sciola: The walls and ceiling of the Baptist Church here are very badly damaged by the wind, it is very much broken and some plaster has fallen off.
- No. 5 school house windows were much damaged by last week's wind; one south window was found on the north side of the house, minus the glass.
- 29 April; Independent; Sciola: James Whitney has sold the mammoth jack, General Jackson, to some Cumberland parties for \$650.
- 20 May; Sun; Sciola: Miss Lizzie Fuller has sent in her resignation of Post Office duties. J. A. Whitney has made application for the position of Postmaster, and has been recommended to succeed her. Sam'l. Damuth is also an applicant for the position and has a long list of signers to his petition for the place.
- 21 May; National Archives: James A. Whitney appointed Sciola Postmaster.
- 26 May; Review; Sciola: A meeting of the township Sunday School Union was held at the Sciola Church Sunday, May 22 Five Sunday Schools were represented ... Addresses were made by Hannah Slack, Mrs. John Ellenwood, Mrs. Park Lester, Ed. Smith, Mr. Durham, John W. Yergey, Mrs. A. M. Stewart, James A. Whitney, E. E. Damon and Rev. Wallace.
- 23 June; Review; Sciola: Washington Township proposes to lead the county in the matter of raising flags on the school houses. Friday, Dist. No. 8 wheeled into line and raised a flag. A dinner was served with ice cream, cake, etc, by the ladies, followed by appropriate exercises by the children. After this the flag was raised by the hands of the old soldiers present.
- 7 October; Independent; Sciola: James A. Whitney, Jr, took charge of the Post Office last Monday and is preparing for his supply of general merchandise which will arrive soon.
- 11 November; Independent; Sciola: Mr. Wood has moved the old Barnard house to the farm where he lives- one more landmark gone. A number of years ago it was the stage drivers' and travelers' stopping place, or hotel.
- 2 December; Independent; Sciola: Harry Lester will teach a writing school in No. 5 on Tuesday evenings.
- 22 December; Review: The Review wants a correspondent in every section of the country. Send name and we will forward stationery, stamps, etc. Every correspondent, if they desire, may act as agent for the paper in their locality. Drop us a card.
- 23 December; Independent; Sciola: The Baptist Church has extended a call to Rev. C. Parsons and he has accepted the call.
- 29 December; Review; Sciola: John Gourley received last week, a fine Angora goat. They are the most valuable of the tribe, the hair, which is long and silken, being especially valuable.

-1893-

- 3 January; Independent; Sciola: S. W. Bennett has retired from blacksmithing. Alec Graham is our new blacksmith and resides by the shop in one of Mr. Whitney's houses.
- 9 February; Review; Sciola: Monday was so cold that Sam Light failed to go out on the Morton Mill and Sciola route. This is only the second trip he has missed since he began driving the USM.
- 10 February; Sun; Sciola: The old log blacksmith shop was torn down by mischievous boys one night lately.
- 3 March; Sun; Sciola: Miss Pace, the lady evangelist, talked to a crowded house at the Baptist Church Sunday evening.
- 30 June; Independent; Sciola: The repairs on the church have commenced and by Sat-

urday night if the weather is favorable, we may expect a change in the appearance both inside and out. Mr. Stroud, of Villisca, has the job.

- 24 August; Review; Sciola: Miss Mabel Helms and Miss Amy Ellenwood went to Chicago Monday, to the World's Fair.
- 12 September; Review: J. P. Mayhew of Sciola, had a number of men and teams in town one day last week, hauling out a car of lumber to build a barn in place of the one recently burned by lightning.
- 7 December; Review; No. 10: J. L. Gourley recently purchased a ranch containing 600 acres in Cherry County, Nebraska. Consideration \$1700. Mr. Gourley will, in future, graze feeding cattle on his Nebraska ranch in summer and fatten them on his Iowa farm in winter.
- Hundreds of prairie chickens appeared in this neighborhood Monday.
- 14 December; Review; Sciola: No. 4 is in possession of a fine toned school bell.
- At the shooting at J. P. Mayhews, Saturday, Sam Ferris took first prize, winning 11 of 16 turkeys.

-1894-

- 11 January; Review: Hon. J. F. Moates went to Des Moines Saturday to be present at the opening of the legislature and the inauguration of Gov. Jackson. He is a candidate for doorkeep of the senate.
- No. 10: Quite a number attended the Moyer masked ball and report it a success. John Mullen was head musician.
- 24 January; Independent; Sciola: The new store at Sciola was short lived. Monday the doors were closed. Our PM, James A. Whitney bought the stock of tobacco, cigars and candy, while the proprietor took his bottle stuff and started for Villisca. We hear it is a certainty that some of the bottles contained a cleverly disguised intoxicant. Whether the purchaser knew it or not we do not know.

(Note: Your guess is as good as mine.)

- 8 February; Review; Sciola: Thomas Thompson, T. A. Bolt, and Chas. Damuth are busy getting logs to the saw mill.
- 1 March; Review; Sciola: Uncle Sam (Light) has resigned the position of mail carrier. A Mr. Lewis, of Villisca, is now carrying the US mail.
- 8 March; Review; No. 10: Lee Harris has a wood yard at his place, and will do quite a profitable business in the sale of wood and fence posts the coming season. Lee is a rustler.
- 16 March; Independent; Sciola: D. S. Damuth started out a grocery wagon Tuesday. J. A. Whitney will start one soon, running through the busy season. Johnny Taylor will help Mr. Whitney.
- 22 March; Review; No. 10: On the farm of Chas. Damuth is an artesian well. It is a drive well, and was put down for Mr. Damuth a few days ago by Mr. Vanorman of Villisca. It is 40 feet in depth, and the water, when first struck, shot a stream the full size of the tubing. It still flows a half inch stream in spite of the resistance of the check valve in the pump.
- 26 April; Review; Sciola: A lot of gypsies, or some other dark skinned people, spent Monday in this neighborhood, camped by the river where old Sciola used to stand, and gave some perfect lessons in begging, etc, but offered to sing, dance, or both for anything, and seemed to need everything they saw very much. They became so troublesome in D. S. Damuth's store he was compelled to drive them out, as he couldn't watch so many. Their horses and camping outfit were good. They had with them two bears, one black and the other light brown, which perform for money, and many think were the least objectionable company in the outfit. Tuesday morning they sold 28½ dozen eggs, and offered one dozen chickens for \$2.00.

- 3 May; Review; Sciola: We expect a new blacksmith this week to work in the Whitney shop.
- 10 May; Review; Sciola: Some wolves have shown themselves quite often lately. One helped himself to a chicken for breakfast a few days since at T. A. Bolt's, and was seen crossing between his house and Mr. Whitney's. Another one was seen Sunday evening to chase a cat, who escaped by running up a small tree, just out of the wolf's reach.
- No. 10: I. S. Delaney, who is in the business of making charcoal, has just finished burning his twelfth kiln since beginning the business, about two years ago. These kilns average about 450 bushels each, which he ships mostly to Omaha, where it finds a ready sale at reasonably good prices.
- 14 June; Review; No. 10: Owing to the continual drought the demand for well digging has so increased that Mr. Frank Findley, who runs the well augur, found it necessary to order a second machine.
- Fred Moates had a bee to shingle his barn last week, and an ice cream supper in the evening.
- 22 June; Express; Sciola: Sam Damuth sold his egg wagon to A. C. Reticker and has ordered a new one.
- 5 July; Review; Sciola: There is ample choice this year in the way of entertainment on the nation's birthday Epworth League of Holmes Chapel are preparing for a picnic. Rev. Curtis will orate, and Moyer's band will furnish the music. And in the afternoon races and amusements will engage the attention of all Arlington Mills people may celebrate in a quiet way along the grassy banks of the Nodaway.
- 9 August; Review; Sciola: John Bolt, Sr, and Johnny Taylor attended the races Saturday at Carbon.
- The scheduled Villisca Union Fair has been cancelled, due to the unusual drought, the like of which has never been known in Iowa.
- 20 September; Review; Sciola: The young men are stirring up baseball again. They played on Mrs. R. Mayhew's land Saturday afternoon.
- 27 September, Review; No. 10: There was a regular round up of farmers and others at Mr. Mayhew's last week, to witness the operating of a corn cutting machine. It worked smoothly, as did the agent's tongue.
- 4 October; Review; Sciola: The boys, young and old, had rather a mixed game Saturday afternoon of ball and racing horses.
- 8 November; Review; Sciola: J. P. Mayhew, township clerk, put up booths Monday. Those who do not vote for protection ought to have slim larders and box elder bugs.

-1895-

- 4 January; Sun; Sciola: Will Howard will run a blacksmith shop at Sciola this winter.
- 10 January; Review; Sciola: A committee has been appointed to see to repairing the Baptist Church. The BYPU are doing the work.
- 1 February; Sun; Sciola: The Baptist Church has been repaired and carpeted.
- 14 February; Review; Sciola: Mr. Moyer's first term of singing school closed Saturday evening.
- 25 February; National Archives: D. S. Damuth appointed Sciola Postmaster.

(Note: The Government moved slowly then, too. Sammie died 3 July, 1894)

- 28 February; Review; Sciola: Mrs. Louie Damuth's store narrowly escaped getting into a blaze one day last week, but was discovered in time. A dress on a chair was accidentally in contact or too near the heated pipe from the store stove, the basque was burned and a hole in the floor under it.
- 13 March; National Archives: Mrs. Louie Damuth appointed Sciola Postmistress.

- 14 March; Review; Sciola: James Whitney has the old blacksmith shop torn down and will build a new one, 16 x 24.
- 21 March; Review; Sciola: J. A. Whitney has a more convenient delivery wagon than last year and commenced running last week.
- 11 April; Review; Sciola: The post office was moved to Mrs. Louie Damuth's last week.
- 26 April; Express; Sciola: The telephone line is now through our town on its way to Milford. There will be an office at A. D. Barker's between here and Milford.
- 3 May; Sun; Sciola: Miss Nellie Lester is teaching music.
- 16 May; Review; Sciola: Mullen's meat wagon from Milford made the first trip this way Monday.
- No. 10: The Bolt boys have made a race for Cleve with a running mare owned by L. Smith of Nebraska to come off next Saturday near Sciola.
- 23 May; Review; Sciola: The base ball boys are preparing their suits. They will be pretty and the boys will set them off finely.
- 30 May; Review; No. 10: Saturday evening the people of the Villisca and Northern telephone line were treated to some good music by the Moyer Band boys. They were at Ace Barker's, who has an instrument on the line.
- 11 July; Review; Sciola: On the Fourth of July the Sciola nine played a ball game with a selected nine from No. 10, John Noble, Captain. The Sleepers aroused themselves to an energy untold, and rather worsted the selected nine, the result being an invitation from Capt. Noble to bring their ladies and come to his home Saturday night, July 6, to ice cream and cake. All assembled at the stated time and were cordially greeted by Mr. Noble and friends. All did justice to the ice cream and cake. Games were indulged in until the tinkle of the time bell announced that Sunday AM was here. There were over 75 in attendance.
- 12 July; Express; Sciola: We have anew mail carrier- Mr. Kuntz of Villisca.
- 26 July; Express; Sciola: Will Howard started his meat wagon last week.
- 1 August; Review; Sciola: George Goble is going with the Enarson threshing machine. Sam Moyer is running the steam thresher for Baker and Company.
- 29 August; Review; Sciola: Rev. Parsons preached Sunday PM from the text, "Mind Your Own Business". Those who do not know how should have heard it.
- 12 September; Review; Sciola: There will be an Old Folks Concert at Holmes Chapel on Saturday evening next. The exercises will consist of readings, recitations, and singing of hymns, sung in the days of our grandfathers. All this will be rendered by the fathers and mothers at the chapel. An admittance fee of 5 and 10¢ will be asked, the proceeds to go to superannuates of the Des Moines Conference.
- 3 October; Review; Sciola: Mr. Wickoff, our blacksmith, had his right eye hurt with a flying stick Friday AM.
- 7 November; Review; Sciola: Halloween is past and most of the scattered belongings are gathered in. Mr. Wycoff's cow is recovering her muscles she had so far spent endeavoring to free herself from the harness that fitted none too well.
- 21 November; Review; Sciola: The well diggers are striking water again. Perhaps the earthquake shook it up.
- Our merchant and former PM James A. Whitney, wife and son moved to Cumberland Saturday

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- 3 January; Express; Sciola: Our new merchants are moving in the old J. A. Whitney stand.
- 30 January; Review; Sciola: The discussion at the Literary at No. 6 Friday evening, whether women should or should not have a right to vote, was decided in the affirmative after much discussion. Our men are improving.

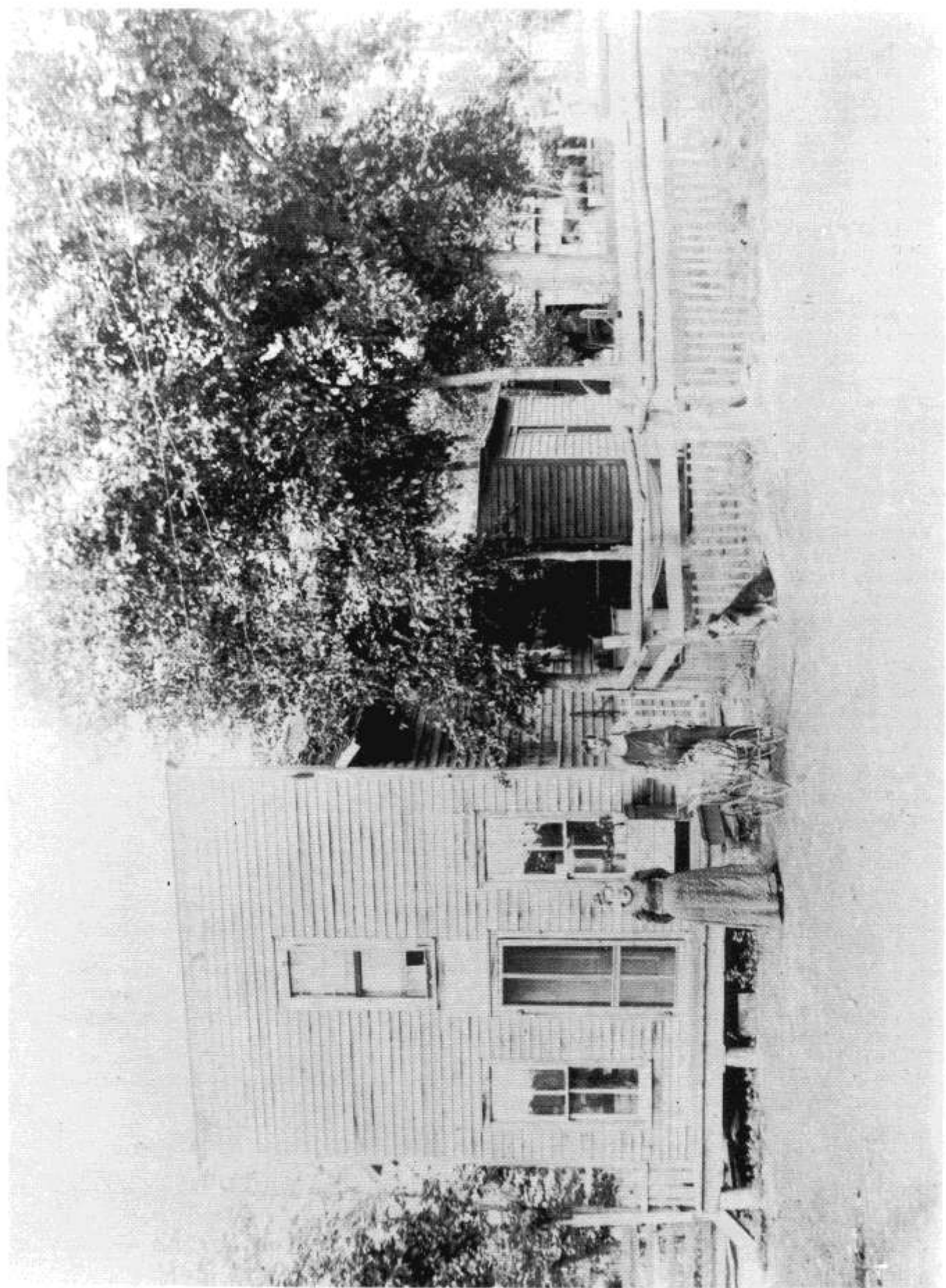
- 13 February; Review; Sciola: J. P. Mayhew is hauling stone for the foundation of his new house.
- 26 March; Review; Sciola: Our Blacksmith, Mr. Wikoff has another smith helping him to keep his work up.
- 3 April; Sun; Sciola: Swanson Bros. have sold their blacksmith shop to a man from Lewis.
- 10 April; Express; Sciola: No. 5 schoolhouse is being repaired. It was found to be in very bad condition in frame as well as the flue being cracked.
- 11 June; Review; Sciola: The new Church at Douglas Cemetery is to be called "The Memorial Church of Christ" in memory of the friends of those interested and those buried there. It will be dedicated July 12th.
- 18 June; Review; Sciola: The boys have organized a baseball team with Bee Burnham Captain.
- 9 July; Review: Independence Day in Villisca was attended by a crowd estimated in number from 6,000 to 8,000 There was a ball game between Villisca and a selected nine, mostly from Sciola
- 10 July; Express; Sciola: Will Howard is hauling lumber for his meat shop at Sciola. Curt Garrison is boss carpenter.
- 16 July; Review; Sciola: George Baker started Monday morning with his steam thresh-er, commencing at J. P. Mayhew's. E. C. Noble, Virg Smith, George Dunn and Oscar Elborg, engineer, compose the crew.
- 23 July; Review; Sciola: A sawmill is located on R. W. Taylor's land on the river ready to saw all the logs in the community.
- 24 July; Express; Sciola: Howard and Kuhn are settling in 'batch hall' over the meat shop.
- 30 July; Review; Sciola: Howard and Kuhn treated the boys to beef soup Saturday night.
- 13 August; Review; Sciola: John Mullen reports a membership of 104 in the McKinley Club, and more coming that way.
- 20 August, Review; Sciola: The Soldiers Reunion occurs at Milford Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of this week Every arrangement has been made for the comfort and entertainment of visitors even to providing an excursion steamer carrying 30 people on the raging Nodaway, round trip of three miles.
-Kuhn of Howard and Kuhn has gone away.
- 10 September; Review; Sciola: A new store building is to appear soon in Sciola to be occupied by Mrs. L. Damuth. Chas. Damuth will take charge of the one now held by Mrs. D.
- 17 September; Review: The Sciola Republican Rally - The weather has been interfering with many plans lately. It prevented the big circus tent at Sciola from being crowded last Saturday afternoon, but there was a large attendance all the same, the estimates running from 1000 to 1500, and in this audience were a large number of democrats. Moyer's Band and the Red Oak drum and fife Corps were present, and a quartet of Red Oak vocalists. Col. Ellis was chairman.....speakers included County Chairman Joe Junkin; Congressman Hager; Mr. Dobson; Hon. Smith McPherson The tent was pitched on Jud Mayhew's place near the river and a more agreeable site could not be found.
- 1 October; Review; Sciola: ME Social in Mrs. Louie Damuth's new store building was largely attended and enjoyed. Everything good to eat was served.
- 22 October, Review; Sciola: The Sciola Glee Club furnished the music at the Republican speaking at No. 5.
- 29 October, Review; Sciola: John Ferris' clover huller was destroyed by fire one day last week. No insurance.
- 11 December; Sun; Sciola: The old store building has been torn down.
- 31 December; Review; Sciola: Lord Byron, the Company Coach Horse, died Wednesday night. No insurance.

- 18 March; Review: The patrons of the Morton's Mills and Sciola Post Offices have petitioned the postal authorities at Washington to change the route of mail carrier from Morton's Mills to Villisca, instead of Villisca to Morton's Mills This will give the patrons at Morton's Mills and Sciola much better service, as their mail will be delivered the same day it arrives.
- 29 July; Review; Sciola: S. S. Moyer, Henry McCutcheon and Morris Thompson have purchased a steam thresher.
- Arlington: Saturday was Grandma Wheeler's 97th birthday anniversary and her neighbors and friends to the number of 68 gathered in and spent the day with her Grandma was as young as any of them. Since 1890, she has pieced and made 16 quilts and done lots of other work.
- 22 April; Review; No. 10: Egg roasts were plenty in this neighborhood Saturday night. -Hazel Grove Schoolhouse, No. 8, is being rebuilt and made larger.
- 29 April; Review; Sciola: The mail carrier has been unable to carry the mail back and forth on account of the rains taking out so many bridges.
- 3 June; Review; No. 10: The Memorial services at Sciola, Sunday, were well attended.
- 18 November; Review; Sciola: No. 5 has a new coal house.
- 3 December; Express; Alix: Wm Howard of Sciola was here this week buying chickens. He says it is a mistake about him offering different prices. He pays the same price to all.
- 1897-98 Iowa State Gazeteer and Business Directory: Sciola, Population 50; Mrs. L. Damuth, Postmistress.
Atwood, Carrie; music teacher
Campbell and Sons; well borers
Damuth, J. W; constable
Damuth, Mrs. Louie; general store
Ellenwood; saw and flour mill
Gallup, H. B; justice
Garrison, A. C; carpenter
Howard, W. T; butcher
Larson Bros; general store
Maltby, Flora; music teacher
Mayhew and Mullen; wood sawyers
Wickoff, W. W; blacksmith
Wood, G. S; physician
Wright, A; saw mill

- 19 January; National Archives: L. J. Larson appointed Sciola Postmaster.
- 21 January; Express; Sciola: Rev. Dietrick, pastor of this district has resigned his work here and will go south on account of his wife's health.
- Mrs. Luie Damuth of Sciola is soon to be deprived of her position as post mistress. Mrs. Damuth is a most energetic, efficient and painstaking Postmistress and a lady most highly esteemed by the public, who will deplore her loss and absence from her accustomed place.
- 27 January; Review; Sciola: Great satisfaction is felt throughout the country at the appointment of Lars J. Larson for Sciola postmaster, he is an honest straight forward republican and will be an honor to the place.

(Note: I guess it all depends on which side of the fence you are on.)

- 10 February; Review; Hacklebarnery: Hacklebarney is growing larger; all we want now is a store and post office. We have a blacksmith shop.



Sum and Louie Wheeler, in front of their store,
about 1900. Lucile in the buggy.

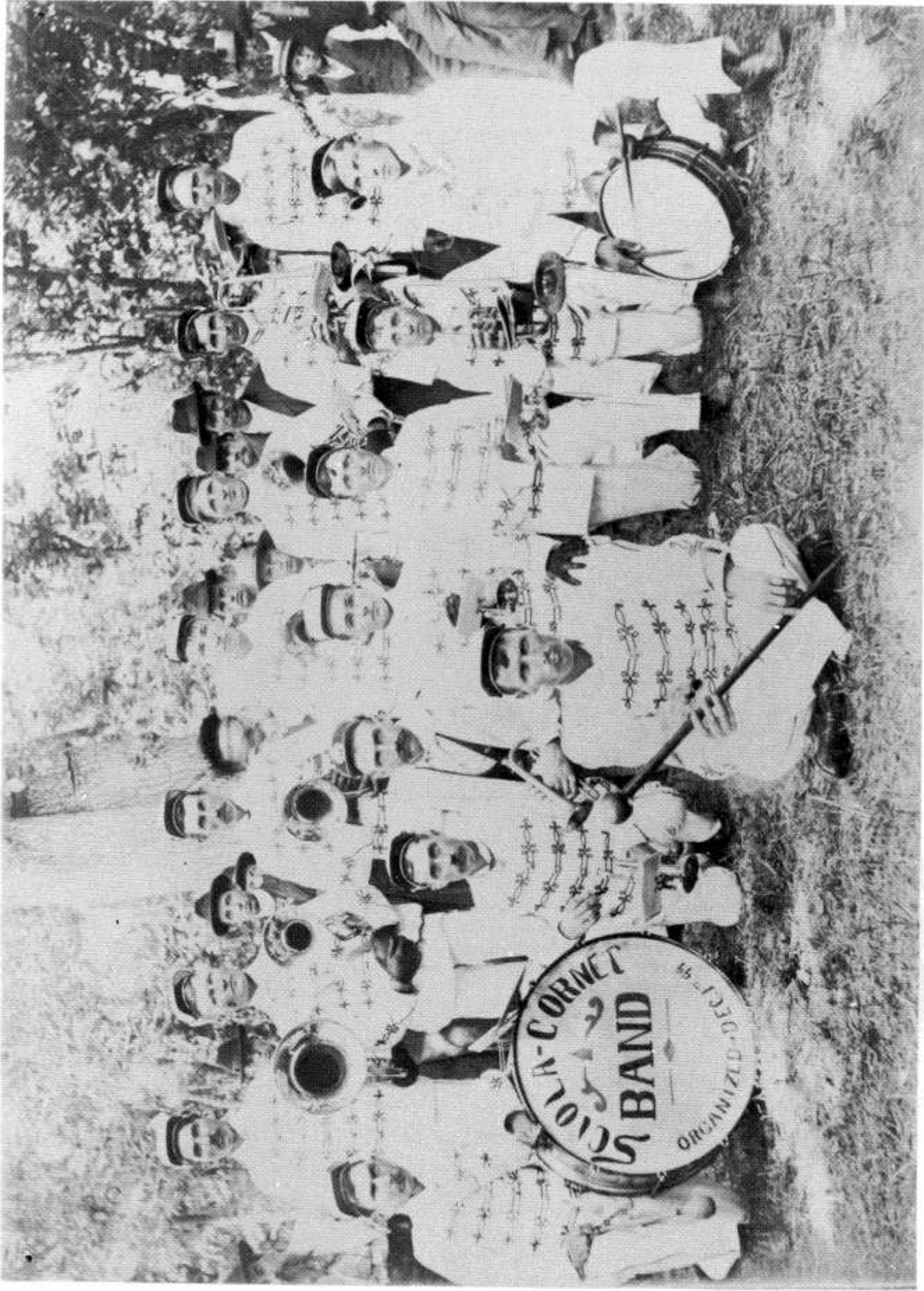
- 25 February; Express; Sciola: Lars Larson is now in possession of the Post Office.
-John Damuth left for Red Oak Tuesday morning to take lessons in Blackstone.
- 4 March; Express; Sciola: Several parties in this section have mail boxes along the line of the mail route and get their mail now from Villisca, thus getting their mail daily at the door and saving a trip to the Post Office.
- 11 March; Express; Sciola: Mr. Wycoff moves this week to Red Oak.
-There was a hot fight over the school election at #5. The women turned out to vote, which is the only instance of the kind to my knowledge.
- 11 March; Sun; Sciola: A good opening for a good mechanic is presented by James Whitney who has for rent a blacksmith and wagon shop with adjacent dwelling and also some tools.
- 14 April; Review; No. 10: G. W. Baker bought the Sciola saw mill.
- 29 April; Express; Sciola: James Whitney is building a residence, south of his home, intended for Dr. Stevens, formerly of Red Oak, who now has his shingle waving in Sciola.
- 6 May; Express; Sciola: James Whitney comes to the front with a new wind mill, having put in waterworks in his house. He forces the water up in great shape, and report says he will pipe it over the city to those who need it.
-Sciola runs three huckster and egg wagons, and we also have another one from Strand. Thus the farmers have competition for their butter and eggs, which makes it possible to secure the highest market price.
- 2 June; Review; Sciola: Sciola now has a new blacksmith.
- 17 June; Sun; Sciola: Thos. Bolt and Madge Mayhew, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pratt Mayhew, were married in Creston Thursday morning, June 16, and that afternoon Tom departed for San Francisco to join Co. B, 51st Iowa Volunteers, he having gone to Creston to enlist.
- 21 July, Review; Sciola: Mr. Roach from Mortons Mills is now located in Sciola and is prepared to do all kinds of blacksmith work.
- 8 September; Review; Sciola: Someone set fire to one of the saw-mill houses and it was burned to the ground a few nights ago.

(Note: A Mr. Wright had three or four cabins of native lumber down by the river. Each winter, Wright and some of his helpers occupied the cabins, with their families, while they operated the saw mill.)

- 22 September; Review; Sciola: Lars Larson newly shingled his store building last week.
- 29 September; Review; Sciola: Lars Larson, Jesse Hinshaw, Geo. Ricabaugh, Oscar Grison, Warren Fulton and Herb Sickler were Omaha exposition visitors last week.
- 7 October; Express; Sciola: W. T. Howard has put in a new stock of groceries and will soon have a stock of dry goods at his store in Sciola.
- 3 November; Review; Sciola: Chickens are disappearing very fast in the night time. Mr. Ericson's and S. H. Nutting's hen houses are found minus several dozen.
- 24 November; Review: J. P. Mayhew of Washington Township, has been appointed by Gov. Shaw as delegate to the Farmer's National Congress which meets at Ft. Worth, Texas, December 6.

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- 24 February; Sun; Sciola: A Camp of the Woodmen of the World No. 248 was organized here Saturday evening with 17 members. J. R. Henshaw is the consul commander; Perry Dinges, adviser lieutenant; S. H. Nutting, Clerk; Clyde Sadler, escort; J. W. Ferris, banker; H. A. Buthenhoff, watchman; Jas. Marvic, sentry. The managers are Sumner Wheeler, Ed Houston, and John Erickson.
- 27 April; Review; Tenville: J. W. Mullen entered upon his duties as "Hog Cholera Inspector" last Friday. Douglas, Jackson and Washington Townships will be under



Seated in front, John Mullen, Drum Major, left to right: Jesse Hinshaw, bass drum; Sam Moyer, cornet, Director; John Prather, cornet; Burleigh Mayhew, cornet; Lars Larson, cornet; Ben Moyer; Albert Sandosky, snare drum. Back Row, l to r: Henry Butenhoff, tuba; Joe Marvick; Clay Mayhew; Clint Powers; Jess Sickler; Sumner Wheeler; John Sandosky, Clarinet.

his supervision. Anyone whose herd is affected by swine plague or cholera are requested to notify Dr. J. W. Mullen of Sciola.

