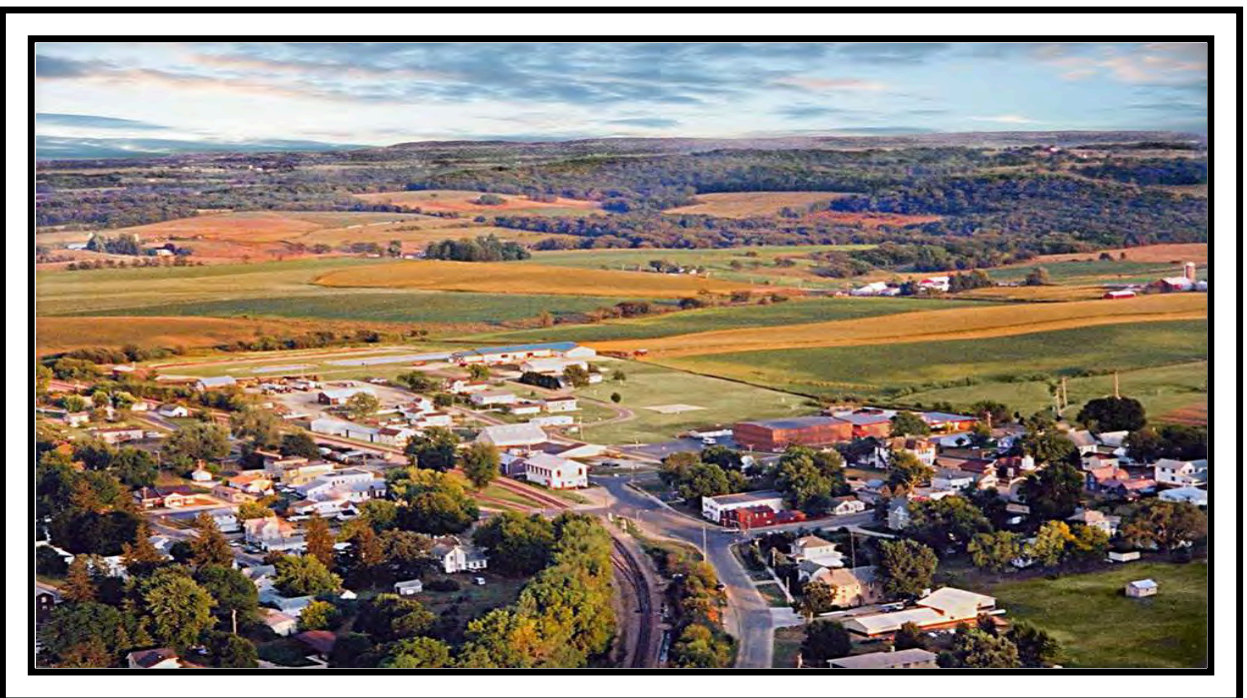




Scales Mound
A Village on the movin'





Scales Mound is a very special place. This is an effort to share with readers the unique qualities that make the town and the surrounding area so distinctive.

Scales Mound with a population of around 400 is in the township of the same name. It was founded in 1853 by Josiah Conlee and B.B. Provost and was incorporated on July 14, 1877. The village gets its name from Samuel Scales who was the owner of the land on which the mound is situated. Scales Mound is about one mile from the highest point in Illinois.

Scales Mound has a recognized four-year high school; a Catholic and Methodist church; and a grocery store, lumber yard, three bars, a bank, appliance store and a gas station, to name of few.

This volume is divided into several parts. They are the early history, mining, railroad, village government, churches, school, doctors, dentist and vet, fraternal & service organizations, fire department, sports & recreation, SMRA, Charles Mound and Railroad Park (Veteran's Park), Tributes, prominent citizens, maps, and business ads. The information was obtained from the first, second and third history books of Scales Mound originally published in 1953 and 1978 and 1993 on the occasion of the town's celebration. Many of pictures came from part, a portfolio of photographs by Archie Lieberman, who has been making pictures and the Scales Mound area for a quarter of a century, and from citizens, also taken from the book done in 2003.

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Business History



Just a short distance south of the highest point in Illinois and 2 miles from the Wisconsin state line, and on the main line of the Illinois Central Railroad lies the village told within this writing.

This fair city, like the thousands of other American cities, has witnessed many trials and tribulations, poverty and prosperity, joy and sorrow, but through it all has come to be known as the friendliest village in the state of Illinois – it could be none other than Scales Mound.

The history of Scales Mound, from its founding in 1853 until 1878, was published in the history of Jo Daviess County in March of that year by H. E. Kett and company, publishers of Chicago, Illinois. As only a few copies of this history are available to the present day residents, we find it advisable to print the following section from this book:

In 1826, when the tide of immigration was drifting towards the lead mines of northwest Illinois, a party of men, consisting of two brothers, named Watson, Joshua Streeter and three sons, John Wood, Mr. Brigham, Mr. Blane and a few others, discovered the mines of the upper East Fork. They stopped there, built cabins, and mined for four or five years. These men cannot properly be considered settlers of the Scales Mound Township, as they left their families at other places, to which they would make frequent trips, they seemed to be regarding these mines as but a temporary location.

In 1827, Mr. Conrad Lichtenburger came from Pennsylvania, with his family, and settled in that vicinity. In 1828, the second permanent settler, Elijah Charles, also with a family, built a house at the base of the mound.

The first agricultural pursuits were followed in this township by these two pioneers. Among other early settlers were William McMath and Abel Proctor, who built cabins near Mr. Lichtenburger in 1827. Mr. Proctor was one of the prominent residents of the county for many years, holding at times the offices of County Commissioner and Justice of the Peace. He later moved to Iowa.

The first child to have known to be born in this frontier settlement was Mary M. Lichtenburger, on April 4, 1828, and the first death occurred in the same family, March 29, 1831, when Harriett Lichtenburger died at the age of seventeen.

In 1830, Samuel H. Scales purchased the cabin of John L. Sole who had lived there nearly two years and built a public house near the base of the mound which was known by his name. This tavern was on the historical "Sucker Trail" which, afterwards past to the Chicago and Galena stage line, it was kept, and succeeded, by Scales Moffett, Cowgill and Maupin. For many years after the village Scales Mound was built, on the railroad nearly a mile from the old tavern, the mound was generally distinguished by the name of "Maupin's Mound."

The name of Jesse W Shull was prominent in the record of this county. He came to the mining regions in 1819, and roamed with the Indians for many years. In 1831, Mr. Shull settled on a farm near the mound and continued to live there, raising a large family of boys. Though he had for years been on the most intimate terms with the Indians, he proved a true friend to his white brethren when the settlement was obliged to seek protection in the fort, during the Black Hawk War.

As already noted, Scales Mound Township received its name from Samuel Scales, and among the first settlers of the township were S T Napper, Josiah Conlee, F.C. Maupin, and John Woods. The village of Scales Mound was incorporated June 9, 1877, being the fifth of the cities or villages in the county to become incorporated. Within the borders of the township are valuable mines. The first post office ever established within the bounds of the township was called Baltimore, and Fleming C. Maupin was the first postmaster. The inhabitants of the Township of Scales Mound were an intelligent, thrifty and prosperous people, and on an average were among the wealthiest citizens of the county.

Before the adoption of the township system, the precinct elections were held at the house of F.C. Maupin. When the township system came into operation the voting place was changed to the village.



Maupin Mound –(site of first settlers of Scales Mound) farm is now owned by J.T. Rowe, A. Temperious, Al Bilgri and Ken & Jolleen Peart.

In the fall of 1852, the people of Jo Daviess voted to adopt the township system. At a subsequent session of the county court, Mr. Charles Bennett, G.N. Townsend, and David T. Barr, were appointed commissioners, for this purpose of dividing the county into townships and defining their several boundaries lines. At a meeting in of the Board of Supervisors, in 1855, some alteration were made in certain boundary lines, and a new township was created, called Scales Mound, in honor of Samuel H. Scales, who was an enterprising and influential citizen, and died in the Fall of 1877. The boundaries of this township were defined as follows;

Commencing on the state line at the northeast corner of section 13, town 29 range 2 east, thence west along the state line four miles to the northwest corner of section 14, thence due south on the section line, to the southwest corner of section 36, thence due north to the state line, or place of beginning to be called Scales Mound.

Business places

Early history of Scales Mound reveals that after the railroad came through in 1854 and a man by the name of Sherman Eddy established a store half a block west of Franklin Street on South Railroad Street. This general store provided necessities for the railroad employees, minors, and farmers. Joseph Tangye later purchased this in 1873, which in turn sold it to Benjamin Skewis, and then it was sold to E.J. Martin and W.W. Hicks. In 1898, Mr. Hicks sold to his partner who operated it until 1903 when it burned down.

Mr. Martin then went on the north side of the railroad and opened the store in a building where the Schultz Appliance now stands. Mr. Will Knuckey and Dr. H.M. Fowler having built this building in 1884. Here, Mr. Knuckey operated a general store in the east side of the building, and Dr. H.M. Fowler had a doctors office, drugstore and the post office on the west side. Later, Joseph Kneebone and Lewellyn Rowe, who operated a store until the time they sold to E.J. Martin, purchased the building. After this transaction, Dr. Fowler moved his office and drugstore to a building in which was later owned by the American Legion Post #1058.



General Store~ Dr. Fowler's first office & drugstore

E.J. Martin later sold the store building to W. W. Hicks. Mr. Hicks in turn sold the building to Edward S. Bray, who at the time had a store in Veta Grande. In 1918, during the World War I, Mr. Bray was appointed to postmaster to succeed William G. Edge, who was acting postmaster for James Carr.



Martin's General Store

Mr. Bray moved his general store merchandise from Veta Grande where he had operated the store for many years, to his newly acquired building. He was a genial storekeeper, and friend to rich and poor alike, never refusing credit to anyone in need. Many debts were never paid. He never turned a traveler or a "bum" from his door and truly they all had the store on the corner spotted. Not only did he give to traveler and friend alike, but he also was a true Christian and member of the Methodist Church, giving his all to every phase of the work of the kingdom of God. In 1940, he was obliged to move a small portion of his store goods to his home, and use the two front rooms for the neighborhood store. After his wife's death, the work of doing two jobs became a burden and he sold his store business, moved to Freeport, and lived with his youngest daughter, Mrs. William (Gladys) Kirchberg.

Several years later, due to his age, Dr. Fowler was unable to take care of business and sold the building to Charles C. Hocking, who then started to barber business. He rented the front section of the building to Joseph Kneebone for the post office, Mr. Kneebone, having in the meantime, received the position of postmaster. The post office was later moved to the rear of the Allen store.

After Mr. Eddy started the first store, a few more early settlers began building more homes in the village.

Thomas Davy was next after Mr. Eddy to establish a business in Scales Mound. He opened a blacksmith shop in the building, which was also owned by Arthur Harwick, who also operated a part-time blacksmith business there. This building was located directly north of the Schultz Appliance.



Harwick's Blacksmith Shop

Another blacksmiths shop soon opened for business on the south side of town. Ben Xander operated this shop. Mr. Xander's residence was located where the Stadel Hardware stood. This building sold to Mr. John Saam who later operated a gristmill. However, the date of the sales is not known. Mr. Xander then build a blacksmith shop on the corner, which later housed a feed mill operated by Clifford Walton.

In 1902, Peter Zwaver built a gristmill south of Barker Lumber Company. This building stood just west of the Gantenbein Garage. Later, this business was sold to Simon Bird, who in turn sold to Henry J. Fellenzer. The business was later discontinued and the building no longer stands.

Before continuing on with more early business places, its only fitting that a few names of early settlers other than those of businessmen. Among some of these early settlers whose names have been familiar throughout the past century are: James Carr, John Cousins, James Berryman, Thomas Hicks, Seth Glanville, Mark J. Grindey, William Gummow, Josiah Kneebone, William Knuckey, Stephan T. Napper, William P. Phelps, William H. Richards, Henry Roberts, James Wright, Charles Youle, Newton Smart, Thomas Jewell, John Rogers, John Trezona, and Charles Berryman.

As of the present day are aware of the fact that another chief occupation here was farming, its proper to mention a few early farmers who were listed in the first History of Jo Daviess County.

Dropping back again to business places established shortly after Scales Mound became a village, in 1859, George Allan started a general store. In 1875 a Thomas McNulty opened another store.

Continuing with the history of the Allan store, George Allan operated this store until the time of his death in 1864. His brother, James Allan, who also had a



produce shipping business, continued it. The latter Mr. Allan later sold his store and business to two men by the name of Gleichman and Barnes. The Gleichman Brothers ran the store from 1916 to 1920. Still later, the partners sold to James and Estella Vipond who operated the store for 14 years. (1920-1934). The Vipond's discontinued the business in 1934. The next occupant of the building was H. K. Slothower who operated for about a year. Slothower then sold to Lester Webster, and he ran the store until 1939. Webster continued in business a few years



Inside the Country House store

and then discontinued its operation. The store remained empty for a few years, and then Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Grebner purchased the building and moved their merchandise from a store on the south side of town into the Allan building and operated a modern grocery and general store there. Their residence was above the store. During these years, the building has undergone modern improvements, but old photographs bear out the fact that the general appearance is

somewhat the same. There were three grocery stores in Scales Mound at that time Homer Jackson on the south side, and J.H. Hesselbacher and Ernie Grebner both on the north side. Grebner bought eggs from the farmers, and Saturday night Herb Hickman Sr. would candle eggs until midnight.

Most all country stores were called general stores as they sold boots, shoes, overalls, dry goods, etc., along with groceries and meats. That trend started to fade out when, in 1960, Grebners sold the store to L.J. Sweeney and his family. Sweeney was first to introduce shopping carts, changed the front entrance to the east side of the store, and made other minor alternations. He sold the store in 1963 to Ray Hintze and his family. Hintze made major changes rearranging the shelving, and put the checkout counter where it is now, and added new meat cases and produce racks and upright frozen food container. The General Store aspect was practically phased out by this time. Hintze sold the store to Bill Brickner in 1971. Bill and Janet operated the store until 1979. Bill Brickner then purchased the store (the old school building) and opened a Kent Feed Store on the south side in connection with his



Inside the Country House store



Bill's Farm Store

grocery store, known as "Bill's Farm House." The grocery business was located in the building previously owned and operated as the Grebner Grocery Store. Mary Ohms Saam greeted every customer with a smiling face and hearty hello it is not true that she was sold with the store. Mary loved her work and meeting people. She started working for Ernest and Elsie Grebners in 1941 and retired in 1978.

In 1972, a young industrious Scales Mound High School graduate came to work for Bill & Janet Brickner – his name Patrick Ohms, Bill's nephew. Pat learned the grocery business from ground up and in 1979, he purchased the store.

Pat and Sheila (North) were married in 1975 and had three children. Pat and Sheila are very active in community affairs, including school and church activities. Their store was a victim of a break-in 1900, and again in 1990, but other than that it has been business as usual.

Pat & Sheila sold out to Tim & Ryan Zmich, then Pat & Sheila returned to ownership after a few years. Pat and Sheila Ohms own and operate the best little country grocery store you can find anywhere it is know as Pat's Country House.



Pat's Country House & Pop-A-Tops

Very little can be learned of the Thomas McNulty general store other than its location. It stood where we now find the Catholic Church. It is the general belief this building was used for the Catholic Church services, and later was obtained by the congregation for the start of their church building.

The old Stone Mill, built in 1857, was mentioned in the Jo Daviess History of 1878. This mill was built for the purpose of milling grains using a windmill type wheel for power. The mill was not a successful enterprise, although it stood the greater part of twenty years before being taken down.

The first hotel was built in 1856. This was of brick structure and the original cost was \$6,000, Henry Roberts managed it. Information is not available as to how long the late Henry Roberts ran the hotel. The next known owner was George McBride. Later McBride sold to Frank Stephen, who operated a hotel for many years until his death when it was taken over by his two sons, Arthur and Edward.

This building was occupied by Mr. and Mrs. LaVester Dotzel who operate a tavern on the west side and have their living quarters on the east side. Part of the second story has been made into apartments.



First Hotel



By 1878, there were three hotels in Scales Mound. Charley Couch erected a hotel, which was later owned by Mr. and Mrs. John Heckelsmiller. Then the building was their residence and also housed the telephone office.

It is believed the third hotel was located just north of the I.C.R.R. Depot. This was known as the "Temperance Hotel," the other two hotels contained bar rooms. The Temperance Hotel building, having been sold several times, finally became the property of Mr. and Mrs. James Richards who operated a confectionary store. They in turn sold to their son, Lewis Richards and his wife in 1903, which opened up a confectionery and restaurant business.

While it may seem strange today that Scales Mound at one time had three hotels, it must be realized that it then was a great railroad town. Many will remember trains coming as



Scales Mound Hotel now known as Pop-A-Top

far as Scales Mound from Dubuque and then turning around and going back, the village being located just about halfway between Dubuque and Freeport. Also many today don't remember the "wye" located on the north side of the track about quarter of a mile east of town on the S.T. Napper farm. This was used for turning trains and was not removed until about 1933.