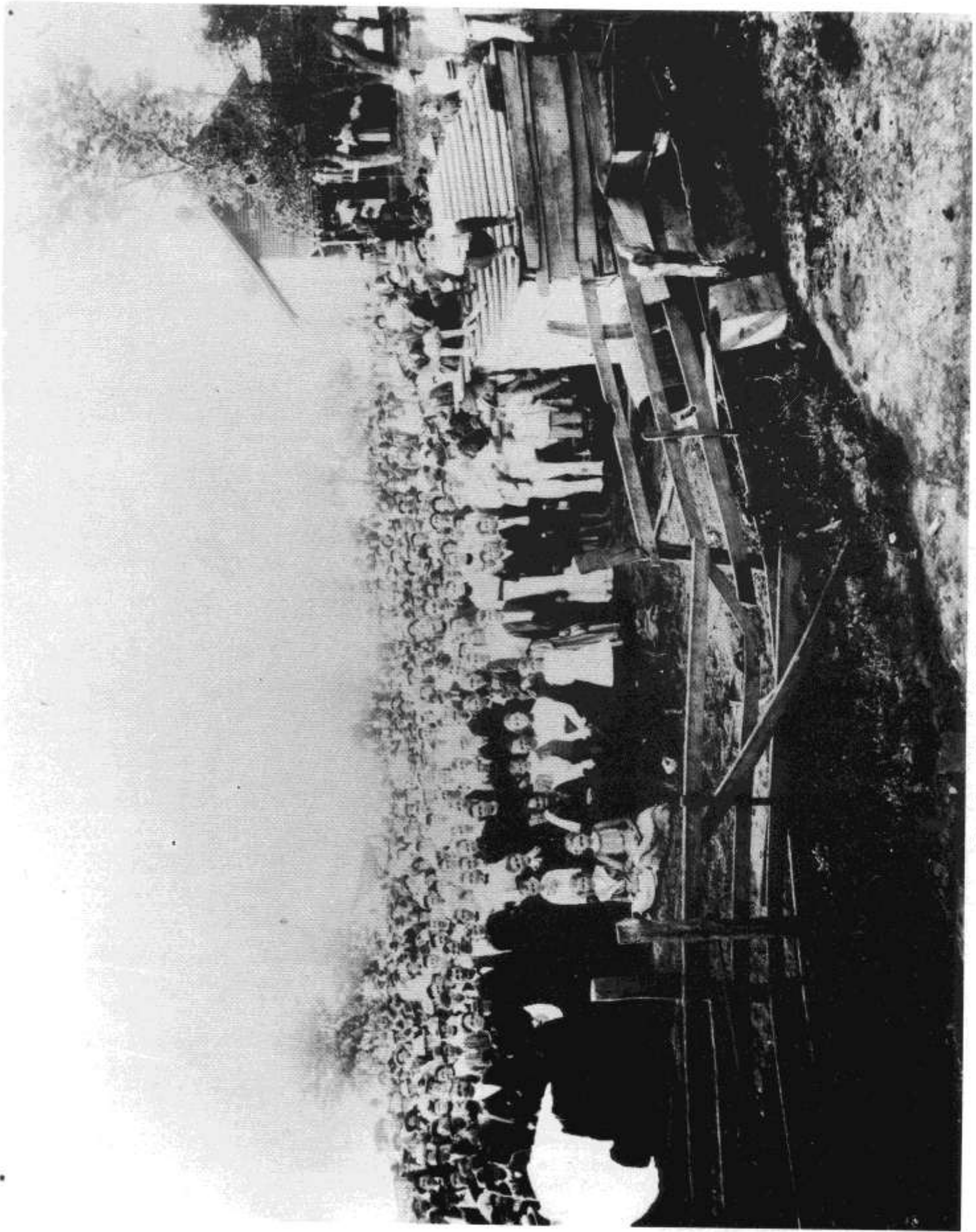
- 18 May; Review; Tenville: We understand the contract for carrying the mail after June 30th from Villisca to Morton's Mills has been let to Daniel Sparger of Morton's Mills for \$265 per annum.
- 20 July; Review; Sciola: There will be a free entertainment given by the Sciola Camp WOW at the Sciola Baptist Church on Tuesday evening, July 25, consisting of music, vocal and instrumental, and recitation, after which ice cream and cake will be served at the usual price. Everybody invited.
- 10 August; Review; Tenville: The Tenville first and second ball teams will play next Saturday afternoon on their new ball ground, one fourth mile west of Sciola, on the Mayhew bottom.
- 24 August; Review; Tenville: The attachment suit held before justice Eskelson with E. H. Roach as plaintiff and W. T. Howard as defendant resulted in a verdict of \$41.85 in favor of plaintiff.

(Note: Even criminal cases were tried before justices, complete with lawyers for the state and the defense. Apparently they were a part of the judicial system and the verdict could be appealed to the district court. But the only records found are from the cases that were appealed.)

- 7 September; Review; Tenville: P. J. Lester and J. P. Mayhew have each bought this week a McCormick Vertical corn binder to harvest their bountiful corn crops.
- 9 November; Review; Tenville: E. H. Roach is building a new blacksmith shop in Sciola.
- It is estimated that 3,000 people awaited the coming of Co. B Monday evening after a year and a half of service the boys are once more civilians.
- 16 November; Review; Tenville: Sciola has a band organized and in about two weeks they will be in tuting order.
- 23 November; Review; Tenville: Ed Bolt has the record in corn husking, 65 bushels in five hours, pretty good, isn't Ed?
- 21 December; Review; Tenville: A number of our young people are expecting to attend the masquerade ball at Moyer's Band hall Friday evening, December 22.
- 1899-1900 Iowa State Gazeteer and Business Directory: Tenville; S. W. Selley, Post master.
Bolt, James; hotel
Cooney, Al; saloon
Eskelson, Peter; justice
Evans, Volney; shoemaker
Harris, L. M; music teacher
Selley, S. W; general store

-1900-

- 1 February; Review; Tenville: J. P. Mayhew is now filling his ice house with the hard water of the winter.
- 8 March; Review; Tenville: They moved. About 38 changes were made in Washington Township last week.
- 15 March; Review; Tenville: All the necessary arrangements are complete with the Elgin Cream Company for the erection of a skimming station on F. J. Barker's farm $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles north of Sciola.
- 15 March; Sun; Sciola: Lars Larson has moved on the John Erickson farm. Henry Larson is attending to the postoffice for the present.
- 22 March; Review; Tenville: Miss Frances Wheeler was crossing a bayou on her return home from Sciola, last Saturday in company with her brother Willie and Orville Whitney. The ice gave way and she was precipitated into the water of unknown



Grandma Wheeler's 100th birthday party.

depth from which she was unable to extricate herself. Willie, sliding a pole to her, was able to keep her head above water while Orville going a distance of 80 rods for help and by the aid of a rope, poles, etc, she was taken from her perilous condition.

- 29 March; Review; Tenville: Assessor Mullen completed his work in Washington Township Monday, being the eighth time he has assessed the Township.
-Two samples of Selley and Bolt's machinery are now on exhibit at the hardware store.
- 5 April; Review; Tenville: L. J. Larson, our Sciola merchant, sold his stock of general merchandise to T. J. Bolt last week. A change of postmasters was necessitated by this move. T. J. took possession Monday of this week.
- 9 April; National Archives: Madge Bolt appointed Sciola Postmistress.
- 12 April; Review; Tenville: Dr. Stevens, who has been practicing physician in Sciola for the past two years, moved to Guss this week.
- 10 May; Review; Tenville: Dr. Freeman McConoughey, having just graduated in the medical course, located at Sciola this week. The little berg seems to still be in the lead.
- 24 May; Review; Tenville: E. M. Bolt is now hauling the milk to the new Elgin Creamery from this vicinity.
- 7 June; Review; Tenville: Orders have been sent in for our Sciola Band Boys' suits.
- 14 June; Review; Tenville: The Glorious Fourth will be celebrated at Arlington Mills in a rousing old fashioned 1776 style. Good music and lots of fun. Everybody cordially invited.
- 5 July; Review; Tenville: Ed Bolt went to Nebraska last Thursday to consummate the sale of his race horse, Layquoise.
- 26 July; Review: Threatening weather cut down the attendance for the celebration of Grandma Wheeler's 100th birthday attendance estimated to be between 800 and 1000....
- 2 August; Review; Tenville: Tenville and Milford crossed bats here last Tuesday afternoon and the Milford boys discovered that they couldn't play ball for the score was 24 to 12 in favor of Tenville.
-Remember the date, August 4, for the band social, also N. P. Mayhew will give a short lecture on the gold fields. It will be in a large tent within the suburbs of Sciola.
- 9 August; Review; Tenville: C. L. Raney and N. P. Mayhew each purchased a new organ last week.
- 20 September; Review; Tenville: The US mail route changed hands last week, Mr. Spargur retiring, leaving Chas. Lafferty in charge.
- 4 October; Review: Adv. - Pay up - All who know themselves indebted to me must call at once and settle their accounts as I am going away by October 15.
E. H. Roach, Sciola, Ia.
- 18 October; Review; Tenville: Mr. Wright has moved his saw-mill here and will be ready to begin work about the first of November.
- 15 November; Review; Tenville: The Telephone party at R. A. Dunn's Tuesday evening was well attended. A bountiful supper was served by Mrs. Dunn as a reminder of the past four years and a rejoicing of the four years to come. Telephone reports, patriotic songs, and social chattings were the amusements of the evening.
- 21 November; Review; Tenville: Sciola has had so much blacksmith work this fall that it can now support two blacksmiths.
- 26 December; Review; Tenville: Attend the "Impersonators Fun", at Sciola Saturday night.

-1901-

- 1 February; Sun; Sciola: W. C. Harrell's blacksmith shop was scorched one morning lately. In building a fire in the shop before daylight, Mr. Harrell did not

- notice that the part of the stovepipe protruding through the roof had fallen. A neighbor noticed the shingles beginning to blaze and prompt action saved the shop.
- 20 February; Review; Tenville: The mail route between Morton's Mills and Villisca changed hands last week, Mr. Lafferty having the misfortune to lose all his horses.
- 20 March; Review; Tenville: Grandma Wheeler, the oldest person in Montgomery County, died of grip and old age 13 March, 1901, at the home of her son, Merritt Wheeler the age of 100 years, 7 months, and 19 days.....
- 27 March; Review; Sciola: Eggs appear to be the main product of the season as they are bringing them into the J. F. Taylor store by the bushels.
- 10 April; Review; Sciola: Do not be alarmed if you see J. W. Mullen riding in a horseless carriage this week.

(Note: He bought a team of mules. Lena Devine says, "I helped break them. We hitched them to a wagon and I held the check rope while Papa drove them around the pasture. Mama stood in the barnyard and wrung her hands.")

- 17 April; Review; Sciola Markets: Butter 15¢; eggs 10¢; corn 40¢; potatoes 75¢.
- 23 April; Review; Sciola: The Township trustees met last week and marked the scrapers for the different road districts.
- 23 May; National Archives: John F. Taylor appointed Sciola Postmaster.
- 19 June; Review; Tenville: The "Sun Bonnet Brigade" so commonly seen in the streets of Tenville indicates the enormous Gooseberry crop is being gathered with vengeance.
- 28 August; Review; Sciola: A company of young men and boys including Clay Mayhew, Tim Erickson, Phil Mayhew and the John Damuth boys are taking an outing in the vicinity of Spirit Lake. They have taken camping outfits and will fish.
- 11 September; Review; Sciola: Work is in progress on the Sciola Baptist Church.
- 18 September; Review: PRESIDENT MCKINLEY IS DEAD

(Note: Apparently Dr. McConoughey was a staunch Democrat, living in a Republican stronghold. While the community waited for news of the stricken President, the Doctor made a disparaging remark on the subject, and war was declared. It was waged through volleys of irate letters fired off to the Editor of the Review.)

- 20 September; Express; Sciola: There are rumors of a new store in our city.
- 2 October; Review; Sciola: Thomas Thompson, one of our most enterprising farmers, has been making exhibits of grain and vegetables at the County Fair at Red Oak and Corning. We predict for him some good premiums.
- 9 October; Review; Tenville: John Mullen and agent Hull went over our rural mail route last week taking orders for boxes to the extent of 69 on the line.
- 29 November; Sun; Sciola: Dr. McConoughey has discontinued his practice here. Although he has been practicing here but a short time he has many patrons and friends who regret his leaving.
- 20 December; Express; Sciola: On account of the weather, the attendance at the re-dedication of the Baptist Church last Sunday was not so large as expected. Nevertheless about \$200 was subscribed, which nearly cancelled the debt.

-1902-

- 8 January; Review; Tenville: A number of our young people attended the festival at Sciola New Year's Eve.
- 12 February; Review; Tenville: N. H. Ervin is the carrier on RFD No. 2.

18 June; Review: The special election held in Washington Township for the purpose of voting on the proposition to levy a tax..... for the Electric railroad, resulted in a vote of 121 to 65 in favor

(Note: A great deal of heat was generated over this issue. Opposing factions wrote letters to the Editor of the Review, in which they said some very uncomplimentary things about their neighbors.)

- 2 June; Review; Tenville: P. S. Focht now has his scales completed and ready for weighing stock.
- 9 July; Review; Tenville: It is reported that about four inches of rain fell on Tuesday evening of last week. It is rumored that Edd Bolt was found fishing from his kitchen door on Wednesday at the Riverside farm.
- 10 October; Sun; Sciola: Ed Roach has sold his blacksmith shop and two acres of land to Martin Hinshaw and will go to Arkansas in hope of improvement in health from change of climate. Mr. Hinshaw has sold the shop to Wm. Herald of Villisca.
- 24 October; Express; Sciola: Harrell and Raines took possession of the blacksmith shop Monday.
- 5 November; Review: In Washington Township they made things warm when it came to voting the township ticket, and three democrats were elected as follows: Tim Erickson, assessor, by 20 majority; Ed Johnson, constable, by 3 majority; George Erickson, trustee, by 12 majority. M. P. Mayhew was elected justice of the peace by just one majority over H. B. Gallup, and the other Republican candidates had a very close call.
- 3 December; Review; Tenville: The Tenville Orchestra met at P. S. Focht's last Saturday evening. About 90 visitors were present and an enjoyable evening was spent. P. S. now has ample room to entertain such a crowd.

-1903-

- 7 January; Review; Tenville: Agents for cream separators are making a hot canvass of this vicinity. Purchase the DeLavel and you will make no mistake.
- 20 February; Sun; Sciola: Arthur Hopkins has bought a half interest in the blacksmith shop.
- 25 February; Review: Thomas Thompson of Washington Township was named to a committee to confer in regard to the Iowa exhibit of corn at the Louisiana Purchase exhibition in St. Louis in 1904.
- 1 April; Review; Tenville: J. P. Mayhew recently had an acetylene gas plant installed in his residence.
- 15 April; Review; Tenville: The actual value of all property in Washington Township, by Assessor Erickson, is \$1,040,859.
- 29 May; Review; Tenville: Sum Wheeler of Sciola was fortunate enough to find seven young wolves last Wednesday evening.
- 24 April; Sun; Sciola: Rev. Smith, a Free Methodist minister from Carbon preaches in the school house at Sciola every other week.
- 28 August; Review; Tenville: All the records since the famous flood in the days of Noah were broken and washed away Wednesday night when 6.65 inches of rain fell.
- 27 November; Express; Sciola: J. F. Taylor has purchased the D. S. Wheeler stock of goods and will take possession in the near future, moving his own stock into the Wheeler building.

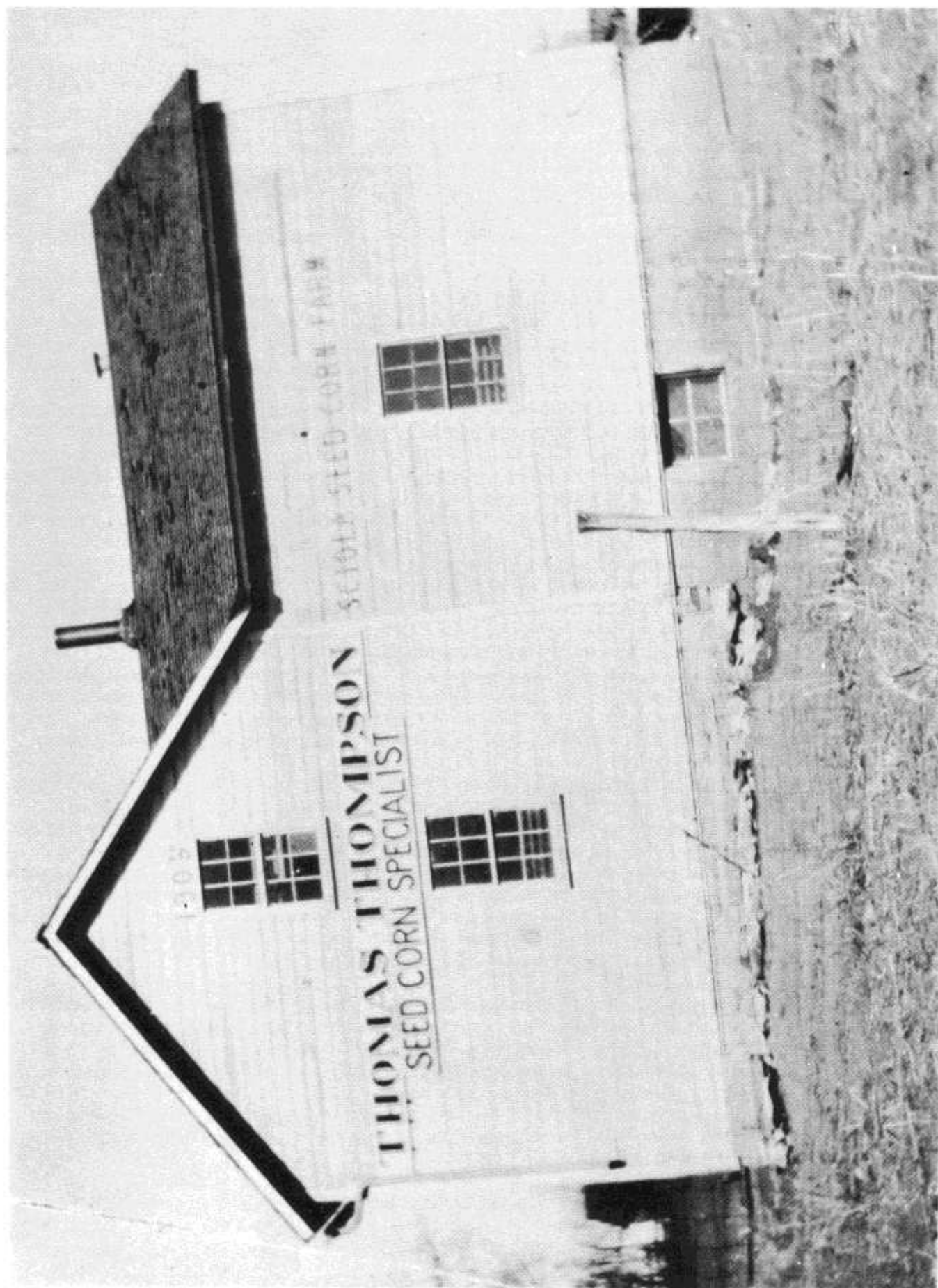
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- 1 January; Review; Sciola: Come to the New Year's dinner and supper at the Sciola Baptist Church and start the New Year right.

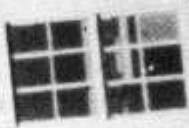
- 22 January; Review: Sciola is conspicuously located on the map since Thomas Thompson, proprietor of the Sciola seed corn farm, went to the dry corn show at Ames, and won first prize in the class open to the world. He also won the grand sweepstakes and took second prize on 10 ears of yellow corn. Mr. Thompson's corn will be exhibited at the World's Fair in St. Louis and he has just reason to feel mighty proud of his success in the seed corn business.
- 18 March; Review; Sciola: For a first class shave and haircut, call on Mr. Frey, located on the south side of the square, Sciola, Iowa.
- 25 March; Review; Tenville: At the school director's meeting last Monday the majority were in favor of paying the teachers more wages. An increase of three dollars a month was allowed.
- 29 April; Review; Tenville: During the recent wet weather Mr. Sprague, one of our mechanics, conceived the idea that a boat would be a good thing, so he built one that would be creditable to any cruising or steam ship company. It is propelled by a single screw water wheel capable of making 5 or 6 knots an hour and has a displacement of 1000 pounds. Mr. Sprague will christen and launch it as soon as the river rises enough to remove it from dry dock.
- 6 May; Review; Tenville: The Sciola Blacksmith shop changed hands last week, Mr. Harrell retiring, and Mr. Swim taking possession, and now if you wish to be in the "Swim" take your work to Sciola.
- 13 May; Review: Obit of Greenbury B. Goble: age 80 came over 50 years ago assisted in building the Sciola Church.....
- 8 July; Review; Tenville: The most exciting ball game of the season was played Saturday between the married and the single players, all of this place. The game was hotly contested from start to finish, result being seven to six in favor of the married men.
- 29 July; Express; Sciola: The Sciola Wallopers got walloped at the ball game in Villisca Tuesday morning. It cost the "Red Sox" pretty heavy, however, as they hired a pitcher, catcher and first baseman from Burlington.
- 15 September; Review; Sciola: The Sciola Wallopers are still ascending the ladder step by step with one game lost out of the 11 games played. The Sciola second nine (called Colts on account of age) lost to Frankfort 14 to 0.
- 29 September; Review; Tenville: Miss Lena Mullen started last Thursday for the great St. Louis fair. She was accompanied by Mrs. O. A. Milner of Red Oak. -To honor those whose birthday occurred on Saturday, September 24th, their friends held a picnic in Mr. Whitney's hickory grove. There were nine present whose existence dates back to September 24 of some year. After a sumptuous dinner was served, to all who wished to gather them, hickory nuts were free.

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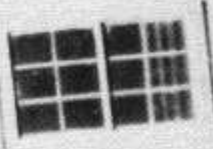
- 17 February; Sun; Tenville: Old settlers say the snow is deeper in this part of the country now than since the winter of 1868-69.
- 26 May; Sun; Sciola: Postmaster Taylor has sent in his resignation and Sciola Post Office well be discontinued, RFD mail routes having taken most of its business. Sciola post office was established in 1852 and is the oldest post office in the county. Chauncy Sagers, now of Portland, Oregon, was the first postmaster.
- 1 September; Express; Sciola: Thomas Thompson is building a house in which to store his seed corn.
- 14 September; Review; Tenville: Sam Swim sold his interest in the blacksmith shop at Sciola to S. F. Moyer last week and has retired for the present. Mr. Harrell is wielding the hammer and tongs there now.
- 26 October; Review: J. F. Taylor, the Sciola merchant, has sold his stock of merchandise to Edd Duff of Grant. Mr. Duff will take possession next Monday, October 30th. Mr. Taylor will move into the vacant house of J. R. Hinshaw.



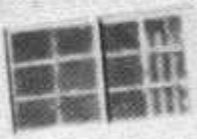
1905



THOMAS THOMPSON
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SCIENTIFIC CORN FARM



28 December; Review; Tenville: The Christmas exercises held at Sciola were well attended and the program was well rendered.

-1906-

18 January; Review; Tenville: The Sciola concert band will hold a box supper at Center schoolhouse Friday evening, January 26.

25 January; Review; Tenville: B. R. Mayhew received a new camera from Chicago on Wednesday of last week. He is now Tenville's leading photographer.

10 May; Review; Tenville: Owing to W. C. Harrell accepting a position with the Coleman Flow show the Sciola shop was closed last week, but now the new blacksmith is on hand and at work.

12 July; Review: The Fourth At Sciola - The dawn of the glorious Fourth was all that the term implies. The firing salute at sunrise came far too late to find many of the citizens in and around Sciola enjoying the usual sweetness of morning slumber. It was not uncommon to hear the report of a cannon fire-cracker in almost any direction long before that time which was evident that the people in general were brimful of patriotic enthusiasm.

It would be utterly impossible to say at what hour the crowd began to gather, but by 9:30 o'clock in the morning the hitching places for teams on about 20 acres of land were nearly all occupied. The inconvenience of finding places to hitch was the first cause for the delay of the program. The ball game billed to come off at 9:30 did not take place but at 10:30 the band concert was given much to the satisfaction of the crowd. Invocation by Rev. Duling was postponed until after dinner. Hon. F. F. Jones' address of welcome was one of a kind that welcomes, and his remarks of about 30 minutes duration were presented in a way that took well with the crowd as his remarks usually do. The singing under the direction of C. E. Matteson was all up-to-date and Miss Mabel Helms' declamation "Old Glory", was in no wise a disappointment to her listeners. The playing of the band then announced the spread for dinner and just at that time the great drawback to the day, "Rain", began to appear. The way those tables looked when ready was a wonder sight. It looked like an impossibility to even carry the provisions off the ground in a day to say nothing of about eating them. But the people stayed with it, which is ample proof that a basket dinner eclipses all others as an appetizer.

The afternoon program was hindered by rain, but in spite of it Judge Deemer made an eloquent address of about one hour's duration during which time he said many things of interest. More people should have heard him. While the judge was speaking a game of ball was being played between the Villisca high school team and Villisca's "Best" which divided the crowd. Many had already gone home It is estimated that between 1500 and 2000 people were present.

18 October; Review; Tenville: The cave and cistern craze has struck this vicinity this fall. C. C. Mayhew has built a cistern, J. B. Kimel, two cisterns, J. W. Mullen, a cave, Will Taylor a cave. J. P. Mayhew is now putting in a brick ice house.

8 November; Review; Tenville: The emigrant team that is causing no little excitement, known as the Meeker ox team, passed through on the old state road via Sciola last Wednesday. Ezra Meeker, the driver, was greeted on all sides by anxious ones, especially the younger generation, who had never seen a team of oxen in yoke hitched to a wagon. His cattle were a pair of fine red steers of 1400 pounds. The wagon was of the old Indiana linchpin style with the tar bucket hanging from the axle. He came from Puyallup, Oregon, with Indianapolis, Indiana, his destination.

29 November; Review: Adv; Tenville- Home for the hungry is our tent at public sales. Will Rose, the hungry man's friend

- 4 April; Review; Tenville: The township has been divided into four districts for road maintenance.
- 2 May; Review; Tenville: Ed Chaney of Carbon moved to Sciola last week to assist his brother in the blacksmith business.
-The Sciola blacksmith has purchased a gasoline engine with which to run his emery wheel and trip hammer.
- 24 May; Sun; Sciola: A company was organized at N. P. Mayhew's one evening lately for purchase of an imported stallion. The members of the company are T. J. Bolt, Ed. Johnson, N. P. Mayhew, Harry Mayhew, Henry Murphy, A. H. Straight, E. W. Scott and James Whitney. Mr. Whitney is President of the company, Mr. Bolt, Secretary, and N. P. Mayhew, manager. The Washington Township Draft Horse Association is the name of the organization. A 3 year old Percheron Stallion was purchased for \$2400.
- 4 July; Rcview; Tenville: At the annual school meeting Monday a petition was requesting the board to call an election to decide whether or not Washington Township should adopt centralization of schools. The result was that each district responded with a remonstrance with a total of 166 names. There are 265 persons of school age in the township and a building to accomodate that number would cost in the neighborhood of \$15,000..... It was decided to raise the teachers to \$35 per month for spring and fall terms, and \$40 per month for winter term.
- 11 July; Review; Tenville: An automobile passed through Tenville Tuesday evening of last week traveling at the rate of 45 miles per hour. It passed P. S. Focht's on its route to Villisca as he was milking one of his cows and P. S. says it went through there and back before he had time to finish milking that cow. Well, that's going some.
- 8 August; Review; Married 50 Years; Mr & Mrs. W. T. Atwood - The 50th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Atwood, held on the home farm near Mortons Mills last Friday, where 50 years previously the wedding took place, was an event long to be remembered by those present, and especially by the grizzle-haired couple honored on this occasion. The Sciola band was present at least 300 persons on the grounds. Previous to this day the grounds had been made ready, a large tent erected and seats provided for the comfort of the guests.....
- 19 September; Review; Tenville: The Wallopers have come to life and defeated the Hacklebarney team on Hackelbarney grounds one day last week.
-The Sciola blacksmith has moved to Carbon.
- 17 October; Review; Tenville: Frank T. Collins and his famous bird circus and specialty show will appear in Tenville tonight, door open at half past seven; performance at half past eight. Admission 10 and 20¢; children under six years admitted free.
- 28 November; Review:

22 November, 1907

Mr. J. L. Gourley,

Dear Sir: We are proposing an extension of our present line from Atlantic south to Villisca and we would like to know what support we could expect from you and neighboring landholders.....

Yours Truly,

Atlantic Northern & Southern RR Co.

- 12 December; Review; Tenville: Those from this vicinity who won premiums at the Villisca corn and horse show last week were: H. H. Farlin, Sylvan Focht, B. R. Mayhew, T. J. Bolt and L. F. Query.

- 9 January; Review; Tenville: Get in line and attend the shooting matches which have become quite a fad the past three weeks.
- 12 March; Review: Sumner Wheeler has purchased the E. L. Duff stock of goods and last week invoicing took place and Sumner is again the Sciola merchant.
- 16 April; Review; Tenville: There's no use talking, Sciola is sure to forge to the front and occupy an enviable place on the map of Iowa. Her latest accomplishment is the securing of a new barber- H. H. Archer, who learned the trade in Omaha.
- 23 April; Review; Tenville: J. L. Smith, administrator of the Martin Hinshaw estate, sold the blacksmith shop and lot at Sciola to Sumner Wheeler yesterday. Consideration \$200.
- 21 May; Review; Tenville: Sciola has a blacksmith. Mr. and Mrs. William Howard of Nodaway moved into Sum Wheeler's vacant house Tuesday and are ready for any kind of work in his line.
- 27 August; Review; Tenville: Omer Garrison is the mail carrier on Route 2.
-Wm. Howard moved to Nodaway.
-Messrs. Rattenborg of Atlantic and Elmer Smith of Grant are working this township in the interest of the AN & S.
- 10 September; Review; Tenville: Sciola is again the possessor of a blacksmith, Beckwith from Hepburn having moved there this week, and is ready to do all kinds of work.
- 24 September; Review; Tenville: September 12, a Corn Club was organized with the following officers: T. T. Thompson, President; B. Sickler, Vice-President; Tim Erickson, Secretary.
- 1 October; Review; Tenville: A representative of the Clarinda Poultry, Butter and Egg Company will give a lecture on "Improved Methods of Dairying and Up-to-Date Agriculture" illustrated by two hundred stereopticon views, next Tuesday evening, October 6, at the Center schoolhouse.

- 19 February; Sun; Tenville: The house which was built the winter of 1865-1866 on the old John M. Bolt homestead was blown down in the recent blizzard. This was one of the oldest landmarks in this part of the country.
- 25 February; Review: Burleigh Mayhew has bought the store at Sciola of Sum Wheeler, with possession to be given about March first. The consideration was \$1,000.
- 4 March; Review; Sciola: An Agricultural Club was organized at No. 5 last Saturday afternoon.
- 25 March; Review: One of the largest votes ever polled in Washington Township was counted Monday evening of this week when it was made known that the 5 per cent railroad tax carried by a vote of 107 for and 78 against the proposition.
- 29 April; Review; Tenville: Sunday School was organized at the Sciola Baptist Church Sunday afternoon with the following officers: Superintendent, J. A. Whitney; Assistant Superintendent, Mrs. Jim Bolt; Secretary, Miss Mabel Helms; Organist, Mrs. Madge Bolt; Assistant Organist, Miss Edith Sickler. Sunday School will be at 10:30 o'clock promptly.
- 22 July, Review; Tenville: Earl Murphy, Max, Myron and Harry Mayhew, Tim Erickson and Kay Wheeler were in attendance at the mustering in of the new military company in Villisca Monday evening and joined the Company.
- 1 September; Review; Tenville: M. C. Damuth and wife will have charge of B. R. Mayhew's store at Sciola while B. R. and wife take a swing around the circle to points in the north and west.

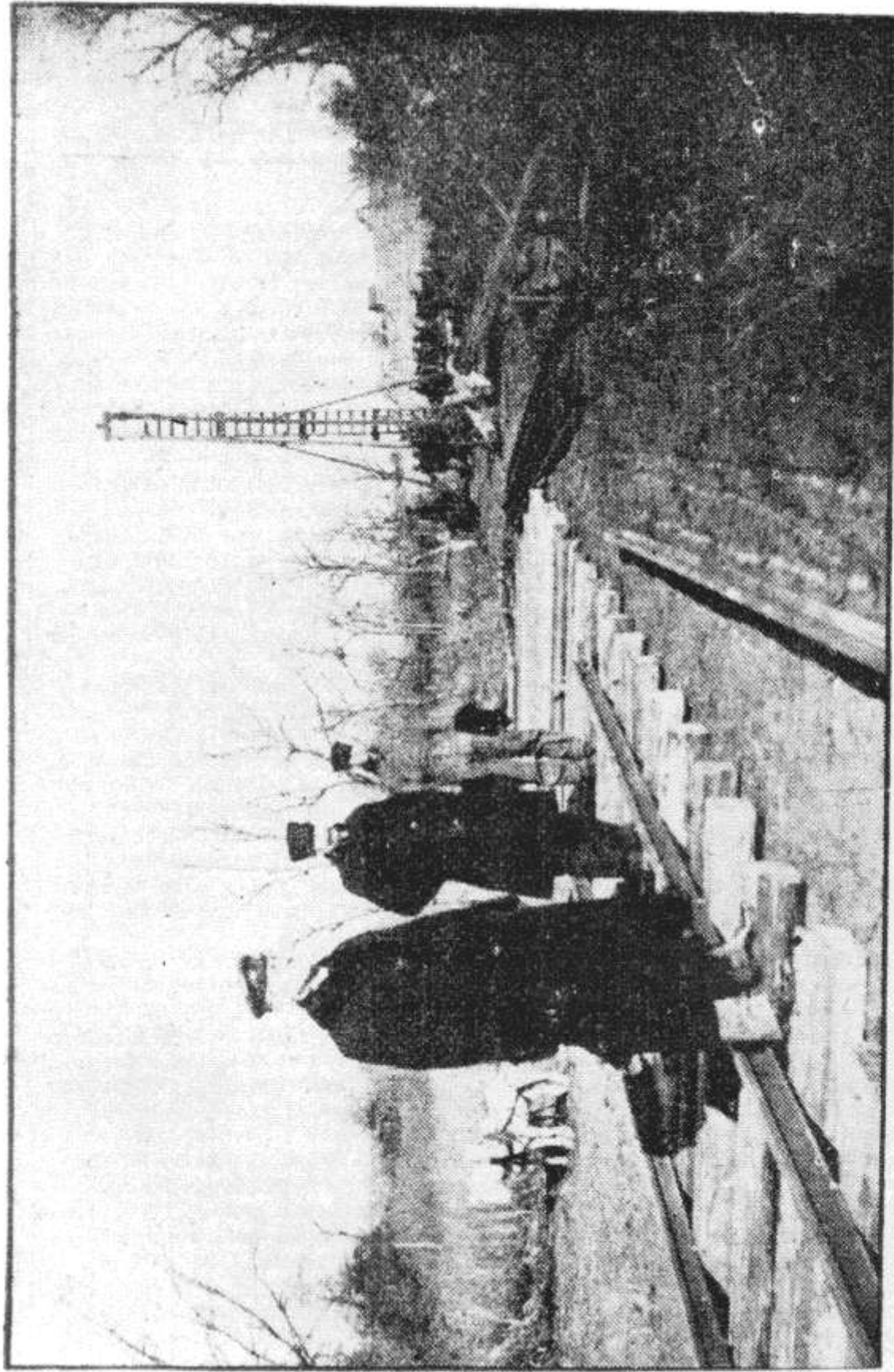
5 November; Sun; Sciola: C. A. Danielson drew a homestead claim in the recent government land drawing opening Indian reservation lands in South Dakota to settlement.

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- 28 January; Sun; Sciola: Miss Mabel Thompson won three premiums on corn in the junior department of the corn show recently held in connection with the short course in grain and stock judging at Ames.....
- 24 February; Review; Tenville: Saturday night a meat club was organized at Sciola, with Mr. Henry Murphy as president and B. R. Mayhew secretary and treasurer.
- 7 April; Review; Tenville: The Washington Township board held its meeting on Monday and transacted the usual business They also decided to drag all mail routes and all main traveled roads, not to exceed 50 miles, with a compensation of 15¢ per mile, not to exceed \$3 per mile for the season. All parties wishing to drag must first see the township clerk and contract for work.
- 8 April; Express; Sciola: Last Monday, J. A. Whitney purchased a 7/8 interest in the imported Percheron stallion, Rivoli, and in the Sciola Horse Company's book accounts for the season of 1909, and will have entire charge of the horse this season.
- 21 April; Review; Tenville: One of the most remarkable automobile stunts of this vicinity was pulled off Wednesday of last week, when Mr. Shields of Red Oak came spinning into the burg in his wonderful hill climber, the Mason. In order to make herself good she was at once taken to the big hill one mile south of Sciola and ascended the hill with ease, carrying five men, then descending and backing up the steep part. This being the first loaded auto that has climbed this hill by its own power. The hill is still there so come on with your autos and add another merit to your car (if you climb it).
- 1 July; Express; Sciola: Wallace's moving picture show gave a demonstration here last week.
- 21 July; Review; Tenville: Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Mayhew and P. S. Focht, J. W. Damuth, Syl Focht, Fred Moates and Merritt Wheeler of north of town were up to the AN & S railroad camp 12 miles north of Grant Sunday and report big doings. They went in Mr. Mayhew's and Mr. Focht's cars.
- 11 August; Review; Tenville: The fence is being put around the Sciola Church yard and cemetery, which makes a most wonderful improvement to that corner.
- 23 September; Express; Sciola: Thomas Thompson raised the roof of his corn house.
- 20 October, Review: The grading for the railroad began this morning under the direction of Guy Bowers at Sciola.
- 17 November; Review; Tenville: An elevator site was staked out at Sciola Tuesday by Turner Bros. and work will begin on the building at once. It covers a ground space of 30 x 120 feet, including office, scales, etc.
- 1 December; Review: Sciola On The Boom - The AN & S railroad is already having its effect on the city of Sciola, to the north of Villisca, and that metropolis is rapidly pushing to the front. It has adopted a motto: "Watch Sciola Grow", and the citizens there are talking of forming a booster club, and they may later pave the streets.

The first move was made by the Stoddard Lumber Company of Villisca, which has purchased of J. A. Whitney a tract of ground just across from the Sciola store and will erect an office and lumber sheds there, where a stock of building lumber and material will be kept when shipments can be made by rail from Villisca. Just across the road on B. R. Mayhew's ground a sign reads that the Green Bay Lumber Company will have a branch office there just as soon as the new railroad is completed, but the location of the yards has not been decided upon.

On the west side of the right of way, just west of the Sciola store, Turner Bros. of Red Oak are going to erect a good sized elevator, and lumber hauled from



The Bridge at Sciola

In course of construction. It was the bridge work that kept the south construction crew from making better time than the track laying machine used on the north end.

Villisca Monday is now on the ground. It is expected that the cement work will be started about Friday.

22 December; Review; Tenville: Guess Sciola is going to boom! With the elevator and lumber yard sites already located, there have been business visitors here for sites for a restaurant, a general store, a blacksmith shop, a barber shop, a livery stable, a mason and a veterinary.

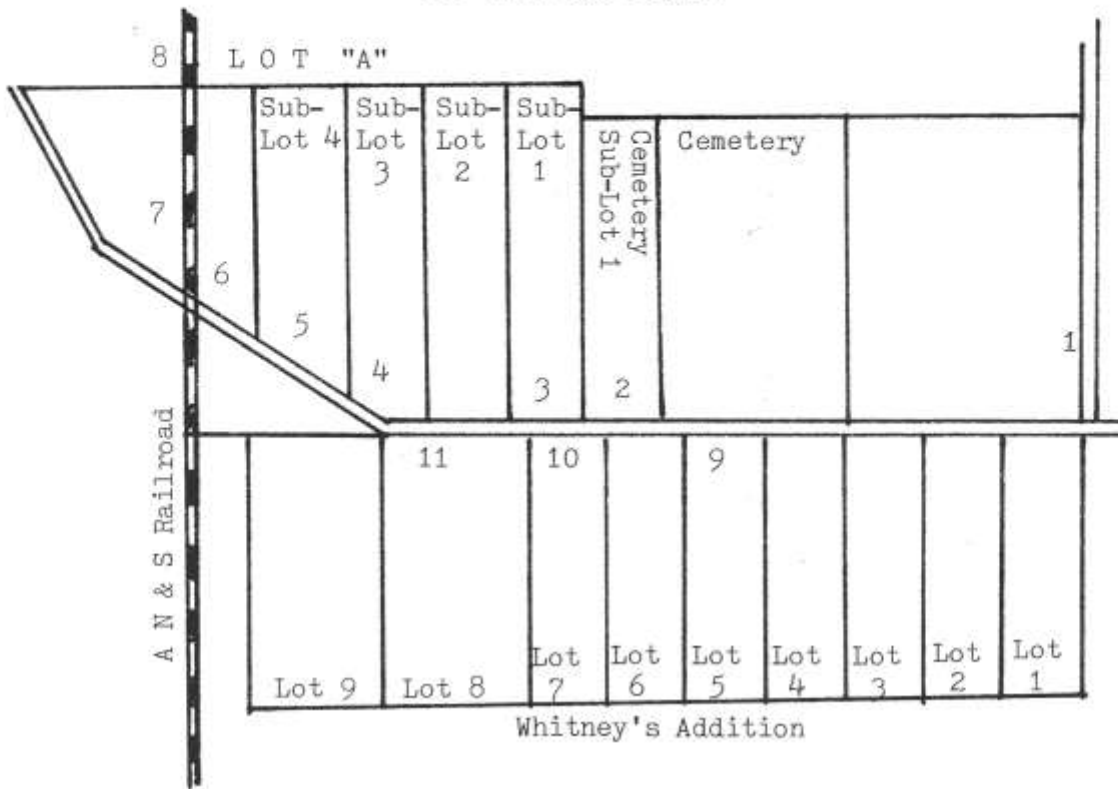
-1911-

- 5 January; Review: Fire At Sciola - On Wednesday morning of last week as Ed Selley and his brother were driving into Sciola they discovered that the store belonging to B. R. Mayhew to be on fire. They gave the alarm and by timely and persistent aid of their neighbors the fire was soon under control. It is supposed that the fire started from the kitchen flue and caught between the roof and ceiling of the kitchen and dining room and a part of the shingles were torn from the main room to get at the fire. The things were all carried out of the living rooms and a part of them from the store. The loss will probably not exceed \$50.
- 6 January; Sun; Sciola: There is lots in interest here over the new railroad. On the day that the first regular train ran through here there was a big crowd in B. R. Mayhew's yard waiting to see it pass through.
- 2 February; Review: Tim Erickson recently donated a half acre of land at Sciola to the AN & S for a stock yard at that place.
- 2 March; Review; Tenville: Monday the stock yards at Sciola were erected and Tuesday several loads of stock were shipped. Turner Bros. are ready to receive your grain and hay. Call Sciola store for information.
- 30 March; Review; Tenville: The scales belonging to T. M. Scott arrived in Sciola on Tuesday of this week, so there will soon be something doing in the livestock line.
- 20 April; Review; Tenville: The gasoline engine and other machinery were installed in the Sciola elevator the last of the week and Monday everything was started.
- 25 May; Review; Tenville: The well at the stockyards was completed Monday. Scott and Spargur shipped two car loads of hogs.
- 3 August; Review; Tenville: A new switch has been finished at the Sciola yards.
- 10 August; Review; Tenville: A new time table for the AN & S went into effect Monday morning. No. 2 arrives at Sciola at 8:45 am; No. 3 arrives at 10:15 am; No. 4 arrives at 3:00 pm; No. 5 arrives at 4:30 pm. Even numbers indicate the south bound trains and the odd number the north bound trains.
- 19 October; Review; Sciola: Markets Wednesday - Good corn, 60¢; oats 40¢; wheat 70¢; eggs 15¢; cream 24¢; Ben Davis apples, 70¢ the hundred; Jonathans, \$1.10.
- 21 December; Review; Sciola: H. H. Archer is digging a pit for an ice house on the lot he purchased a few weeks ago from B. R. Mayhew. He contemplates putting in a restaurant soon.
- Lots have been surveyed in Sciola and are for sale at reasonable prices.

-1912-

- 21 March; Review; Sciola: Mr. J. A. Whitney is tearing down one of the old land marks of Sciola, the Chandler house. The Stoddard Lumber Co. have the site for a yard and will soon put in their lumber.
- 4 April; Review; Sciola: The Stoddard Lumber Co. unloaded a car of lumber here Saturday for their shed. Work will begin this week.
- Mr. James Whitney began laying the foundation for an implement building Tuesday.
- 11 April; Review; Sciola: The Sciola blacksmith shop was completed last Thursday.
- 18 April; Review: Sciola Has Lumber Yard - Within the last two weeks there has been established at Sciola a full fledged lumber yard and lumber and building

The Railroad Years



North side of the road: A resurvey, filed 11 Jan, 1912, designates the old Lot 2 as Lot "A", and subdivides it into smaller parcels. The cemetery Lot 2 is divided and the west portion sold, 1912, to Burleigh Mayhew as Sub-Lot 1 of the Cemetery Lot.

1. Church
2. 1912; B. R. Mayhew built new store; 1913, George Devine.
3. 1912; B. R. Mayhew built house late in year.
4. 1912; Sum Wheeler house moved here from west of the river. Various families lived in it. It is now behind Miles Roberts' house.
5. 1912; Blacksmith shop built by Booster Club.
6. Depot for AN & S.
7. 1911; Turner Brothers Elevator, office and scales.
8. 1911; stock yards.

South side of the road; Whitney's Addition:

9. Archer Barber shop; after Archers left different families lived there.
10. 1912; Whitney Implement store; later sold to B. R. Mayhew, then to George Devine. Later used as poultry shed for Sciola store.
11. 1912; Stoddard's Square Deal Lumber Company. It occupied the east part of Lot 9, also.

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"THE NODAWAY VALLEY ROUTE"
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OFFICE OF THE
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PASSENGER AND TICKET RATE FROM SCIOLA TO POINTS BELOW

SCIOLA TO MORTON MILLS ^b	10 CTS
SCIOLA TO VILLISCA ^a	23 CTS
SCIOLA TO GRANT ⁵	23 CTS
SCIOLA TO LYMAN ⁴	40 CTS
SCIOLA TO GALION ³	49 CTS IS 49 CTS
SCIOLA TO MARKER ²	64 CTS
SCIOLA TO FOUR MILE	75 CTS
SCIOLA TO ATLANTIC	87 CTS IS 87 CTS

J. A. Whitney

material are now being unloaded and piled within the roomy sheds. The buildings to date consist of a two story office building, a sash and door shed, a building for lime and cement, a long enclosed shed for finish lumber and a large open shed for frame stuff. Last Friday evening, before any stock had been placed in the buildings, the farmers of the vicinity conceived the idea of having an ice cream supper. Over 100 people were present and spent an enjoyable evening.

-J. A. Whitney received a carload of P & O farm implements; also wagons and buggies here last week which are on display at his implement house.

9 May; Review: B. R. Mayhew is making some extensive improvements on his store at Sciola, and when he has finished, he will have a dandy fine place of business. The old building has been moved back and faced to the east and this he will use for living apartments. An addition will be built on the south, and the store business will be conducted in the new structure. Sciola is on the boom and Mr. Mayhew does not propose to be behind in the procession.

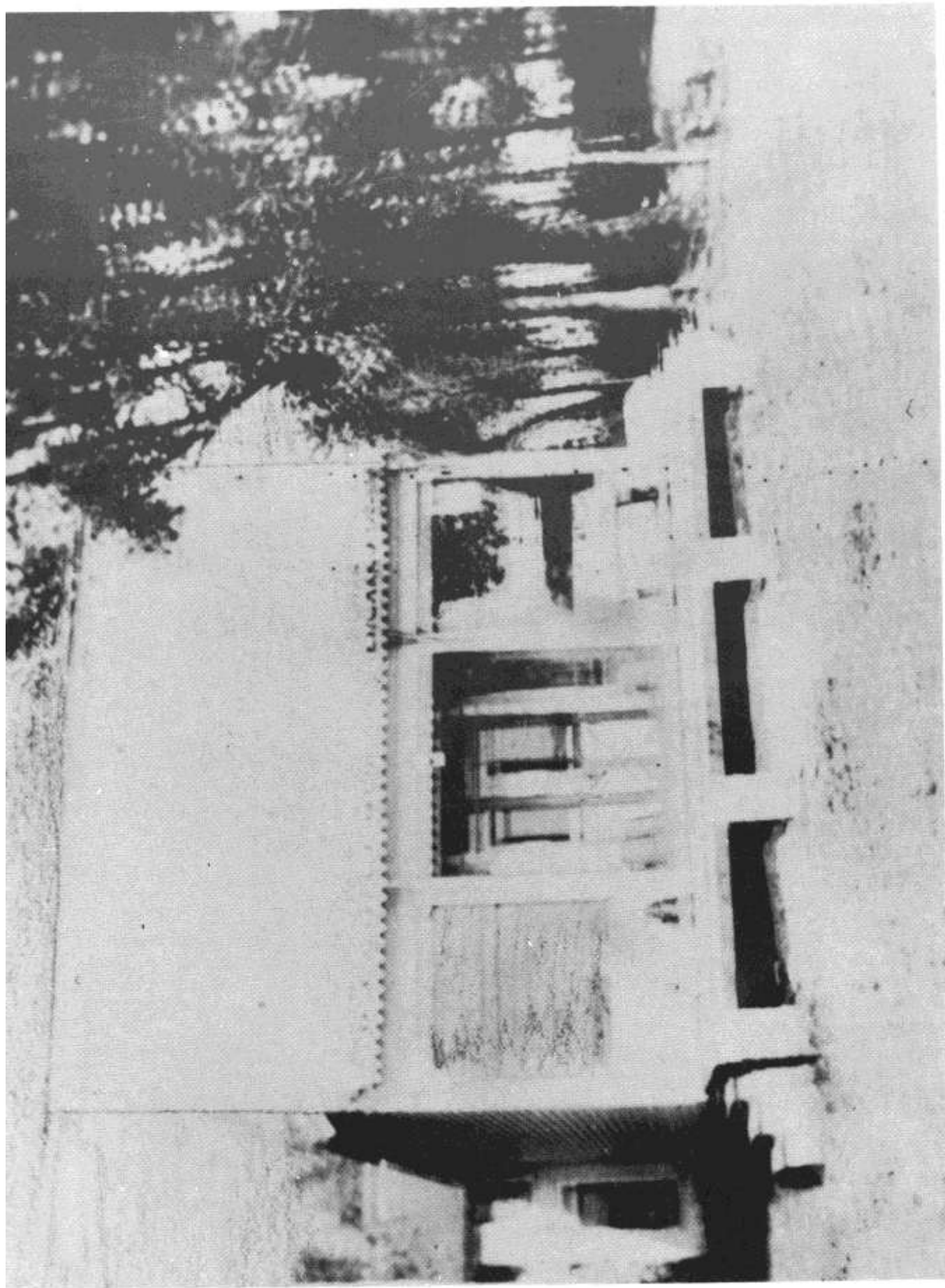
16 May; Review; Sciola: Sum Wheeler is having his house, west of the river, moved to Sciola. Jim Umphrey of Villisca is doing the work.

23 May; Grant Chief; Sciola: B. R. Mayhew made a deal Wednesday with J. A. Whitney whereby he became the owner of the latter's implement store.

30 May; Review; Sciola: Jim Meyers is papering and painting the Sciola Church this week.

6 June; Chief; Sciola: James Evans of Glenwood is now the Sciola Blacksmith.

6 June; Review; Sciola: The Sciola Boosters installed a two horse Galloway gasoline



Sorry, but this is the only picture of the "new"
Sciola store found.

engine in the blacksmith shop here and the blacksmith is ready for work of any kind in his line.

- 7 June; Sun; Sciola: C. F. Moates and Tim Erickson have bought a new lot of tools for the blacksmith shop here.
- 27 June; Review; Sciola: B. R. Mayhews moved into their new store room the last of last week.
- The Young People's meeting was well attended here Sunday evening. A temperance program was given with special music. The president, Miss Eva Sickler, conducted the services.....
- 22 August; Review; Sciola: Twenty cars of Red Oak boosters stopped at Sciola Tuesday PM and serenaded the city with a band concert. They were entertained at the Sciola store by Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Mayhew, and after a jolly time left for the south. They were out in the interests of the Red Oak Chautauqua.
- Sergeant Tim Erickson and the rest of the boys of Co. F returned from the encampment at Iowa Falls yesterday.
- 12 September; Review; Sciola: The platform for the new depot arrived last week.
- 26 September; Review; Sciola: The Diamond Concert Co. are giving entertainments all this week here. Everybody is invited.
- 3 October; Review; Sciola: Mr. Fred Pratt moved some of his goods here from Red Oak the first of the week. He will occupy J. A. Whitney's house as soon as they move to town and will be ready for all kinds of blacksmithing in a few days.
- 24 October; Chief; Sciola: Virgil Smith won third money in the motor cycle race at Corning last week, winning a prize of \$4. Harry Smith was at the Corning horse races with his fast little race horse. He captured a prize.
- 31 October; Review; Sciola: B. R. Mayhew is erecting a five room bungalow on a lot west of the store. George Devine will take possession of the general merchandise and implements about the first of the year.
- 7 November; Review; Sciola: L. B. Williams and Sons held their second Poland china hog sale here last Friday PM. A large crowd was present and they were there for business, too. Nearly half the hogs were shipped away from here. The top price was \$100 and the hog went to Massena.
- 21 November; Review; Sciola: A large gray eagle was seen soaring around the J. L. Gourley farm recently and several attempts had been made to capture him, but Clyde Gourley was the lucky man Friday. The eagle measured seven feet from tip to tip of wing.

-1913-

- 2 January; Review; Sciola: B. R. Mayhews are moving to their bungalow and Geo. A. Devine to the store this week. Invoicing took place New Year's Day.
- 2 January; Chief; Sciola: Quite a crowd was out last Friday to attend the meeting presided over by Rex Davidson and Miss Clara Cowgill. Hereafter they will meet once a month. The association will be called the Washington Township Progressive Club.
- 9 January; Review: The Washington Township Agricultural Club will give its first program next Friday evening at No. 5 schoolhouse. Everyone is invited to attend and help make these meetings interesting.

Program

Instrumental music

Township Road Work; Mr. B. Sickler; H. H. Benware and H. A. Powers

Recitation; Glen Danielson

Vocal Solo; Anna Creswell

Care of Milk on the Farm; H. P. Mayhew, Jim Kendrick

Select Reading; Frank Bates, Jr.

Music, vocal solo



Moving the Wheeler house across the Nodaway River. On top the house, Kay and Billy. Others in picture: Carl Anderson. Boge Humphrey and Perry Yarrington, movers. Harry Smith and son. Grandpa Wheeler and Jim Whitney by house. Sum Wheeler, by log, with axe. Lucille Wheeler (right) and Lola Murphy.

Silos; Messrs. J. P. Mayhew, T. T. Thompson, Henry Enarson
Recitation; Bertha Danielson
Reading; "The Automobile Ride"; Golda Focht
Minutes of last meeting read
Program read for next meeting and any other business to be brought before
the meeting will be transacted at this time.
"America"; by audience
Adjournment

- 16 January; Review; Sciola: The depot here is nearing completion. A stove was set up Monday evening, so a person need not freeze waiting for the trains.
- 23 January; Review; Sciola: The AN & S broke its record Saturday by taking 21 empty stock cars north in the morning and returning to Villisca in the evening with all of them loaded with stock and four more, making the total of 25 cars of stock.
- The proceeds of the oyster supper held at the church here last Wednesday evening amounted to a little over \$10, which will help to buy a new floor for the church. The floor will be put down this week.
- 30 January; Review: The Washington Township board issued the following proclamation: All dogs must be muzzled or tied up for a period of six months or the same will be killed. A fee of 50¢ will be paid for each dog so dispatched.

(Note: This measure was the result of a hydrophobia epidemic.)

- 20 March; Review: The Memorial Christian Church one and one half miles west of Mortons Mills was burned to the ground early Monday morning of this week.
- 27 Mar; Review: The poem published below was composed by John Biddick and read by him at a recent Washington Township Agricultural meeting.

Booming Sciola

In a beautiful little valley, Just at the foot of a hill,
Lays a quaint little village Where all business is done with a will.
On the west stands Turner's elevator Where many wait their turn,
For B. R. Mayhew, a real nice man, To load them with coal to burn.
Many a wagon he has weighed, And will likely weigh them again
Taking care of the loads that come to town Of the ripe and golden grain.
We might write more of this busy man, For we know he's doing his best
Altho he serves time behind the bars In the Depot for the AN & S.
Just north of the elevator The People's Stock Yards are;
Where you can sell your stock By wagon load or car.
Cattle, hogs and sheep are bought And shipped out over the Ann.
The price and weight are always right- Tom Spargur the man.
Next comes the blacksmith- a husky young man; Who is willing to do your work;
Always ready to sharpen your plow For you will never find him a shirk.
He has a good shop to do his work in And you'll find him there, sunshine or rain.
A jolly good-natured fellow he is, Fred Pratt is the blacksmith's name.
Then comes the store, the main building in town, George Devine is the name of the man
Who buys butter and eggs and all such things, And sells you whatever he can.
He has all kinds of groceries, hardware and tin; In fact, everything, I think-
Candy, crackers, notions and gum, And lots of good pop to drink.
He also sells implements of the very best make In the building across the street,
All kinds of riding implements he sells From a binder down to a spring seat.
On the same side is the barber shop, Up to date and neat.
And if you're anxious for a shave, Just step up to the seat.
Take off your coat and hat And climb right in the chair
And Herb will get your whiskers off And also cut your hair.
If you should get hungry Before you leave your seat



Booster Club's blacksmith shop; built 1912

Just step into the other room Where they have good things to eat.
 And after you're satisfied By eating a good square meal,
 Just walk on down the street and stop At a sign that says "Square Deal".
 Walk right up to the office Where "Welcome" is on the door
 And you will meet the nicest man This side of the Golden Shore.
 He can talk to you of lumber That will really do you good,
 And can figure out a lumber bill Of any kind of wood.
 He also handles paints and oils, Lime and cement as well.
 Last week he got some tankage in That certainly stunk like _____
 And if you should get dry in town, Just give Uncle Mason the wink.
 He'll take you right out to the village pump And give you a good cold drink.
 There was one more business lot in town- Just east of the implement shed.
 And on that lot is a mound of sand In memory of the plans that are dead.
 For on that lot (in memory) stood A building two stories and wide,
 But before the first story got started, The second got sick and died.
 Then the first took a chill and for weeks didn't move, So we commenced on a smaller
 plan.

But the final outcome of that two story store Was a one story pile of sand.
 This ends the business of our town. We hope to add more soon.

So let's put our shoulders to the wheel And give SCIOLA a boom.