After days of the hotels in Scales Mound were gone, there were the bed & breakfast homes. The first

was The Franklin House at 701 N Franklin Street. The house was restored as a 1903 Queen Ann Style and was furnished with antiques. The Jerry Barber Family was the proprietor, but this business has ceased operation.

Then came the Pierson Guest Home located at 603 N Franklin St. this too was a bed & breakfast. Bob and Diane Wachter were the proprietors until they retired and ceased operation.

The first wheelright shop in Scales Mound was located where one of the Sauer apartment buildings was located. This was an 1873, it was owned by Henry Zeigler. The building was later sold to George Bastian, who followed the same trade. It burned in 1909 and was rebuilt. Later, it was moved to near the south end of what was now the Jewell building, and used by J.C. Winters plumber. It has since been torn down.

In following the history of Scales Mound, it must be remembered that what is now known as the Scales Mound-Galena Road was at one time the Galena-Chicago stagecoach road. This gives the setting for what is now known as the four corners or the half-mile



George Rittweger & John Manz in Rittweger Shop

corners, as it is there that the blacktop road was joined. This crossroad was also popular in about 1860, and then was known as "George's Corners" and later "Rittweger Corners." It was here that George Rittweger Sr. starting a blacksmith shop just to serve local trade as well as trade on the stage road. In 1885, his two sons, George and Adam, built a blacksmith shop in the village. Part of this building was the shell service station operated by Clarence Schultz. Its owner, Milton G Rittweger, and son George uses the remainder of the building for storage. In

1907 or 1908, Adam left the blacksmith business and took up general contracting. He built several buildings in Scales Mound and laid many of the cement walks. After the death of George Rittweger, Arthur E. Harwick operated the Blacksmith shop.

It is noted the number of many blacksmith shop in the village and also the livery stables were as popular as the service station and garages are today. The first livery stable in Scales Mound was built in 1882. James McBride owned it and the location was where Wills Garage operated a garage.

Shortly after this, S.T. Napper and Al Grundy built a stable where the Leo Saam apartment building once stood. It was later sold Frank Ehrler Sr., then to Arthur Jackson and John Hocking, and finally to William M. Edge. The building burned down in 1912.



Matson Implement

James C. Matson started an implement shop in approximately 1880. This business was sold to Louis Duerrstein who in 1910, built the building, which became the Sauer Implement Company. The number of owners in the implement business here has been several. Among them were Pooley and James; Pooley and Walton; Burrows and Redfern and R. J. Gessner.

Another early business in our ever-growing village was the lumber and grain business operated by George Hoch. The exact date of the starting this business was unobtainable. However the grain business was conducted in the building used by the Scales Mound Shipping Association as a warehouse and was sold to J.R. Berryman and J.T. Walton in 1892. The latter partners shipped again and brought and sold livestock and wool for the Chicago market. Later, it was sold to Lloyd Rummell and John H Hesselbacher.



Sauer Implement

The lumber business of Mr. Hoch's was purchased by James (Barney) Adams in 1895 who operated it until 1914 when he sold his business to the Barker Lumber Company a line yards of Delavan Wisconsin. Earl C Rummell managed this yard for the 39 years. Chuck and Susie Davis soon purchased the lumberyard.

Farming still being the main occupation of our area, feed stores became necessary. Charles Davis started selling fertilizer, feed, and lumber and building supplies. His business was situated in the building formerly known as the Barker Lumber Company. But Davis' have discontinued the selling of fertilizer, and feed and has since strictly become a home center.



Henry Rummell with Barker Lumber Delivery Wagon



In the year of 1890, a number of civic-minded citizens realized the farming was playing a big part in helping the growth and settlement of the young village. In order to help farmers dispose of their dairy products, these men saw the need for creamery in Scales Mound. This was built in 1890 through the influence of several businessmen. Among those known are, JC Matson, James R.

Berryman, Anton Stephan, Joseph Kneebone, and John Wilcox. The creamery was built on



Inside the creamery



Parking lot of the feed store. Scales Mound Creamery in the rear. Notice the tall chimney for the steam engine. The school has a single story and Presbyterian Church has a bell tower. People might be the cast of a play at Allan's Opera House

what was known then as Foundry Hill. No exact history is known as to why this was called Foundry Hill, but it is the belief that earlier an old-time foundry may have been there. This was also known as the Creamery Hill. Grant Likens was the first butter marker. He was followed in turn by John Perkins, P.R. Stadel, and then Ed Scott. A butter maker by the name of Oscar Albright was the first to use a Delco plant for electricity. Among the later days, the butter makers were Col. R.J. Smith as well as the owner of the creamery for number of years. He also made ice cream in the plant and of one time operated a miniature golf course on the lawn next to the creamery. Col. Smith was also an auctioneer. The County Sheriff Lawrence G Grebner owned the Creamery. Butter was not made there but Mr. Grebner used it for a cream buying station.

Still another landmark located on the south side of the I.C tracks was a store owned by Anton Stephan. Mr. Stephan purchased the original building and business from a man by the name of Henry Saam. This transaction took place in 1877. Just when Mr. Saam established the business is not known. Mr. Stephens used part of the building as a residence for his family. Much like the many other business places, this store has changed owners several times. The various owners have been found but all exact dates when ownership changed is not known. Mr. Stephan sold his store in 1903 to Ernest Estorf who later sold to two brothers. Other owners in order were Gus Stephens, Will Stadel of Apple River, J. V. Schoenhard, Elmer Glenn, Charley Glenn, William Auman, Ernest Grebner, Homer Jackson, Leo Saam, Hughes and

Knuckey and Vernon Hughes. The store was operating as a general store for a number of years by Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Hughes. This building too has been remodeled throughout the years and today is a modern store.

Dale Jewell owned another building, which has held various business enterprises throughout the greater part of the past century. The building a brick structure is located on the corner of South Railroad and Franklin Street at the south end of the railroad bridge. This building was the first to house the butcher shop in the east half and a hardware store on the west. Monnier and Dixon operated the butcher shop as partners. Ben Skewis ran the



Jewell Building

hardware. The butcher shop was sold to a W.J. Sincox around 1900. Mr. Sincox's helper was John Rummell of Warren. Rummell was well known in and around Scales Mound. Mr. Sincox later sold to John Miller who continued in the business until about 1920 when he sold J.H. Hesselbacher and George Schoenhard. The latter partners then moved the business to the north side of the tracks into what was the Legion building.

Meanwhile, the hardware business also changed hands. Mr. Skewis sold to H.S. Morrison, who owned the business until his death. The business was then sold to John H McFadden and then was run by W.W. Hicks. In

1904, the business was again sold and Mr. and Mrs. P.R. Stadel were the purchasers. In 1914, Mr. Stadel moved to the new location, which he built. Mr. Stadel continued in his new building until 1938, when his son Willis (Bill) joined him as a partner. In 1943, Bill bought out his father's interest. In 1948, Bill sold half of the interest to Eldon Opie and they ran as partners until Opie sold back to Stadel in 1951. Then Mr. and Mrs. Stadel owned the store. It has always been known as the Stadel hardware.



Mr. & Mrs. P.R. Stadel & J. C. Winters in Stadel Hardware. Store was in the Jewell building.

When Dale Jewell purchased the building, he started a poolroom and barbershop, the poolroom being in the west end of the building. Living quarters were upstairs. The poolroom changed hands several times. Among some of the owners were LaVerne Cousins, Walter Dawson, Louis Richards, James Smart, Harold Koester, and Lloyd Rummell. Mr. Rummell discontinued the business 1943. The barbershop at one time also contained a beauty parlor under the management of Dale Jewell. In 1945, Milton Rittweger purchased the lot and built the present building in which he operated a pool hall for two years. After being vacated for short time, Beverly Gessner opened up a restaurant, which she sold later to Mrs. Margaret Long, who continued to operate the restaurant until 1952, when she sold it to Mrs. Hazel Gantenbring who, after a few months, discontinued the business. The building was vacant and owned by Clement Koehler.

Later the beauty parlor was discontinued while the barbershop was operated continuously with several different barbers being in attendance, one was Mr. Jack

Shannon. After Mr. Rummell discontinued the poolroom, that portion of the building was vacant for several months. Then Mr. and Mrs. Gus Brickner opened a restaurant, which they operated here until 1952, when they sold to Miss Jeanne Hamann. The restaurant was named the Corner Café.

Several changes have come in the restaurant ownership since the days of Jeanne Hamman. Steve Townsend, who ran the restaurant, bought the building and then the ownership passed to Dale Jewell, whose wife Letha ran "Corner Café," as it was then known. Later, it was known, as "Karyl's Korner Café," owned by Mr. and Mrs. Ed Schuman, which they bought from Mike Koehler, who, with his wife, ran the restaurant. Then Helen Wurm took it over and named it the Terra Finna Restaurant and Lounge. Then it was sold to Matt & Roberta Ware and they called it Unique Country Inn, they ran it for a while but then discontinued the restaurant business. Keith Jakel rents from Ware's and ran his bakery business out of it, selling to restaurants, grocery stores, and other businesses.

Soon after the year 1864, James Allen continued with the general store of his brother George Allen. James saw the need of a grain and produce warehouse for the buying, storage, and shipping a farm produce. The newly settled land was very fertile, producing much grain. The railroad offered the means of shipping the grain and produce to the eastern markets. Mr. Allen built a large warehouse near the railroad tracks and the Scales Mound Shipping Association, owned and operated by Andrew Doyle, occupied it. Mr. Allen was a man of great foresight for when he built the warehouse it was a two-story building. A few years later he put in a floor and finished the second story for a hall or opera house. This was where chautauquas, dances, shows, home talent plays, school graduation exercises, church festivals, roller skating parties, and many a hot contest a basketball games were held.



Medicine troops would come to the thriving Village for a week at a time and put on such shows as "Uncle Tom's Cabin," "Ten Nights in a bar room," "East Lynn" and other old-time plays. It was here that John Bird, son of the William Bird, who was a miner and a Civil War veteran, put on the first silent movie. Then came a time when the state fire marshal deemed this place unfit for such public crowds, stating that it was a fire hazard and also dangerous because of the crowds coming onto the railroad tracks after the program. The railroad business had increased and the railroads were running faster trains, which made this a dangerous spot.

Mr. Allen did a very prosperous business in the buying and shipping of grains, wool, and farm produce for many years, until his large landholdings in the Northwest Iowa required his attention. His son, William Allen, was left in charge of the general store, and the warehouse business was taken over by James R. Berryman and John T. Walton, who had built an elevator for the handling of grains. Times changed and the shipping of grains became outdated. The farmers were raising more stock and feeding their grains to their livestock for the Chicago market.

James R. Berryman finally sold his interest in the business to his son, Charles G. Berryman, and the firm was known as the Walton and Berryman. The buying of livestock was their large business, and many days in the fall of the year teams and wagons of hogs would be



Jewell Building

lined up from the stockyards as far back as to Stadel hardware store. On the death of Mr. John Walton the business was sold to Lloyd W Rummell and John H Hesselbacher who operated for several years.

A company of farmers then formed what was known as the Scales Mound Shipping Association. They rented the Allen warehouse and started a feed and livestock marketing business under the management of William M. Edge. Mr. Edge managed this business for 26 years, unloading and selling a great number of cars of feed and coal, and in one year shipped 368 cars of livestock to the Chicago market.

Leo Werner, who operated it for three years succeeded Mr. Edge, and then it was sold to Andrew Doyle who operated it under the same name of Scales Mound Shipping Association. Then, in 1986, Paul and Sherry Homb purchased the store from Andrew "Bud" and Ethel Doyle and operated under the name of Countryside Feeds.

In January of 1993, George and Carol Charnas purchased the store and kept the name of Countryside Feeds. Soon, Ernie Schoenhard and his son, Terry, took over the operation of the Countryside Feeds. After Ernie's death Terry discontinued the seed and feed business and sold the building to Wulf and Tina Clifton and they operate the Dr. Woodchuck's Auction House.

The building that was known as Arthur Harwick's Blacksmith Shop was built in the early 1850s. Early in the 1890's William Andrews came from Michigan and the copper mines and established his blacksmith and wagon shop in the same building. Mr. Andrews later sold this blacksmith business to his apprentice, Thomas Kitto. After moving his shop equipment to the south side of town, the building was then sold to



Simon Bird and Son who operated an auto sales room and garage. This was the day of the Model T Ford, which needed repairs often. Bird and Son later secured the sales agency for the Chevrolet automobile in Dubuque, Iowa. R.R. Pooley and Charles Knapp then took over the garage business of Bird and Son. Later Knapp sold his interest to Ray Hoppe and the business was then known as Pooley and Hoppe, who later moved to the building vacated by the C.L. Walton light company. The building was then sold to Arthur Harwick, who did part-time blacksmith business.



C.L. Walton Building

In the early 1800's a poultry business was started in the building located just north of Schultz Appliance. The partners in the business were the late Charley Martin and William Johnson. The two men bought poultry and dressed them there, not only for the Chicago market, but for the eastern markets as well. During a busy season, the partners hired everyone available they could find in women and children to help with the picking of the fowl. The business was, however, short-lived as Mr. Martin took up farming and Mr. Johnson followed the carpenter trade.

The raising of poultry seems to be a profitable business for the farmers' wives, for much poultry was raised and marketed in Scales Mound. For many years, Alex Getz Poultry Company in Chicago brought and loaded live poultry in a railroad car each week during the fall and early winter. They would start loading the car in Galena, stop at Scales Mound, and finish loading at Lena Illinois. Farmers bringing the poultry by team and wagon or hack would often times need to wait until late afternoon to be unloaded. At one time it was actually one o'clock a.m. before the last crate was weighed, upon this date, 3 full cars loads of live poultry were actually loaded for the New York Market. Poultry was then bought by local buyers and trucked to Chicago market or nearby dressing plants.

In 1886, William Johnson, a young man who had learned the carpenter trade in England came from Darlington, Wisconsin, to work at his trade with James A. Adams, a carpenter and builder. A few years later, Charles Manz, a young man who had learned the carpenter trade in Germany, became associated with Johnson. A partnership was formed and Johnson and Manz built many of the buildings in and around the village with the aid of Fred Ganshirt, a carpenter who later came from Gratiot, Wisconsin. All three of these carpenters built many buildings that have stood for many years as a memorial of their fine workmanship.

Livingston Beebe bears mentioning in this history for he was a pioneer barber. To our best recollection, his first shop was in a little building now torn down, south of the bridge, which also housed a cobbler's shop. He trained many young men who made it their life work. One man, who always maintained his home here, was George Magee. Others who served as apprentices and became barbers in large cities were Charles Hocking, William Monnier, Ilo Jenkins, Leslie Johnson, Dale Jewell, Clarence Hoppe and many others. Mr. Beebe moved his shop from the first location to a room in the Zawver building, and later to the building occupied by Clem Koehler's tavern. Here he was a familiar figure for many, many years. Later he moved his shop to his home where he continued to work until his death. George Magee, after leaving the barbershop, worked at other trades, but continued until his death to cut hair and give shaves to many of his faithful patrons.

In the early 1900's, Joseph Zawver built a two-story frame building just south of the brick building owned by Dale Jewell, in which O. E. Perry ran a drug store for several years, using the second story for a residence. Doctor Tyrell finally purchased the building for his office, drug store, and residence. In 1919, Doctor Tyrell sold his building and later it was used by Livingston Beebe as a Barber Shop, then by Thomas and Herbert Tippet for a grocery store for a few years. After being vacant for a short time, Merrill Casper opened up a tavern on the first floor, which he operated for about three years. When Merrill Casper discontinued his tavern business, Mrs. Raymond Hoppe and Mrs. Clarence Hoppe opened up a restaurant business, which they sold to Mr. and Mrs. Ted Bray who sold to Mrs. Alma Harkey who operated a restaurant until the building burned down in 1942.

In about 1907 or '08, Orda and William Curtiss started an ax-handle factory on the Jewell farm about three miles west of Scales Mound, Mrs. Robert Trevethan and her sons tenanted the farm. The Curtisses came here from southern Wisconsin and set up their shop in the country near a good supply of hickory trees to be used in making their product. P. R. Stadel, the hardware dealer, brought many handles of all kinds from them. The hammer handles were bought for three cents each and other handles were priced accordingly. The Curtisses were quick to make any special design handle if a customer desired. While there was some dispute among our informers as to whether or not they later relocated their shop to the village. Evidence has been found that after a family quarrel, a small shop was set up just east of the large lumber shed at the Barker Lumberyard. The Curtisses were in or near Scales Mound approximately 3 or 4 years before returning to Wisconsin, thus ending the ax handle industry in our village.

The Bank

In 1909, James R. Berryman and John T. Walton who had been doing a sort of banking business in connection with their grain, coal and livestock business decided that our fair village was in need of a bank. The building was built in 1909 and a private bank known as the Scales Mound Banking Company was started in 1910 with Mr. Wilbur J. Berryman as cashier and Miss Ruby Walton as assistant cashier. In 1915, it seemed that for the best interest of depositors and the bank, it should be incorporated as a State Bank. This was done in 1916 and was known as the State Bank of Scales Mound. The first directors of the state bank were William Allan, President; John T Walton, vice president; James R. Berryman, J.C. Matson, and Anton Stephan, James T McFadden, William Travis Sr. and Joseph Kneebone.