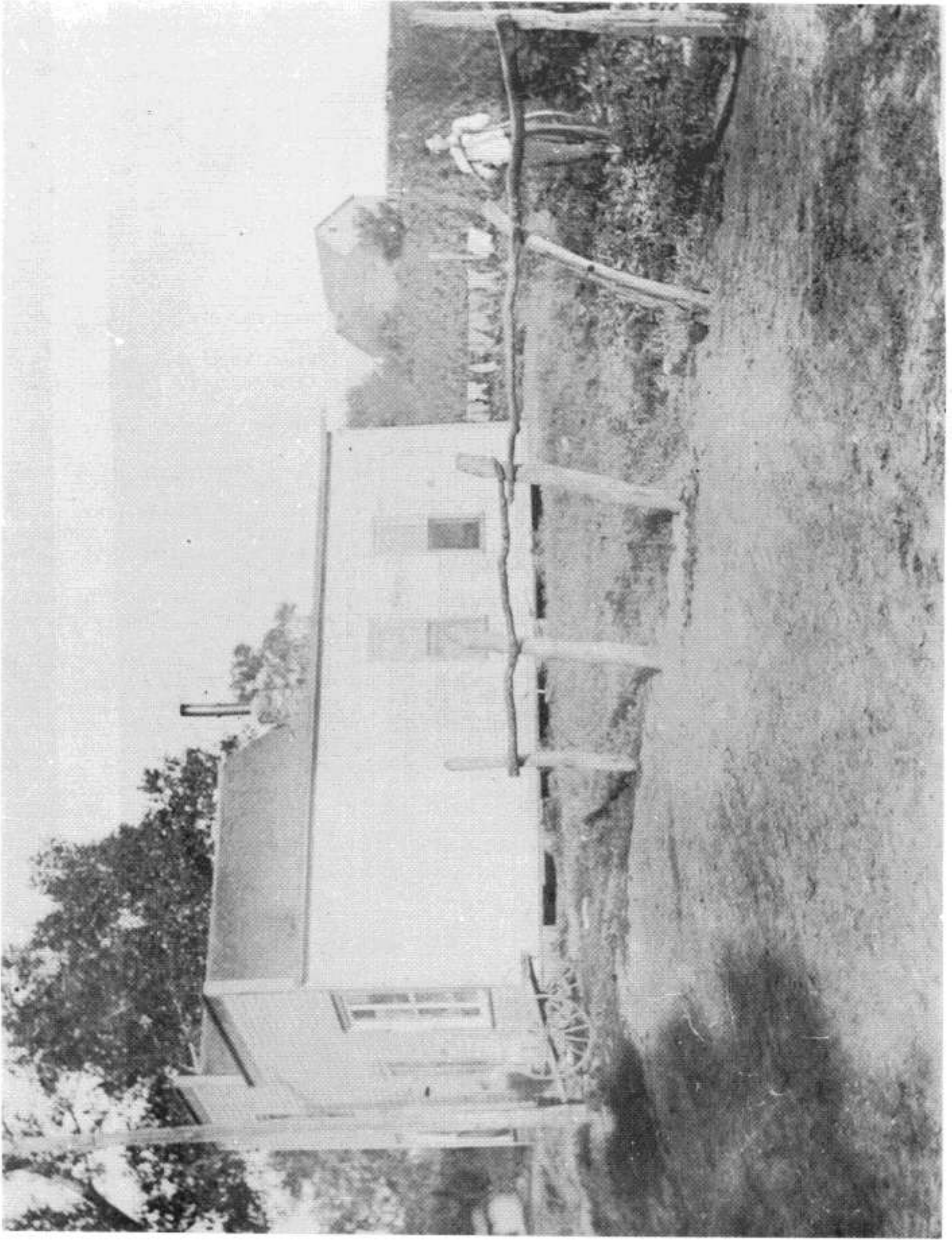
- 5 June; Review; Sciola: The Sciola baseball team played their first game Sunday with Mortons Mills at the latter place and defeated them 22 to 6.
- 12 June; Review; Sciola: Miss Mabel Thompson was the lucky person to receive the pig given away at the medicine show last Thursday night.
- 17 July; Review; Sciola: Last Wednesday evening the baseball boys gave an ice cream supper at B. R. Mayhew's, which was attended by a large crowd. The Villisca Fireman's Band came out and furnished some good music. The boys took in nearly \$32.
- 18 September; Review: Last Saturday Sciola was opened as a regular station on the Atlantic Southern RR. Tickets will be sold, and all freight will be handled properly, according to George Coffin, traffic manager. B. R. Mayhew of Sciola is the new agent and is paid a salary by the road for attending to its business.
- 16 October; Review; Sciola: The committee for marking the "B" line were through here one day last week. This road is expected in time to be a "B" line from Minneapolis to St. Joseph, Missouri.
- 30 October; Review: Sciola Store Changes Hands - D. S. Wheeler, one of the substantial farmers living north of Villisca, has purchased the store, building and business, of George Devine at Sciola, and possession will be given November 15. In the deal Mr. Wheeler traded his 40 acre farm a mile south of Sciola to Mr. Devine, who will move to the last named property, where he will continue to sell implements, a part of the business which he has reserved. The consideration on Mr. Wheeler's farm was \$100 the acre, on his house and lot \$700, and on the store building and contents \$2600.
- 13 November; items taken from invoice of Sciola store:
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| 3 fry pans @ 13¢ | \$.39 |
| 5 mouse traps @ 1½¢ | .07½ |
| 24 lb. roap @ 9 3/4¢ | 2.34 |
| 12 jars pickles @ 7½¢ | .90 |
| 29 cans peaches @ 10¢ | 2.90 |
| 22 cans Alaska Red Salmon @ 14¢ | 3.08 |
| 1 sack Villisca Flour | 1.10 |
| 4 pair drawers @ 19¢ | .76 |
| fire crackers | 2.90 |
- 18 December; Review: Adv. - My prices for horse shoeing are the same as ever, 20 and 40¢. F. F. Pratt, Sciola



A. N. & S. Depot, Sciola

- 15 January; Review; Sciola: D. S. Wheeler and B. R. Mayhew installed some new gasoline lights in their properties here Monday.
- 5 February; Review: A farmers institute was held at Sciola, Tuesday, February 3, under the auspices of the Washington Township Country Club. (Note: This is a long article.)
-A special train will be run from Atlantic to Villisca Thursday evening for the wrestling match.
- 5 March; Review; Sciola: Mr. and Mrs. Fred Pratt shipped their household goods to Red Oak last Thursday. Mr. Charles Richards moved here Tuesday to attend to all the blacksmith work. He will reside in the George Devine house here.
- 26 March; Review; Sciola: Section Foreman McEvoy and family moved here from Atlantic Monday.
- 16 April; Review; Sciola: J. P. Mayhew received the new road drags and scrapers for Washington Township last Friday.
-The Bank is being treated to a coat of paint. (Note: What bank??)
- 23 April; Review; Sciola: Wayne Spargur came Monday to take up the blacksmith work here.
- 21 May; Review; Sciola: A number from here attended the war maneuvers near Nodaway Sunday.
- 28 May; Review; Sciola: Mr. Ward took possession of the blacksmith shop last week and is ready to do all kinds of blacksmith and woodwork.
- 2 July; Review: The mid-summer meeting of the Iowa Guernsey Cattle Breeders Association was held at the J. P. Mayhew farm Thursday, June 25 over 200 people were in attendance The Sciola Ladies' Aid Society served dinner at noon... (Note: long article)
- 13 August; Review: Something like 300 people assembled at "Mill Grove Park" north of Villisca last Friday, and spent the day as guests of the Villisca Commercial Club. A big basket dinner was served shortly after noon.
"Mill Grove Park" is something new under the sun, and it promises to be one of the most popular summer resorts in southwestern Iowa. Mr. R. A. Dunn owns the ground and grove A flag pole has been erected, and a well dug, swings and teeter-totter boards installed But the BIG event of the day was the baseball game between the Villisca business men and the Sciola Wallopers, a somewhat defunct organization that in its day was some ball team. The Wallopers soon began to Wallop They won 14 to 8. Players Dr. Pat Gourley, J. Moritz, F. Gourley, F. Butler, E. Enarson, S. Wheeler, H. Enarson, K. Wheeler, H. Smith.
The Wallopers, somewhat puffed up over their victory, got reckless and challenged the regular Sciola team to a game. The Wallopers were ahead 4 to 0 after one inning, so they quit.
- 1 October; Review; Sciola: D. S. Wheeler is laying the foundation of a new ice house with dimensions 12 x 14.
- 14 October; Review; Sciola: During the severe electrical storm Thursday evening the big hay and horse barn of J. A. Whitney's on the farm occupied by Scott Findley was burned to the ground.
- 9 December; Review; Sciola: Monday was "chicken" day at Sciola. D. S. Wheeler received twenty-three hundred and fifty-four pounds of poultry by noon.

- 2 January; Review; Thursday night at midnight marked the official end of the operation of the Atlantic Southern RR
- 20 January; Review; Sciola: Tyler Bros. of Villisca made their first trip with their motor truck Saturday in spite of the raging blizzard. They will make



Herb Archert his barber shop and restaurant.

- three trips a week from Villisca to Grant, hauling freight and passengers.
- 10 February; Review: The annual Washington Township Farmers' Institute held at Sciola Monday can be declared a big success, both from the number of entries in the exhibit and the financial outcome
- 21 April; Review; Sciola: Lou Shepherd and family and Wade Gaskell moved to Sciola Monday to the Whitney house. The latter has the township road work and Mr. Shapherd will assist him.
- 28 July; Review; Sciola: Tim Erickson was kept pretty busy Wednesday assisting autoists through the mud hole between his house and the bridge.
- 25 August; Review; Sciola: The surveyors have been busy through this vicinity the past week surveying for the straightening of the West Nodaway.
- 30 October; Review: Revival At Sciola - The Baptist Church of Sciola is experiencing the greatest revival in its history. Rev. Herbert S. Morrill of Aurora, Illinois, is helping the pastor, Dr. J. W. Neyman. Mrs. Neyman is in charge of a large choir and music is a special feature of the meeting. The boys quartet of the high school of Villisca aided in the music one evening and the choir of the First Baptist Church aided in the music another evening. The meetings began on the 13th of this month and have steadily increased in interest. Many evenings the house has been too small to accommodate the audience. Quite a number have been converted

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- 3 February; Chief: Rev. Overturf has been elected pastor of the Villisca Baptist Church. The action was taken recently by the congregation of that church, in conjunction with the officers of the Baptist churches at Grant and Sciola..... Rev. Overturf will preach for the three churches.
- 22 March; Review: Buy the Sciola Yard - Yesterday the Fuller Lumber Co. of Princeton, Mo purchased the lumber yard at Sciola from the Stoddard Co The Fuller people plan to close out most of the stock and bring the remainder to Villisca and thus will not maintain the Sciola yard.
- 29 March; Review; Sciola: Jim Umphress and his men are busy moving the old Ten-ville store to Mr. J. L. Gourley's. Mr. Gourley will have it repaired to live in until he can get his new house erected.
- 21 June; Review; Sciola: Eugene Stoddard was here Friday and Saturday invoicing his hardware stock preparatory to moving same.
- 28 June; Review; Sciola: The local boys belonging to the National Guard received their orders last week and left for Des Moines Sunday morning.
- 29 July; Review: Mailing address: Co. F, Third Regt, Iowa; Brownsville Post, Texas. During the first two days in Texas, Villisca boys fought cactus, killed rattlers, watched the Mexicans across the river, and experienced a rain each day.....
- 6 September; Review; Sciola: John Patton and family are moving into their property which they recently purchased from Eugene Stoddard.
- 1 November; Review; Sciola: Mrs. Edward Roach died 3 Sept, in Arkansas. He formerly had the blacksmith shop on the lot where B. R. Mayhew's residence is now located.
- 15 November; Review; Sciola: Messrs. Arthur Case and Andy Devine each captured a large pelican near their farms Saturday. The birds weighed about 13 pounds each, measured over 8 feet from wing tip to wing tip.
- 6 December; Review; Sciola: Ralph Archer won the first prize in the "Acre of Corn" contest for boys- his acre yielding 95.5 bushels. As a result he is now enjoying a trip to Ames and thence to Chicago.



"Sciola" First in out-of-town Class

The float that won first prize of the floats in the out of town class. It was arranged by Messrs, M. M. Stoddard, Geo. Devine, B. R. Mayhew and other farmers in the vicinity of Sciola. Mr. Stoddard did the painting.

- 6 January; Review: River to be straightened up to south line of J. P. Mayhew's place....
- 14 February; Review; Sciola: The poultry and orchard demonstration will be held Thursday of this week at the J. P. Mayhew farm.
- 24 February; Review: Amid scenes of extreme joy C. F of the 3rd Iowa Infantry arrived in Villisca Tuesday evening....
- 21 March; Review; Sciola: Some considerable excitement was caused in this vicinity Monday afternoon by the appearance of the balloon that floated over between 4:00 and 4:30 in the afternoonAccording to the Council Bluffs Nonpareil it was one of the balloons from Ft. Omaha.....
- 24 March; Review; Messrs. Marshall and Fraim have purchased the large truck from B. R. Mayhew. Mr. Mayhew operated the truck for 10 months.....
- 13 June; Review; J. P. Mayhew, Tim Erickson and John Mullen are in charge of the liberty bond drive in Washington Township.
- 13 June; Review; Sciola: The lecture on centralization of country schools was held last Thursday evening and was well attended. The township picnic was decided upon, to be held in the church yard Friday, June 15.
- 18 July, Review: The people of Sciola and vicinity have helped a great deal in the Red Cross movement for funds. Sunday, special services were held at the church in that vicinity and \$55.50 was raised.
- 18 August; Review; Sciola: A good many from this vicinity went to Villisca Friday morning to see Co. F leave for Des Moines. The ladies of this vicinity furnished some of the fried chicken for their lunches.
- 12 September; Review; Sciola: J. D. Farlin is clearing the highway from Sciola to Grant, getting ready for the grading.
- 22 September; Review: The contract was let to O. P. Herrick Co. of Des Moines for Dredging the West Nodaway.
- 8 December; Review; Sciola: The drainage ditch contractors are now busy putting in the dam for the new drainage ditch on the West Nodaway.
- 29 December; Review; Sciola: The Red Cross sale held here last Friday afternoon was a success in every way The amount taken in was close to \$700.

- 16 January; Review; Sciola: The dredge boat men have moved into the depot and are at work constructing their blacksmith shop, boarding house, etc, as the weather permits.
- 13 February; Review; Sciola: The dredge boat men moved to their new cabin by the river Thursday.
- 13 March; Review; Sciola: J. P. Mayhew purchased a Moline tractor recently.
- 23 March; Review: The daylight saving bill was signed Tuesday by President Wilson. It puts all clocks forward an hour on the last Sunday in March and turns them back again the last Sunday in October.
- 27 March; Review; Sciola: The dredge boat was launched Saturday afternoon.
- 3 May; Review; Sciola: A large crowd was in attendance at the Red Cross meeting at the new work room in the depot, Friday afternoon. We will soon have yarn on hand for the sweaters and also other work.
- 31 May; Review: Seldom, if ever, has it been the pleasure of the Review to publish a more interesting collection of news items from a country correspondent than that sent in this week by Mrs. B. R. Mayhew, who with the regularity of a court house clock, keeps Review readers informed concerning the happenings in and around Sciola and Tenville. (Note: Nothing in it worth copying)
- 14 June; Review; Sciola: The dredge boat began the ditching Monday morning. They expect to run night and day.

- 28 June; Review; Sciola: The dredge boat crossed the road Wednesday night.
- 5 July; Review; Sciola: Sciola 13; Nodaway 12.
- 12 July; Review; Sciola: The bridge men are busy at the dirt work of the bridge over the new channel.
- 23 August; Review; Sciola: D. S. Wheeler has traded all his Sciola property and 20 acres west of the river for a farm near Lincoln Center.
- 19 September; Chief; Sciola: Saturday evening 150 friends, neighbors and relatives surprised D. S. Wheeler and family before they leave this neighborhood to make their home on a farm in Lincoln Center. Wheelers have spent the last five years as the merchants here Mr. and Mrs. Lester Hunt and family will take possession of the mercantile business here.
- 3 October; Chief; Sciola: Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bates Jr. entertained the Boy Scouts and friends at their home Saturday evening.
- 1 November; Review; Sciola: Mr. and Mrs. Billy Wheeler purchased the restaurant at Morton's Mills last Friday and will take possession about the first of December.
- 8 November; Review; Sciola: L. C. Hunt has his new Delco lighting system installed and the town is now a scene of brilliant illumination in the evening.
- 20 December; Review; Sciola: Work was begun Monday on the dam again. This dam had just been completed last week and was taken out. This is the fifth dam which has been put in since the dredge work started last spring and it has been the first to cause the company serious trouble.

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- 27 February; Chief: In last week's Sciola Sentinel, we find an interesting article under the heading, "Business Men Neglect Their Duties and Opportunities",

(Note: Never heard of the Sentinel? Well, it had a rather limited circulation. In fact, the only subscriber appears to have been that irrepressible editor of the Chief, S. E. "Marbletop" Smith. Occasionally, when Editor Marbletop wished to promote an unpopular cause, or gently call attention to the error of someone's ways, he would "quote" at length from the Sentinel.)

- 1 May; Chief; Sciola: The County bridge gang were busy on the new channel bridge a few days last week, adding a 20 foot span.
- 29 May; Chief; Sciola: A large crowd from this vicinity went to Villisca Saturday evening to see Co. F when they arrived. Roy Bates, Glee Kendrick and Archie Baker of this community were among the members who arrived. All are looking fat and hearty, and are thankful and happy to get back to their homes again.
- 3 July; Chief: Last week Sheriff Peterson went to Sciola armed with a search warrant and returned to Red Oak with 130 pints of whiskey found in L. C. Hunt's warehouse.
- 1 August; Review; Work started on the Federal aid road at Tenville.
- 8 August; Review; Buys the Sciola Store - A few days ago Charles Schiveley of this city contracted with Mrs. L. C. Hunt for possession of the general merchandise store building, stock and lots at Sciola Charles Schiveley will manage the general merchandise store, and an automobile repair shop and garage will be opened on the lot near the store. This business will be under the management of R. T. Schiveley.....
- 5 September; Review; The new bridge on the Federal Aid Road near Tenville is completed and in use. (Note: This was a small wooden bridge just north of where the steel bridge would be built.)
- 19 September; Review; Sciola: The stock of merchandise of the Sciola store, owned by L. C. Hunt and Co, was invoiced Monday and Tuesday to Mr. Charles Schiveley His son Robert will reside in the residence of B. R. Mayhew and expects to equip the blacksmith shop as an up-to-date garage.....

21 November; Review; Sciola: The Farm Bureau Federation was organized through this township last week under the supervision of George T. Bliss of Corning.

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- 5 March; Review: The dredging on the West Nodaway has been finished. Nine miles were done.
- 9 July; Review; Sciola: The annual school meeting was held at the depot Thursday afternoon, July 1 the board voted to purchase an interest in the depot to use as a public meeting hall in the future.
- 16 July, Review; Sciola: George Beckwith is the blacksmith at Sciola now.
- 13 August; Review; Sciola: Chas. Schiveley traded his property and stock of goods at the Sciola store to Wm. Stecker of near Mt. Etna for his farm last week. Possession was given immediately.
- 10 September; Review; Sciola: The West Side Threshing Co. began the erection of a shed for their machine at the J. P. Mayhew farm on Monday of this week.
- 8 October; Review; Sciola: Tim Erickson has been breaking his caribou to drive to a cart and Friday afternoon they took part in the Shriners' parade at Red Oak.

(Note: The animal was a young bull, common barnyard variety, and the cart was a small manure spreader)

- 22 October; Review; Sciola: The county bridge gang expects to change the bridge on the old channel near Sciola to the new channel this week, if weather permits.
- 29 October; Review; Sciola: All ladies of Washington Township 21 years of age and older are urgently requested to go to the polls on November 2 to cast their first vote in this state. As true American citizens it is the duty of every woman, qualified to vote, to attend to this duty. Make Washington Township 100 per cent women voters. See to it that you are at the polls when your husband, father or brother goes, and, furthermore, insist on him taking you, if he doesn't want to go, and vote a straight ticket to avoid errors.
- 5 November; Review; Sciola: Mr. and Mrs. Robert Schiveley are moving to Bedford.

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- 7 January; Review: The work of tearing down the old steel bridge at Arlington, east of the Tenville store was started Monday by County employees. The bridge will be used at some other point in the County.
- Sciola: Friday afternoon the farm bureau of Washington Township held their annual election of officers. The following officers were chosen: President, H. H. Peirson; Vice-President, J. P. Mayhew; Secretary, C C. Anderson; J. P. Mayhew was chosen delegate to the state convention held at Des Moines this week.
- 21 January; Review; Sciola: George Beckwith, blacksmith, left.
- 28 January; Review; Sciola: A large crowd was in attendance at the combination sale held at Sciola last Tuesday morning Another sale will be held in the near future and Wm. Stecker will sell some more of his merchandise at auction.....

(Note: This was all I found on the subject, but the store closed. It eventually ended in the hands of the Villisca Bank.)

- 11 February; Review; Sciola: A pig club for boys and girls from 8 to 17 years of age is being formed in this township. A number have declared their intentions of entering the club, and any others desiring to enter may do so by seeing B. R. Mayhew, the chairman.

- 6 May; Review; Sciola: John Maybury and family moved from the farm near Atlantic to the Sciola store recently where they will make their home.
- 10 June; Review; Tenville: Ray Dunn has installed an air compressor to accommodate the automobiles.
- 1 July; Review; Sciola: Tim Erickson moved the oil house to his farm last week and will use it for a granary.
- 8 July; Review: Celebration At Mill Grove - One thousand people celebrated the Fourth at Mill Grove Park The Mill Grove team played two games, winning from Brooks 10 to 1, and losing the second game to Nodaway 8 to 3 Refreshment stands in the park and at the ball grounds did a big business When darkness fell the crowd was entertained with fireworks.
- 15 July; Review; Sciola: John Mayberry moved out of Sciola.
-Washington Township has become very popular (?) recently owing to the fact that a still has been located in its midst.
- 5 August; Review; Sciola: There was a ball game at Mill Grove Park Friday afternoon between the Sprouts and a girls team, with the Sprouts winning 20 to 19. The girls line-up was: P, Dale Thomason; C, Dorothy Bolt; 1st b, LaVerne Enarson; 2nd b, Dorothy Wheeler; 3rd b, Ina Baker; lf, Lois Moritz; cf, Helen Devine; rf, Louise Focht.
- 19 August; Review; Sciola: Many from this vicinity attended the free moving picture show at Mortons Mills Friday evening.
- 25 November; Review: (Note: on this date the Review put out a 50th Anniversary edition. It contained 88 pages and is fascinating reading. There were dozens and dozens of pictures of local businessmen and area farmers, and interviews with many of the old-time residents. I have selected several of the reports that give interesting accounts of the early days in the Sciola area.)

J. P. Mayhew: It has been 52 years since Mr. Mayhew, then a lad of 15 years, first came to this community, arriving here with his parents October 7 of that year The horse weeds were tall around the log cabin which housed the family, and Mr. Mayhew remembers that he and his brothers were so afraid of being attacked by wild cats while they were gathering walnuts about their home that fall that two of the boys kept watch while the other two picked nuts.

Mr. Mayhew's first schoolteacher was one "Monkey" Noble, a sort of itinerant teacher who came into the neighborhood and got the job of teaching school. Hazelbrush grew thick and tall around the schoolhouse.....

Focht: In September of 1857, P. S. and John Focht came with their father to Montgomery County, fording the West Nodaway river on the place where P. S. now lives in Washington township..... In speaking of early days P. S. and John give some early accounts of the methods of farming employed here then. Corn planting was a slow process, the land being marked off in squares with a single shovel plow, the corn dropped by hand and then covered with a hoe. The same single shovel plow was used for cultivating the corn until the double shovel plow came into use, which was followed by the Champion cultivator.

Corn planting was made easier by the coming of the Keystone planter, which was followed by the Hayworth check row planter. The first reaper was a John H. Marina Machine, then came the Kirby self rake reaper and mower combined, and P. S. says that from then on such rapid strides were made in the improvements that folks around here were unable to keep up with the changes.....

John Focht tells of the linen pants which he and the other boys of his day wore and how they would start from home for school in the morning with the pants legs the proper length, reaching to their shoes, but after the boys had walked through the high wet grass to the school house the pants had shrunk until they reached only a little below the wearer's knees.

Thomas Thompson: In the spring of 1871, his parents came to the Sciola neighborhood, and that fall Thomas and some of the other children in the family came through with A. K. Anderson, driving and milking cattle for their board on the way Thomas made the journey in his shirt sleeves and bare feet.

Mr. Thompson's first work here for which he received pay was herding cattle for Wm. Stewart, and for that he received \$10 per month. He worked for Jack Bolt for \$13 per month, and for Isaac Bolt for \$16 per month, and then he started farming for himself on the Robert Taylor farm. Mr. Taylor furnished everything for farming the place and Mr. Thompson got one third of the crop as his share, his first year's work netting him \$40 per month.

It was from Mr. Taylor that Mr. Thompson learned to test seed corn, and he was so impressed with the importance of the precaution to insure good seed and with the success which he has had with his own crop through testing his seed that he has been testing seed corn ever since that time and has gained a wide reputation as an expert seed corn man....

J. W. Damuth: In talking of the progress of things since he came to this community, Mr. Damuth said, "I have seen the linchpin wagon in the day when we came to town with the back end of the wagon box filled with slough grass, bringing our eggs in a bucket and our butter in a crock covered with a cabbage leaf, and we fought blue flies all the way to town. I have seen the lumber wagon succeeded by the spring wagon, and the spring wagon develop into the top buggy, the automobile and the airplane.

"..... I've been in Iowa 51 years and never been out of the state more than once and that was when I went to Missouri for peaches, and on my way home the nearer I got the more anxious I was to get here and if I live to be as old as Methuselah I'll be found living right where I do now, nine miles north of Villisca for it's the best neighborhood on God's green earth."

G. W. Horton: It was 68 years ago that Mr. Horton was born in a log cabin on the farm four miles north of Villisca which was owned by his grandfather, Thomas Nelson.

Mr. Horton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Horton, and his mother's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Nelson came from Indiana to Iowa in 1854, stopping at Carbon, and it was on the 24th of the following April that G. W. was born, on the farm for which Mr. Nelson paid \$1.25 per acre.

Many of the pioneers of this community encountered severe hardships but it is doubtful if any families saw more difficult times than did the Horton family. Mr. Horton says he was six or seven years old before he had a pair of shoes that had been bought for him, his footwear up to that time having been made by his mother who constructed them by shaping the soles from the boot tops of his father, and making the tops from the cloth taken from the legs of his old trousers. The first pair of shoes which were bought for G. W. were made by Jimmie Bunker, and his first suspenders were made from striped bed ticking. His next suspenders were made by his mother from yarn for which she carded the wool and which she spun on a spinning wheel which was made for her by L. T. Phillips.

Farming was done by crude methods, and for many years G. W.'s father plowed his corn with a single shovel plow which was pulled by oxen. His first double shovel plow was made by L. T. Phillips and his first harrow he constructed himself by putting wooden teeth in poles which he fastened together.

The ox team was used also for cross country drives and trips were made by Mr. Horton with them to St. Joseph, Missouri, where he went to secure provisions for his family. Often, however, Mr. Horton walked to Carbon, a distance of 14 miles, to get groceries.

The father of the Horton family, when not working for himself, spent his time helping his neighbors, much of which work was splitting rails. For this

he received \$1.10 for each 100 ten-foot rails and 80¢ for each 100 eight-foot rails, split from trees which he had cut down and trimmed. In good timber he was able to split from 100 to 125 rails in a day.....

- 2 December; Review; Sciola: Thanksgiving was a beautiful day..... and the Holmes Chapel Ladies Aid Society members served one of those good old-fashioned 25 and 15 cent dinners..... of roast and stewed chicken, roast pork, roast beef, dressing, gravy, all kinds of vegetables, coffee, and right on down the line to all the delicacies which go with this palatable menu..... The two large tables were soon filled. Under the crowded conditions the ladies did their best, and eats were plentiful.... Some of the men who planned to go to neighboring towns to football games asked to be served cafeteria style, and enjoyed their dinners in the sunshine out side the church.... net proceeds \$61.92...

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- 27 January; Review; Sciola: The stockholders of the Co-operative store at Villisca held their annual meeting Saturday afternoon and transacted their yearly business. The shareholders of this community were in attendance.
-A good sized crowd attended the mass meeting at Sciola Church Tuesday evening when Miss Daisy Gale, the welfare nurse and Dr. F. M. Kelsay and wife and Mrs. S. M. Workman of Villisca were all present and gave interesting talks on the nurse's work for the future. As soon as her supplies arrive she will be ready for regular work and will be glad to make examinations or give advice at any time. Her service is free to all within her jurisdiction.
- 17 February; Review; Sciola: There were 20 ladies present at the dress form demonstration at the home of Mrs. J. B. Kimel Thursday afternoon. There were two forms made and a quilt was on hand for work.
- 24 March; Review; Sciola: Billy Wheeler started work for the county last week as patrolman from Sciola to Stanton via the federal aid road. (Note: This meant that he operated a maintainer.)
- 31 March; Review; Sciola: Word has been received here that Stacy Findley, of Grant, sustained a fracture of the right forearm while cranking a Ford car last Friday.
- 7 April; Review; Sciola: Oscar Zappe of Grant will soon be the new merchant at the Sciola store. He will be ready for business in about a week.
-The county bridge gang were wrecking the old bridge at Sciola last week.
- 26 May; Review; Sciola: A very interesting program was given at the Farm Bureau meeting at the church here Friday evening. The church was crowded to its utmost capacity. The music for the evening was a disappointment to the committee.
..... The County President Mr. Isaac of Red Oak, gave a very interesting address
..... the fiddlers contest was much enjoyed by everyone.... first prize to R. A. Dunn, second place to P. S. Focht and third place to Gus Dunn.
- 9 June; Review; Sciola: The primary election was held at the Center schoolhouse on Monday and just 100 votes were cast.
- 16 June, Review; Sciola: The Sciola Ladies Aid society is having a window put in this week in the church in their kitchen upstairs. Merrit Rush of Mortons Mills is doing the work.
- 23 June; Review; Sciola: The state organizer of girls clubs will be at the Sciola church Friday afternoon to organize a girls club in the township. It is very desirable that all girls between the ages of 10 and 21 years bring their mothers to this meeting, so all will understand the aims and plans of these clubs.
- 7 July; Review; Sciola: Tim Erickson gave the usual Independence day salute early Tuesday morning.

(Note: Tim had a cannon mounted in his front yard, and he fired it off at dawn every Fourth of July.)

- 18 August; Review; Wednesday Thursday and Friday of this week, the County Farm Bureau picnic and stock show was held at Villisca Teams from the girl's sewing clubs gave demonstrations, and the winning team, composed of Velma Havens and Delta Gourley, represented the "Hacklebarney Hustlers" of Washington Township, of which Miss Hattie Robb is the leader. These girls will represent all the girls sewing clubs of Montgomery County at the Iowa state fair, and the Montgomery County Farm Bureau will contribute \$25 toward defraying their expenses while they are at the state show. . . .
- 25 August; Review; Sciola: The Mill Grove ball team had luck on their side last week at Villisca. Wednesday they won with Scott Township 2 to 1, and the second day they won 15 to 1 from the Stanton Tigers. Sunday the team went to Nodaway, and again won with a score of 3 to 0. Next Sunday they will play a team from Red Oak.
- 15 September; Review; Sciola: The shingles are on the ground for reshingling the church. On Thursday, September 21, the Sciola Aid Society will serve dinner and the reshingling will start that day. All interested are asked to come and help with the work.
- 6 October; Review; Sciola: The United Spanish-American War Vet's organization met at Mill Grove park Sunday, October 1, in their annual reunion. Eighteen of the veterans were present Tim Erickson gave the salute with his cannon. There was a very interesting shooting match and though the sight of some of the boys was not as good as at one time there was some good shots made. A good time was enjoyed and the "war was fought again".
- 20 October; Review; Sciola: Ray Huey of Clarinda expects to open the blacksmith shop at Sciola and will do blacksmithing and automobile repairing.
- 28 October; Review; Sciola: Miss Fern Bixler, the Red Cross nurse, has been visiting the schools of this township lately.
- 3 November; Review; L. T. Cook has been transferred to Rt. 3, and J. R. Kirk will be the new carrier on Rt. 2.
-B. R. Mayhew installed a Tuska radio receiving set the first of the week, Lewis Raney and Hollis Nordyke assisted with the installation.
- 17 November; Review; Sciola: The Cole dredge boat city was illuminated Monday evening for the first time, which made a real city sight. They were unable to begin digging last week as on account of the bad roads their new 2½ yard shovel has not arrived.
- 15 December; Review; Sciola: Turner Bros. of Red Oak, who own the elevator at Sciola, recently sold the scales to the miller at Grant, who has moved them to his mill.

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- 5 January; Review; Sciola: The dredge company completed the new ditch the night of Christmas. A large crowd was present to witness the water entering its new channel.
-H. E. Smith, who purchased Geo. Devine's Sciola property recently, has had the main part of the building moved to the rear of his lots and expects to use them for his stock and chickens.
- 9 February; Review; Sciola: The county bridge gang were engaged in moving the steel bridge just west of Sciola to the new channel the first of the week.
- 23 February; Review; Sciola: Ray Huey went to Conway where he has employment in a garage.
- 22 June; Review; Sciola: Oscar Zappe installed an oil filling plant at his store at Sciola recently.
- 13 July; Review; Sciola: H. H. Damuth and wife moved to the dredge boat last week where Mrs. Damuth is doing the cooking for the men.
- 5 October; Review; Sciola: Miss Opal Wheeler is assisting with the housework and

clerking for Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Zappe.

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- 22 February; Review; Sciola: Thomas Thompson is operating a new power log saw which he recently purchased through the agency of B. R. Mayhew.
- 25 April; Review; Sciola: Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Mayhew received a box of Florida oranges last week from Frank Bates and family who have been spending the winter at St. Augustine, Florida. The Bates family are enjoying their period at this famous old city. Frank and wife are teaching.
- 2 May; Review; Sciola: Local talent will be on the air from station KFNF, the Henry Field Seed Company, at Shenandoah at 7:30 o'clock Saturday evening, May 3, with violin music, vocal solos, male quartet, readings and old-fashioned quadrille music, with Sammie Damuth as caller. Others who will be on the program are Dr. McConoughey and daughter of Grant, Oscar and P. S. Focht, J. Lovelace, B. Spargur, R. A. Dunn, C. C. Anderson, B. R. Mayhew, Max Nordyke and Albert Davie and wife, Merion Harris and the Misses Edna Anderson, and Esther Johnson. Anyone wishing to listen in at the receiving sets at the C. C. Anderson or J. P. Mayhew homes will be cordially welcomed.
- 6 June; Review; Sciola: A large crowd was in attendance at the Radio Chapel service at the Sciola Church Sunday morning at 9 o'clock, after which Sunday School was organized with the following officers: For Superintendent, A. Hallum; assistant Superintendent, Jim Bolt; secretary and treasurer, Clarence Hart; librarian, Mrs. Tim Erickson; and organist, Miss Letha Erickson.
- 4 July; Review; Sciola: One day last week some of the regular attendants at Mill Grove became interested in the rapidity of the water in the river when it was up, and different estimates were made. An empty nail keg was covered and thrown off the bridge west of Sciola by Billy Wheeler at 3:12 o'clock. A car carried the time keepers from there to the bridge on the federal road east of the Mill Grove store, and at 3:26 the keg went under the bridge there, a distance of one mile and three-quarters.
- 1 August; Review; Sciola: The Harding highway is being marked across the county this week.
- 15 August; Review; Sciola: An airplane had a landing field at the Clint Powers farm Sunday and hauled passengers.

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- 27 March; Review; Sciola: A very large crowd attended the farm bureau meeting at the church Friday evening. Mr. Dillon was present with some very interesting reels of pictures and gave an interesting short talk. Sammie Damuth and Harold Hall gave some music with the guitar and banjo. Ruthella Powers gave a vocal solo which was well rendered. Roy Rockwell and B. R. Mayhew gave the "How do You Do" song. There was also the "Iowa" song with the solo by Mrs. Howard Andrews and a mixed quartet on the chorus. The vocal solos by Henry Bryson were also well given.....
- 15 May; Review; Sciola: The junior baseball fans of this vicinity are a very busy bunch these days. They gave the Villisca High School team a work out Sunday afternoon and were winners.
- 12 June; Review; Sciola: A number of the artists of the Sciola and Morton's Mills communities will broadcast a program from the Henry Field Seed company station on Saturday evening, June 13, at 7:30. Tune in to hear the home folks via the microphone. You will be welcome to go to the homes where there are receiving sets to listen in.
- 19 June; Review; Sciola: Those of this community who went to Shenandoah Saturday to assist in the broadcasting program at the Henry Field Seed Corn station were

- Howard Andrews and family, Ruthella Powers, Willis Dunn, B. R. Mayhew and wife, C. C. Anderson and daughters Misses Edna, Ruby and Grace; and Miss Frances Kehr.
- 10 July; Review; Sciola: John Kirk has a real nifty mail car since his route has been changed to the Grant Post Office, which necessitated a larger conveyance for the mail.
- 24 July; Review; Sciola: Those from this vicinity who have been enjoying the Niagara Excursion include Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Zappe, Mrs. Lloyd Raney and son Lewis, Harry Raney, Mrs. Leonard Larson and Miss Ruby Lindquist.
- 4 September; Review; Sciola: A very large crowd attended the dance at Sciola Thursday evening which was given for the benefit of the farm bureau piano fund by the young people of the community. \$28.20 was added to the piano fund.
- 27 November; Review; Sciola: Clarence Moates and wife entertained the dancing club at their home Saturday evening.

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- 15 January; Review: Some of the grade stakes for the new highway No. 18 were set at Sciola last week.
- 12 February; Review; Sciola: On Friday evening, Feb. 19, the local musicians will motor to Clarinda to broadcast a program from KSO, the Berry Seed Company. A good program will be rendered and give the home folks a chance to 'tune in' on the local entertainers.
- 16 April; Review; Obit of William T. Atwood: In the spring of 1857 he hired to Isaac Conner and with an ox team he helped break the prairie on the Conner farm.....built the first sorghum mill in Montgomery County.....
- 14 May; Review: Sells His Store - O. L. Zappe, who has been proprietor of the general merchandise store at Sciola for a little more than four years, sold his stock Saturday to Ray Robb of north west of Villisca who took possession of the business that day. Mr. Zappe retained ownership of the store building, which Mr. Robb has leased. Mr. Robb, the new proprietor, formerly owned the Tenville store. The sale of the Sciola store was made by J. F. Taylor who also assisted in invoicing the stock.
- 9 July; Review: Loomis and Ward of Omaha completed Friday their work of grading approximately a mile and a half of right of way just south of Sciola. They were on the Sciola job three weeks, during which time they moved approximately 20,000 cubic yards of dirt. 20 men and 36 head of mules were employed. Included in the equipment were 6 bunk houses, several wagons and an elevator.
- 27 August; Review; Sciola: Mrs. Rae P. Dewey will preach, both morning and evening, Sunday August 29, at the Sciola Baptist Church.
-Monday PM the Rotary club of Red Oak entertained about 60 of the farmers of Washington Township at a picnic dinner and fun festival at the J. P. Mayhew home..... A baseball game was greatly enjoyed between the teams of this vicinity and the club baseball artists, in which the farmer guests, or Wallopers, carried off the honors with a score of 11 to 7. The ball the teams played with was a large soft cotton ball covered with soft leather, and the diamond was about half the regulation size. It was more fun to watch this game than to play, if that could be possible....Some amusing horseshoe games were also played.
- 6 September; Washington Twp. minutes: approved the sale of the Sciola Depot to P. P. Taylor for \$200.00, the lot on which the Depot stands being reserved.....
- 10 September; Review; Sciola: The schools of the township are all in session this week. At the board meeting last summer one extra month was added to the school year making 9 months.
- 1 October; Review; Sciola: Paul Taylor, who recently purchased the old A. S. depot at Sciola, has it ready to move to his farm south of the schoolhouse, where the house recently was struck by lightning and burned.

(Note: The depot is now in the Albert Eshelman museum, three miles west of Grant. It once again looks like a depot, and a short section of original AN & S track has been laid in front of it.)

- 22 October; Review; Sciola: The regular meeting of the farm bureau of Washington Township was held at the church Friday evening. The program committee presented the "Womanless Wedding" to a large and appreciative audience. The characters taking part were the officiating clergyman, Harry Raney, very stately in his long sack coat. The bride, J. H. Hart, was very prettily attired in a white satin broadcloth with dainty and costly trimmings, with a long gracefully flowing veil held in place with a fancy bandeau set with pearls and orange blossoms which made a very attractive head-dress over the pink and white velvety complexion. The groom, B. R. Mayhew, wore the conventional black and black it was. Instead of a flushed complexion, the spectators could not see where his coat collar stopped and his neck and face began. He wore white gloves and stiff hat, and carried the popular cane. The bridesmaid, Tim Erickson, was prettily attired in silver gray silk, with a highly flushed complexion. The flower girls, Frank Leonard and John Zuber, were each attired in gay and attractive fluffy gowns. Their flowers, faces and knees were the dainty tinge of roses, which added more to the color scheme of the wedding event. Paul Bolt, the best man, was sedately attired in the conventional black, as was also the bride's father, J. M. Bolt, while the bride's mother, Paul Taylor, very suitable for the occasion was dressed according to the heartaches of giving up a daughter, in a dark dress and bonnet. George Dillon very ably and so solemnly played the beautiful and impressive wedding march as the gay wedding party marched to the platform...
- 29 October; Review; New Road Is Open - The new federal aid road No. 71 from Ten-ville to Sciola was opened Tuesday to traffic, the fill at the bridge one half mile south of Sciola having been completed. Several persons claim the distinction of having driven the first car over the new bridge.

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- 1 July; Review; Sciola: The Davison dog farm was moved Thursday to near Atlantic.
- 23 September; Review; Sciola: The official opening of federal aid road No. 71 north from Sciola was made Monday when the signs were removed and traffic was turned over the newly constructed road.
- 7 October; Review; Sciola: Ira Moates who spent a few weeks attending fairs with his race horse, returned home last week.

(Note: Did you realize that absolutely nothing happened in 1927?)

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- 10 February; Review; Sciola: C. C. Danielson has been wrecking the grain elevator at the intersection of federal roads No. 71 and No. 34 and is hauling it to his farm east of here.
- 8 March; Express; Mill Grove: A large crowd attended the farm bureau meeting at Sciola Thursday, and saw the picture, "The Romance of Sleepy Valley".
- 9 March; Review; Sciola: The Holmes Chapel Methodist Church building was sold at Public auction Monday to T. T. Thompson and J. P. Mayhew. The purchase price was \$320.
- 23 March; Review; Sciola: The Sciola Wrecking Company, under the management of T. T. Thompson, has been improving the time the past two weeks wrecking the Holmes Chapel building. Mr. Thompson has the distinction of having wrecked seven buildings during the past eight years, and this building is the largest he has assisted with. By the end of this week Holmes Chapel will be only a memory.

11 October; Express; Sciola: The co-operators and officers of the Farm Bureau Women of Washington and East Townships met at the home of Mrs. H. A. Andrew near Villisca on Friday..... Miss Cookinham of Iowa State College, instructed the leaders on "Food Costs and Home Consumption".....

-1929-

- 4 February; Review; Sciola: The winter home on road maintainer No. 18, now occupied by Billy Wheeler, caught fire on the morning of December 21 from a defective flue. Had it not been for the quick work of Fire Chief Wheeler and a pump on the H. C. Powers farm, the building and contents would have gone up in smoke.
- 22 February; Review; Sciola: J. P. Mayhew has had an electric lighting system installed recently at his farm home.
- 1 March; Review; Sciola: Ray Robb, who has been the Sciola merchant, will occupy the residence property vacated by the Swim family, and John Culver and family took possession of the Sciola store the first of the week, following the invoicing.....
- 8 March; Review: Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Mayhew, pioneer residents of the Morton's Mills and Sciola vicinities, celebrated their 50th wedding day on Wednesday, March 6, at their home one mile west of Sciola..... Open house was observed from 2 to 5 o'clock..... It was on February 22, 1892, that Mr. and Mrs. Mayhew moved onto the farm where they have lived ever since. It was soon after that Mrs. Mayhew took up the task of writing each week for the Review the news of her neighborhood, and that service she performed regularly and well until she was relieved by her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Burley Mayhew, who has since served efficiently as the correspondent from that vicinity.....
- 15 March; Review; Sciola: John Culver went to Des Moines Monday to attend a convention of the Westinghouse lighting agents.
- 22 March; Review; Sciola: The mail carrier on route No. 2 used two vehicles all the past week. A team driven by Osmer Selley delivered the mail up the bottom road to Mortons Mills while Mr. Kirk delivered the Grant mail by auto, going and returning over federal road No. 71.....
- 28 June; Review; Sciola: Many from this vicinity attended the airplane exhibitions and flights at Grant Sunday afternoon.
- 26 July; Review; Sciola: The Sciola church property has been sold and is now owned by an individual instead of the Baptist association. (Note: T. T. Thompson)

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- 6 June; Review: The paving on highway No. 71, north of Villisca, which is being put in by the Jensen and Krage crew, Wednesday night lacked only a short distance of reaching the bridge just north of Sciola.
- 29 August; Review: The Arlington Cemetery association has just completed the solicitation of funds to pay for a \$130 horse-drawn mower. A total of \$147.25 was raised.
- 10 October; Review; Sciola: A large crowd attended the rodeo at the Damuth farm Sunday afternoon.
- 5 December; Review; Sciola: The Green Gable Cabins have been erected at the junction of federal roads No. 34 and No. 71 by Irvin Chubick- they are equipped for winter for the convenience of the tourists.

-1931-

- 2 January; Review; Sciola: Lou Raney and Billy Wheeler have been tarring the joints and cracks on the paved roads in this vicinity for the past week.

13 February; Review: Fire Levels Last Business House in Sciola to Ground- Fire Monday noon destroyed the last business house in Sciola when flames that were fanned by a strong wind leveled to the foundations the general store and residence of Mr. and Mrs. John Culver. O. L. Zappe of near Cumberland owned the building. Members of the Villisca fire company took the Villisca farm fire truck to the scene but the blaze had gained too much headway to be halted and the firemen turned their attention to protecting nearby buildings that were endangered by the sparks.

Merchandise and store equipment from the front of the building were salvaged and most of the furniture from the Culver residence in the back of the building was carried out. Furnishings of two upstairs bedrooms were lost in the flames.

Wes Cooney received injuries to his right leg when a Delco light plant fell against him as he was assisting others carry it out of the basement of the burning building.....

Mrs. Rose Roberts of Sciola, who resides in the first house west of the Culver residence, discovered the fire which broke out on the roof about 12:10 pm. Mrs. Culver had built a big fire in her cook stove to heat water for washing, and sparks from the flue are thought to have ignited the shingles on the roof.

Sparks were carried by the high wind to the cornfield south of the burning building and firemen were forced to fight a blaze in the field as well.

Monday's fire leaves Sciola, once a bustling town and said to be the site of the first settlement in Montgomery County, without a business establishment. The building destroyed by the blaze was an old landmark in the Sciola neighborhood. Older residents recall that it burned once before and was rebuilt 20 years ago at the time the AN & S railroad, now defunct, brought a business boom to Sciola. In recent years it has served as a community gathering place as well as the only business house operating in Sciola.

(Note: Life at Sciola went on as usual. People were married, babies were born, organizations met, and social events took place. But I had to stop somewhere, and this seemed the logical place. Later records of the church and schools appear in separate sections.)

Tim Erickson Makes Extensive Study of Early Indians Here

(From Villisca Review; 17 April, 1931)

Hundreds of years before Columbus began his historic voyage westward, this section of Montgomery County was the scene of a busy civilization, based on the same industry that supplies its livelihood today, agriculture.

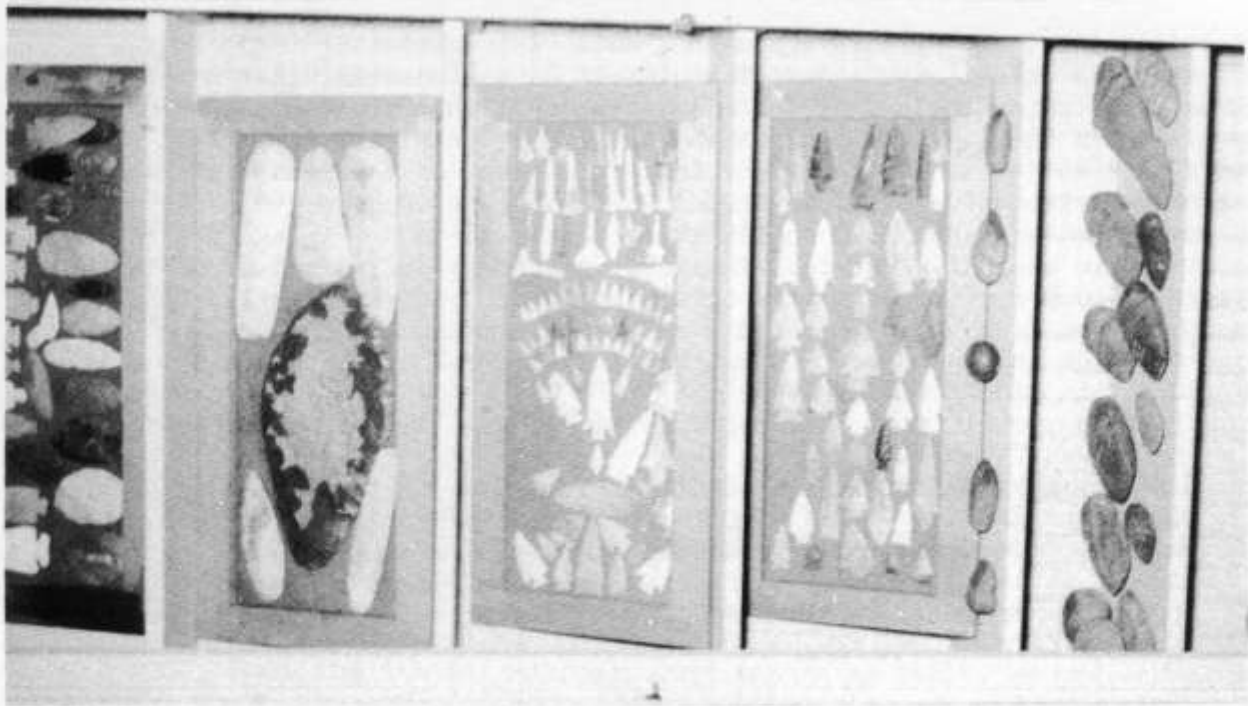
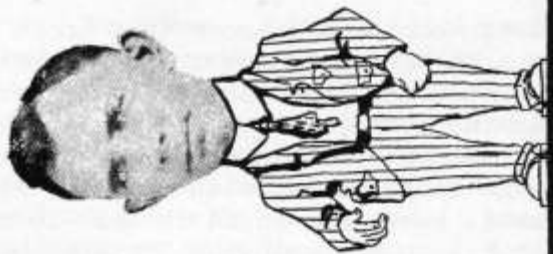
Proof of this past and a key to its baffling history is found in the extensive collection of Indian relics which Tim Erickson, Sciola farmer, has been assembling for more than 40 years.

And along with the relics, Mr. Erickson has collected an extensive lore of the red men who farmed Montgomery County land for hundreds of years before the white men brought white collars, "fire water" and destruction to this race.

Although the Indians who tilled these lands by day and gathered by night about council fires failed to write a history of themselves for posterity, they left lasting clues as to their mode of life.

Tiny round stones turned up frequently beneath plow shares, odd shaped flat stones that bore slight indentures as though the human hand had worn them there - these are the clues to Montgomery County's history which have been coming out of the earth at frequent intervals in the last half century.

Tim Erickson and
some of his Indian
relics. The col-
lection is now in
the Villisca Pub-
lic Library.



Starting more than 40 years ago with a hobby for collecting these Indian relics, Mr. Erickson has established a name for himself as a student of Indian lore. Although he has studied the history of all North American tribes, his interest primarily lies with the Indian tribesmen who settled in this vicinity.

Prof. Charles Key of Mount Vernon, Iowa, president of the Iowa historical association, has visited several times at the Erickson home in order to study the relics. He has pronounced a group of 90 Indian axes, which are in Mr. Erickson's collection, as the finest in the entire state. In recent years, several noted archeologists have traveled long distances to view this Montgomery County collection, and Mr. Erickson has been urged to transfer his relics to a famous museum.

More than 500 Indian relics are contained in the collection which Mr. Erickson has on display in his farm home at Sciola. All but a few of them have been found on farms in this vicinity and each relic is marked with name of contributor and the place where it was found.

The collection of 90 Indian axes contains a variety of large axes which were used for agricultural purposes as well as a score or more of the smaller and deadlier tomahawks. Each ax is expertly shaped, grooved and polished, indicating the large amount of patience required to fashion these implements from hard stone. Variations in the manner in which the stone ax handles were grooved are indication that several tribes were residents of this vicinity in bygone days, according to Mr. Erickson.

Other implements in the collection, all fashioned of stone or flint, include hoes, fist hatchets, tanning stones, sling shots, and the "thimble" stones which were used in fashioning the other stone objects. Scores of other articles are also on display.

A hint of modernism is seen in a stone "compact", found near here which the Indians used as a container for their war paints and which has divisions for various colors. Heavy stone "washboards" with corrugated surfaces that were used to wash clothing in the river are reminders that the movement for "modern household conveniences" dates back hundreds of years.

Ten large stone mills which are heavy stone hollowed in the center and used for grinding meal, have been found in this territory and are in Mr. Erickson's collection. Each has an accompanying "rolling pin". One of these mills was unearthed near Sciola by a ditching machine a few years ago.

The relics which have been found in this vicinity are of a better quality than those which have been discovered in other sections of the country, according to Mr. Erickson. The white man was not the first to discover this territory as the "garden spot of the world", and the Indians who farmed here were wealthier and more prosperous than their fellows.

For this reason, Mr. Erickson explains, they had more leisure to spend in perfecting better implements for farming, more convenient utensils for household use, and deadlier weapons with which to defend their fertile fields from encroaching tribes. Consequently, their civilization advanced by leaps and bounds ahead of that of the poorer tribes.

Montgomery County abounds in Indian lore, Mr. Erickson has found. The great Mahaski, Chief of the Iowa Indians, was killed and buried on what is now the P. S. Focht farm. Surveyors dug up the body, together with proof of its identity, in 1850.

At least six Indian camp sites are known to have existed in the eastern half of the county, Mr. Erickson says. One of these was located on the Jim Bolt farm, another on the Jim Keeney place, and a third on Mr. Erickson's farm. Others are thought to have existed just north of Grant.

Mr. Erickson believes that his farm was the scene of a bloody Indian battle long ago and that the villagers who lived there were the victims of a surprise attack and were either killed or forced to retreat before they had time to gather together their possessions. Many objects that evidently were used for farming and in the homes have come to the surface at this site and are in unusual abundance.

"More relics are being turned up now than when I started my collection 40 years ago", Mr. Erickson said. "I want to add as many more as I can, making a southwestern Iowa collection that will be the finest in the state."

Mr. Erickson has received several proffers to dispose of his relics to noted museums, but has declined them all. He says the collection deals with Montgomery County history and therefore belongs in this county. He plans to leave his relics to some town in this locality that will provide a suitable place in which the collection may be exhibited.

Tales: Short and Tall

Lena Devine: In the old days it was customary for the Center school of a township to be painted red. I started to school at No. 5 when I was four years old. There was a door at each end of the front, or east, side. The blackboard was between the two doors.

When I was a little girl, there were Bouncing Bettys growing in Uncle Jud Mayhew's pasture, south of the house. I was told that the Bolt schoolhouse used to be there. While the new No. 4 schoolhouse was being built, we had school in Jud Mayhew's house. One of our teachers had no discipline at all. We ate pop corn during school time, and did most anything. Burleigh Mayhew would bring a bottle of cider to school and set it on the window sill in the sun. The middle of the morning it would explode.

I don't know what kind of a Doctor Mr. Wood was. He gave little white pills. I think everyone got the same pill no matter what was wrong. Before my mother was married, she worked for Mrs. Barnard in the old walnut house. When Mr. Wood and Papa moved that old house to the Wood farm, Grace (Mayhew) Nordyke and I rode in it. It was placed just behind the Wood home. When we moved into the Wood house the next year Mama used the old building for a wash house. Grace and I had a play house upstairs. There were two large walnut slabs up there, and it was said that Mr. and Mrs. Barnard had those to be laid out on when they died. I don't know if they were or not.

San McConoughey; son of Dr. Freeman McConoughey: When Doc started the practice of medicine at Sciola in 1900, he went by horse back with wire cutting pliers in his hip pocket. Guess doctors were permitted - or expected - to go straight-line, cutting the fences as they went. He later went by motorcycle, but gave that up after going down in frozen ruts - decided it was too dangerous.

Martin Straight: I remember the old walnut house; it was about 25 feet long. I was told that at one time it was a tavern and post office. -- Frank Findley told me that soon after he came here, he watched an Indian battle on the flat north of Sciola -- The Focht family had an orchestra. Golda played the piano; Perse, a fiddle; Syl, trombone; Roscoe, bass viol -- The blacksmith shop was built by a bunch of farmers -- Ira Moates lived in a little house on 30 acres of stumps. Kay Wheeler lived there at one time -- The men of the community played poker in grassy clearings in Whitney timber. They circulated a story of a fierce animal in the timber to keep kids away -- George and Billy Harrell were blacksmiths. Another one was Jimmy Evans from Glenwood. He stayed at Tim Erickson's. He was short and wide and thought he was quite a boxer. One time he baited Tommy Thompson into a round with him. Tommy hit him in the nose and laid him up for two days -- No. 8 school was called Wood Tick -- For a short time Dean Conklin had a restaurant in the old Wheeler house. Edd Bolt built that house; his brother Jim helped him.

Dorothy Wheeler Cropp: I was born in the old house, west of the river. It was moved across the river then, and set next to the blacksmith shop. Allen Sickler's lived in it, and Harry Cass - he was the blacksmith. And then Whipples lived there.

Mrs. Earl Whipple: Each fall, we bought the timber off one acre of Whitney land for firewood.

Hilda Larson: The upstairs of the meat market was used as a hotel -- Old No. 4 was painted red.

Dennis Larson: When Weldy was a little kid he didn't have a pony; he rode an old lop-eared mule. One summer our family rented some Whitney timber for pasture and Weldy rode his mule over to check on the cattle and water. When he was coming home one day, Lizzie Mayhew came out and took a picture of him. He was very upset when he reached home, and indignantly announced that Lizzie was making fun of his mule. Now he would give a great deal for that picture.

Letha Erickson Larson: One year No. 5 didn't have a teacher when it was time for school to start, so I rode the train every day for a month or two to the Hobson school.

Dr. Cooper came to Sciola every morning during the flu epidemic of 1918-19, and stopped at practically every house. I had it, and Doc told my mother to bathe me every day with water fresh from the well. It was winter time and Mother was sure it would kill me, but it didn't.

When the river was straightened, Mrs. Anna Hammer cooked on the dredge boat. I would go after the cows about 2 o'clock and go to the dredge. I walked across the plank from the bank to the boat, and played with the Hammer girls, Edna and Myrtle. We would lie on our stomachs over the end of the boat and catch minnows with a tea strainer. At 5 o'clock I would get the cows and take them home.