Wilbur J Berryman continued as cashier, and Ruby Walton as assistant cashier until 1917, when Miss Walton resigned and was replaced by Miss Myrtle Travis (Mrs. Walter Homrich), who held this position until 1928 when Miss Ida Travis became the assistant. During the years since 1922, several changes in position of cashier were made.

Mr. James P. Scott of Galena was appointed cashier, then Rolf J. Kvamme, Walter Homrich, J.F. Nadler and Miss Ida Travis, who had held this position since 1943. Miss Marjorie Longhorn, (Mrs. Alden Knuckey) became assistant cashier in 1943 and since 1948 Mrs. Blanche Holland held the position.

On March 3, 1933, President Franklin D. Roosevelt had declared the bank moratorium, and the State Bank, remained closed until April 29, 1933, when it was again opened by the depositors signing waiver of 40% of their deposits, which was payable when and as the bank, was able to repay the waivers from the earnings. The final portion of the waiver was paid in March 1947. The bank went through difficult times but was a prosperous



institution in the community. Some of the directors were: Paul R Stadel, President; William J. Travis Jr. Vice President; Edward Sweeney, Elmer McFadden, L. C. Hesselbacher and Ida Travis.

In 1971, the State Bank of Scales Mound had a new "face lift." The working space was enlarged and modern machines and equipment were added. The directors and personnel were Ida Travis, President; Eldon Opie and Bill Stadel, Vice-

Presidents; Myra Hesselbacher and Norman Travis, Directors; Marjorie Knuckney, Cashier; Barbara Hoppe, Assistant Cashier; Betty Schoenhard, Teller.

In 1973, the State Bank of Scales Mound was robbed. Jo Daviess County Sheriff's Deputies and agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation investigated the robbery that happened on December 18, 1973. In this robbery, \$2,600 was taken, but there was no suspect in connection with the robbery. The bank was robbed just before closing. Four women bank employees, that were the only persons in the bank at the time of the robbery, were herded into the vault. Roadblocks were set up in Illinois and Wisconsin, but police efforts failed to produce a suspect. The FBI would not reveal how much time was spent on the case.

The State Bank was sold to Mercantile Bank and then to Today's Bank and finally to US Bank. Then in 2002 the Apple River State Bank opened another branch in Scales Mound. Soon after the Apple River State Bank opened, the US Bank closed the Scales Mound Branch.



1909



1978



2000



2015

Gas – Service Station and Bulk Plants

In 1914 the Standard Oil Company saw the need for expansion in the oil business in Scales Mound and built a bulk plant on the south railroad bank just north of where S. T. Napper lived at that time. Joseph Horsefall was the owner of the first oil delivery wagon in Scales Mound. He operated until called to service in World War I in 1917 when he sold to Francis L. Holland; being a cripple from birth he was greatly handicapped in making his deliveries. He too delivered with a team and wagon for several years. Later he left the Standard Oil Company and started delivery by truck. He stayed with the oil business until his death in 1951. He was a Perfection Oil representative handling Shell Oil Products at the time. After Mr. Holland left the Standard Oil Company, numerous other men delivered for them. Some of who were Clyde Perry, Milton Rittweger, Theodore Stadel, Clifford Stadel, Glen Edge and others. The Standard Bulk Plant has been torn down with Charles Killian being the Standard representative.

After Mr. Holland's death, the Shell delivery service was taken over by Andrew Doyle in connection with the feed business. He later sold it to Leo Saam who operated the oil truck service as well as the bulk plant located at the old farmers exchange location. Saam's Service included Leo Saam and his son Keith, who were distributors for Conoco Oil. Their tank truck salesman was Charles "Chuck" Grindey and their service man was Tom Grindey.



In 1958, Leo "Bill" Saam left the employment of Perfection Oil Co. to start his own service station and bulk fuel business called Saam's Services, which was located at the south edge of town. He operated the Conoco service station until 1987 when it sold to Richard Morhardt. Leo continued to operate the bulk fuel business until 1978, when it was purchased by his son Keith, who changed the name of the business to Saam Oil Company Inc. Numerous other expansion included the purchase of the Elizabeth Farmer's Exchange in 1981, Moore Oil Company at Shullsburg, WI in 1984 and Morhardt Service in 1987. They also continue to provide furnace installation and service, started by Leo Saam, in the early 1960's. Saam Oil Company was also responsible for building the first bulk propane plant in Scales Mound with the installation of a 30,000-gallon storage tank in 1986. LP gas became a popular means of heating homes, which was recently supplied by fuel oil. Keith's wife, Lana, used a computerized accounting system since 1985 to account for the deliveries made by the tank trucks.

Clarence Grindey operated the Shell Bulk oil service and supplies oil to his customers. Raymond Dittmar, desiring to go into business in 1939, moved to a home just outside the village limits. In 1941, he built a cement block building at that site and was a dealer in J.T. Case farm machinery. Along with the implement business, Dittmar also operated a Service Station on the same location.

John W. Schoenhard had started his station in the late 1930's.

In 1915, Peter Perry opened up a coal business, which he operated for many years, selling to John E. Cousins, who also built a warehouse for feeds. The building and business was later sold to Roy Blake and Oscar Bruner, who moved the office building and warehouse to the north side of the railroad tracks. In connection with bulk oil tanks, he operated an oil, coal and feed business for several years. Later they sold to Arthur Schwartz, who had returned from World War II. Mr. Schwartz sold his business to the Scales Mound Shipping Association who absorb the coal and feed business with their present business and selling the bulk oil tanks to the Shell Oil Company.

In 1932, the Rittweger blacksmith shop began to give way to the automobile. Milton G Rittweger son of George remodeled the building and started an oil station in the west part. He operated a Standard Service station for several years and then sold to Cleland Hickman. Later William F Koester Jr. was for proprietor moving from the old light plant building. He later sold half interest to James Smart.



In 1939, the station was sold to Robert Bray. In the same year, it was also sold to Ernest S Schoenhard. Schoenhard continued the business until call to the service.

In June 1943, he sold to Milton G. Rittweger who later, in the same year, sold to Clarence (Red) Schultz. Mr. Schultz handled Shell Oil Products. The Schultz Shell Oil Station was sold to Ken Frank in 1972 and it was called "Ken's Shell Service, then Ken sold to Dave & Kim Fosler, and they called it Scales Mound Sinclair.

In 1941, Stanley R Hess moved his sawmill to Scales Mound from Boscobel, Wisconsin. Mr. Hess set his mill at the site of the baseball diamond. The community surrounding Scales Mound furnished an excellent source of trees, which were sawed in to railroad ties. Besides a crew of timber cutters, Mr. Hess owned a fleet of trucks, which transported the tree, cuts to the mill and hauled the finished product to the rail station at Shullsburg, Wisconsin, where they were loaded for shipment. Mr. Hess stayed in Scales Mound until late 1943 when he returned to Boscobel.



The death of Raymond Gessner earlier mentioned, as an implement dealer here, came as a shock to the community. After his death his widow Alberta continued with the business and was widely known throughout the territory. Mrs. Gessner was united in marriage to Frank



Sauer Implement - Flamingo Tea Room

Sauer in 1944, and the Gessner Implement Company then became the Sauer Implement Company. They were dealers for International Harvester for machinery and equipment.

Mr. and Mrs. Sauer had their living quarters on the second story of their building. After the war, the remainder of the second-story was made into apartments, which was then occupied by tenants.

The Sauer also own the building next to the shell oil station, which also houses two modern apartments. The

remainder of the building was used for storage. The inside of the structure was changed and became a mecca for brides and grooms to hold their reception for observances of 50th wedding anniversaries, banquets, dinners, and other gatherings. This place was known as

"The Flamingo Tea Room," and the proprietor and owner, Alberta Sauer, turned out many beautiful cakes and delectable dinners. The building was sold to Allen Stienke in 1980, he remodeled it and Stienke-Miller Funeral Home was established. The Galena Medical Center had a doctor's office at this location in 1984-1985.

John C. Winters, local plumber, started as an employee of the Stadel hardware back in 1909. In 1918, Mr. Winters started a tinning and heating service, and also installed water pumps. In 1923, he purchased the plumbing business from John Stephans. This also consisted of a small building, which is located just back of the Dale Jewell building. In 1950, Mr. Winters purchased Woodmen Hall, and moved shop to the first floor and the basement of the building. The upstairs was remodeled into two apartments, which Mr. Winters rented. The first floor was used for a display room and the basement of the building for workshop. This being the modern age, Mr. Winters was kept very busy installing automatic pumping systems, bathrooms, oil furnaces, etc. at a rapid rate. Anyone requiring Mr. Winters' service in the past would never forget his capable assistants, William Koester Sr. and Wilbur J. (Hooker) Wright. Winter Plumbing was under the direction of Bill Bruun and J. C. Winter previous to that. On March 13, 1976, Carl Kathy Winter bought the business and operated a plumbing and heating business. Now, it is under the direction of Carl Winter and Sons.



During 1915 C.L. Walton built the building where the Wills' Garage now stands for an auto sales room and garage. In 1916 he became interested in electricity and installed the generating plant for the purpose of furnishing electric lights for the village, this being a step towards the modern-day of living.



The residents of the village were demanding an electricity grid for their homes, and so this in turn called for a larger and better generator, which was installed. In the fall of 1922, the building and plant burned to the ground, resulting in a large loss to C.L. Walton Company. But in 1923, the plant was rebuilt, new equipment was installed and the village was again with lights. Walton later sold his

equipment to a company of men from Dubuque, Iowa, who in turn sold to the Illinois Northern Utilities Company, which company built a high-voltage line for more Illinois that they may give better service to its patrons. The property is now a part of the Public Service Company of Northern Illinois.

The building, which contains the generator, was later sold to Raymond Hoppe, who ran a garage and auto sales room with R.R. Pooley as partner. Later, Hoppe move to Rockford, Illinois and Pooley discontinued the business. Richard Ohms, for a time, ran a garage in the same building. After World War II, Myles Byrd returned from the marine service and started the garage business in the Hoppe building. He later added electrical lines. He then sold his garage equipment to Gordon Wills, who operated a garage business. Myles Byrd moved his electrical store to Galena, Illinois. Gordon Wills bought the property where Art Harwick's blacksmith shop was located. This building was torn down and new one was constructed. Wills' garage now does all kinds of car repair, as well as being a center for car parts. In 1951 Gordon Wills brought his first building from Myles Byrd and the in 1955, he built the present garage. A new 40x36 foot building across the street was added in 1992, and was used for storage. Currently his son Vernon has continued the business at the same location.



In the late 1920's and 1930's John V Schoenhard operated a dance arcadia on the south edge of the village in the lot just back of the location of Dittmar Implement Service Station. Dances were held there every Saturday evening and drew large crowds from the community as well as surrounding towns. Dale Jewell and his Orchestra were the featured attraction at the Arcadian. The building has long since been torn down.

Herbert C. Hickman and his sons, Cleland and Kenneth, operated what was known as the Hickman Dairy for many years in Scales Mound. Deliveries were made seven days a week to individual homes. Horses were first used for delivery, but later automobiles were used. The dairy was discontinued in 1947.

George C. Schoenhard ran a dairy in the village in the early 1930's and Bruce Phelps had a delivery route also in the late 1930s and early 1940's.

Previously mentioned, some early day farmers in the area and now feel only proper to mention some of the farmers in the 1900s who are not listed elsewhere who were well-known throughout the territory: Herbert Bradt, Edward Paquette, Ben Holland, Edward Holland Sr., James Holland, Richard Perry, George C Schoenhard, Frank Kolbauer, George Schaber, Harold Phelps, William Stadel, John Phillips, William Pogeman, Frank Smart, John Smart, Willis Vipond William Jewell, George Trevarthan Sr, Alfred Sampson, Thomas Webster, Frank Grindey, James Carr, John Gessner, William Treseidder, Clifford Treseidder Kelly and Ruben Watson, George (Gildau) Schoenhard, Harry Schoenhard, Charles Bell, Ralph Laird, Simeon Sincock, and Thomas H Sincocks.

In 1938, the old field's ramp about three miles west of town suddenly came to life again. Years before this, a man from Chicago by the name of Fields, had to use a small spur track on the north side of the railroad just west of what is known as Klenke's Culvert, to load ore from the mines. This was later abandoned and almost forgotten.

Also in 1938, Frank J Kennedy and Mulgrew of Dubuque, Iowa were doing business as the K and M Construction Company, remodeled the old loading place, built new ramps, and cleared more ground for the purpose of loading mine tailings for the Illinois Central railroad. The I.C. used these tailings for ballast and gave them the name of "chat." Millions of tons of tailings were loaded here in the next 11 years. As high as 50 cars a day were loaded and work went on six days a week. Kennedy put up a residence at the ramp and made his home there. The loading rights, building, and ramps were sold in 1949 to C.F. Houtakker; Mr. Kennedy then moved to Veta Grand where he made his home.



Inside Hesselbacher Meat Market



Hesselbacher Meat Market

Earlier in this writing it was stated that the butcher shop J.H. Hesselbacher and George (Gildeau) Schoenhard owned by John Miller was sold to and moved to the north side of town and was known as legion building. This partnership was later dissolved and J.H. Hesselbacher solely owned the business. After a few years, it was the trend to combine the sale of meats with the sale groceries. So after the other stores added meat counters, the Hesselbacher Meat Market added groceries. Mrs. Pearl Hesselbacher operated the store while Jack was tending to his trucking line, which he in the mean time had purchased from J.C. Hecklesmiller.



Hesselbacher Trucking Fleet

In 1941, the store was sold to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Schoenhard who then discontinued the business due to Mr. Schoenhard being called into service in 1943. Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Harkey, who operated a restaurant during the war years later, sold to Mrs. Emma Howard, who later sold to Mrs. Hazel Gantenbein then rented the building. After Mrs. Gantenbein closed the restaurant, the building remained empty until the

American Legion purchased it.

One of the more recent businesses started Scales Mound was a truck line in 1933. James C Heckelsmiller started this. Mr. Heckelsmiller's chief business and it was to haul livestock to Chicago, but he did general hauling as well. Clarence Schultz was hired as a driver on the Chicago trips.

In 1935, Mr. Hecklesmiller sold his business to J.H. Hesselbacher. Mr. Hesselbacher sold an interest to his son Eldon in 1940. In 1942, Eldon was called to service and another son LaVerne was hired as a helper on the truck line. Upon Eldon's return from Army duty, the business was divided and operated as JH Hesselbacher and Sons. With the increase in trucking demands, three 32-foot semi trailers and three pick up trucks were being used almost daily for trucking stock, feed, grain, and machinery and more. Approximately 15 trailer loads of livestock per week was purchased in the fall of that year and hauled to two competitive markets. The firm handled about 25,000 head of hogs, and 2,500 heads of cattle a year. J.H. Hesselbacher and Sons established a trucking company buying and selling livestock and hauling livestock to market for the farmers. With the demise of the father the son's, Laverne and Eldon continued to service. After awhile Eldon's sons David and John purchased the business and changed the name to Hesselbacher's Brothers Trucking. With the death of David the business was dissolved. David and John also managed the Livestock Sale Barn in Elizabeth, Il for a period of time.

In 1973, Gordon and Jody Glasgow started a grain hauling business. It started with one straight truck but now has flourished into semis hauling grain to the river terminals where it is loaded on barges.

The first "Beauty Shop" opened in Scales Mound in 1929, and the operator was Dale Jewell. A part of the brick building, which was in the Jewell Barber Shop, was converted into an up-to-date shop. The first ladies had their hair marcelled with hot irons, later the

permanent wave was introduced, and all the ladies who craved curly hair welcomed it. Later Dale moved to Evanston, Ill., and he secured Dorothy Pooley (Mrs. Eldon Opie) to run the shop for a short time. Later he secured Dawn Beall (Mrs. Ted Stadel), who had just graduated from the Dubuque Beauty Academy, to continue with the shop. Later, Annabeth Rowe (Mrs. Eldon Magee) also a graduate of the Dubuque Beauty Academy worked it in the Jewell Beauty Shop.

In March 1940, Dawn Beall and Geraldine Bassett (Mrs. Fred MacFadden), both Apple River girls, who had graduated from school in Dubuque, started a second "Beauty Shop" in the building where Dr. G. M. Tyrell had his office and drug store, which later burned and then was torn down. Miss Bassett went back to Apple River, and Dawn Beall outfitted a beauty shop in the back part of the building used by the Stanley Colin Trucking Company for storing trucks. She sold her equipment to Mrs. Homer Jackson, of Dubuque, Iowa who also owned the building. Mrs. Jackson secured Mrs. Dorothy Opie and Mrs. Annabeth Magee to operate the shop for time, and then it was sold to Alvina Haffele (Mrs. Charles Collins) of Rockford, Illinois. She operated for a short time and then the business closed until March 1948. Cleone Longhorn (Mrs. John Hamann), who had been working at Hoppe Beauty Shop in Galena, rented the building and purchased all new equipment and ran the shop for two years. When she secured employment at the Savanna Ordnance Depot, and sold her equipment to a shop in Dubuque.