Esther Devine: Clark's parents lived in the Sciola store when Alden was small. His mother told that one day Alden climbed up on the ladder that was used to reach groceries on the high shelves, and fell into a can of cream.

Raymond Richie: A group of us boys used to swipe hand cars and ride them to Morton's Mills and back. Sometimes we would release the brakes on freight cars and ride them as far south as they would coast; then we left them there and walked home.

There was a windmill between Archers barber shop and the implement store. One Halloween night my brother and some other boys put a buggy on top the windmill.

Max G. Mayhew: The Company had a Percheron draft horse. My Dad and I each owned a share in him. The company also had another horse. He was a Hambletonian, and his name was Trifrign.

Howard Peterson: The first movies I ever saw were at the Farm Bureau meetings. There I met Charlie Chaplin and Fatty Arbuckle. In the winter the meetings were held at the church, and in the summer they were in Jim Hart's yard. The men stood back by the parked vehicles, and a bottle or two of boot-leg hootch passed along the line. The older kids ran around, with the boys chasing the girls, or the other way around. The women and little children sat on the grass and watched the show.

In the late '30s, I helped tear down the old barber shop. We used some of the lumber to build an out house for the church.

Alec Newburg: Bob Reed was a Sciola blacksmith; John Patton worked in the shop, too.

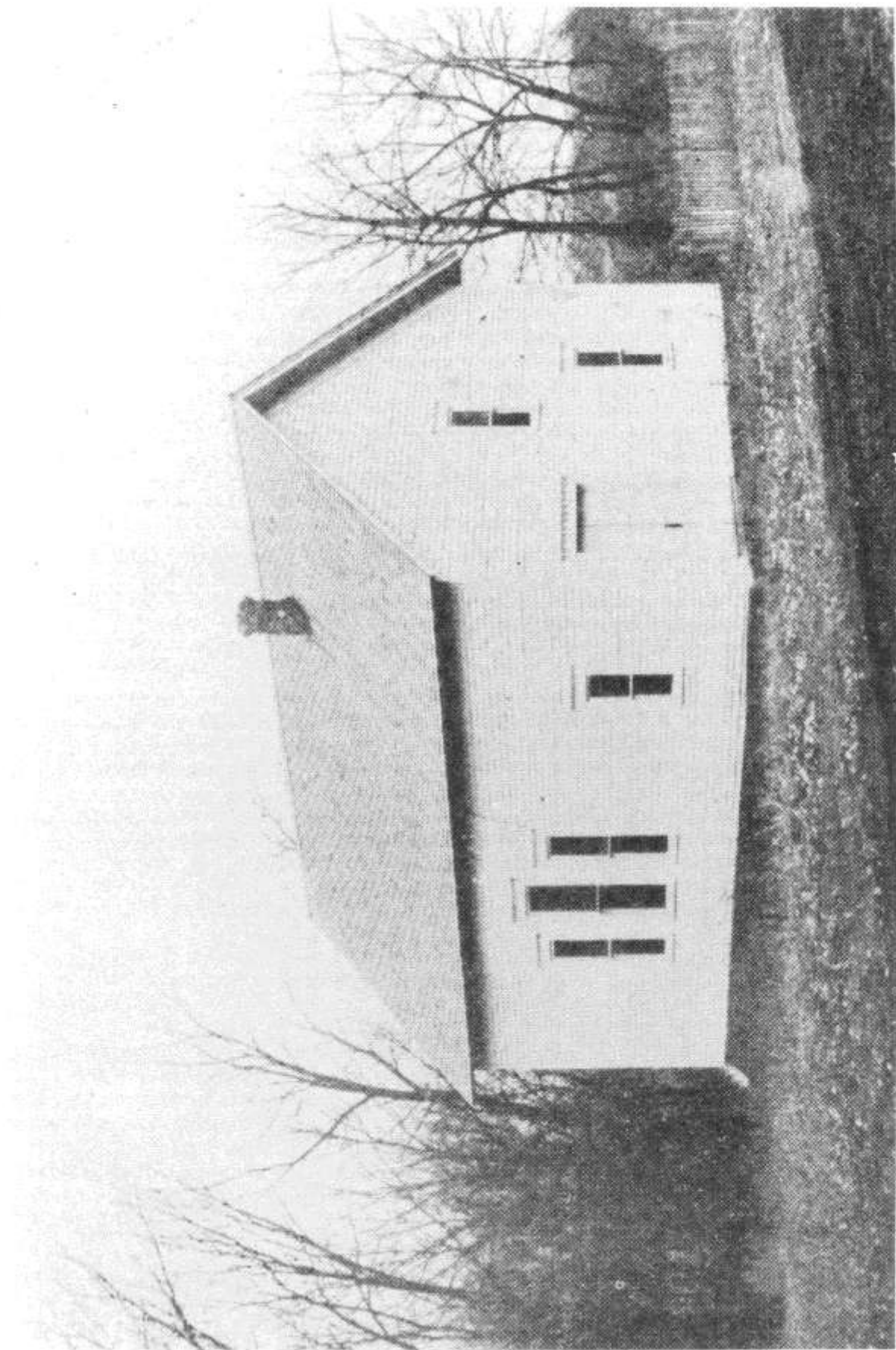
R. B. Blankinship, Cumberland: My great-grandfather, Isaac Bolt, lived in a sod house and kept a stage station there.

Clyde Ingersoll: One of the first telephones in the community was in Sum Wheeler's store. One rainy day when I was about five I went to the store with my father. Several others were already there. Frank Bates Senior and Junior were telling about a plug they had made for their telephone so that it could be disconnected during an electrical storm; they recommended that others install one. Sum stated that he didn't want one, that he wasn't afraid of lightning. Just then a ball of lightning about the size of a bucket flew out of the phone, and went rolling around the store, and finally out the door. Sum was right behind it, with a pair of pliers, and cut his telephone wire.

I was married in 1918. I borrowed money to set up housekeeping and buy a little farming equipment. It was a dry year and the crops burned up. Going wages were a dollar a day, if you could find work. The Nodaway river was being straightened that summer, and there was hardly enough water in the river to wash your feet. They needed every drop to float the dredge, so a dam had to be built every time they crossed the old river. When I heard they were paying 90¢ an hour for a team and driver, I applied for a job. We had to be there at 7:00 am, and worked until 6:00 pm, with an hour off at noon. They had cleared a 100 foot strip for the new channel, and we scraped the dirt from there for the dams. I worked until they quit for the winter.

Dorothy Tucker; a descendant of Nancy Barnard Burr: Benjamin Franklin Burr was ordained as a Baptist minister at Bennington, New York, on 24 May, 1843. He was for a time an itinerant preacher, or circuit rider, and a lecturer. A Burr great-granddaughter has a pamphlet "Phrenophysiological Chart" by Prof. B. F. Burr, Lecturer, Audubon, Iowa, 1880. (Note: See 15 January, 1880)

Kate Barnard Wood; from her "Memoirs", written in 1940, and contributed by Barbara Schuerman: My mother taught the Village school the first winter there, (Frankfort, 1864-65) and I was one of the pupils, five years old After two years' residence at this place, my father bought a one room house, and moved it on a sled ten miles east to Sciola, where I spent my childhood..... We acquired a small store of General Merchandise and also a Post Office to which my mother was appointed PM. Railroad lands were cheap, and my parents acquired several small pieces of land..... I was married December 31, 1879, in Sciola, Iowa. Rev. J. M. Holmes was the officiating clergyman.



SCIOLA BAPTIST CHURCH

Sciola Baptist Church

From 1881 History: The Sciola Missionary Baptist Church was organized in January, 1869. The first members were: John Yergey and wife, John Robertson and wife, James Whitney and wife, G. B. Goble and wife, James Robertson and wife, Louis Goble and wife, Cornelia Hobson, J. Shoemaker and wife, Andrew Taylor and wife. They have a frame church which was built in 1871, at a cost of \$1,600, and was dedicated June 30, 1872, by Rev. J. C. Otis, of Glenwood. The successive pastors have been Rev. Peter Andrews, C. C. Baird, C. Brooks, J. W. Roe, E. Doward, D. C. Ellis, John Barr. The present membership is 58 - 25 males and 33 females. Officers - James Whitney, C. M. Lester, G. B. Goble, John D. Taylor, J. W. Yergey, trustees; John Yergey and G. B. Goble, deacons; J. W. Yergey, clerk; C. M. Lester, treasurer.

A Sabbath school was organized when the church was. G. B. Goble was the first superintendent; C. J. Rose, next, and J. W. Yergey is the present one. The usual attendance about 45.

1906 History; by W. W. Merritt: The Baptist Church at Sciola has filled an important place in the religious, social and educational life of the people of the Valley of the Nodaway. It has now fallen into partial disuse through removal or death of those who have been its strength and support.

A brief summary of the history of the Sciola Sunday School for the years 1927 to 1933, as reported by Mrs. Cliff (Jessie) Findley: The Sunday School was organized in 1927, by Mr. Mowry, with Mr. Lew Gidley as Superintendent. No exact number of the attendance was on record, but was estimated to be 50 or 60.

Sunday School closed during the winter months, and reopened in 1928 with Mrs. Forrest Carper as Superintendent. The average attendance was 29. September 9, 1928, the Sciola Sunday School entertained at a social gathering at Elborg Grove. Sunday School closed in late November.

In May of 1929, opened with Mrs. Findley as Superintendent; she held the position until the spring of 1932. During those years the average attendance was 20.

Mr. Tommy Thompson was Superintendent in 1932. Average attendance was 43. During this year Rev. Stearns and Robert Renfoe held revival meetings, which was of much help to us. Sunday School continued through the winter and Mrs. Frank Leonard was Superintendent. The average attendance was 78.

Copied by Mrs. Fred Coon
17 November, 1978

27 June, 1946; Review; Sciola: The attendance at Sunday School Sunday morning was 50. Following the Sunday School session a program of recitations, exercises and songs was given by the children, followed by a basket dinner. At 1:15 the afternoon services were opened, conducted by Rev. Arnold O. Kenyon of Lewis. The dedication services of the Sciola Community Church was held. A history of the church was given, the abstract was read, and acceptance of it was received. Special music was provided and the service on the first church was given. A lunch was served to the crowd following the afternoon service.

(Note: Bertha Peters had the only copy of the church history, and after her death, her family destroyed it.)

Church Board; 1946:

Ralph McKee, Chairman	Paul Bolt
Violet Miller, Secretary	Bruce Orton
Mrs. Ralph Gourley, Treasurer	Howard Peterson
Paul Taylor	Marvin Carlson, S S Superintendent
Tim Erickson	

18 March, 1970; The Weekly Times: Old Church At Sciola To Be Moved - The Sciola Community Church (non-denominational), located 7 miles north of Villisca, will be moved north of the cemetery in the near future because of the relocation of US 71.

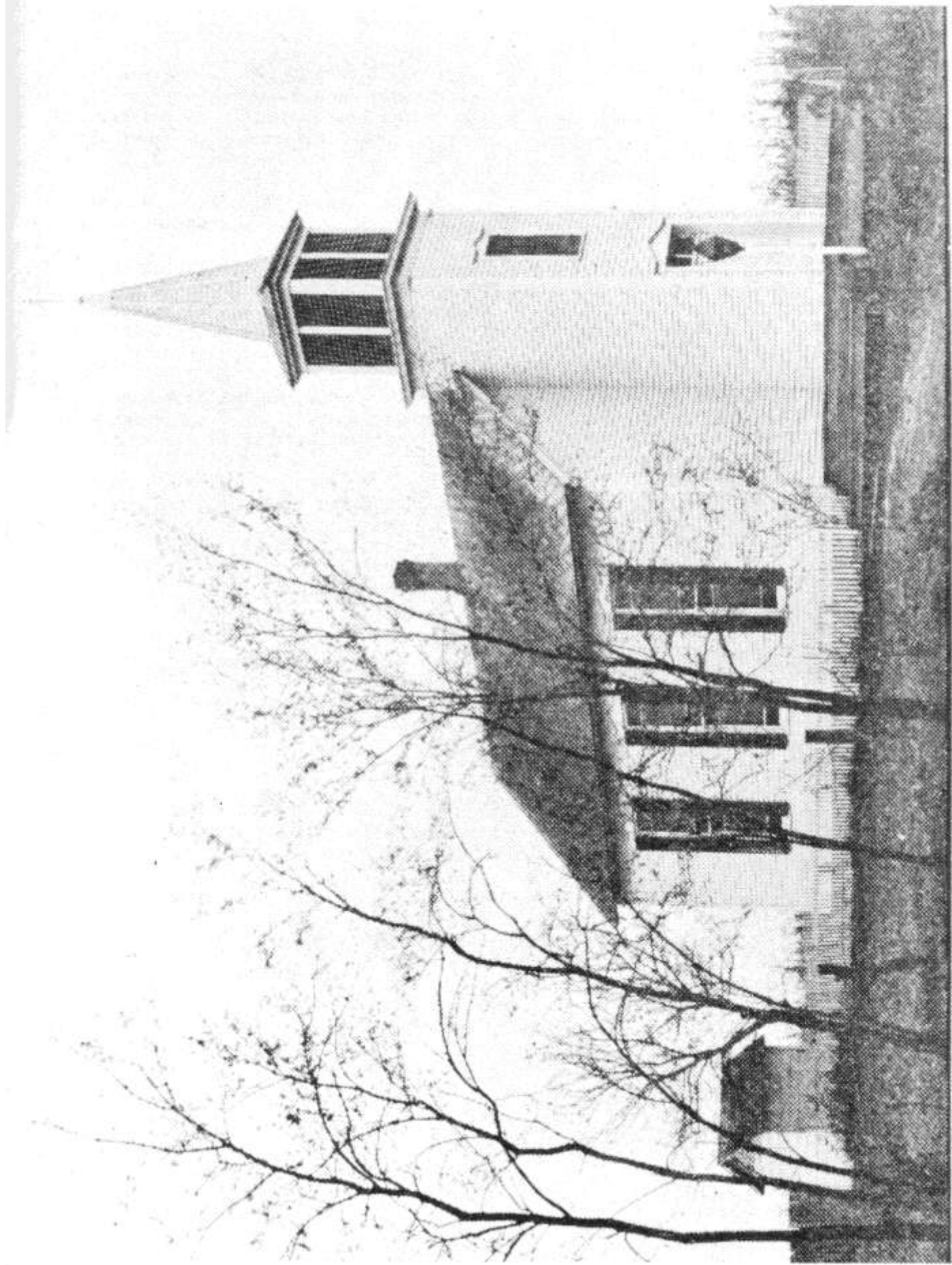
The Church, now in its 99th year, is pastored by the Rev. Ray Hays, who has served the parish for the last 12 years. Located at a curve in the highway, the tiny church and its protective pine tree have been noted by passing motorists through the decades.

(Note: The church was moved to a site west of the cemetery. A basement was dug, but the finishing work has never been completed, and the building has not been used since it was moved.)

In the following list of ministers who have served the Baptist Church, I have given the first and/or last dates found for each one, but that isn't necessarily an accurate report of the length of service.

29 November, 1872 - 3 January, 1873; Rev. Roe
16 July, 1874 - 1876; Rev. Dorwene (or Doward)
6 September, 1877; Elder Pattison
November, 1878; D. C. Ellis
15 January, 1880- February, 1881; Rev. John Barr of Villisca
31 August, 1882; Rev. Miller preached farewell sermon
It is thought that Benjamin Franklin Burr preached here, but no date has been found; perhaps it was about this time.
20 October, 1887; new minister
7 September, 1888; Rev. Townsend preached farewell
19 July, 1889; Rev. Potter of Milford
17 April, 1890; Potter every two weeks during the summer
30 April, 1891; Rev. Wallace every two weeks during the summer
24 September, 1891; Rev. McCormick of Villisca
1 October, 1891; Rev. Beely
2 December, 1892; Rev. Ferguson of Cumberland (may have been just a revivalist)
23 December, 1892; called Rev. Parsons; 17 December, 1896; Parsons resigned
11 February, 1897 - January, 1898; Rev. Deitrick
11 November, 1898; united with Milford in calling a pastor
6 January, 1899; Rev. Skinner
5 February, 1902; Rev. Simons of Hamburg conducting "Meetings"
27 March, 1903; Rev. Simons once a month
24 July, 1903; Rev. Wycoff
22 July, 1904 - 20 May, 1909; Rev. Watson (Jim Honeyman's grandfather)
18 November, 1909; Rev. Osborne
12 May, 1910 - 5 October, 1911 transferred; Rev. Griffith
7 May, 1914 - 1 December, 1915 leaves; Rev. Neyman of Bedford
3 February, 1916; Rev. Overturf
12 August, 1921; Rev. Erb
6 June, 1924; radio church
13 August, 1926; Rev. Dewey
22 July, 1927; Rev. Osborne
26 July, 1929; Rev. Kesterson of Red Oak
24 July, 1931; Rev. Floyd Smith

There are no records for the cemetery at the Sciola Church. Only a handful of graves are marked. There never were many buried there, and some of them have been removed to other places. No one can say how many unmarked graves are there. I know of two, and have been told that several Sickler children were buried there, although only one is marked. The cemetery has two Civil War Veterans: Charles Gore and George Long.



Holmes Chapel, 10 miles north of Villisca on bottom road.

Holmes Chapel

1881 History: The Methodist Episcopal Church (place of meeting not given) was organized January 22, 1866. Its first members were George Hobson, Elvira Hobson, John T. Hobson, Cornelius R. Prall, Martha Prall, Manliff C. Prather, Emily Barnard, Mary M. Hobson, Mary E. Prather. The first presiding elder was M. H. Fleming. The successive pastors of this church have been Revs. W. F. Laidley, 1866; A. J. Andres, 1867; T. P. Newlin, 1869; W. T. Smith, 1870; L. W. Archer, 1872; M. Sheets, 1873; J. W. Buth, 1875; F. Plumb, 1878; R. F. Osborne, 1879; R. Randolph, 1880. The number of members in January, 1881, was 46 - all in one class.

There is an organization of trustees who have some funds on hand for the purpose of erecting a church building, and they are now preparing to do so. In connection with the church there is a Sabbath school which has 60 members enrolled, and the average attendance is from 30 to 40. This meets only in summer time.

Holmes Chapel was named to honor the Rev. John Milton Holmes. A tradition says that he was overseer of the construction. Undoubtedly he preached to the congregation both before and after the Chapel was built, but the only record found says that he preached the first sermon in the new church.

The following list contains all the information I have found concerning pastors of this congregation:

17 September, 1885; Rev. Adair left; had been there two years
4 August, 1889; Rev. J. M. Holmes, first service in new church
18 August, 1889; Rev. Campbell preached at Dedication service
11 September, 1890; Rev. Palmer preached farewell sermon
December, 1890; Rev. Lincoln Damon
16 April, 1891; Rev. Voorhees
18 January, 1894; Rev. Maines of Milford
1896; Rev. Maxon
29 September, 1898; Rev. Menoher returned
9 March, 1928; Holmes Chapel building sold and razed.

Schools

1881 History of Montgomery County; Washington Township: As to the first school within the township, one account says it was in James Robertson's house on Section 5, and that it was taught by James Rogers, who afterwards went to Dakota and was killed by Indians. But another account says that the first school was taught in Mr. Goble's house on Section 10, in 1857, by Thomas Stockton and that he had about 25 pupils, and received \$30 per month.

The first schoolhouse in the township was built here (Sciola) by David Discombus, but another report says one was built at Arlington also in 1861, by J. Cooney and David Discombus.

(Note: It is not certain where the first Sciola school house was. In 1860, Sciola was a mile west of the present location. This leads me to think that it may have been the school just south of the Mayhew corner, known as the Bolt school. In the early days, a school was given the name of the family living nearest to it, and so was subject to change. It was very confusing.)

Montgomery County school records: From list of those taking the examination for teachers certificate:

1880:	Ora Helms	F. M. Whitney
	Bell Hart	Sadie Yergey
	Mattie Saylor	S. J. Atwood
1881:	N. P. Mayhew	Mary Miller
	Nora Whitney	

No. 2

One of the older schoolhouses in the township was known as the Hobson school. The 1875 map shows it on the south line of Section 4, just west of the mid-section line. After the 1880 school reorganization, it was moved to the southeast corner of Section 4, and became No. 2. It has also been called the Kimel School.

A new school house was built in 1889. The school closed in 1946. The building was sold 4 October, 1956, for \$275 to Clifford Howell. Bill Marsh bought the bell.

On 7 October, 1978, a school reunion was held at the Holiday Inn in Red Oak. A good crowd, including 7 former teachers, enjoyed the luncheon and visiting.

No. 4

The Bolt school was on the north-south road, about a quarter of a mile south of the Mayhew corner. It may have been the first school building in Washington Township. In 1880, the building was moved a mile west on the Sciola road, and became No. 4. It stood in the south east corner of the intersection.

A new building was erected here in 1897. It stood on top of the ridge south of the corner. It was called the Greenwood School. The school closed in 1932, then reopened in 1942. It closed again in 1952. The building was sold 4 October, 1956, for \$320, to Axel Lantz.

Fall term, 1896; No. 4 School; Amy Ellenwood, Teacher

Burleigh Mayhew	Roy Shoemaker
Lulu Shepherd	Lena Mullen
Ethel Hutchinson	Dot Shoemaker



No. 2 School

Roy Cline
Harry Shepherd
Grace Mayhew

Cliff Shepherd
Harry Mayhew
Amy Hutchinson

No. 5

The traditional site of the No. 5 schoolhouse was the northeast corner of SE⁴ SW⁴ of Section 15, a half mile east of the Sciola Church. But persistent stories claim that it wasn't always there.

The 1875 map shows a school in the customary place, but the 1881 map does not. This may have been an oversight, as I can't locate it elsewhere, either, but the school reorganization plan of 1880 would have found No. 5 in the wrong place.

One story places the school by the church at one time. Another tale says it was just north of Junior Russell's house, which would be the proper place for it, while a third version says it was south of Russells', on the creek bank. Wherever it was, the arrangement didn't last long, and it was in the usual place by the early 1880's.

The corner where No. 5 stood was originally railroad land. It was sold to T. M. A. Bolt 14 November, 1876, but the school wasn't mentioned in the deed. The first legal record found was when Ad Bolt sold, in 1892, one acre, occupied by a school house, to the Washington Township School Board for \$30.

No date has been found for the erection of the new building, but it must have been around 1900. The old building is said to have been moved to the farm later owned by Paul Taylor.

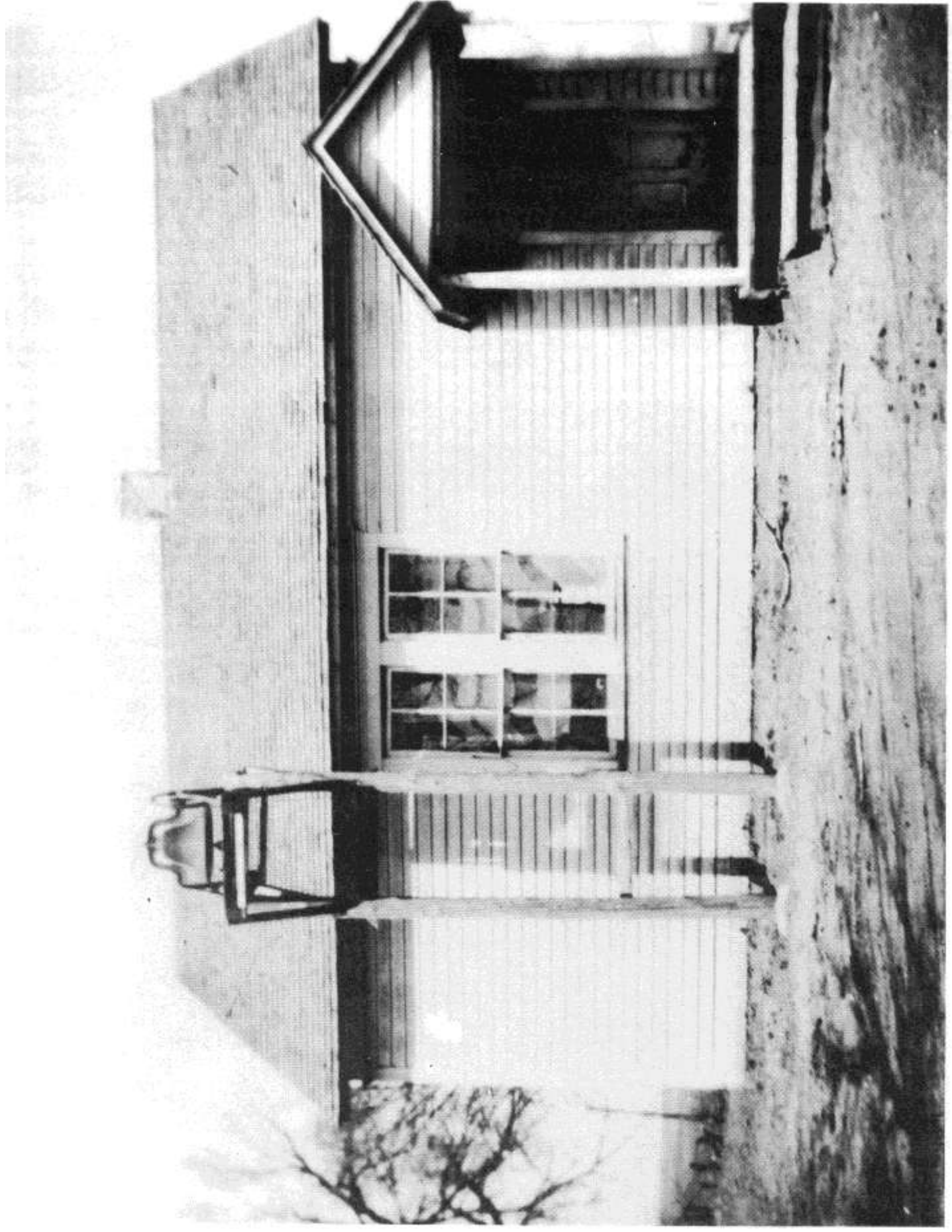
No. 5 closed in 1949. The building was sold 5 October, 1956, for \$265, to C. A. Danielson, who moved it to his farm, where it still stands. On 11 April, 1957, Ward Cooper bought the land from the District.

Fall term, 1915; No. 5; Golda Focht, teacher; D. S. Wheeler, Director; Tim Erickson, Secretary.