In 1937, Eleanor Perry (Mrs. Myles Byrd) equipped a Beauty Shop in her own home, and remained for two years; later going to Chicago to live. When the Second World War was declared, Myles was called to service and Eleanor Perry returned home and again worked at her chosen profession until 1952, when she discontinued her business.

Mrs. Annabeth (Rowe) Magee, after her marriage, continued to take care of customers in her home, where she had a prosperous business, and also sold costume jewelry.

In July 1952, Mrs. Dawn (Beall) Stadel returned to Scales Mound to make her future home, and equipped a modern "Beauty Shop" in her home. In connection with the beauty work, she had a gift shop and sold cosmetics.

Personal grooming was a "must" for a lady who wanted to look her best. Scales Mound has always had adequate facilities in that area. When Mrs. Dawn Stadel closed her shop, Mrs. Nyla (Schultz) Hickman opened a beauty salon in her newly built home. Mrs. Karen (Hendrickson) Sincox and Mrs. Vickie (Henrickson) Stillson also opened a shop at the home of their mother Mrs. Luther Henrickson.

Also, there were two other shops in operation in the country homes of Mrs. Vernon Redfearn and Mrs. Greg Jones. Marsha Knuckey had shop in her home at 114 Brayman Ave, which was opened in the spring of 1983, she discontinued her business when the Knuckey's sold their home and moved to the lake.

Michelle Morhardt started a salon on September of 1989, but has discontinued the business. The only beauty shop left in the village at this time is The Cutting Edge located on the left side of Pat's Country House. It is currently ran by Kara Miller, who had brought it from Jolleen Peart who had been owner /stylist in the same place.

Two new barbershops could be found in the residences of Ralph "Bud" Schoenhard

and Steve Townsend. Steve is the only barber in the village; he operates this out of his home located at 100 Provost.

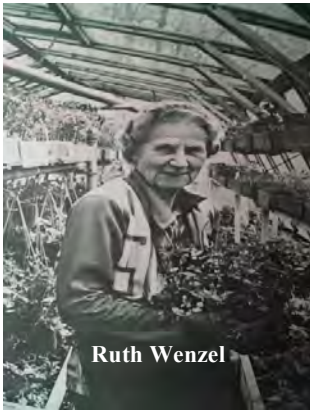
The number of new industries it can attract sometimes measures the growth of a community. The village of Scales Mound can boast of accomplishments in that field. With the emergence of the importance of old relics,



OH-HO Antiques

Scales Mound welcomed the establishment of an antique shop. The "OH-HO" was located in the buildings last used as the Heckelmiller residence and the telephone office. It was owned and operated by Mrs. Helen Phelps and Olive Finkenbinder. They sold the business at an auction in 1986.

"The Tack Shop" was opened and operated by Fern Reddington. Sandra Pfohl and Darlene Wubben housed in the old Duerrstein building. Their work was recovering and renovating old chairs, sofas, and other furniture. Then the shop closed and the business has been moved to the country home of Sandra Pfohl.



Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Wenzel had the foresight to build a greenhouse in 1946, adjoining their small home, occupied by their son Richard Wenzel and family. Later, they purchased the Schafmayer home on the corner, and in 1950, they moved the greenhouse to that location and enlarged it. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Wenzel started the greenhouse with flowers and vegetables next to the residence. After Mr. Wenzel, died his wife Ruth continue to service. The business thrived, and flowers, shrubs, foliage, and all kinds of vegetable plants were ready for buyers. Rose bushes, gladiolas, and pansy beds surround the home near the green house.

Other greenhouses that have and are in the area of the Village are Janie's Greenhouse, which was operated by Janie Stadel, at her farm on near Schapville, but in 2014 the business was discontinued. Then in 2015, Bridget Walters-Zurcher open Aunt Beez' Greenhouse out on Veta Grande Road on her farm as well.



The "C & A Leather Shop" was another industry opened in village. This shop tools leather and had many and varied items for sale.

The shop was in the home of Arlene and Charles Allen, who did all the tooling work. This business has been discontinued.

In our ever-growing village, there was a new construction company called Joe Lee Construction, which was operated from his residence and insurance company managed by Helen Carr Stadel in her home. In the spring of 1979, she purchased the Gary Saam apartment building on North Street. Gary had acquired the property from his father, Leo Saam, and for many years prior to that it was on the location of the home of William Stallion and the Stallion restaurant. Stadel remodeled the building and while the second floor remained an apartment, the first floor became home to Thompson & Guildford Mutual Insurance Company, Helen Stadel Insurance Agency, Helen Stadel Business and Tax Service, Contemporary Homes, and Jacobson Real Estate. Thompson & Guilford Mutual Fire and Lightning Insurance Co. was established in Schapville in 1877. It has been registered as a Scales Mound business since 1879. The company's business office was moved to the village of Scales Mound in 1919 to the home its secretary J.W. Stadel. Wilma Stadel succeeded her father in 1946, followed by Betty Stientra-Busch in 1969, and Helen Stadel in 1972 in whose home the office remained until its move in 1979 to the office building. January 1, 1990, Steve Stadel acquired ownership of the insurance agency and the business and tax service and became manager of the insurance company. This business was recently relocated to corner of Jackson and Provost Ave.

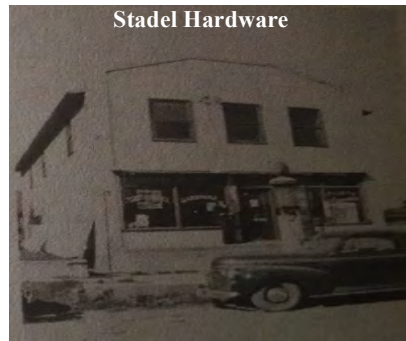
Ed's Auto Sales and General Repair was the other functioning business and our village, and Ed Papesch managed it. But with the death of Mr. Papesch this business discontinued operation.

Jerry Lopp started "Jerry's Body Shop". He repainted, removed dents, and otherwise made old cars look like new. Then he moved to new building in 1987, located in his back yard of his home. The business has since discontinued operating.

Bob's Repair came to the village on March 19, 1990; it was open in garage behind Bob Wachter's home. Bob started learning his trade repairing and painting of all types auto bodywork at the Galena Body Shop in 1969. When in 1990, he decided to branch out on his own; he started his own business in the village until he decided to retire in May of 2015.



In 1914, Mr. Stadel moved to the new location, which he built the building. It was stated earlier in this history of Mr. P. R. Stadel building a new hardware store in 1914. Mr. Stadel continued in his new building until 1938, when his son Willis (Bill) joined him as a partner. In 1943, Bill bought out his father's interest. In 1948, Bill sold half interest to partners until Opie sold back to Stadel in 1951.



Eldon Opie and they ran as
Then Mr. and Mrs. Stadel owned the store. It has always been known as the Stadel hardware. Bill Stadel sold the hardware store to Charles Koester who discontinued the business after a few years.



Inside Stadel Hardware

He then sold it to Evelyn and Ed Papesch, who discontinued the business after a few years. Then Chuckie & Susie Davis bought the building and remodeled it, and Wuebbel's accounting business was operated on the first floor, and the second floor has been remolded into apartments.

Many of the old businesses have survived, but many changes in ownership have resulted. The "North Side Tavern" operated previously by Boz Dotzel and his wife Bernice, was then owned by Bud and Neva Nesbitt and then by Norman and Barbara Travis. Then in 1986, they sold to Mike and Cindy Koester and it was known as "Smiggers." Extensive inside remodeling took place. Then Jerry and Bonnie Lopp who operated it for a while, sold it to Dave Davis who currently runs it.



Nell's Tavern



The building in which was "Nell's Tavern" and owned by Mr. and Mrs. Clement Koehler was built in the early 1880's by a group of farmers who had formed a Stock Company for sale of farm supplies.

The South Side Tavern, previously owned by Mr. and Mrs. Mernice Dole, was sold to Helen and Keith Wurm and later sold to Mr. and Mrs. Rick Koehler and was known as "Lads and Lassie's Saloon." Then it was operated by Kevin McFadden and Tom Staver who sold it in 1991, to Mr. & Mrs. Charles Harwick. The Harwicks then sold it to Dee and Randy Stojan who purchased it on May 17, 1993. Then it was sold to Kevin "Jake" Duerr, and then he sold it to Matt Grindey and Brian Krug and was known as Phatty's. Finally Kevin & Staci Duerr took over for Matt Grindey, the Duerr's and Krug operated and called it "Southside Hornet Pub & Grill"



Southside Tavern



Southside, Lad & Lassie's, DeeRan. Jake's



Old School Saloon

Another business that was an older building and remodeled and changed its purpose and that is the Old School Saloon. In 1971, the old Scales Mound grade school building was sold to Eldon Hesselbacher and Charles Davis who in turn sold it to Hare enterprises, Richard "Dick" & Jane Piper, and Marv Schultz. This business owned by Barren Petratis took the old village school and converted the building into a bar that offers another way for the people to stop and socialized with everyone.

Joseph Baus started the "Weekly Visitor," Scales Mound's hometown paper, in the late 1930's. The paper received its name through a local contest with Allen Wenzel producing the winning title. Mr. Baus (Rev. Baus) ran the paper until he entered college, selling it then to Mrs. Bruce Phelps. Mrs. Phelps sold it to Alberta and Marcia Gessner. This was during World War II, and due to paper shortage the paper had to be discontinued. After the war, Donald Baus and Michael Everhart purchased the paper and later sold to Mr. and Mrs. Harold Chapman. It was later sold in 1952 to Mr. and Mrs. James Laity. The paper was a free publication, deriving its income from advertising. Its circulation was over 450. Other weekly papers that circulated in the area during that time include Elizabeth Weekly News, Galena Gazette Advertiser, Pick & Gad (Shullsburg) and Warren Sentinel Leader.

Bill Foley purchased the paper from Jim Laity in 1970 and operated the business until March of 1993 then he sold the paper to Jim Mahoney of Warren who was the publisher of The Flash. The "Weekly Visitor" returned circulation and free publication, something rarely found these days; Bill Foley took over the operation of this paper in 2014.

In 1905, the first telephone switchboard went into operation in Scales Mound. This was located in what was the Dale Jewell building and was located on the second story. The first managers of the telephone switchboard were Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Stadel. A few years later, the switchboard was moved to what was the Legion building, where at the same time, Kate Rittweger and Nell Phelps had a restaurant business. Later, the telephone office was moved to the Heckelsmiller building with Mrs. Roscoe Pooley as manager. The office was located in the Heckelsmiller building with Miss Alva Magee as manager, having taken the position after the resignation of Mr. and Mrs. John Heckelsmiller who managed the office for a number of years. Miss Blanche Edge, Miss Kathryn Horan, and Miss Donna Rae Dotzel along with Alva Magee were operator.



Appliance Store - Dave Chapin Office



Schultz Appliance

As years go by, businesses change and adapt on like the appliance business. The original appliance store was located at 510 Main Street, which eventually closed and then David Chapin purchased the property and sold to Apple River State Bank and then when the State Bank left the village they built new building and placed the branch here in the village. But the village would not lose an appliance business very long, and Marv and Joann Schultz opened one at the site of the old firehouse. Then Schultz Appliance arrived in March of 1992.

Some other new businesses included are Knotty Ideas Woodworking located just outside the village on Veta Grande Road. Mike and Beth Walters turned hobby in to a business, the couple has a state of



Knotty Woodworking

the art shop in their basement and they sell finished products from there, over the internet and at various art shows.

A business that had developed in the home of Bill "Gramp's" Brickner started making pickles and beets for fun. He would give them to his friends at Christmas time and other times were given away to clients, and family. His children and wife encouraged him to sell them at a local Farmers Market, and that is where it all began! In 2005, Bill "Gramp's" Brickner and his wife Janet "Grams" Brickner started Gramp's Gourmet Foods, Inc. in their hometown of Scales Mound, IL. They converted the utility room on the side of their house into a state certified canning kitchen. And with the help of their son, Bryan, and youngest daughter, Bette, Gramp's went back to the kitchen and did what he loves...creating pickle and beet recipes. As the business grew the family decided to build a new facility on Jackson St, however, over time the Brickner's sold this facility to Steve Stadel and returned to their home.

Another one was Garden Gate Floral, which started in the home of Deb Gartner and then moved to the old bank building and went into business with her daughter Brooke Brown. Garden Gate Floral represented a return to the business world for Deb who ran a floral business from her home for seven years. After some serious deliberations, she purchased the building and remodeled. After several years this business has dissolved.



Some time in a small village, many businesses come and go one was in the building that used to house the Hen Hut. On April 22, 1989 was "Opening Day for Bar/Cly's Videos and More, located at 406 Franklin "downtown Scales Mound". The business, was formally called the Hen Hut was purchased by Barb & Clyde Hoppe from the former owner Carol Anderson. This business was a video rental and they also offered tanning beds, family hair care salon and a gift shop. The next business that started in this location was the Country Cupboard, which was a video store and beauty shop.

The Country Cupboard was owned and managed by Heather Webster. When Heather decided to close she sold her building to Kevin and Carrie Stier who had been renting a place in Galena in which they ran their riverboat cruise business. The River Twilight Cruises was reborn in Scales Mound; this business is a cruise company that gives cruises on the Mississippi from LeClaire, Iowa to Dubuque, Iowa. This offers any customer to step back in time to the days when steamboats went up and down the Mississippi as a means of travel. This company offers a lavish Victorian style boat. The Twilight takes great pride in maintaining the river's grand tradition of sumptuous meals and good entertainment.



Steve Stadel not only has an insurance business, which his mother Helen Stadel started in her home, but he also has turned a hobby of racing in to a business. Steve named his business one formula racing, the One Formula racers were not just out there running around, but were rather battling for top honors. The drivers for the Scales Mound, Ill. based squad won six of the 10 races they competed, and captured 17 of a possible 26 podium positions. In the SCCA Central Division, One Formula Racing was a leading force in the Formula Enterprises class, with its drivers taking the top four places in the standings. In fact, thanks in large part to One Formula Racing's dedication towards car preparation, and the inherit reliability of the FE car, Jeff Beck, Denny Marklein, Steve Stadel, and Tyler Walsh all earned invitations to annual year-end SCCA National Championship Runoffs, where the best of the best will go head-to-head on the Road America road course.



Scales Mound developed a commercial area and one of the businesses that established in this area is Bader Custom Cabinets. This business established in 1986, in the home shop of Jeff & Darlene Bader, as the business grew, they needed to find a larger building. This business provides a computerize aide design and manufacturing of cabinets and furniture, that are produce from wide variety of wood



The second business to establish in the commercial area of the village was Heffernan Trucking. Gene Heffernan established this business. This is an interstate trucking firm that goes all over the Untied States hauling various items. This company employed several persons to do the trucking and to keep the trucks running, they employed several mechanics.



Another modern building was the Northwestern Telephone Company that housed equipment. This is located on a lot adjacent to the Cleland Hickman residence. Built in 1962, it operates automatically with only occasional supervision from company officials since the dial system has been installed in the homes.

Horst Haenert of rural Scales Mound ran an unusual enterprise "The Sharp Connection," at his farm in the country. Horst sharpens blades of all kinds-knives, scissors etc. All his business was done through the mail. He picked up the blades at the Post Office as soon as they arrived and they were sharpened and returned by mail to the customer the same afternoon. Horst started this business in 1986 and had customers from all 50 states, France, Italy, Germany, China and the Philippines.

Matt Gantenbein, a former mechanic for the K & M Construction Company of Dubuque, Iowa, which loaded tailings from the mines to the railroad, saw an opportunity for a business

of his own, and built his garage in 1948. It is a cement block building well equipped, and located near his home south of the lumberyard. He was equipped with a wrecker, and gladly responds to calls night or day to people with auto troubles.

Contemporary Home Inc. began as a business in June of 1972. Acting as a general construction company, Contemporary Homes was a leader in the building of homes in Apple Canyon Lake and The Galena Territory. The business is owned by David Chapin and the office was originally located at 100 E. North Ave. Originally, the business was a partnership with Wendell, Don and David Chapin. After the first year the partnership was dissolved and David became the sole owner. Chapin Maintenance is another business operated out of the same office.

Another construction company that was established was Joe Lee Construction, which was established in April of 1968, and there was Jim Frank Construction, which was started in 1992, and is operated in the home of Jim Frank located in Apple Canyon Lake; Doug Knuckey Construction was also started in 1992 and was operated out his home at 114 Brayman St., it has since moved to the Apple Canyon Lake and he continues to operate from his home. Brad Werner Construction, which is operated in the home of Brad Werner, located in the Galena Territory, The Honey Do Man operated by Dave Carscallen out of his house located on Veta Grande Road, and Fox Construction owned by Frank Fox, who does a variety of light excavating and finish carpentry work. His father Dale started the business in 1967 and since 1991, Frank has had ownership.

A-Typical Concrete was started with the return home of Dan Davis. He operates out the area by Davis Lumber. He offers the ability to pump concrete versus having manual haul concrete to the construction site.

Another concrete business located near Scales Mound is Schueller Concrete, which is based at residence of Kenny Schueller 8063 N Veta Grande Road. This company can do flatwork to concrete foundations and includes all kinds of decorative concrete. This company was involved the TV show Extreme Makeover with their project in Lena in 2009.



In 1946 Stanley Colin purchased a truck to spread limestone, which was being crushed by the Scales Mound Stone Company, a short-lived partnership operated by Harold J. Koester, T. D. Sheean, and E. S. Schoenhard. The Magoon quarry west of town was the source of the supply. Colin soon needed the services of additional trucks to haul mine tailings and road rock. He soon entered in a contract to haul ore from the Tri State Mine south of Galena to a railroad shipping point near there. About the same time, he acquired a working agreement with Luther Henderickson of Scales Mound, who with hired help, operates the fleet of trucks owned by Colin. Colin also added a power shovel to his equipment for doing dragline and excavating work. Colin made his home in Dubuque, but his business was in Scales Mound with his office located in the small building at the south end of the railroad bridge.

In 1948, T. D. Sheean purchased a crawler type tractor equipped with a bulldozer blade and thus started the Sheean Construction Company. Sheean's business being chiefly a earth moving, he soon added more equipment along those lines such as scraper, power grader, brush disc, snow plows, etc. The demand for this type of work required him to have two "cats" in operation during one season. Besides doing considerable heavy grading of roads both public and private, he has built a number of artificial lakes and ponds throughout the county. The clearing of land also follows in this line of work. He employed Ted Stadel as helper and mechanic.

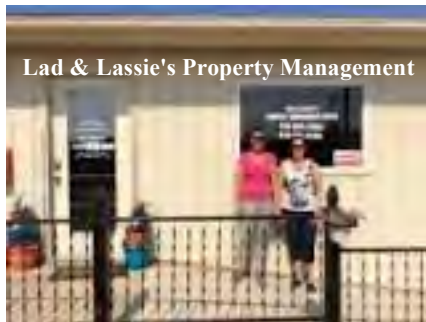
The business and equipment previously owned by Thomas D. Sheean was then purchased by Gary Saam in 1966, Gary added to his inventory and did tilling, excavating, landscaping and terrace work, and then after Gary's death his son-in-law Randy Goodwin, took over the ownership of this company and it is known as Gary Saam Construction Company.



Stan Turpin also did heavy earthmoving, for a while. Don Rogers did welding and dump truck hauling for a while.

In 1992, Ken Frank acquired a dump truck and a limestone spreader truck and does hauling of gravel, dirt, limestone spreading, etc. The land, having been farmed extensively for the past 100 years, was gradually wearing out and needed fertilizer of various kinds. It was discovered that limestone, phosphate, potash, and other commercial fertilizers would help produce larger crops. The limestone was near at hand but needed pulverizing. The phosphate must be shipped in from Florida or Tennessee. In 1951, Louie C Hesselbacher built a large storage bin for phosphate and in the first year sold and spread 15 car loads of phosphate on the farms surrounding the community.

G.T. Express, a D.J. Service began operating in 1984 when Charlie Grindey and Steve Townsend volunteered to help out the Scales Mound Recreation Association by acting as D.J.'s for a fundraising dance. Steve and Margaret Townsend took full ownership of the business in January of 1988.



Lad & Lassies Property Management is located at the south edge of the village. Originally started by Rick & Leslie Koehler and Mick & Laura Koehler, the second generation has taken over the business. This business has several storage units, Laundromats, and apartments throughout the area. It also has car dealership in Dubuque, Iowa, a tanning bed business, and sells Avon.

A much needed apartment complex was added to our town in 1988. Helen Phelps purchased the lots at the corner of Washington and West Charles Mound Road from Louise Hesselbacher. Mrs. Hesselbacher was renting the lots at the time for trailer homes,

Helen bought the land with a plan for multiple dwellings, but sold the land to Gary Daws of Polo, who in 1988 completed what is now High Point Apartments. An open house was held in 1988 and the public was invited to inspect one of the two bedroom



apartments and one of the one-bedroom apartments. By March 1989, all eight were occupied. There are four two-bedroom, three single bedroom, and one single handicapped accessible. A laundry corridor with washers and dryers and extra storage for single room apartments is also available. Helen Phelps was the first manager.

Helen Phelps built a storage building in 1989 near the crossroads of Stagecoach and Elizabeth-SM road. In 1991, she had the second building built. In 1992 she sold both buildings to contractor Larry Colin who had built them. Larry, who lived on Stagecoach did general contracting in the area. This is the current site of High Point Storage, which is owned by Joel Holland and Jeff Wienen.

In 1991, Scales Mound got a much bigger place on the map when Carol and Clint Youle moved Educulture, their educational publishing company, to the Youle farm south of town. Several thousand American high schools, colleges and universities used to telephone and write regularly to a town they never knew existed.

LakeToys® strives to offer one of the largest selections of Boating & Marine products in the industry. With special efforts made to cut costs and combine shipping LakeToys® makes every effort to make your shopping experience one of your best. This business was location 100 North Ave and operated by Jim & Lori Bultemeir. This business has since relocated and closed its doors at this location.

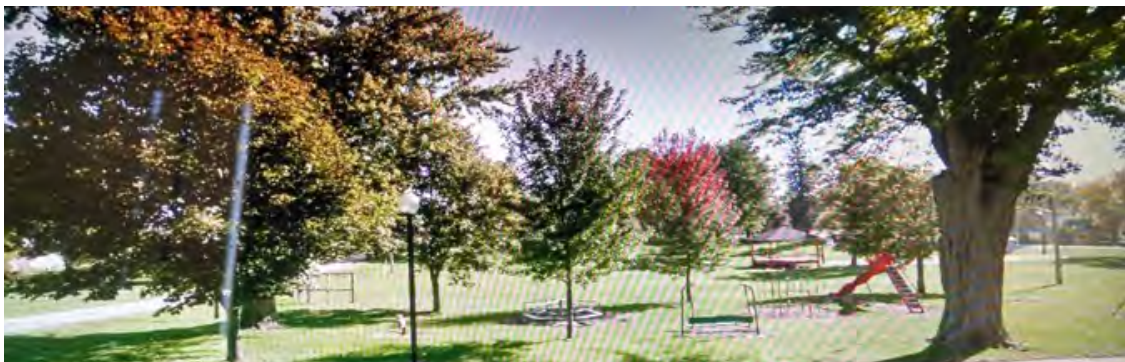
Town Hall



On the plot of ground that was donated to the village by the late J A Adams for a public park, the first town hall was built. It was used for public meetings; election and later social activities that were held there like square dancing and basketball games. In 1921, since the Allan Opera House had been condemned as a fire hazard, the citizens felt the need of a larger building for community entertainment or activities and an addition was built in this town hall. It then boasted of an elevated stage, stage scenery, a dressing room, a balcony built to accommodate larger crowds, a furnace, and an indoor toilet. The building as it now stands is in good condition. Quite recently the interior as well as the exterior of the building has been also painted. Since the new high school gymnasium was built, there are fewer activities in the hall. The Town Hall is much more in demand now since its renovation is always ready for your reunion, family get-together, neighborhood parties or showers, Election Day, or picnics anytime you want it.

The park would be a good spot to stop for a few minutes. When the weather is nice children can be found enjoying the playground equipment. Horse swings for the little ones, a merry-go-round, slides and swings provided much entertainment. A softball diamond is available, and the blacktop basketball court is used both day and night by enthusiastic players. A skating rink is flooded in the winter months. Picnic tables and grills are spread throughout the park for picnickers to enjoy. Modern restroom facilities were added to the Town Hall in 1975, financed jointly by the village and township board.

Currently, the Village Board applied for a grant and is waiting to add some new playground equipment, because the Board had to remove the slide and merry-go-round for insurance purposes.



Renovation of the Town Hall

When a countywide meeting was held in 1975 to plan for the observance of the bicentennial birthday of our country in Jo Daviess County, a committee from Scales Mound heard that federal and state grants were available for worthwhile projects. The Town Hall was in need of general restoration program and applications were promptly filled out and sent to the proper authorities. No money was granted for our village but the group decided to do the work locally with the help of local funds and doing the work of interested citizens.

Mrs. Charles (Susie) Davis served as chairperson, and through continual leadership, inside work was almost completed at that time. Both the township and the village boards contributed \$2500 each for the project. The large basic problems were taken care of first. A new furnace was installed, acoustic-ceiling tiles replaced the old one, the hall was completely rewired and the kitchen completely modernized. The walls were also painted.

It would be impossible to name all the people who donated their time and money to this work. Beside the individual workers the Lions Club, Gun Club and Fifty Plus Club donated hours of work as a group. Some work remains to be done, but the hall is once again a meeting place for the community. It is a favorite place for reunions, card parties, dancing, skating parties and other social gatherings.



Inside the Town Hall



Francis Varing is shown ca. 1880 with a group of men building a bridge or repairing a road south of Scales Mound, Jo Daviess County, Illinois. He is shown seated at left on the front row. His son, Louis Varing is seated on the front row, second from left.



Roxy Ann Mine which was located on the Clyde Koester Farm

MINING

In 1826, when the tide of immigration was drifting towards the lead mines of northwestern Illinois, a party of men consisting of Joshua Streeter and three sons, John Woods, Mr. Bingham, Mr. Blanc, two Watson brothers, and a few others discovered the mines of the upper East Fork. They stopped there, built cabins, and mined for four and five years. These men cannot be considered settlers of Scales Mound as they left their families at other places, to which they would make frequent trips, and seemed to regard the mines as just a temporary location.

One amusing trait of the miners was their tendency to apply to the people of the various states, names suggested by some peculiarity of character or surrounding circumstances. Miners and others came in such large numbers from Missouri as to suggest to the imaginative minds of the early settlers the idea that the state of Missouri had taken an emetic, and forth-with all Missourians were dubbed "Pukes". "No reflection on Ex-President Harry S. Truman intended."

The people of southern Illinois had the habit of coming up here in the spring to work at the mines, but regularly returned to their homes in the fall. This suggested that they were like fish, called "suckers," which run up the small streams in the spring but return to deeper water at the approach of cold weather. Therefore, all Illinoisians were called "Suckers," and here, in the lead mines of the Upper Mississippi, originated the term, which is now applied to all residents of Illinois, the "Sucker State". Kentuckians were called "Corn-Crackers," Indianians, "Hoosiers"; Ohioans, "Buckeyes"; and further North, instead of building log cabins, the miners lived in caves and the settlers from Jo Daviess County said in decision that they were living like "Badgers," and the Wisconsinites are known to this day as "Badgers."

Mining seems to have been interrupted by the Indian wars, but after Black Hawk had been driven out of the country, interest in mining revived. In June 1835, Cyrus Lichtenberger discovered a rich vein of lead, which became of considerable note to the county. This soon became known as The Black Leg Diggings, a name that continues to carry. A small village sprang up, which was given the name of Veta Grande. A large share of the ore was below the water level; a Cornish-walking beam was obtained from England. According to the Jo Daviess County history, in the summer of 1836, one range of black leg diggings yielded nearly two million tons of minerals. The Black Leg Diggings and at East Fork mines are the only ones that have been successfully worked in Scales Mound Township, and in 1867, they exported 864,000 pounds of ore according to I C R R. A Mr. Connolly worked the southern range of the East Fork mines now called the Magoonville Diggings for a number of years, and Mr. H S Magoon operated the mine for several years. About 1900, a company was formed with offices in Chicago, called the Veta Grande Lead Mining and Milling Company. They worked on the north part of one of the old ranges. Later on Mr. Porter of Chicago ran the mines for a few years. At about the same time, a mine was started on Peter Casper's farm about two and a half miles south of town by W. Laity J. Magee, and Rittwegers, and called the Roxy Ann Mine.

Later it was incorporated by a Rockford Company. John A. Parson operated the Magoonville Diggings in about that same period. In 1860, a young man from Veta Grande was called as a witness in a lawsuit. The lawyer, ascertain if the witness was underage, asked, "Mr. are you a minor?" The witness replied "Well, dam me boy, I've dug some."

In 1912-13, zinc ore from the Crayhall mine was loaded at Scales Mound and coal and lumber hauled back to the mines. Scales Mound, with its excellent railroad facilities had been a shipping point for some time. From ten to fifteen cars of tailings or chat were shipped a day,



besides the zinc ore.

In January of 1926, our worst tragedy occurred. The Bale boys, who were prospecting on Magoon's farm, drilled into a missed hole, which exploded, killing Leroy and Earl Bale instantly and blinding John Rogers. The community was so shocked that no prospecting was done for several years.

There was a lot of drilling for zinc ore, and the Calumet and Hecla Company has located quite a lot of ore on the north and east edge of Scales Mound, and at that time they were drilling inside the village limits.

A story that was found in the local papers in 1927 stated the following;

Two Killed and one Injured in Mine Explosion

Our village was shocked Friday morning to learn of the of Roy and Earl Bale, sons of Mr. and Mrs. H.M. Bale, and the injury of John Rogers, son of Mrs. And Mrs. Thomas Rogers, which resulted in the loss of both eyes. Thursday afternoon all three young men were happy and joyous and full of life. Between 9 and 10 that night two were dead and one badly injured. The Bale Brothers have been prospecting on the Magoon land in the Alexander Mine for some months hoping to locate a paying body of ore. They had sunk a shaft some 80 feet deep and had begun to run a stope toward the ore that had been struck by surface drilling. In order to hurry the matter, and as an extra man was necessary, they engaged John Rogers to help them John had only been on the job a few shifts, and last Thursday night the three were at work drilling. Something had gone wrong with the air supply for the drill and Roy, who was hoisting, went down to help repair the trouble, leaving Mr. Alexander at the hoist. Only a short time had elapsed when Mr. Alexander heard an explosion. Seriously alarmed, he called down the shaft and was answered by Mr. Rogers, who told him to hurry to town for help, that an unexploded charge of dynamite of a previous shift had exploded and injured them all. Mr. Alexander hurried to town and soon a number of men were on the way. Among the first to arrive were George Schoenhard and Homer Jackson, who were lowered down the shaft. When near the bottom John Rogers called and told them to be careful and not strike him, as his eyes were so full of sand from the blast that he couldn't see.

They found it too true as they threw the flashlight rays toward him, and could see that John was blinded. Further search showed the battered bodies of the Bale Brothers lying dead. Mr. Schoenhard was hoisted to the surface, while Jackson remained. As soon as possible the tub was lowered again and the dead bodies were hoisted up. Mr. Rogers was hurried to the Enis Hospital at Shullsburg for treatment, while the Bale Brothers were taken to Corner Durrestine, where they remained until Friday forenoon, when an inquest was held.

The parents of the boys were informed of the accident and were shocked beyond measure. Only a few hours before they had left home full of life.

Friday afternoon Dr. Thompson of Dubuque was called, and found it absolutely necessary to remove the eyes of Mr. Rogers, leaving him totally blind.

Friends by the score came to sympathize with the bereft parents. Sunday afternoon the

funeral services were held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bale. Such a crowd at a funeral had never been known here. The number of autos present had been variously estimated at from 150 to 300. Rev. Brett of Scales Mound, assisted by the Woodmen, conducted the services, and interment was made in the Scales Mound cemetery.

Reports from the hospital are favorable and Mr. Rogers seems cheerful, and hopes for his recovery are entertained. The families and Mr. Rogers have the sympathy of the immediate neighborhood.

Earl was 21 years of age and was to be married in a few weeks, and had the Longhorn farm rented. We understand that the other boys were to be married in the near future. Roy and John were about 25.



SCALES MOUND AND THE I. C. RAILROAD

Without the railroad, Scales Mound would not be in this location. Scales Mound was originally located west of its present site near the "Jesus Saves Rock," but when the railroad came near the town, was moved.

The very streets of this town were brought to life by the railroad. Brayman was named after the attorney for ICRR, Mason the chief engineer, Provost and Germaine the surveyors, and Schulyer and Burrall for several of the presidents.

The railroad brought the ability to travel safely and easily through the wilderness and opened up the west. It enabled freight to be shipped out east, opening markets for farmers in the area.

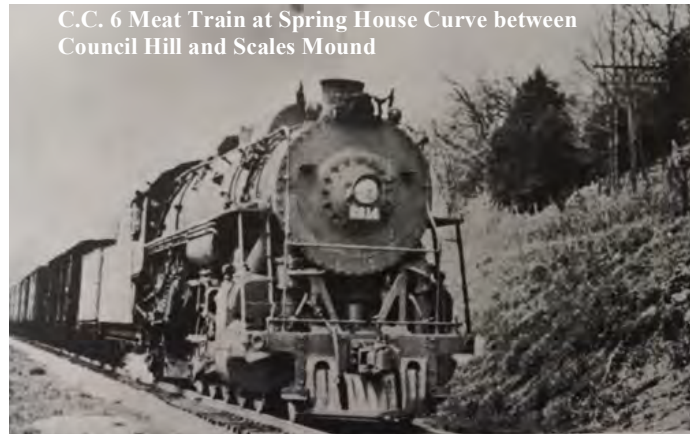
Bare a century ago, within the lifetime of some people living today, a village was founded in northwestern Illinois. It took its name from a man who owned a farm in the vicinity on which there was a prominent hill or mound.