Edward Sickler
Richard Straight
Emmet Straight
Ralph Archer
Lucy Archer
Jack Archer
Lloyd Sanders

Stacey Findley
Marnice Findley
Vesta Findley
Boyd Straight
Dolly Bates
James Shepherd
Dolley Shepherd

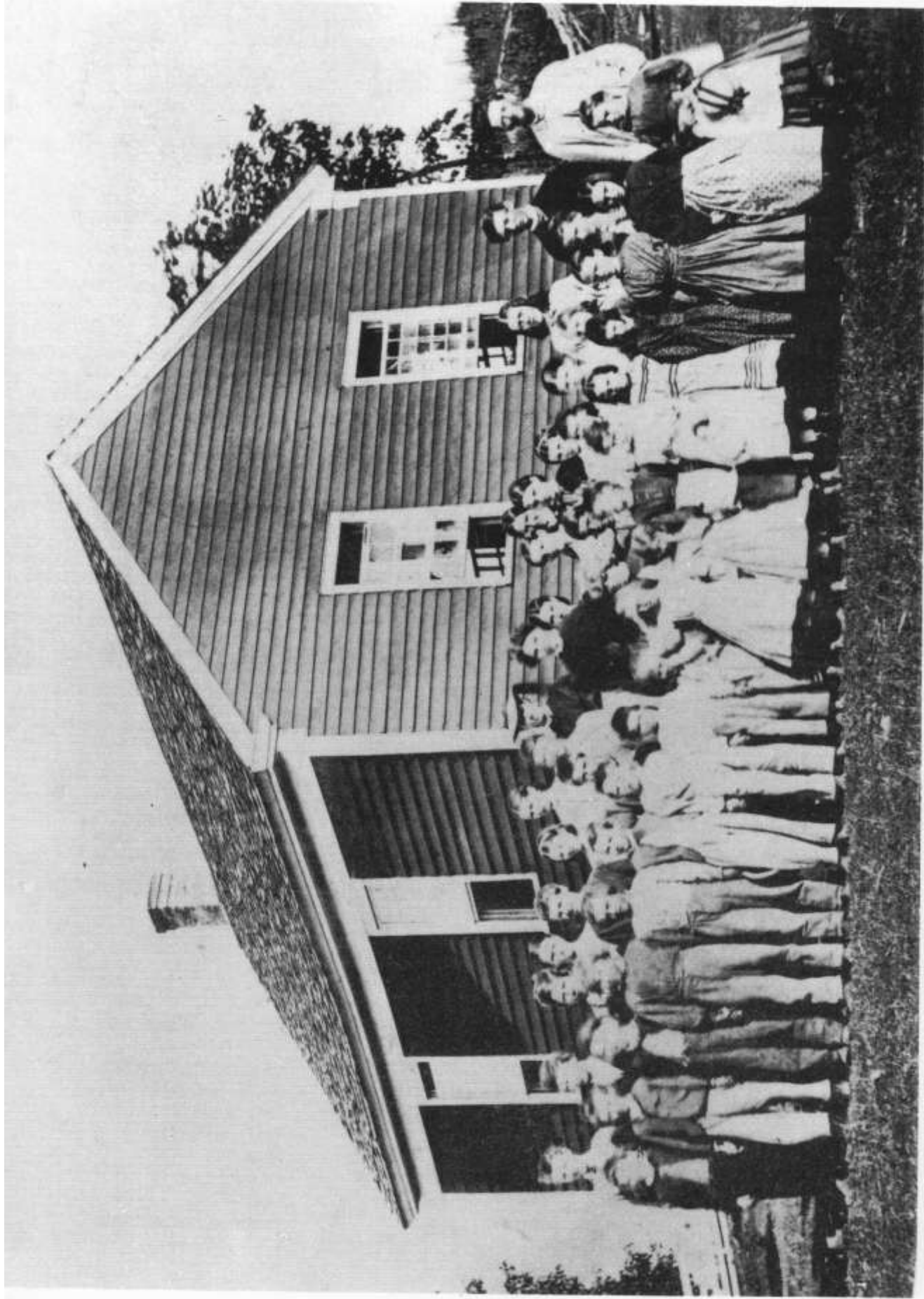
Donald Wheeler
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Elnora Thompson
Vernon Fulton
Aletha Erickson
Earl Findley
Ivan Straight



Number 4 Schoolhouse

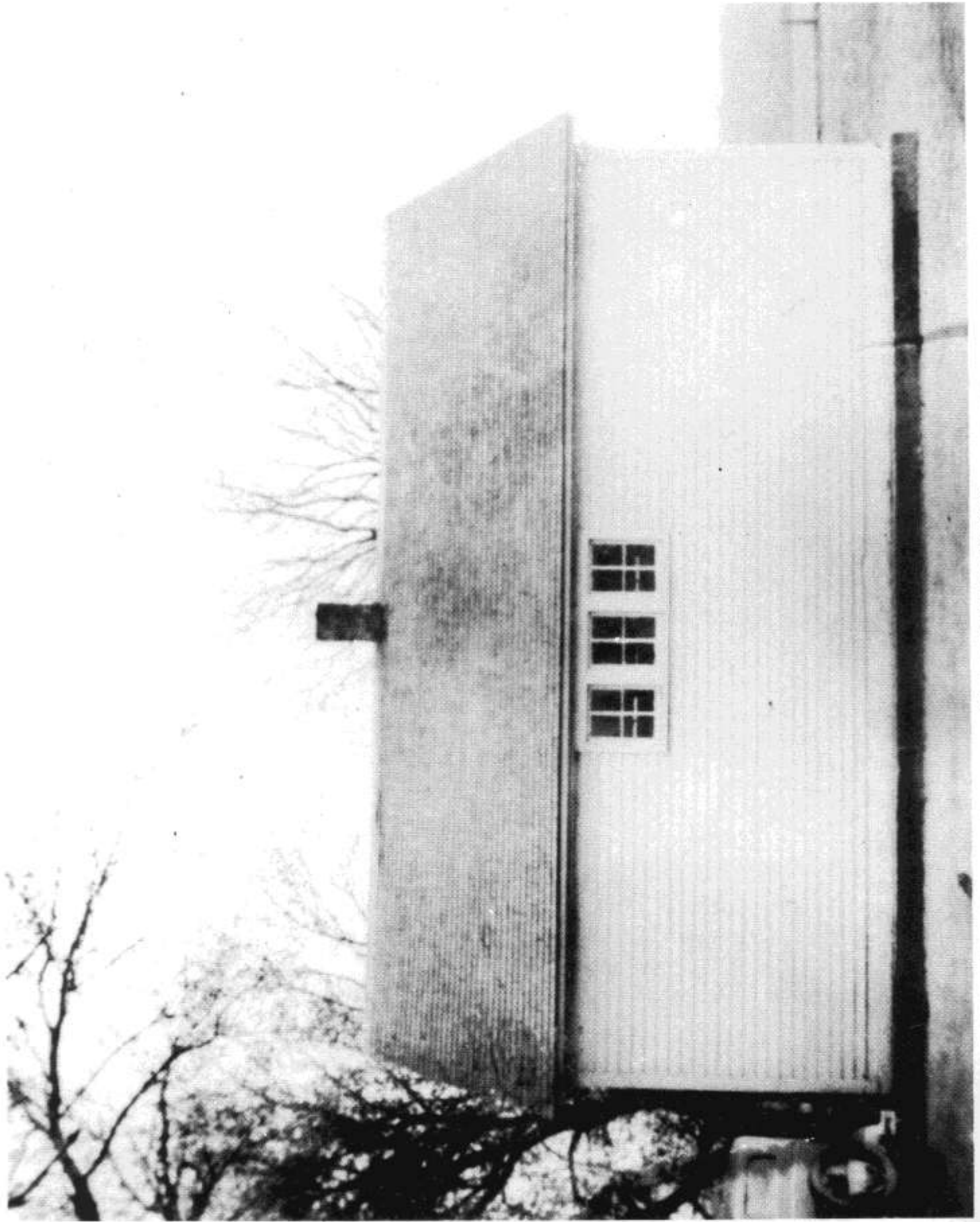
TEACHERS

<u>Year</u>	<u>Fall</u>	<u>Winter</u>	<u>Spring</u>
1870-71			
No. 5			L. C. Woster
1877-78			
No. 5		Kate Barnard	
1878-79			
No. 4		(Bolt school)	Ella Johnson
1884-85			
No. 2			Minnie Hobson
No. 4			
No. 5		O. W. Bean	Wm. Nutting
1885-86			
No. 2	Minnie Hobson		Fannie Barker
No. 4			Cora Newman
No. 5	W. W. Nutting	W. W. Nutting	W. W. Nutting
1886-87			
No. 2			
No. 4		Cora Newman	
No. 5		J. W. Whitney	Cora Newman
1887-88			
No. 2		Elmer Damon	Flora Reticker
No. 4		Alice Newman	
No. 5	Cora Newman	Cora Newman	Allie Kimpton
1888-89			
No. 2		Elmer Damon	Mint Prall
No. 4			Elmer Damon
No. 5	Minnie Fulton	Cora Newman or Flora Reticker	Minnie Fulton
1889-90			
No. 2			Frankie Barker
No. 4	Cora Newman	Elmer Damon	Elmer Damon
No. 5	Minnie Fulton	Minnie Fulton	Cora Newman
1890-91			
No. 2			Katie Reticker
No. 4			Love Brown
No. 5	Mary Ervin	Mary Ervin	Hannah Slack
1891-92			
No. 2	Frankie Barker		Katie Fuller
No. 4		Harry Lester	E. Damon and L. Heilman
No. 5	Hannah Slack	Fannie Holmes	Sadie Bridwell
1892-93			
No. 2	Frankie Barker		Kate Purdy and H. Slack
No. 4	Louisa Heilman	Harry Lester	Louisa Heilman
No. 5	Sadie Bridwell	Sadie Bridwell	Bunny Saylor
1893-94			
No. 2	Kate Purdy	Frankie Barker	Kate Purdy
No. 4	Mrs. James Bolt	Mrs. James Bolt	Belle Hart
No. 5	Bunnie Saylor	Sadie Bridwell	Bunnie Saylor
1894-95			
No. 2	Kate Purdy	Will Devine	Kate Purdy
No. 4	Belle Hart	Vena Felch	Louisa Heilman
No. 5	Bunnie Saylor	Bunnie Saylor	Amanda McCutcheon



Old No. 5 Schoolhouse, probably taken in the spring of 1871. The woman in the dark dress, center, is Susan Humaston Wheeler. Behind her, in the hat, is Orille Wheeler Damuth. The girl with the black hair, in the front row, is probably Orille Wheeler Mullen. There are several Houghtons in the picture. They lived on the Ralph Courley farm.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Fall</u>	<u>Winter</u>	<u>Spring</u>
1895-96			
No. 2	Kate Purdy	Wm. Devine	
No. 4		Amy Ellenwood	Amy Ellenwood
No. 5	Amanda McCutcheon	John H. Moyer	A. McCutcheon and Mary Kendrick
1896-97			
No. 2	Addie Nelson	Wm. Devine and Addie Nelson	Addie Nelson
No. 4	Amy Ellenwood	Madge Mayhew	
No. 5	Grace Greenlee	Belle Hart	Grace Greenlee
1897-98			
No. 2	Addie Nelson	Addie Nelson	Addie Nelson
No. 4	Linnie Moore	Linnie Moore	Kate Lester
No. 5	Grace Greenlee	Grace Greenlee	Abbie Gourley or Madge Mayhew
1898-99			
No. 2	Addie Nelson	Frances Wheeler	Frances Wheeler
No. 4	Blanche Baker	Blanche Baker	Carrie Nelson
No. 5	Edith Ervin	Edith Ervin	Addie Nelson
1899-1900			
No. 2	Frances Wheeler	Frances Wheeler	Leona Wallace
No. 4	Carrie Nielson	Abbie Gourley	Abbie Gourley
No. 5	Kate Purdy	Kate Purdy	Grace Greenlee
1900-01			
No. 2	Leona Wallace	Allen M. Bryson	Addie Gallup
No. 4	Rosa Eskelson	Rosa Eskelson	Frances Wheeler
No. 5	Grace Greenlee	Grace Greenlee	Lillie McIntyre
1901-02			
No. 2	Addie Gallup	Addie Gallup	Blanche Baker
No. 4	Frances Wheeler	Frances Wheeler	Frances Wheeler
No. 5	Lillie McIntyre	Verna Mayhew	Lizzie Ely
1902-03			
No. 2	Blanche Baker	Blanche Baker	Anna Gallup
No. 4	Madge Bolt	Madge Bolt	Rose Truman
No. 5	Pearl Dirge (Durga?)	Lizzie Mayhew	Alta Benware
1903-04			
No. 2	Anna Gallup	Anna Gallup	Alta Benware
No. 4	Rose Truman	Alta Ross	Rose Truman
No. 5	Alta Benware	Alta Benware	Verna Pryor (Ervin?)
1904-05			
No. 2	Alta Benware	Alta Benware	Myrtle Mayhew
No. 4	Rose Truman	Rose Truman	Rose Truman
No. 5	Clyde Minard	Clyde Minard	Elta Sickler or C Minard
1905-06			
No. 2	Myrtle Mayhew		Kate Purdy
No. 4	Clinton W. Findley & R. Truman	R. Truman	Rose Truman
No. 5	Carrie Johnson	Carrie Johnson	Alta Benware
1906-07			
No. 2	Kate Purdy	Kate Purdy	Kate Purdy
No. 4	Margaret Devine	Ella Alcorn	Grace E. Mayhew
No. 5	Alta Benware	Margaret Devine	Clara Thompson
1907-08			
No. 2	Robert Dunn	Alta Benware	Alta Benware
No. 4	Bertha Shinn	Rose Truman	Margaret Devine
No. 5	Howard Hepler	Howard Hepler	Howard Hepler



Number 5 Schoolhouse

<u>Year</u>	<u>Fall</u>	<u>Winter</u>	<u>Spring</u>
1908-09			
No. 2	Kate Purdy	Kate Purdy	Kate Purdy
No. 4	Mary Condon	Mary Condon	Golda Focht
No. 5	Cecelia Darnold	Nettie Thatcher	Nettie Thatcher
1909-10			
No. 2	Kate Purdy	Kate Purdy	Kate Purdy
No. 4	Golda Focht	Golda Focht	Blanche Copelin
No. 5	Bertha Shinn	Bertha Shinn	Bertha Shinn
1910-11			
No. 2	Frank Bates	Frank Bates	
No. 4	Lucile Kidd	Eva Truman	Frank Bates
No. 5	Lenore Burnham	Lenore Burnham	Gold Focht
1911-12			
No. 2	Kate Purdy	Kate Purdy Rupp	Frank Bates
No. 4	Katherine Moore	Golda Focht	Golda Focht
No. 5	Golda Focht	Velma Beveridge	Velma Beveridge
1912-13			
No. 2	Clemmie Brockmeier	Clemmie Brockmeier	closed
No. 4	Golda Focht	Golda Focht	Golda Focht
No. 5	Evelyn Langdon	Esther Belding Martin	Sadie Query
1913-14			
No. 2	Edith Sickler	Edith Sickler	Edith Sickler
No. 4	Ethel Sanger	Ethel Sanger	Ethel Sanger
No. 5	Sadie Query	Clara Smith	Clara Smith
1914-15			
No. 2	Cora Thomas	Mrs. Sadie Miller	Mrs. Sadie Miller
No. 4	Ethel Sangor	Ethel Sangor	Ethel Sangor
No. 5	J. H. Cook	J. H. Cook	J. H. Cook
1915-16			
No. 2	Doris Day	Doris Day	Doris Day
No. 4	Sybil Cooper	Sybil Cooper	Florence Cooney
No. 5	Golda Focht	Sadie Reynolds	Sadie Reynolds
1916-17			
No. 2	Edna Smith	Edna Smith	Edna Smith
No. 4	Florence Cooney	Florence Cooney	Florence Cooney
No. 5	Clare Christopher	Frank Bates	Frank Bates
1917-18			
No. 2	Edna Smith	Edna Smith	Edna Smith
No. 4	Helen Taylor	Harry Mayhew	Harry Mayhew
No. 5	Frank Bates	Frank Bates	Frank Bates
1918-19			
No. 2	Marjorie Stillians	Marjorie Stillians	Marjorie Stillians
No. 4	Clemmie Oliver	Clemmie Oliver	Mary H. Maxwell
No. 5	Edith Sickler	Frank Bates	Frank Bates
1919-20			
No. 2	Mrs. A. H. Lehman	Edna Smith	Edna Smith
No. 4	Madeline Howard	Madeline Howard	Madeline Howard
No. 5	Mary Swanson	Mary Swanson	Edna Smith
1920-21			
No. 2	Mrs. Frank Bates	Mrs. Frank Bates	Mrs. Frank Bates
No. 4	Ethel Anderson	Ethel Anderson	Ethel Anderson
No. 5	Edna Smith	Edna Smith	Edna Smith



No. 5, spring, 1908; front row; left to right:
 Nellie Richie; Lola Murphy; Golda Sederburg.
 Second Row: 2nd, Lucile Wheeler; 3rd, Mabel Richie
 Third row: 4th, Donald Wheeler
 Standing, l to r: Albert Richie; ? Sharon Murphy;
 Roy Archer; Ernest Sederburg; Raymond Richie;
 Austin Murphy.

Year

1921-22
No. 2 Frank Bates
No. 4 Ethel Anderson
No. 5 James McKee; Gladys Osborne

1922-23
No. 2 Irene Gourley; Velma Havens
No. 4 Edith Anderson
No. 5 Lucille Elliott

1923-24
No. 2 Esther Johnson
No. 4 Mildred Hill
No. 5 Leah Lary; Grace Anderson

1924-25
No. 2 Judith B. Johnson
No. 4 Mildred Hill
No. 5 Leola Hart

1925-26
No. 2 Elzene Gourley
No. 4 Grace Anderson
No. 5 Zelda Noble; Leola Hart

1926-27
No. 2 Elzene Gourley
No. 4 Grace Anderson; Daisy Swanson
No. 5 Blanche Roberts

1927-28
No. 2 Dorothy Powers
No. 4 Aletha Erickson
No. 5 Blanche Roberts

1928-29
No. 2 Dorothy Powers Danielson
No. 4 Irene Magnuson
No. 5 Blanche Roberts

1929-30
No. 2 Dorothy Danielson; Catherine Wendling
No. 4 Irene Magnuson
No. 5 Blanche Roberts

1930-31
No. 2 Mildred Anderson
No. 4 Leola Hart
No. 5 Blanche Roberts

1931-32
No. 2 Hortense Holland
No. 4 Leola Hart
No. 5 Opal Penwell

1932-33
No. 2 Reva Weston
No. 5 Dorothy Kehr

1933-34
No. 2 Reva Weston
No. 5 Mary Silket

1934-35
No. 2 Doris Powers
No. 5 Dorothy Kehr



1942: The No. 5 School float, "Stages of American History", won first prize at the Jubileeska parade in Villisca. Back row, left to right: Wayne Ten Eyck; Bertha Mae Brown; next two, children of a missionary; Evelyn Courley; Dot Kehr, teacher. Front row, l. to r: Genevieve Roberts; Leo Courley; Dorothy Ann Taylor; Donald Eberly.

Year

1935-36
 No. 2 Catherine Russell; Laura Rockwell
 No. 5 Dorothy Kehr

1936-37
 No. 2 Laura Rockwell
 No. 5 Dorothy Kehr

1937-38
 No. 2 Dorothy Kehr
 No. 5 Thelma Ingersoll

1938-39
 No. 2 Dorothy Kehr
 No. 5 Thelma Ingersoll

1939-40
 No. 2 Dorothy Kehr
 No. 5 Ethel Kinnersly; Maurine Holmstedt

1940-41
 No. 2 Dorothy Kehr
 No. 5 Esther Mae Johnson

1941-42
 No. 2 Marilyn Focht
 No. 5 Dorothy Kehr

1942-43
 No. 2 Anna Marie Wheeler; Marilyn Focht Bangston
 No. 4 Wilma Bangston
 No. 5 Leola Hart

1943-44
 No. 2 Blanche Roberts; closed 26 November
 No. 4 Wanda Knee
 No. 5 Carrie Fisher; Blanche Roberts

1944-45
 No. 2 Estella Retland
 No. 4 Maurine Holmstedt
 No. 5 Blanche Roberts

1945-46
 No. 2 Estella Retland
 No. 4 Wanda Knee
 No. 5 Blanche Roberts

1946-47
 No. 2 closed
 No. 4 Mrs. Edna Oliver
 No. 5 Blanche Roberts

1947-48
 No. 2 Dorothy Kehr
 No. 4 Donna Bauer
 No. 5 Blanche Roberts

1948-49
 No. 4 Mrs. Donna Pierce
 No. 5 Violet Miller

1949-50
 No. 4 Marguerite Fryer

1950-51
 No. 4 Marilyn Morgan

1951-52
 No. 4 Lorraine Neilson

The People of Sciola

Some of the pioneers of Sciola appeared in the Tenville history and are not repeated here. I have found one notable difference in working with the two areas. Many of the early Tenville families are still here, while most of the first Sciola settlers moved on further west. But they, too, are a part of Sciola's history, and I have listed the names of some of them here, that future generations may know who they were.

ATWOOD: William T; b 10 Jan, 1835, McConnelsville, Ohio; d 9 Apr, 1926; m 2 Apr, 1857, Montgomery Co, Nancy Abiah Conner; dau of Isaac Conner. Children:

1. Charles Albert; d 1 Oct, 1927; age 65; m 21 Mar, 1887, Nellie Mullen
 - a. Donald
 - b. Harry
 - c. Clyde; m 17 Jan, 1913, S Dak, Alice Hilliard
2. Waldo Augustus; b 2 Jan, 1866; d 25 Jan, 1918, in an auto accident; m 1 Mar, 1902, Margarite Thompson, dau of T. T. Thompson.
 - a. Pauline; b 1905; m Ed Day
 - b. Prudence; b 1909
 - c. Mila; b 1917
3. Samuel I; b ca 1868; m 21 Oct, 1886, Adella Cozad; age 22; dau of Benjamin
4. Joseph William
5. Carrie E; m (1) 27 Apr, 1890, J. D. Kimel; m (2) Harry S. Lester, son of Parker J. Lester.

BARKER: John D; b 1804, Maine; d Dec, 1891; came to Montgomery Co. in 1870.

1. Asa D; b 1839, MA; d Jan, 1912; m Mary J. _____; b 1847, Wisc; d 9 Jan, 1908.
 - a. Frances J; b 1868, Wisc
 - b. Fred J; b 1870, Wisc
 - c. William A; b 1872, Mont. Co; m 6 Oct, 1897, Bessie Kimel
2. John Russell; b 18 Nov, 1843, Great Barrington, MA; d 14 Apr, 1919; m Katie Taylor; b 1847, Canada
 - a. Delbert R.

BARNARD: Lemuel; b 1795, Vt; d 1855, Turtle Twp, Rock Co, Wis; m ca 1819, probably Lee, Oneida Co, NY, Catherine Smith, b ca 1801, NY; d 13 Apr, 1890, Red Oak, Ia.

1. Nancy Ann; b 18 June, 1820, NY; d 4 May, 1888, Wis; m 1 Apr, 1846, as his second wife, Benjamin Franklin Burr, son of Salmon Burr and Azuba Thomas. B. F. was a Baptist minister and lecturer. There were a number of Burr children; ones known to have been in Sciola include:
 - a. Franklin Harris; m Katherine Lucinda Richards. He may have taught school in Washington Township. He lived in Atlantic for years.
 - b. Penta Adelphus; m Mary Elizabeth Landon.
 - c. Helen Dora; m 17 Feb, 1886, Oscar J Anderson. Dora taught school here in 1885, possibly at No. 4.
2. Dorothy Adelia S; b 5 Dec, 1822, NY; d 21 Nov, 1900, Red Oak; m Jan, 1844, NY, Milo Collins Fuller. He was a teacher.
 - a. Elizabeth (Lizzie); was Sciola Postmistress and merchant
 - b. Arthur M; m 2 Apr, 1890, Etta May Updike; Arthur was a candy maker.
3. John Weeks; b 16 July, 1825, Alleghany Co, NY; d 28 Sept, 1878, Sciola; m 1858, Rock Co, Wisc, Emily W. Merritt; b 3 Apr, 1824, Sudbury, Vt; d 29 Jan, 1892, Red Oak. About 1851, John went to the gold fields at Placerville, CA. In a mining accident, he lost his right arm, and the hearing in his right ear. His right leg was broken in four places. He returned home

around Cape Horn, the trip taking three months. He again went west, and farmed in Rock Co, Wisconsin. He came to Frankfort in 1864, and to Sciola in 1866. He was merchant, postmaster, hotel keeper, and probably stage agent until the railroad went through Montgomery County. Children:

- a. Kate R; b ca 1859, Wisc; m 31 Dec, 1879, Dr. Galen S. Wood; b 1846, Ohio; d 15 Dec, 1910, Calif.
 1. Judson Barnard; b 27 Oct, 1880; d 27 July, 1881
 2. Osmer Rose; b 1884; d 1891; killed by lightning.
 3. Herbert; m Lula Shepherd
 4. Marshall Glen; b 12 Dec, 1889; d 31 Jan, 1897
 5. Emily; m Earl Wight
- b. Andrew Merritt; b 3 Feb, 1867; d 5 Sept, 1867
4. Abby Jane; b ca 1830-31; m have married an Ackerman
5. Andrew Byron; not known to have come to Sciola
6. Amanda; probably died young
7. Esther Reed; b 19 May, 1841; d 14 Apr, 1920, Red Oak; m 24 Dec, 1862, Wis; Osmer A Rose; b 1841; d 1920. Osmer was a Civil War veteran, and served two terms as Montgomery County Sheriff. Esther was a teacher.
 - a. Charles Barnard; b 26 Nov, 1868, Wis
 - b. Arthur Eugene; b 24 Feb, 1871, Sciola
 - c. Edwin Murry; b Frankfort
 - d. Frank Herbert; b 24 Sept, 1877

BATES: Calvin; b 17 Feb, 1821, NY; d 1896; m 20 Feb, 1849, Warren, Ohio, Mary Harris; b 27 Mar, 1827, Ohio; d 21 Jan, 1904. Children:

1. Marian; b ca 1853; Ohio; d 26 Sept, 1926; m Charles Doane.
2. Francis (Frank) M; b 1 Oct, 1862, Hiram, Ohio; m Oct, 1885, Clara Doane; b ca 1869.
 - a. Frank M; b 1887; d 1967; m Minnie E Matthaei; b 1889
 - b. Roy C; b 1895; m Mary Swanson; b 1899; dau of Andrew Swanson
 - c. Dolly; m Jan, 1925, Orlo Anderson

BUNKER: James; b ca 1828, Ohio; m Sarah A. _____

1. John T; m 1 Oct, 1871, Louisa Jane Bolt
2. Sylvester J; b 1853; m 23 Oct, 1873, Kate Gourley
3. Bell W; b ca 1862
4. Emma A; b ca 1865
5. Ida L; b ca 1867
6. Hattie J; b ca 1869

CAMPBELL: Charles H; b 1834, Ind; d 15 Dec, Oaksdale, Wash; m Emma Meyers; b 1839, Ind. They came to Sciola in 1879

1. Perry; m Ida Garey; she m (2) a Hutchinson
 - a. Arthur; b ca 1891
 - b. Perry; b ca 1893
2. Mary (Mollie); m (1) a Hinshaw; m (2) 26 Dec, 1896, Addison L. Wheeler; m (3) E. D. Gordon.
3. Louise (Louie); m (1) 13 Feb, 1887, D. S. (Sammie) Damuth; m (2) Feb, 1898, David Sumner Wheeler.
 - a. Lucile; m Paul Fisher
 - b. Donald
 - c. Dorothy; m Lester Cropp
 - d. Dennis
4. Ida; b 1882, Page Co; m (1) C. W. Bassett; m (2) 14 June, 1898, Jesse Bolt, son of T A Bolt.
5. Charles H; b 10 Nov, 1878; d 4 June, 1919; m 17 Nov, 1895, Edna Bolt

CHANDLER: James P; b 6 Nov, 1840, W Vir; d 15 Oct, 1921; m Eliza Walker; b 16 July, 1844, Ohio; d 18 July, 1921; sister of Mrs. John Saylor. James was the Sciola merchant from 1875 until 1882, then he seems to have been a horse trader. They moved to Cumberland after their daughter Hattie went there. Children:

1. Hattie Bell; b 28 June, 1864; d 19 Nov, 1950; m (1) 19 Nov, 1882, Francis W. Whitney; m (2) George Edwards.
2. Jennie Dell; b 23 Aug, 1867; d 14 June, 1946; m 2 Jan, 1889, George W. Bolt, son of Isaac.
3. Gertrude Viola; b 25 May, 1886; m 26 Sept, 1906, George Mattingly.

CONNER: Isaac; b Nov, 1810, Ohio; d 24 May, 1883; came to Mont Co, 1853; m (1) Harriett _____; d 31 Sept, 1855; bu Robertson Cemetery; m (2) Cynthia _____; b ca 1862, NY. Children:

1. Samantha Jane; b ca 1834, Ohio; m 6 June, 1856, Absalom Sager; b ca 1833; they went to Ft. Scott, Kansas.
2. Nancy Abiah; b 27 Dec, 1836; d 27 May, 1912; m 2 Aug, 1857, Wm T Atwood.
3. Waldo; b 1838, Ohio; d 10 June, 1909, Perry; m 1869, Cynthia Deacon.
4. Uniz (?); b ca 1841, Ohio
5. Narcissa; b ca 1844, Ohio; d 25 Dec, 1908
6. Electa; b ca 1846, Ohio
7. Permillia; b 19 Apr, 1849, Oh; d 15 Dec, 1910, Hot Springs, S Dak; m 1873, Joseph McCully; d Nov, 1907

DAMUTH: Samuel; he was from Sackett's Harbor, Ny; d Civil War; bu Mobile, Ala; m Orille Melissa Wheeler; b 26 Sept, 1832, Trumbull Co, Oh; d 1 Aug, 1920. Orille and her children came to Washington Township with her parents in 1870, and settled where Sciola is now. Orille did sewing and dressmaking. Children:

1. John W; b ca 1857; d 11 June, 1926; m 17 Dec, 1879, Lillie Mayhew; b 5 Jan, 1857, Henry Co, Ill; d 14 Mar, 1946, Los Angeles.
 - a. Mack C; b 14 Apr, 1883; d Apr, 1956; m 1905, Leola Portlock.
 - b. Theo Lyman; d 29 Jan, 1960; m July, 1911, Jennie Gourley
 - c. Hal Harrison; b 17 July, 1888; d Apr, 1924; m 28 Oct, 1917, Mary (Mayme) McEvoy.
 - d. Samuel Maurice; b 24 Sept, 1899; d 11 July, 1969; m 14 June, 1924, Esther Iowa Johnson.
2. Elva; m 3 May, 1877, Dr. T. A. Kirkpatrick
3. Ida; b ca 1860; d 1949; m 6 Mar, 1879, J. P. Mayhew; for children see Tenville book.
4. Charles R; m 16 Jan, 1887, Elida N. Goble; dau of George
 - a. Joe A; b ca 1890
 - b. Ruby G; b ca 1893; m 16 Jan, 1917, Frank Hall
 - c. Rush S; b ca 1895
5. D. S. (Sammie); b 1863; d 3 July, 1894; m 13 Feb, 1882, Louise Campbell.

DELANEY: William B; b 1830, Ind; d 14 June, 1908; m 1850, Nancy Jane McBrain; b 6 May, 1831, Tenn; d 5 Oct, 1913. Came to Iowa 1854. Children:

1. Bede A; m a Klugey
2. John H;
3. Isaac Newton; b ca 1862; d 1 Jan, 1902; m 26 Feb, 1885, Anettie Farlin; b 24 Dec, 1863, dau of Thomas J. Farlin
 - a. John F; b ca 1890
 - b. George W; b ca 1892
 - c. Esther; b ca 1894
4. Charles W
5. J. W.

6. Lydia; m a Brown
7. Emma; m a Cook
8. dau who married A. W. Brand

DOANE: Benjamin; b ca 1815, Canada; d 28 Apr, 1885; m Sarah R. Graham (?); b ca 1829, Canada; d 8 Feb, 1913. Children:

1. Charles R; b 24 Aug, 1849, Canada; d 20 Feb, 1928; m Marian Bates
 - a. Charles M; b ca 1880; m a Matthaehi
 - b. Francis J; b ca 1882
 - c. Clarence
 - d. Glen
 - e. Lawrence
2. Maria; m 16 Oct, 1881, Adam H. Shoemaker
3. James Berkely; b ca 1860, Monroe Co, Ia.
4. Anna E; b ca 1865; d 18 Oct, 1901; m 31 Jan, 1886, S. L. Graham
5. Clara; b ca 1870; m Oct, 1885, Francis M Bates
6. Edgar; b ca 1870

ERICKSON: John; b Sweden; d 20 June, 1904; age 56 y; 5 m; 20 d; m Anna C. _____; b ca 1846, Sweden.