So it was that Scales Mound, Illinois, was founded. It is hard to imagine a territory as civilized as northern Illinois is now, was on the edge of wilderness over 100 years ago, but it is true. Two decades before the Blackhawk Indians ruled this land, and it took eleven days for pioneers to take the first wagon through the uninhabited forests and prairies from Chicago to Galena, a struggling town created by the "lead" rush. This was the edge of the American frontier.

Probably no other factor was as important to the settling and development of the State of Illinois as was the coming of the Illinois Central Railroad. A wilderness, unsettled, Illinois challenged the resourcefulness or even the hardest pioneers. The nearest settlement to the lead country was Peoria. Transportation was over mud trails, hacked through insect-fest jungle or by riverboat on the Mississippi River, both undependable when winter weather came. Near the middle of the nineteenth century, a dream of early Illinois pioneers materialized

when the Illinois Central Railroad was chartered in 1851 to build a railroad from the Mississippi River opposite Dubuque, Iowa, to the southern most tip of the state at Cairo, with a branch line to Chicago.

The magnitude of this 705-mile project through mostly uninhabited wilderness can be appreciated by the fact that it was the longest railroad project in the world. Many important men in American history had a part in this project: Stephan A. Douglas, Abraham Lincoln, and Col. Roswel, B. Mason among others. As the railroad advanced built by men imported from the eastern part of the United States and many countries of the world civilization advanced with it as these and other men settled on farms along the new railroad, established families



C.C. 6 Meat Train at Spring House Curve between Council Hill and Scales Mound



CN coming into Scales Mound from the east

and created new towns to handle the commerce of a growing territory.

The quiet countryside around the infant Village of Scales Mound became livelier in the summer of 1854 as track crews of the Illinois Central spearheaded the advancing railroad. In spite of the fact that a cholera epidemic around Scales Mound almost stopped work, the 20-mile stretch between Apple River and Galena was completed on the 28th day of October 1854, and the first regular passenger train entered Galena the next morning. The completion of this section of the railroad was celebrated a few days later by an excursion from Chicago via the



Train Tunnel on Carr Road

Galena & Chicago Union (C. & N.W.) to Freeport and thence via the Illinois Central to Galena. Three months later, on January 15, 1855, the forty-seven mile gap in the original charter lines between Amboy and Freeport was completed and regular service was established between Cairo and Galena. An early timetable shows that the one southbound passenger train making this trip left Scales Mound at 7:25p.m. and arrived at Cairo at 9:45 the next evening, over 26 hours later. The train took almost an hour to cover the distance from

Galena to Scales Mound. Slow as this service seemed, rail transportation began a new chapter in the history of the Scales Mound territory. To quote the Galena Advertiser, of October 30, 1854, upon the advent of the first passenger train run from Galena "This puts a final extinguisher on our old notions of travel . . ." Along with this in the 1854 Galena Advertiser, it stated the following. About 300 men worked on the cut at Scales Mound, per Mr. Burroll, President of the road said "I think that on the first day of January next we may expect the whole line from Cairo to Galena to be readiness for operation by regular train, giving us by the Chicago and Galena road, a line from Chicago to Galena."

In 1898, a 185-train carload stock was shipped from Scales Mound. The creamery shipped butter to New York and Chicago and the farmers' wives shipped off 3 carloads of poultry in one day. It has already been stated that the Illinois Central was instrumental in the development of Illinois, but a lesser-known fact is that the railroad also played an important part in the development of Minnesota and the Dakotas. When the line between Cairo and Dunleith, opposite Dubuque, was opened, a connecting Steamboat service was established to the upper Mississippi and Red River Country. The first troop trains ever to operate on the Illinois Central carried United States regulars through Scales Mound on their way north to Fort Armstrong in Wisconsin

and Fort Snelling in Minnesota and protected early settlers against still war-like Indians. After they moved thousands of New Englanders, Swedes, Danes, Norwegians and German immigrants-some of whom dropped off in the Scales Mound area to settle farms some went north into the new wilderness. There was somewhat of a reverse of this traffic a few years later when the Illinois Central moved thousands of Union troops southward over this route to camps and to battle during the Civil War.



View from the train Bridge

The space of 100 years had brought a new importance in the relationship between the



Illinois Central and northwestern Illinois. Where the railroad a century ago brought settlers to the new territory, it so became a vital link in the commerce of the region-its freight trains bringing and taking goods to and from the area. Scales Mound soon was on the largest division of the Illinois Central-the Iowa Division, which had over a thousand miles of track and employed more than 3,000 people in the State of Illinois, Iowa, Wisconsin, Minnesota and South

Dakota. 122 of these employees were in Jo Daviess County in 1952, having a total payroll of \$462,000. The Iowa Division or the Illinois Central was the "bread-basket" line of the railroad, meat and grain being the two major items hauled. In the past, in a year, over 50,000 cars of meat alone sped from the packinghouses of the area to Chicago through Scales Mound on high-speed freight trains. Mornings were a busy time for the railroad at Scales Mound as meat train after meat train passed eastward. Agriculture in the Scales Mound region plays no small part in contributing to the "breadbasket" line.

The Illinois Central, "The Main Line of Mid-America," had grown a long way from the original 705-mile charter line in Illinois. Over 500 miles of line serve 2,200 communities in 14 states, reaching from Wisconsin and Minnesota on the north to Mississippi and Louisiana on the south. The railroad made 500 connections with 150 other railroads, making it impossible to cross our country from coast to coast by rail without crossing the Illinois Central somewhere.



Reaching from the Great Lakes south to the Gulf of Mexico and west to the Missouri River, Illinois Central Gulf Railroad served some of the most fertile and productive areas of America. It also serves as a link in a national-and international-transportation network for other parts of the nation. Local employees of the I.C.G. Railroad were Vincent Woellert, section foreman of a small crew working out of Scales Mound, Neale McFadden, a Track Supervisor from Epworth, Iowa to Freeport, James Laity and Steve Townsend, switchman. The latter three work out of the Dubuque office. Ross Hanover was the last agent in Scales Mound and this position was terminated on April 15, 1970.

Illinois Central Gulf was a combination of two histories-filled, mid-American railroads, the Illinois Central and the Gulf, Mobile & Ohio. The two railroads merged in August of 1972. The Illinois Central Railroad played an important role in the development of Scales Mound. As stated in the 1978 Scales Mound History, the Illinois Central Railroad and the Gulf Mobile and Ohio Railroad merged in 1972 and the result was named the Illinois Central Gulf Railroad. This merger strengthened both railroads and made operations much smoother for shippers, moving products to the southern ports in Louisiana and Mississippi. Unfortunately, the mentality on many of the nation's railroads after 1972 was simply to pull as much profit as possible and perform as little maintenance as needed to get by. Most of the railroads were losing business in large numbers due to the convenience of trucks. The only answer the railroads could come up with was to downsize by tearing up little used or unused tracks and reducing services, which only seemed to make things worse. Many great railroads fell victim to the times and are no longer in existence.



Like almost everything else the railroad has made major changes in its operation here. In 1956, the old railroad bridge was torn down and flasher-warning lights were installed at the crossing. The old water tower, that so faithfully served the old steam engines, was dismantled about the same time. The depot was built right after World War II.

The I.C.G. freight trains through Scales Mound consist of well over 100

cars and are pulled by three or four modern diesel engines.

The only passenger train through Scales Mound was the Amtrak, but it does not stop in Scales Mound. As reported in earlier Scales Mound History books of the Railroad have always been an important part of this village. Today, in 2015 the trains only stop here to meet other trains or to change crews. No industry work is performed here at this time.

By the early to mid-1980's, the Illinois Central Gulf was in the same condition as most other railroads. They had torn up much of their double track from Chicago south to New Orleans, and turned it into single track. They had also reduced or completely ceased service on some branch lines they owned, like the one that stretched from Waterloo, Iowa to Albert Lea, Minnesota.

In 1984, a man named Jack Haley entered the picture of the Illinois Central Gulf. Mr. Haley had served a 20-year Career in the U.S. Air Force, flying several combat flights in Vietnam and serving aboard Air Force One. Upon leaving the Air Force, Mr. Haley became a real estate investor. Mr. Haley was always a huge fan of the railroads. In 1984, he purchased the Albert Lea Branch from ICG and renamed it the Cedar Valley Railroad. In 1985, there was much talk on the Illinois Central Gulf of abandoning the track from Portage (the junction with the BN Railroad at the ferry landing near Galena) to Chicago, much the same as had already been done and would be done on many other areas of the railroad about that time.

Once again along came Jack Haley, this time after much wrangling over legal issues etc., Mr. Haley was able to borrow 75 million dollars from GE credit (based on the fact that GE figured the real estate and scrap value was about that) and on Christmas Day of 1985, Jack took over his new railroad, Chicago Central and Pacific. The CCP stretched from Hawthorne Yard near Chicago west through Scales Mound and on to Council Bluffs, Iowa. Many things changed when Mr. Haley took over, work crews were reduced on trains from four men to two, a basic day was changed from eight hours to twelve with a six-day work week. The most notable change to people who didn't work on the railroad was the disappearance of the cabooses.

Although Mr. Haley was considered a visionary by many, opening the doors for the creation of many other short lines similar to CCP by 1987, he owed GE Credit 87 million dollars not to mention several more millions to other creditors. At this time, GE foreclosed and Jack Haley was forced out. Although he was forced to leave, many said that he was paid very well for his time that he owned the railroad. Steve Townsend stated, "As someone who was there at the time, I will say this for Jack, he was a very likeable guy that his employees wanted to see succeed but there came a time when we all knew he wouldn't. One thing that is

for certain if it hadn't been for Jack Haley there is no doubt that there would be no railroad running through Scales Mound."

After ousting Jack Haley, GE found a man on the BN railroad named Donald Wood to manage the struggling CCP. After a few years, things had turned around considerably for the CCP, and Don Wood and a group of investors purchased the railroad from GE Credit.

In 1996, the Illinois Central Gulf railroad restructured and was once again named the Illinois Central Railroad. In December 1996, Chicago Central Management introduced a man, named E. Hunter Harrison to its employees at a gathering in Waterloo, Iowa. After the introductions, it was announced that Mr. Harrison was the President of Illinois Central and that his purpose there was to proclaim the fact that Illinois Central was in the process of purchasing CCP. Not much later, the Illinois Central completed the purchase of CCP for 120 million dollars, thus ending the short line railroad Chicago Central and Pacific, the pioneer of regional railroads.

Not long after the Illinois Central acquired the CCP, E. Hunter Harrison announced he was leaving Illinois Central to take the job as CEO of the Canadian National Railroad. He told the employees that, although he was relocating, he would be back. He wasn't kidding, by 1998, Canadian National Railroad had purchased the entire Illinois Central Railroad, making it the 3rd largest railroad in North America, and the only railroad connected to both coasts and the Gulf of Mexico. The Canadian National continues to grow to this day and has purchased several other railroads since taking over Illinois Central.

Many things have changed considerably as far as trains that come through Scales Mound are concerned. One of the most notable is the length of trains. Some heavily loaded east bound trains may have 120 to 150 cars with what is called distributive power (remotely controlled engines) positioned about 100 cars deep in the train to help pull it up the hill west of Scales Mound. The draw back to this, as most citizens of Scales Mound know, is if they meet a west bound train here (which is quite common since it's the only siding between Freeport, Illinois and the double track near Galena big enough for two trains to meet) the chances of the crossing being blocked for a long period of time is very good.

Though many things have changed on the railroads over the years, they still remain a good place of employment. Currently, the only area resident employed locally by Canadian National is Steve Townsend Jr., who works the Freeport local, switching industries in Freeport, Rockford, and Lena with an occasional side trip to Scales Mound for special purposes. Although many residents of the Scales Mound area retired from Canadian National or its predecessors, only Lynn Wasmund, living in Schapville, Illinois, and only Jim Laity and Steve Townsend Sr. are still living in Scales Mound.

Though the trains can be noisy and sometimes block the crossing, it would be a shame if they ever stopped running through our little town. Hopefully they will continue on for years to come.

Some articles that have been found in the local papers were of the following;

The Illinois Central

The train from the West passed through Galena on time this morning, and proceeded as far as the large culvert just this side of Council Hill. Passengers and baggage were transferred at that point a junction at the break not having been made last evening as anticipated. The gap made by the flood at culvert number 1 is upwards of one hundred feet wide, and the water from 20 to 28 feet deep, while the walls are perpendicular. The boys call it "High Bridge," and by that name it should hereafter be designated. This afternoon, the trestle at the culvert was completed and several freight trains were forwarded East over the road just repaired. The mail will arrive as usual tonight, and it is hoped there will be no further interruption of business between here and Chicago.

The temporary bridges between here and Council Hill will be replaced as soon as the work can be accomplished by substantial structures built so securely as to be able to withstand the disastrous floods and storms, which periodically visit this section.

About one hundred and fifty extra hands employed on the road were discharged this morning and the regular employees only are now at work at the break. Head Master Gillease does not expect to return to Iowa with his gang until Saturday.

Struck Village Marshall

Outgrowth at Shipment of Beer Auto – Scales Mound

Galena June 16 – State's Attorney John C. Boevers and Attorney T.J. Sheean were at Scales Mound today having been called there as the result of an incident that occurred there last Saturday night, and which has caused no little excitement in the neighboring village. When the evening passenger train came into the Mound from the east on Saturday night several cases of beer were put off the express car. The village marshal Harvey Carr examined the cases to ascertain to whom they were shipped and while doing so was struck a stunning blow on the left eye by Artie Stephan, the youngest son of Frank Stephan. The man was promptly placed under arrest by the marshal and was taken to the village jail. Justice of the Peace Bray was sent for and after a hearing at the town hall young Stephan was put under a bond of \$1,000 to appear at 10 o'clock this morning for a further hearing. This morning State's Attorney Boevers and Attorney Sheean went out to Scales Mound, both of them appearing for Mr. Carr. Stephan was given a fine of \$75.00 and costs amounting to \$52.15, which was paid.

Scales Mound went dry at the April election of George Bastain the president of the village board evidently proposes that the laws shall be enforced, in which course he will doubtless have the encouragement of all the law abiding citizens.

Engineer is Killed many Passengers Hurt

Scales Mound, Illinois – September 5 – Passenger train Number 5 west---bound, on the Illinois Central railroad left the track one---half mile east of Council Hill station today and crashed into the rock bound side of the track smashing the engine, throwing four coaches from the track, demolishing the mall and baggage cars.

Engineer frank Tucker was killed and many passengers received severe injuries.

The cause of the accident was a broken brake shoe dropping on the rail and throwing the tender from the track, derailing the balance of the train.

Aged Scales Mound Man Hurt When Hit by Land O'Corn Today

Freeport Journal Standard dated June 29, 1952

An 86---year---old Scales Mound resident was severely injured when struck by the Illinois Central Land O'Corn in Scales Mound about 10:17 a.m. today.

Sam Peller was brought to Freeport on the train and then removed to St. Francis Hospital in an ambulance. The exact extent of his injuries was not determined although x---rays were taken shortly afternoon in the hospital. It was reported he sustained back injuries, a deep gash on the top of his head and also suffered from shock.

He was reported en route home from a barbershop and was struck as he was walking across the right of way on a cross walk in the village. Engineer D. Holley, Waterloo, reported he sounded the train whistle several times and it appeared as though Peller had cleared the tracks, but was struck by one corner of the engine pilot.

It is expected he will recover, according to the hospital reports.



Railroad crossing in Scales Mound



Railroad Map

Depot Operators

Special mention should be made of three men who worked as operators at the



Train Depot

Illinois Central Depot for many, many years. James R. Sims, was the Agent, and Sam Rector, second track operator, and William Stalions, third track operator, who came to Scales Mound in 1918 and worked until his sudden death from a heart attack on May 20, 1944. Sims and Rector, as they were familiarly linked together, who came here in 1916, answered the call of "Uncle Sam" in the first World War, and were absent from their jobs for a period of a few years. When the war ended, they returned to Scales Mound and resumed their positions

and were truly very loyal citizens and were active in school and church activities.

With the retirement of Mr. Sims and Mr. Rector and the death of "Bill" Stalions, the three positions were filled by a series of new operators.

William Charley was another faithful employee of the Illinois Central Railroad Company who has been an employee for over 35 years, 30 years of which he was in a Section foreman at Scales Mound.



Water Tower by the railroad tracks



Train Station



Council Hill Station



Train Station

The Dray

Most youngsters of today do not know the meaning of the word "Drayman,". In earlier days, a steady occupation was provided by one man to haul freight from the depot to the various stores and to do all other manners of general hauling about town. The name "Drayman," derived from "dray," was a low, heavily built wagon used in the work.

Julius Schafmayer was the first to contract with local merchant for dray service. He, like his successors Jack Bird, John Cousins, and Tom Casper employed a horse for motive power. Tom Casper changed with the times, purchasing a motor truck to make his daily rounds. During the winter, Mr. Casper usually backed his vehicle into the north door of the large shed owned by the Barker Lumber Co. Oldsters in those days were sometimes a bit heavy footed when starting their autos. One cold morning Tom applied the gas, the engine started suddenly with the transmission in reverse, and the next thing the startled drayman knew the two large sliding doors on the south end of the shed shot out from the bottom, raked the top of the truck and closed in front of him.