1. Timothy; b 1877, Ill; m 1904, Clarinda, Lizzie Mead.
 - a. Aletha; b 1906; m May, 1928, Gunnard Larson
2. George; b 1878, Ill; m 23 Apr, 1902, Etta Garey
 - a. Helen; m Loren Lynch

FERRIS: William; m Jane Lester (Lister). Children:

1. George W; b 29 Dec, 1844, Ohio; d 31 Dec, 1922; m 21 Sept, 1873, Elizabeth Helms; d 19 Dec, 1908; George was a Civil War veteran who came to Sciola in 1868. He joined the Baptist church in 1872. Children:
 - a. Stella; m Jan, 1895, S. E. Brewster
 - b. Ethel; m 1899, Henry C McCutcheon
 - c. Amy; m 25 Jan, 1901, John Biddick Jr.
 - d. Frances; m 7 Feb, 1907, Oddy Staten
 - e. George
 - f. Solomon; b ca 1887
 - g. Zulu L; b ca 1890; m a Huey
 - h. Robert L; b ca 1891
 - i. Floyd; b ca 1894
2. John W; b ca 1853, Ohio; d June, 1917; m 10 Oct, 1883, Hattie Elnora Whitney, dau of James.
 - a. James; b ca 1885; m 12 Dec, 1907, Bozeman, Mont, Helen Safely
 - b. Francis B; b 1892; m 31 Dec, 1915, Bozeman, Mont, Florence Rich
3. Samuel; b ca 1862, Ohio; d Nov, 1921
4. Elizabeth; m George Latimer
5. Rebecca; m a Russell

GOBLE: Greenbury B; d 11 May, 1904, age 80 y, 3 m, 23 d; m 19 Feb, 1846, Louisa Jane Robinson; b 8 Sept, 1824, Perry Co, Ind; d 18 Sept, 1898. The Gobles came to Sciola in 1855. Mr. Goble assisted with the building of the Sciola Baptist Church. Children:

1. Cornelia Ann; b ca 1847, Ind; m 13 Dec, 1865, John T. Hobson.
2. Martha (Mattie); b 15 Feb, 1851, Perry Co, Ind; d 6 Jan, 1903; m 10 Sept, 1873, Wm L Robbins.
 - a. Charles L; b 1876
 - b. Mergielene; b ca 1879; m Eugene Stoddard

3. Daniel A; b ca 1854, Ind; d 30 June, 1929; m 8 Mar, 1876, Frances Ellen (Ella) Saylor
 - a. Dr. B. E. Goble
 - b. Mrs. George Taylor
4. Elida; b ca 1867; m Charles R. Damuth

GOBLE: Lewis W; b ca 1837, Ind; m Mary Lasher; b ca 1842. Lewis may have been a brother of Greenbury. Children:

1. Cornelia A; b ca 1862, Ind
2. John E; b ca 1868, Iowa
3. George E; b ca 1870, Ia; m 24 Dec, 1895, Mary Loretta Johnson.

HART: James H; b 28 June, 1844, Stephenson Co, Ill; d 23 Aug, 1921; m 26 Sept, 1866, Freeport, Ill, Sarah Ellen Mellick; d 2 Dec, 1916. Children:

1. Cora Ellen; b ca 1871; m 19 Feb, 1891, Homer Wilber Focht, son of Wm.
2. Jennie; b ca 1872; m 21 May, 1893, Charles W. Johnson
3. James H; b 1877; d 1955; m Frances Marian Wheeler; b 1879; d 1940
4. Charles; m Mabel Nelson
5. Laura; b ca 1873; m 5 Dec, 1892, George W. Moates; son of J. F.
6. Frank; m a Tracy
7. Maurice
8. Maude; m a Tessier
9. Lillian; m a Marshall
10. Belle; b ca 1874; m 24 Nov, 1898, Willis J. McCracken

HELMS: Alexander; b 1826, Ohio; m Louisa (or Isabelle?) _____, b 1832, NY; d 28 Apr, 1885. Mary Helms, who married James Whitney, Sr, was probably his sister.

1. Elizabeth; b ca 1854; d 19 Dec, 1908; m Sept, 1873, George W. Ferris
2. Mary M; b ca 1861; m 28 June, 1893, James M. Bolt
3. Ora; b ca 1864; m 22 Feb, 1888, Charles Peter Van Valkenburg
4. Mable; b ca 1871

HOBSON: George; b 1822, Ind; d 3 July, 1901; m (1) 6 Oct, 1842, Sarah Maranda Bennett; d 7 June, 1854; m (2) 2 Jan, 1855, Elvira Prather; dau of Greenbury.

1. John T; b 1 Nov, 1843, Utica, Ind; d 24 Aug, 1909, Red Oak; m 13 Dec, 1865, Cornelia Goble. John served in Co E, 6th Cavalry during the Civil War.
 - a. Alma Jane; b ca 1871; m 14 June, 1893, Francis Whitfield Shaeffer
 - b. Effie E; b ca 1875; m 26 Oct, 1892, A. J. Siefeldt
 - c. Ernest N; b ca 1878
2. Margaret Ann; b 1846; m (1) 19 Mar, 1862, William R. Terry; m (2) William Harvey Wilson.
 - a. William R Terry
3. Mary M; m 22 May, 1866, William Redman
4. Rosella A; b ca 1857, Ind; m 27 July, 1876, George W. Stillinger
5. William G; b ca 1860, Iowa; m 14 Jan, 1883, Cora Viola Nelson
6. Sarah Minnie; b ca 1863; m 14 Jan, 1886, William Henry Stearns
7. Edward A; b ca 1866

HOLMES: John Milton; b 15 Nov, 1814, Monroe Co. NY; d 20 Feb, 1905; son of Nathan Clarke Holmes; m 30 Aug, 1840, Trumbull Co, Oh, Belinda Waldorf (or Waldruff); b 14 May, 1820, Trumbull Co, Oh; d 30 July, 1905, both bu Massena. John was a Methodist minister, and Holmes Chapel was named to honor him. Children:

1. Nathan Clarke; b 6 June, 1842; d 1 Apr, 1863, Civil War
2. Sarah Elizabeth (Libby); b 22 Aug, 1844; d 20 Aug, 1882; m 12 Feb, 1865, Samuel C Filison (?).

3. Sidney W; b 19 Dec, 1845; d 29 Aug, 1896; m Olive E Blanchard; b 20 May, 1845; d Sept, 1930
4. Mary Celestia; b 3 Sept, 1848, Dubuque Co, Ia; d 26 Dec, 1933; m 25 Dec, 1872, Alvin Fletcher Black; b 12 July, 1850; d 6 Jan, 1915; both bu Massena
5. Arvine Wright; b 16 Jan, 1850; d 30 Nov, 1922; m 16 Feb, 1871, Phoebe Angeline Shoemaker
 - a. Fannie Etta; b 27 May, 1872; d 6 May, 1962; m 30 Dec, 1896, George W. Dunn.
 - b. Idalia Jane; b 28 July, 1875; d 22 Mar, 1971, m 23 June, 1907, Frank J. Schumacher; b 21 Jan, 1878; d 21 Aug, 1934.
 - c. John Quincy; b 28 Apr, 1878, Kansas; d 16 Aug, 1950; m 30 July, 1902, Colo, Amy Pearl Beatty; b 11 Sept, 1879; d 19 Feb, 1965; both bu Garden City, Kansas.
6. Emma Jane; b 14 Nov, 1851; d 30 Jan, 1940; m 13 Mar, 1870, Asbury Sparks Prather.
7. Emery Wendell; b 10 Nov, 1855; d 26 Nov, 1929; m 4 May, 1882, Nellie Woodward; b 28 Dec, 1863; d 27 Oct, 1956.
8. Idalia Almeda; b 22 Jan, 1862; d 30 Oct, 1865
9. Amy Almeda; b 4 Jan, 1872; d infancy

HORTON: I. William; b ca 1832, VA; d 31 Oct, 1878; age 46 y, 1 m, 24 d; m 1853, Ohio, Jane Nelson, dau of Thomas. The Hortons came to Montgomery County in 1855.

1. George; b ca 1855; m 5 Jan, 1876, Eliza Pulver; b 1850, NY
 - a. Fannie; b ca 1877; m Charles Fryer
 - b. Mary Belle; b ca 1879; d 1965; m Jay T Wheeler; b 1877; d 1963
 - c. Albert C; b ca 1882; m Alice Schroeder
 - d. Clara; b ca 1885; m (1) Frank Villiers; m (2) Herbert Conn
2. Abraham; b ca 1856; m Ella _____
3. Eliza A (Ella); b ca 1860; m a Brown
4. John Henry; b 22 June, 1861; d 23 Feb, 1923; m 3 Apr, 1890, Coatsville, Mo, Mrs. Olive N. Squires; b ca 1862
5. William; b ca 1863; m Mary _____
6. James W; b ca 1865; lived in Kansas
7. Edwin M; b ca 1867; m Mary E. _____; b ca 1873
8. Rebecca J; b ca 1869; lived Montana
9. Robert D; b 13 Aug, 1873; d 31 Mar, 1915; m 13 Mar, 1896, Jennie Stipe
 - a. Ruth
 - b. Edwin
 - c. Otto
 - d. Nellie
 - e. Harry
 - f. Ralph
 - g. John
 - h. Frances

II. J. H. Horton; b ca 1838; m Mary _____; b ca 1837. J. H. was probably a brother of William, but no proof has been found.

1. George W; b ca 1861
2. John W; b ca 1863
3. Robert W; b ca 1865
4. James W; b ca 1867
5. Rebecca; b ca 1869

LESTER: Aaron; b ca 1792; in 1870 living with John Yergey.

1. Jane; m William Ferris
2. Charles; b ca 1817; m Julia _____

- a. Champlin M; b 1844, NY; d Feb, 1917, Kansas; m Addie _____; b 1846, PA; d Jan, 1903.
 1. Alice J; b ca 1868; m 4 May, 1887, Russell, Ks, W. W. Nutting
 2. George A; b ca 1870
 3. Clarence; b ca 1874
- b. Parker J; b 8 Sept, 1846, Henry Co, Ill; d 6 Sept, 1920; m 10 Mar, 1870, Ill, Amy Smith; b ca 1849, Ky; sister of Mrs. James Newlin.
 1. Harry S; b ca 1872; m Carrie Atwood
 2. Frederick H; b ca 1876
 3. Clara E; b ca 1878
 4. Nellie; m 31 Dec, 1896, E J Smith
 5. Kate; b ca 1880
 6. Robert W; b ca 1882
 7. Jessie Mabel; b ca 1885
 8. Amy Laura; b ca 1887
- c. Clara; m a Bly
3. Rebecca; b Baltimore; d 2 Aug, 1895; age 68 y, 4 m, 9 d; m 23 Oct, 1845, Circleville, Ohio, John Yergey. Rebecca was blind for ten years prior to her death.

MOORE: Samuel; b ca 1817, Ky; d 29 Nov, 1891, Red Oak; bu Villisca; m Melinda _____; b ca 1818, Ky. Samuel was said to be the first settler in Washington Township.

1. Margaret Jane; d 31 Aug, 1858; age 18 y, 10 m, 19 d; bu Arlington; m 14 June, 1855, Thomas Nelson. (Marriage record says Martha Jane)
2. Purlina; b ca 1842, Ill; m 28 Feb, 1858, F. C. Simpson
3. James Mordica; b ca 1844, Ill; m 22 Nov, 1866, Mary C Boatman
4. Lamisa; b ca 1846
5. Maria; b ca 1851, Ia
6. Ellen; b ca 1854; m 17 Nov, 1874, Aine Gilbert
7. Mary; b ca 1857

MURPHY: Henry; b 1847, Ireland; d 1 Sept, 1910; m (2) 7 Mar, 1888, Jennie Foote; b 1862; d 1939; dau of L. S. Foote and Sina Bosworth. Henry was a Civil War veteran. He and Jennie are buried at Arlington.

1. Bert; son of first marriage
2. Mamie; m L. C. Powers
3. Earl; m (1) Lee Burnham
4. Sharon
5. Lola (Chick)
6. Austin; b ca 1900; m 30 Mar, 1925, Beulah Hill

NELSON: Thomas; b 1797, NC; d Sept, 1895; m (1) _____; m (2) Margaret Jane Moore; m (3) Sarah _____.

1. Jane; b ca 1834; m Wm. Horton
2. Abraham; b ca 1838
3. John; b ca 1841, Ind
4. Martha; b ca 1842, Ind
5. Eliza; b ca 1846, Ind
6. Mary Ellen; b ca 1851, Ind
7. Melinda; b ca 1857, Ia

NEWLIN: James S; d 16 Apr, 1894; age 68; m (1) Sarah Shaw; m (2) ca 1878, Mary Elizabeth Smith; b ca 1840; d 28 Nov, 1891; sister of Mrs. Park Lester, and widow of William R. Maxwell.

1. William; b Michigan
2. Rosa; m a Moates
3. Ella M; b ca 1865, Ill; m 5 Mar, 1885, F. H. Donahue
4. dau who married Charles Sadler

NEWMAN: William. He appeared in J W Barnard's account book in 1870 and 1871. His wife may have died in July, 1874, when John Newman's account listed "medicine when old lady died - \$1.00".

1. John Riley; b 4 June, 1832, Wheatfield, NY; d 6 Jan, 1912, Omaha; m 20 June, Ft. Atkinson, Wisc, Jane A. McDonald; b ca 1843; d 11 May, 1904. John was a farmer and carpenter. He also charged a lot of fiddle strings at the Barnard store- they were 20¢ each. Children:
 - a. Elmer C; b ca 1864, Wisc; he was a printer
 - b. Cora F; b ca 1868, Wisc; teacher
 - c. Alice E; b ca 1871, Mo; teacher
 - d. Kate M; b ca 1874; m 16 Nov, 1893, Forrest Bolt of Indiana; div, 12 June, 1896; m (2) 1 Feb, 1898, John Bryson.
2. Wallace; b 26 Mar, 1836, NY; d 30 June, 1899; bu Arlington; m Hulda Maria Edgerton; b 28 Dec, 1833, Conn; d 30 Apr, 1905.
 - a. Sarah A; m 25 Dec, 1885, Clark A. Mullen; b ca 1861; son of Ebenezer.
 - b. Henry; b ca 1861, Wisc; d 1935; m 17 Mar, 1884, Mary N. Haley; b 1867, Ill; d 1948.
 - c. Samuel; b 23 June, 1862; d 25 Nov, 1934; bu Arlington. I really don't know who Sam was; I'm putting him here because I don't know what else to do with him.
 - d. Alvah I; b ca 1863, Wisc.
 - e. Charles E; b ca 1864; m Cora M. _____; b ca 1876
 - f. Jessie M; b ca 1867; d 21 Apr, 1894; m 21 Nov, Cyclone, Ind, Wm. Bolt, son of Levi.
 - g. Martha I; b ca 1870
 - h. Caroline Isabelle; b ca 1872; m 5 Feb, 1890, Eli Farlin, son of T. J.
 - i. Ida J; b ca 1874, Madison Co, Ia; m 3 Sept, 1890, J. S. Leisure
 - j. John L; b 27 July, 1876; d 15 Nov, 1925; m Lulu E. _____; d 25 Apr, 1906, age 24 y, 2 m, 24 d; both bu Arlington.
3. Mary; m Thomas L. Wheeler

PRALL: Cornelius R; b ca 1833, PA; d before 1885; m 27 Dec, 1857, Martha Prather.

1. Rosella C (Della); b ca 1862; m 17 Apr, 1877, Harrison Taylor
2. Thadeus Mint; b ca 1867
3. Oscar F; b ca 1869
4. Ida Ollie; b ca 1873; m 28 Mar, 1895, James C. Hall
5. John C; b ca 1875

PRALL: There were other Pralls in the area; they may have been brothers of C. R.

1. Erastus H; b ca 1837, PA; m 7 Apr, 1861, Eliza M Bolt, dau of Charles.
2. Daniel; appeared in the Barnard account book about 1870.
3. David; appeared in 1870 Census; wife Eliza M.

PRATHER: Greenbury; b ca 1801; d 7 Aug, 1882, Fillmore, Putnam Co, Ind; m (1) Chloe Bennett; m (2) Elizabeth _____. John L Prather, who appeared in the 1856 Census of Washington Township, may have been a brother of Greenbury.

1. Elvira; b ca 1831, Ind; m 2 Jan, 1855, Mont. Co, George Hobson
2. Martha; b ca 1832; d May, 1914; m 27 Dec, 1857, Cornelius R. Prall.
3. Manliff Clark; b ca 1841, Ind; d 18 Jan, 1907; m 22 Mar, 1866, Mary E. Figgins; b 12 Oct, 1848, Perry Co, Ind; d 25 June, 1911. Clark was a Civil War veteran.

- a. Hattie G; b ca 1872
- b. America E; 1874
- c. Luella; d age 2
- 4. Asbury Sparks; b 11 Mar, 1848, Ind; d 24 Jan, 1925; m 13 Mar, 1870, Emma J. Holmes.
 - a. John M; b 1874; m (2) May Jones
 - b. Walter B; 1877; d Feb, 1931
 - c. Lola Maud; b 1879; m Fletcher Gourley

SAYLOR: (Sailor); John B; b 6 July, 1835, near Lancaster, PA; d 5 Jan, 1911; m 10 Apr, 1856, Mary A. Walker; d 7 July, 1906, Madison, SD, age about 58; sister of Mrs. James Chandler.

- 1. Frances Ellen (Ella); b 24 Nov, 1857, Mt. Vernon, Oh; d 23 Mar, 1919; m 1 Mar, 1876, Daniel A. Goble.
- 2. Margaret Elizabeth (Lizzie); m 20 Nov, 1879, George Latimer; b 21 May, 1847, Vt; d Oct, 1921. George was a carpenter.
- 3. Mattie Belle; b ca 1863; d 19 Apr, 1906; m 5 Dec, 1882, Waldo Putnam Mayhew; b 30 Nov, 1855. For children, see Tenville history.
- 4. Jennie B. Saylor; m 6 Mar, 1879, J. W. Ferguson
- 5. Anna M (Bunnie); b ca 1872; m 17 Mar, 1897, J. B. Kimel. Bunnie was a teacher.

SHOEMAKER: Adam; b 11 Mar, 1823, Perry Co, Ind; d 7 Nov, 1895; bu Bean Cemetery; m Matilda J. Faulkenborough; b ca 1821; d 1875.

- 1. James M; b ca 1848; m 8 July, 1875, Eva R. Smith of Kewaunee, Ill.
- 2. Phoebe Angeline; b ca 1852; m Wright Holmes
- 3. Jacob S; b ca 1855
- 4. Adam H; b ca 1858; m Marie Doane; dau of Benjamin
- 5. William S; b ca 1860; m 3 Apr, 1884, Ella Hutchinson.
- 6. Charles; d 16 May, 1908; m Elizabeth _____; b ca 1857, PA.
- 7. Franklin; b ca 1862
- 8. Edward; b ca 1865

SICKLER: Bennett; b 6 Jan, 1848, Bixlerville, Wyoming Co, PA; d 4 Aug, 1915; m 3 Apr, 1876, Tirzah M. Schoff; b 19 Sept, 1859, NY; d 5 Mar, 1919. Bennett came to Montgomery County in 1868. He was the son of Abigail, who married 22 Sept, 1870, John Welch. Abigail also had a son William Reynolds. Abigail died 9 Feb, 1892.

- 1. Jesse P; b ca 1878
- 2. Herbert H; b ca 1879
- 3. Louie M; d 26 Jan, 1895; age 13y, 3 m, 22 d; bu Sciola
- 4. Elta; b ca 1886; m Feb, 1906, Frank Swanson, son of Gust
- 5. Ira B; b ca 1888
- 6. Allen L; b ca 1890
- 7. Eva D; b ca 1892; m a Langdon
- 8. William; b ca 1894
- 9. Edward
- 10. Edith; m a Martin
- 11. Elsie

STEWART: William; b ca 1827, PA; d 1908; m Rachel Gourley; b 1827, PA; d 1895.

- 1. Mary; b ca 1852, PA; m 9 Mar, 1871, John C. Bolt; b 22 Oct, 1848, Ind.
- 2. Alice; b ca 1854, PA; m a Bryson
- 3. Archibald; b ca 1856, PA; m 12 Dec, 1877, Florence Anderson, dau of George
- 4. Thomas; b ca 1858, PA; d Mar, 1930
- 5. Jennie D; b ca 1860, PA; m 22 Nov, 1883, Oscar W. Bean

6. Kate; b ca 1866, PA; m 30 Mar, 1889, Alexander Hallam; b ca 1866
7. Harriett (Hattie); b ca 1867, Ia; m 4 Apr, 1895, Charles Patton

STILLINGER: George W; m Elizabeth Dunlap

1. William B; b ca 1844; m (1) Nancy Cornell; m (2) 22 Oct, 1884, Linda Bechtelheimer.
 - a. George R; m 8 Feb, 1897, Myrtle Weaver; b ca 1877
 - b. Frank; m Emma Fox
 - c. Dora; b ca 1873; m 24 Aug, 1899, J. Riley Maupin; b ca 1859
 - d. Daisy; m Lawson Nelson
 - e. Winfred; m Edna Campbell
 - f. Maude; m Charles Steen
 - g. Merle; m Elizabeth _____
 - h. Glen
 - i. Arthur
2. George W; m 27 July, 1876, Rosella Hobson, dau of George
 - a. Florence; b ca 1877; m Clyde C. Williams
 - b. Clifford; b ca 1879; died Spanish-American War
3. Joseph; father of the two girls who were killed June, 1912, Villisca axe murders.

SWANSON: Gust; b 1846, Sweden; d 7 Apr, 1930; m Mary _____; b 1850, Sweden.

1. Sarah; b 1876, Sweden
2. Hilda; b 1884, MA; m 20 Jan, 1909, Leonard G Larson. Hilda came to Sciola area when she was four years old, and has lived on the same farm since then.
3. Frank; m Feb, 1907, Elta Sickler

TAYLOR: James; m Rachel. As far as I know, James didn't come to Iowa.

1. Andrew C; b ca 1836, Ind; m Apr, 1856, Lavina Wilson, dau of William.
2. Robert W; b 6 Sept, 1839, Marion, Ind; d 22 Aug, 1921; m 12 Sept, 1863, Mary Elizabeth Bolt; dau of Isaac.
 - a. Anna B; b 1867; m a Harry
 - b. Fanny Eva; b ca 1870; m 27 Feb, 1889, James A. Whitney
 - c. Oscar E; b ca 1872; moved to Oregon
 - d. John F; b ca 1874; d 1939; m 1 Jan, 1896, Elva G. Wheeler
 - e. Lula A; b ca 1883; m F. D. Seal
 - f. William; m 28 Sept, 1899, Flora Maltby, dau of George and Jane Elizabeth.

THOMPSON: Nels T; m Melenda Johnson; d 1906.

1. Thomas T; b 25 Mar, 1859, La Salle Co, Ill; d 20 Feb, 1959; m (1) Marie Orstad; d 12 Sept, 1890, age 25; m (2) 16 Dec, 1894, Adams Co, Lettie Jane Hall; b 21 June, 1879, Linn Co, Ia; d 25 Mar, 1927. Thomas came to Sciola in 1871.
 - a. Ruth; b ca 1890; d Apr, 1911
 - b. Mabel; m Harry Russel
 - c. William;
 - d. Elnora; m Frank Roberts
2. Henry; m Clara _____
3. Margerite; m 1 Mar, 1902, W. A. Atwood
4. Norman; died as result of a threshing accident about 1900
5. Ella; b 16 Oct, 1872; d 10 Nov, 1910, C. Bluffs; m 16 Feb, 1898, Lee Starr

WHITNEY: 1. Theodore; b ca 1823; m (1) Isabell _____; b ca 1834; m (2) 18 Jan, 1863, Susan Beasley Pouffer. Theodore was a Mexican War veteran.

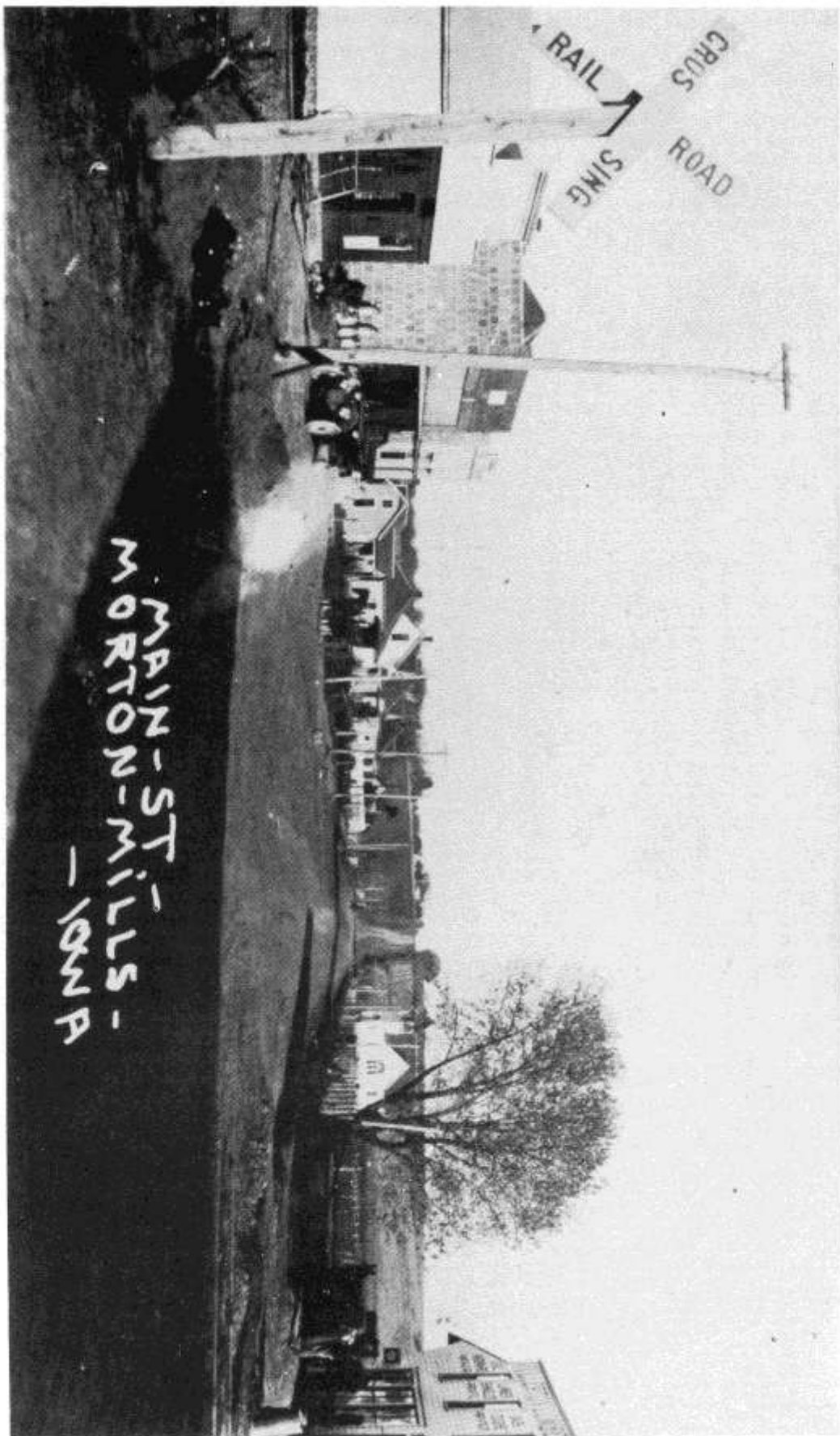
2. James; b 16 May, 1833, Richland Co, Ohio; d 24 Sept, 1920; m 1855, Brown

- Co, Ind, Mary Helms; came to Iowa same year.
- a. Eliza Emaline
 - b. Miranda; b ca 1859
 - c. Francis M. (Frank); b ca 1861; d 23 May, 1908; m 19 Nov, 1882, Hattie Belle Chandler; dau of James.
 1. Orval Gurney
 2. Floyd
 3. Leona
 - d. Hattie Elnora; b ca 1864; m 10 Oct, 1883, John Ferris; m (2) 8 Apr, 1924, Big Timber, Mont; George E Crittenden
 - e. James A; b ca 1867; m 27 Feb, 1889, Eva Taylor; dau of Robert
 1. Dr. Orval Robert; m June, 1918, Hazel Gae Alcorn
 - f. Mary M; b ca 1860; m 9 Jan, 1878, W. V. Gordon
3. Miranda; m 1 Jan, 1861, Francis M Redman

- WILSON: William; b ca 1800, Ky.
1. Anna; b ca 1837; m 4 Apr, 1858, Dr. Edward Adair
 2. Lavina; b ca 1839, Ky; m Apr, 1856, Andrew C. Taylor
 3. William Henry; b ca 1844, Hancock Co, Ill; m 18 Jan, 1866, Margaret Hobson Terry, dau of George Hobson.
 - a. Hannah; b ca 1867, Mo.
 - b. Mrs. J. W. Crum; b Mo
 - c. Mrs. Ethel Benware; b ca 1880, Mo
 - d. Minnie; b ca 1883; m S. E. Anson

YERGEY: John; b 7 Mar, 1819, Tenn; d 21 Dec, 1897; m 23 Oct, 1845, Circleville, Ohio, Rebecca Lester.

1. John William; b ca 1847; Ohio; m 8 Dec, 1870, Mary (Mollie) Mayhew; b 10 Mar, 1853; d 4 Dec, 1933, dau of Morris G.
 - a. Charles Judson; d age 6
 - b. Jessie; b 6 Feb, 1872; d Stanton, Nebr; m 5 May, 1889, Stephen Hill Nutting.
 - c. Alfred L; b ca 1878
 - d. Maurice J; b ca 1880
 - e. Stanley A; b ca 1883
 - f. Blanche; m 12 July, 1905, Carl Spieth
2. Harriett J; b ca 1850, Ia
3. Sarah A; b ca 1857, Ia; m 24 Aug, 1881, Ira Lamb of Des Moines
4. George B; b ca 1865; he was a dentist.



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