Ralph Wenzel bought the business in 1936. More and more merchandise was being trucked directly to the stores and many merchants had their own trucks, that by 1946, Ralph sold the truck, and draying died.

U.S. Mail

Many will recall the proverb "The Mail Musts Go Through," and few will ever forget the ever-faithful mailmen of Scales Mound.

In October of 1904 the late William (Dub) Edge started on Route 1 out of Scales Mound. Edge's route took him north as far as New Diggings, Wisconsin and back through Old Council Hill.

In June of 1905 Perry Stephen started on Route 2 going south through Schapville and returning through Council Hill and Mt. Zion.

In 1906 the late Ray Pooley started on Route 3 covering the community of Scales Mound.

In 1910 Heckelsmiller replaced Ray Pooley on Route 3. Mr. Pooley had resigned the position to continue his farming enterprise.

Mr. Edge, Mr. Stephens, and Mr. Heckelsmiller as well as Mr. Pooley used horses for many years. Their day's work was very long, as horses had to be prepared for the route and also upon their return. Their mail was classed as somewhat heavy at that time also. Sleds were used in the wintertime and little enclosed mail wagons were used during the spring and fall.



Inside the first Post Office

Regular open buggies were used in the summer. All the above mentioned had several teams of fine driving horses. The Post Office was then moved from a room in the rear of the Allan Store into a portion of the Richard's Building and in 1910 moved to its location in the Bank Building. The restaurant business having increased, Richards saw the need of a more modern and convenient building, which he built of solid concrete in 1911. In 1919 he sold to M. F. Bouquet who operated the restaurant for many years and who later sold the business to Mr. and Mrs. Emil Henkel. After several years the Henkels discontinued the business and moved to Iowa. Mr. & Mrs. Clifford Walton ran a restaurant here for a short time, as did Mr. and Mrs. James Vipond. The building was then remodeled into apartment building and was owned by Miss Ida Travis.

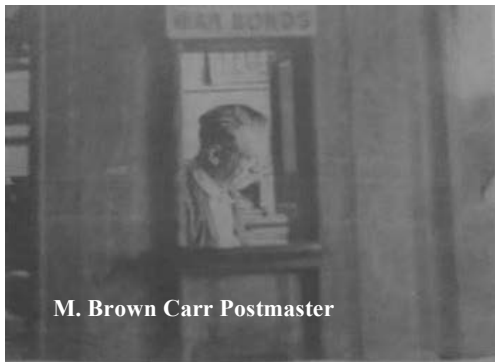
After Mr. Richards sold his restaurant business he became the postmaster for 12 years, and his assistant was Miss Vera Trevarthan. With change of presidential administration M. Brown Carr was appointed postmaster, and his assistant is Miss Harriet Vipond. Years later came the days of the Model T's and the answer to the mailman's prayers. This stepped up mail service and lessened the burden of the mailman.



Post Office & Bank in one building



Post Office



M. Brown Carr Postmaster

In 1934 Mr. Edge retired from mail service and the three routes were consolidated into two, more miles being added to both the Heckelsmiller and Stephens routes.

After 30 years of service Perry Stephens retired and the route was taken over by Roy J. Eustice. Eustice came to Scales Mound from Galena.

Mr. Edge, Stephens, and Heckelsmiller should be commended for their many years of service, bearing out the adverse conditions of their early routes. Mr. Stephens and Mr. Heckelsmiller continue to live in Scales Mound.

Then R. J. Eustice became the carrier for route 1 and Alden Knuckey for route 2.

The post office was moved from the bank building to Sauer building in 1967.

A new and modern post office building was constructed on a vacant lot adjoining property owned by Alberta Sauer. Bob Saar was the instigator of this change; and was then, the Postmaster, Patsy McFadden and Sally Saam were his assistants. Ralph Schoenhard Jr., Ron Stienstra and Fran Edwards have serviced the rural mail patrons.



VILLAGE OF SCALES MOUND

In 1848, a man named Dunning first entered into the court records the land upon which the village stands. Josiah Conlee and B. B. Provost, the latter giving his name to the street, which now crosses Main Street at the schoolhouse, laid Scales Mound out in September 1853. Lots were readily sold as the Illinois Central came through in 1854 and settlers were anxious to locate on the railroad. Pioneers steadily came in from the small inland towns as well as from back East and Europe.

On July 14, 1877, a meeting was held to incorporate the village, 38 votes being cast in favor and 4 against. The first officers were George Hoch, President; James Allan, James A. Adams, James Carey, Moses Bushby, and H. M. Fowler, Trustees. Edgar Wilkin served as clerk, and A. J. Hawkins was appointed Treasurer.

One of the first orders of business appeared to be a source of revenue. Ordinance No. 1 was a licensing and regulating act regarding public places. Saloon licenses were issued at \$100 each and grocery stores were ordered to close on Sundays and not entertain company therein on that day. Since local stores paid a license fee, a second ordinance soon followed assessing all traveling peddlers and auctioneers at a rate of \$25 per month. Additional revenue came from a poll tax of \$1.25 or one and one-quarter days work for the village.

Noses were sensitive in those days too. In 1879, all stables, pigpens and manure piles within the town limits were declared a public nuisance. Livestock appeared to be a constant source of annoyance. The year 1899 brought an ordinance providing for the impounding of horses, mules, sheep, swine and goats. Numerous amendments followed and as late as 1925, a citizen was given notice to remove the sheep he had grazing in the village. Dogs did not appear as worthy of notice until 1904, when a village tax of \$2.00 was levied on male dogs and \$3.00 on females. Cattle, hogs and sheep were driven to the market, so that picket fences around each residence were more than decorations.

Laws dealing with public places continued to occupy much of the Board's time. By 1879, a license to operate a general saloon had advanced to \$500. It became unlawful to play pool or other games after 10:00 p. m. But dram shops in 1901 could be open at 4:00 a.m. and remain open until 10:55 p.m., any violators would be committed to the village calaboose. The same sentence was inflicted on barbershops open on Sunday or drew curtains on that day.

Some new recreation forms appeared in 1908 when it became unlawful to keep in a public place the following billiard tables: bagatelle table, Jenny Lind table, pigeonhole tables, ten pin hole bowling alley, shooting gallery, shuffleboard, cards, dice or pool table. Younger lads felt the restraining hand of the law in 1916 when motor vehicle speeds were set to 10 mph on the straightaway and 6 mile an hour around corners. Sorrow fell on the small people that year also. A motion was set down that no skating or coasting with wagons shall be permitted on the sidewalks (there were new sidewalks).

Taxes worried the citizens, but on a smaller scale than now. In 1887, the sum of \$1035 was levied from which was paid \$1 per meeting to trustees, \$36 annually to the clerk, \$15 to treasurer, \$100 to police, and \$25 to the president. Laborers received \$1.25 for a ten-hour day, while a man with a team received \$30.00. Oil, for the street lamps, accounted for \$35 of the budget. Each evening, the village marshal lit all of the kerosene burners and extinguished them on his round of refilling the next morning. Board members had a sharp eye for economy, since the lamps were left unlit on moonlight nights. Salaries of village fathers increased to \$1.50 by 1903. Signs of the times were the annual levies: from \$1500 in 1908 to \$2500 in 1920, from \$3566 in 1924 to \$4650 in 1929, and from \$4100 in 1933 to \$6250 in 1948.

Village fathers were all along friendly to improvements. In May 1899, L. D. Pitcher was granted the right to erect and operate a telephone system. Oil lamps were replaced after 1916 when C. L. Walton was given the franchise for an electric light plant. June of the same year was another milestone during the term of Henry Hicks, when a motion by Berryman moved and Tippet seconded the condemnation of all boardwalks and replacement of the same with cement. Better roads and active traffic must have inspired a motion according to the village board minutes of July 1925, that read: "that 6 signs be printed to read SCALES MOUND TOURIST CAMP and erected in conspicuous places leading into the village; that a stove be built in the park for use of tourists; and that a welcome sign be placed at the entrance of the park in the form on an arch. " Continuous improvement to walks and streets had been made, culminating in blacktop surfacing of the principal thoroughfares in 1949. Three village-dug wells were maintained for years, and householders had their own pressure systems. Individual citizens generally maintained their properties, so well so that frequent favorable comment was made on the appearance of the town.

Few village fathers had escaped criticism, as witness in a motion according to the village board minutes of March 1925 that read: "that a communication by an anonymous citizen be tabled indefinitely." The following sequence of events, not without its close counterpart in modern history, reveals too that harmony did not always reign at the council table:

June 28 – Motion carried to permit F.M. Bouquet to run a bowery dance in the park.

June 30- Special Meeting – Motion to rescind the July 28 motion on bowery dance, and not allow any dances in the park. Vote tied. President decided in favor. Motion that Board rescinds the above motion just carried and allows Bouquet to hold one dance on July 5. Carried.

July 26 – Regular Meeting – Motion made to give three citizens (Not Bouquet) permission to run platform dances in the park for balance of summer. Motion withdrawn.

August 9 – Special Meeting – Motion made that Board accept the resignation of the president. Motion that the Board rescinds the motion of June 30 barring dances. Carried. Motion made that Board allow bowery dances providing there are no shimmy dances or other indecent dances.

Some years later, the handling of bowery dance crowds became a problem during the heyday of the Arcadian Dance Palace located just south of the village, where the Dittmar Implement business stood (near Lad & Lassie's). In July 1929, three members of the board were appointed to act regularly as traffic cops on Saturday nights to handle cars that came as far as 40 miles away.

It was hard for the regular Marshall to cover every emergency at once on other nights though. On November 24, 1930, according the village board minutes, one trustee made a motion "that the street committee meet with a local farmer and ask him to remove the small outbuilding which he claims, and which was at the north end of the railroad bridge on Franklin Street." Further investigation develops the story that the structure came from three miles in the country, was erected Halloween night on top of the overhead bridge, and bore the office sign of a local processional man.

Serious problems confronted the health committee from time to time. In June 1918, a

motion decreed that children of 16 years or younger be kept in their own yards until after the epidemic of infantile paralysis subsided. Later in the summer, a related motion was a pass ordering the postmaster to stop the rural mail carrier from traveling through the village of New Diggings until the epidemic there had passes. On the lighter side, and a fair example of passing the buck, was the following action of the health committee: that the clerk write a letter to the State Board of Health and have an officer come to investigate the unsanitary condition of one citizen's outhouse.

From the outset, public minded and unselfish men have given much time and effort to the maintenance and improvement of village government and facilities. Space does not permit listing the many trustees and presidents. Earl Rummell served for some 20 years and J C Winters and R.P. Pooley appeared as both trustees and president for long periods. The names of P.R. Stadel, Will Lowery, John Hoppe, Will Johnson, John Roberts and many others figure prominently in the years back to 1900, while Cleland Hickman, Charles Davis, Helen Phelps, Ken Deckert, and Jim Davis have all served as president.

Mention must be made here of Charles Wright. Mr. Wright served the village faithfully for many years as village constable.

Village officials in the past have been R.R. Pooley, Mayor; Eldon Opie, Clerk; Cleland Hickman, Gus Brickner, Herman Koester, Fred Smart, Luther Hendrickson, Myrtle Henrickson, Harold Harwick, Alfred Temperly, Vernon Hughes, Rick Koehler, Janet Werner, Tim Brant, Ron Doser, Keith Saam, Marvin Enright, Bob Wachter, Calvin Walters, Bill Foley, Marcia Saar and David Hesselbacher as trustees.

As well as Betty Busch served as the village treasurer for over several years, followed by Karen Hesselbacher, Carrie Lynn Miller, and Lindsey Duerr. Also Margaret Townsend has served as clerk for over 35 years and still is serving.

A drive through the village would be one of the best ways to know some of the improvements made in the past years. Black topping of the streets and a truck route would have to be two of the most appreciated improvements. The old incandescent street lights were replaced by vapor lights, signs with the names of the streets were installed, and so have stop and yield signs at intersections. Helen Phelps numbered each residence and business for ease of locating them.

Not all the improvements in the village are the work of the officials. Talented people take pride in their homes and yards. Green lawns and beautiful flowers are found in all the streets and are the proof that the community are all proud to call Scales Mound their



hometown. Four mayors have served Scales Mound from 1953 to 1978. They are Roscoe Pooley, Delbert Stegall, Leslie Schultz and Charles Davis. In 1971, nobody filed for mayor or members of the board and the voters were handed a blank ballot. Voters selected Charles Davis as mayor, while Charles Koester, Ralph Schoenhard and Joe Lee were elected trustees. With the exception of Koester, who was not a candidate for reelection all were reelected, to the board. Other members are Clarence

Grindey, Albert Hansel, James Horan and Kenneth Smith. Margaret Townsend was the incumbent village clerk and Betty R. Busch the treasurer.

Now let's go back to the Centennial celebration held on July 3 & 4 in 1953. The hours of hard work and dedication that was put forth by the community made the event very successful. Naturally, the two mile-long parade was one of the highlights. Another was the museum in the Town Hall. Tri-State Amusement Company furnished the rides in the park. Bob

Blaylock served as a Master of Ceremonies, and everyone remembered Perry Stephans falling asleep in his chair after selling balloons all day to the kids.

The Hundred +Ten held in 1963, was also a success. It had another grand parade, and the village park was the center of the events, rides, games and an amateur contest were on the list of events. Ernie Schoenhard was Master of Ceremonies and also won a color T.V. set that was given away.

The Vietnam War was a matter of deep concern. When the war finally ended, the Arab oil boycott almost generated talk of fuel shortages and inflationary prices. Fuel immediately increased in price and at the present time, regular gasoline sold at \$0.64 cents at service stations compared to \$0.16 cents in 1940.

Almost all the homes were heated with fuel oil or propane gas and prices of both fuels had more than doubled. Coal was \$20 a ton in 1953, and in 1978, it was \$87.50. This had caused many home owners to convert back to wood-with combination wood burning and oil or wood and gas stoves coming back fast on the market. The grocery bill had also been on the rise, for example, a gallon of milk in 1978 costs \$1.62, a pound of butter was \$1.35, 10 pounds of sugar was \$2.89, and a pound of coffee, \$3.75.

Being a farming community, we can readily notice a vast difference in land prices, \$1000 plus per acre compared to \$150-\$200 in the 1950's. Rent, as well as city dwellings, have sky rocketed also.

Farm income still has its ups and downs. With hog prices, which was \$47 per hundred, fat steers at \$53, corn at \$2.30 and beans at \$6.80. Marketing has changed for the farmer as well as the farm operation itself. Farmers today, more or less, specialize in one or two products, such as corn and hogs or corn and beef, or combine one of the others with dairying. No longer is there a Chicago livestock market, most animals for slaughters go to Peoria, Cedar Rapids or Joliet. Corn and beans are trucked to a river terminal. Corn is the main grain here, but soybeans are becoming even more popular.

Farm equipment continues to increase in size and horsepower, hundred plus horsepower tractors are common on most farms, now for real combines, the corn and small grains are owned by several large farmers, and custom work by these machines is available. A 100 h.p. tractor bears a list price of \$20,000 and up.

Other noticeable changes are automobiles, airplanes and travel. While plenty of full-size cars are available the smaller, compact cars are gaining in popularity. Roads in our local community have greatly improved over the years. All the roads have been named and signs have been erected accordingly. The township has started a sealcoat program, doing several miles per year.

Luxury airliners have increased air travel immensely. In the past few years, of our local residents have taken the transportation of air travel to such vacation spots as Hawaii, California, Florida, Las Vegas, and other places. Rail service is limited to the Amtrak train, which does not stop close to us.

Rural mail carriers out of Scales Mound have been reduced from 3 to 1. While rural mail was all delivered by 10:45 in the 1950s, it's now midafternoon before all is delivered due, of course to many more customers and more miles served. While our local post office is equipped with modern equipment and efficient employees, mail is received and dispensed only once a day.

Next to our school system, The Galena Territory and Apple Canyon Lake employs the most personnel. However, many of our working people travel to John Deere in Dubuque, or Titan Tire (Kelly Springfield) at Freeport.

The Eagle Picture mines south of Shullsburg have closed, which has affected some of our local workers. The mining in our immediate community never really developed as we had hoped it would back in the 1950s. Most of the mines leases in our area have been cancelled.

Medical care is available in Galena, Dubuque, and Platteville with hospitals in all cities. Some of our local elderly people are residents of the nursing homes in Galena, Cuba City, Darlington, Stockton and Elizabeth.

Well some things have made radical changes over the years; our people, in general, have not. It is the belief that the people of Scales Mound are among the friendliest people in the world, and the most helpful to one another; they can adjust quickly to any given situation and are among the first to offer greetings to city people who are coming to enjoy our vicinity more each year. We are proud that we enjoy friendly relations with all our neighboring communities and we welcome them to help celebrate our historical events. We in turn enjoy being with them.

The village fathers did not neglect the Bicentennial. School children painted the fire hydrants red white and blue. They also contributed \$2500 to be used for the renovation of the Town Hall.

Several interesting ordinances have been passed during these years. In 1958, bicycles were prohibited on the streets and less equipped with head and taillights. A curfew ordinance was established in 1963. No one under 18 was allowed on the streets after 11 p.m. Monday through Thursday or after 12 p.m. Saturday and Sunday nights. The city had a city sewer system installed. It was funded with grants from the state and federal government's before proceeding further. Ambulance service is provided by the Galena ambulance district service.

As far back as 1974, there was interest in securing a waste water system for Scales Mound. Mayor Charles Davis and the Town Board of Trustees had instigated the feasibility but nothing happened at that time.

In 1979, the first woman, Helen Phelps, was elected Mayor. In 1980, a Dubuque firm was asked to secure figures for the project. Then Mid-States of Baraboo, Wisconsin was contacted and the first application for grant money had begun.

In 1982, the government froze such funds. However, after several months, the money was released and in May of 1984, and the town was back in the "flow".

With a grant of \$953,000 another grant of \$200,000 from FHA was obtained. Another grant of \$245,000 from the Department of Commerce and Community Affairs enabled the entire village to hook up to the system, which was installed in 1985.

In the summer of 1986, another grant of \$492,700 enabled the village to put in a new water system, mains, hydrants, pump house, machinery, etc. This was a lucky break for the village as they had 140 water main breaks up until that time.

A new water storage tower was obtained by yet another grant of \$107,000, but was not constructed until the spring of 1987.

All this and the many other tasks of keeping our village running smoothly kept our officials busy, and they deserve a vote of thanks.

In April of 1987, Scales Mound elected the youngest mayor, Jim Davis - 21, to serve the village. Mayor Davis took over from retiring Mayor Helen Phelps who did not seek reelection. One of his first jobs was to see the completion of the Water & Sewer project that had been started. In the summer of 1987, a recognition day for the retired mayor and all guests



Water Tower & Satellite Dishes for cable tv

were taken by bus to tour the town, lagoon sites, tower and all the new facilities.

Program from the Appreciation Day in 1987 --



—Program—

12:00.....	Prayer of Thanksgiving John Lee
12:00.....	Picnic Dinner
1:30.....	Welcome Mayor Jim Davis
1:40.....	Guest of Honor Former Mayor Helen Phelps
2:00 — 4:00.....	Tour of New Facilities

—Costs of Project—

Water Mains & Water Tower	\$570,000
Village Share	\$162,000
Waste Water Treatment Plant	\$1,400,000
Village Share	\$200,000

Funded by FmHA, EPA and CDAP
Engineered by MID-STATES & ASSOCIATES
Baraboo, Wisconsin
General Contractor — LOUIE TIMP TRENCHING
Galena, Illinois



Lift Station that Pumps the waste over treatment plant



Holding lagoon at the waste water treatment Plant

On May 31, 1989, the Village acquired the Stone House, which is located next to the Grocery Store, from Mr. & Mrs. John Meeker. The Meekers made a generous "In Kind" donation to the Village, which left the price affordable. Although improvements had already been made on the house, the Village still needed more changes to use it for their council meetings and for a place for records. Helen Phelps, former Mayor, also made a generous donation towards furniture and bought an aerial view picture of Scales Mound for the meeting room. The SMRA and some other organizations meet there occasionally. While some refer to it as City Hall, it is know as the Stone House either way, and it made a nice addition for our town.

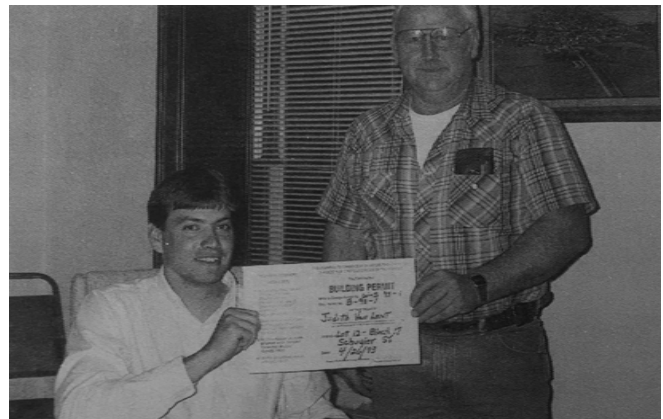


In 1991, cable T.V. came to town, and approximately two thirds of the homes have subscribed to it, enjoying more news, sports and a larger variety of programs.

Mayor Davis and Council members have worked diligently to keep our town looking clean and neat. They also made street improvements such as resurfacing etc. A recycling program has been in effect.

The economics and population growth is another boost for the town.

Davis also started looking into zoning ordinance passed in February of 1993, and includes the one and a half mile radius beyond the city limits. The administration also considered annexation of twenty lots on the north edge of Scales Mound on the Stanley and Marian Davis farm.



Mayor Davis & Joe Lee Zoning Administrator holding the first building permit issued to Judy Van Lent for a new

The following was taken from the Galena Gazette;

The architecture of a town can become so everyday, so ordinary to local residents that the beauty and style of the buildings eludes all but the outsider.

Scales Mound residents were reminded of their architectural heritage recently when the Illinois Historic Site Advisory Council approved the listing of Scales Mound on the National Register of Historic Places.

"When you live here everyday your whole life, you take things for granted." Said Jim Davis, mayor of Scales Mound. "I just didn't realize the importance of the buildings we have here until someone said to me that we should be on the list of historic places."

Thus began a process, which, said Davis, hopefully will end with the village being included on the National Register.

Scales Mound was founded in 1853, taking its name from a man who owned a farm in the vicinity on which there was a prominent hill or mound. In 1854, the Illinois Central Railroad came through the area.

With the decline of railroad business in the first half of this century, Scales Mound became a quiet little agricultural community, known only for its proximity to the highest point in Illinois, Charles Mound. Life slowed and so did the process of change. Now, another half-century later, many buildings in the village are as they were in the early 1900s.

According to Davis, the village has a significant number of structures, both houses and outbuildings built between 1900-1920.

The entire village was approved for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places by the Illinois Historic Site Advisory Council at a meeting in Joliet on June 15. The recommendation is in a large part based on a survey conducted by Floyd Mansberger of Fever River Research, based in Springfield. The recommendation now goes to Michael Devine, the director of the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency. If he approves, the recommendation will go onto Washington, D.C.

"I'm not sure what that will mean for Scales Mound," said Davis. "We are not going to turn this town upside---down over historic preservation. If we ever get to the point of wanting to pass a historic preservation ordinance, there will be many, many public meetings. The people need to have a say about what they want for their town,"

Davis hopes to avoid passing an ordinance. "I'm hoping that federal and state programs offering tax breaks to property owners to maintain or renovate their property will be all the incentive needed."

The Village's unique contribution to Illinois History was officially recognized on September 5, 1990, when Scales Mound had all thirty five blocks of it listed in the "National Register of Historical Places.

The Township

Before the adoption of the township system, the precinct elections were held at the house of F.C. Maupin. When the township system came into operation, the voting place was changed to the village. The first supervisor elected in this township was F.C. Maupin.

The Township officials have also helped with the beautification of the village by contributing funds for the restroom and renovation of the Town Hall.

Township officials have been Stanley Davis, Supervisor; Eldon Hesselbacher, Clerk; Herbert C. Hickman, Highway Commissioner; and William E. Sincock, Justice of Peace. Other Township officials have been Clarence Lange as supervisor; James Horan clerk; David Hesselbacher as Road commissioner; Mernice Dole as assessor; Mary V. Ohms, Mary Knuckey, Howard Colin, and James Laity as board trustees. Stanley Davis was a county board member for District 3. Marv Schultz did serve as a county board member as well.

The bicentennial fever struck early and Scales Mound formed a committee of interested persons with Mr. & Mrs. Charles Davis as co-chairman; they worked to arrange a series of events for the year. It was decided to have an old-fashioned community picnic that would involve old and young from the townships of Scales Mound, Guilford, Thompson, Council Hill and the eastern part of the East Galena.



A June Sunday morning in 1975 found the park buzzing with workers. A loudspeaker system was installed, seats made from planks, long picnic table set up and then it was time for an ecumenical church service.

A combined choir, under the direction of Mrs. Mary Ann Ohms, sang with Mrs. Carson Simmons as their accompanist. Layman, from the different churches were in charge of the devotionals and Rev. John Dexter gave the sermon.

The picnic tables were loaded with food brought by the families and soon 400 people filled their plates and were eating at tables or blankets throughout the park. The committee served coffee and lemonade during the entire day.

And then came the games, there was something for



all ages, preschool events, games for older children, a horseshoe tournament for the men, a tug-of-war, which was wildly cheered, euchre, 500 tournaments and a water fight between groups of firemen.

The day was so successful that picnics were held in 1976 and 1977. In 1978, everyone looked forward to celebrating the villages 100 plus 25 birthday on June 16, 17th, and 18.



Scales Mound is one of the twenty-three townships in Jo Daviess County. As of the 2010 census, the population was 622, and the previous census were:

1960	1970	1980	1990	2000
653	640	606	619	635

Currently, the township has 16.56 miles of roads and the township has two cemeteries that are in use. The current township board consists of Steve Stadel, Supervisors; Tamala Hesselbacher, Clerk; and the trustees are Dave Diedrich, Jody Glasgow, Ken Peart, and Terry Holland.

Charles Mound the highest point in Illinois is located in the township.

Scene from around the Village



North Franklin St 1910



Franklin St with Stadel Hardware



601 Franklin St



935 Main St



South Ave at the Railroad Crossing



South View of Franklin St



Apartment Building on North Ave. It was built entirely of cement in 1911 by Adam Rittweger when cement was new construction material.



Berryman Home place



506 Clark Ave



706 Main St



802 Franklin, 309 Schuyler, 301 Schuyler



Dr. Perry Rogers Home now 509 Main St



Anton Stephen Home 405 Franklin St



Mary Ann Pellar and Charles & Helen Pooley



Clark Ave from the north end



Clark Ave looking east from Franklin St



Burroll Ave looking east from Main St



Franklin Street looking south



501 Jackson St



Franklin St looking north south of the tracks



121 Burroll Ave



901 Washington St



225 Brayman



102 Brayman



605 Franklin



North Ave or Railroad Ave



Snowy view from a top the railroad bridge



Original Water Tower



Doc Foley Home 401 Mason



405 Mason Ave



George Lupton Home



Looking west on Mason Ave the first home was Mossier's



813 Franklin St



309 Schuyler & 301 Schuyler



405 Provost Ave



501 Franklin St



Napper Home ~ Klenke Home ~ Sewer Logoon



Grandma Hammer & Ila Jenkins



301 Mason Ave



W.H. Trevarthan home



Band Stand in the Park



George Wickler's Cobbler's Shop

Aerial Shots of the Village





Farms

Saam Family Farm ~ Mary Ohm Saam



Koester Family Farm ~ Tom & Dorothy Young





Tom Rogers Farm



Stanley Davis Farm



Mark Wright Farm



Nelson Stienstra Farm



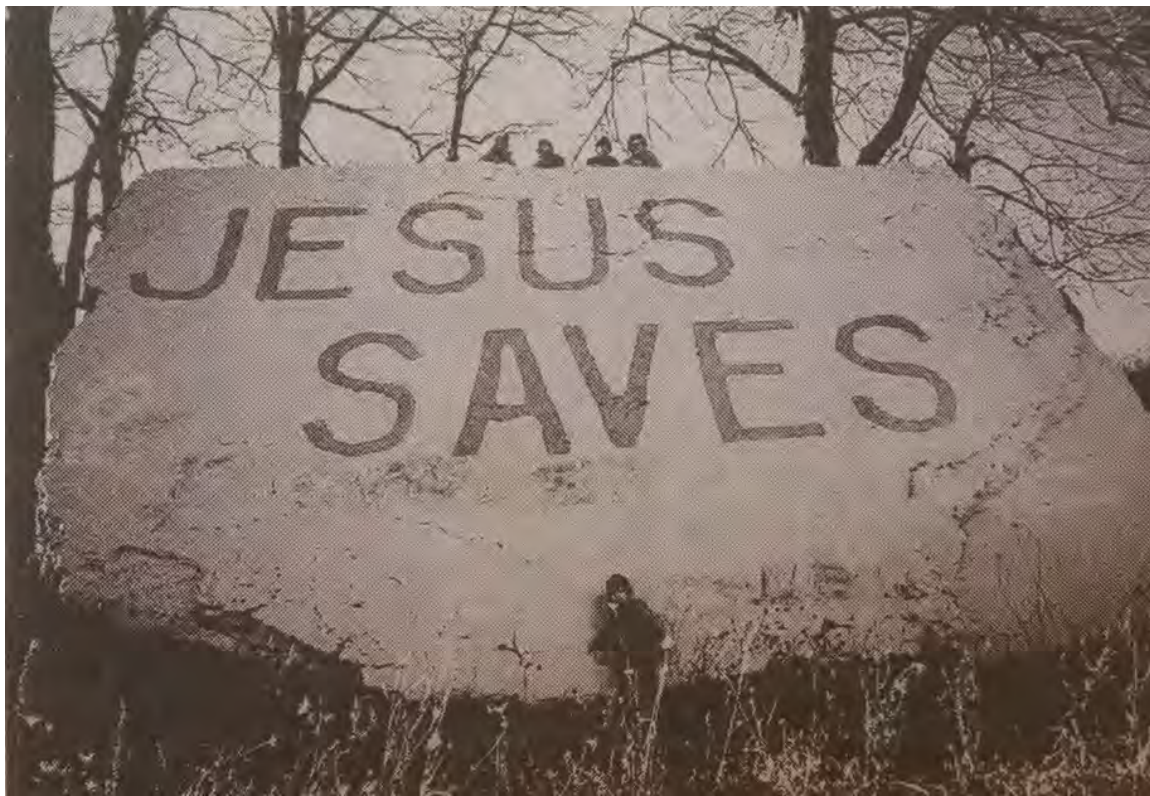
L. J. Foley Farm



Albert Hammer Farm

Jesus Saves

In 1955, the Prayer group of the First Presbyterian Church of Scales Mound decided to paint JESUS SAVES over the Potosi Beer advertisement on the Big Rock (put there by Mother Nature) located on the former Temp Redfearn farm on Stagecoach Trail southwest of Scales Mound. Permission was given to the group to do this. The Churches of the community helped with the project. It has been painted several times since then by various organizations. Since "Jesus Saves" was painted on the rock, it has become a well know landmark in the Tri-State area and has been featured in magazines. Ken and Jolleen Peart, who constantly keep a watchful eye on the famous rock, now own the farm. Ken Hickman designed the original letters; the Ron Webster Family installed a light so that passerbyers can view even in the dark of night.



CHURCHES

Methodist Church

The year of 1831 was the beginning of Methodism in Scales Mound. Services were held in the log home of Eliza Charles, the property was owned by Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Stiefel, near the highest point in the State. A minister, from New Diggins, Wisconsin, by the name of Rev. Thomas first conducted services.



Methodist Church at Veta Grande

About 1842, the East Fork schoolhouse was built, Samuel Pryor, then owner of the land, gave two acres of land for this building. A year after the schoolhouse was built, the Baptists and the Methodists held occasional preaching services. A little later, Methodists had a regular preaching services and a Sunday school. Isaac Springer was one time Pastor of the Scales Mound appointment. The services were held at the schoolhouse until 1854-1855, and a stone church was built on the present site where the Scales Mound Methodist church now stands. The church seated 200 people, and cost \$1,800. Rev. John L. Williams officiated at the dedication, although the first regular Pastor was Rev. Summersides.

Henry Martin was the first Superintendent of Sunday School in 1855. Later, Joseph Tangye was superintendent. The Sunday school membership was then 65, and church membership was 125. The first parsonage was built at a cost of \$600.

In 1883, the present church was built, a wood structure with beautiful stained windows, an impressive belfry towering towards heaven and through the years the beautiful sounding bell has called the worshipers to service.

Don't forget the women of the day, the Ladies Aid Society who, with their needlework and church dinners, added much to the running expenses of the church. Mrs. James Berryman was the first President. The Ladies Aid Society was replaced by the Woman's Society of Christian Service, which took place under the leadership of the Pastor's wife Mrs. R.E. Bethards. The "4G" Society, a social unit of the W.S.C.S, was also organized at the time. The former Epworth League became the Methodist Youth Fellowship group under the direction of the Pastor's wife, Mrs. Hillard Howard. Mrs. Howard also organized the Wesleyan Circle.

After World War I, during the Pastorate of Rev. R.N. Josecelyn, the memorial art glass windows were put in the church to replace the stained glass ones. The windows were a gentle reminder of the old faithful members who carried on the church programs.

In 1929, the church hall and kitchen was added to the church, with access to the kitchen from the classroom. The minister in charge was Rev. H.L. Brett. The men of the church did much of the building. This was the beginning of the depression when the stock market crashed, and the church members were faced with a big debit. But through the untiring efforts of the Pastor who followed, Rev. A.D. Moore, and Rev. R.E. Bethards who served the church six years from 1935 to 1941, the note of indebtedness was paid off.



In 1940, a bolt of lightning hit the church steeple and also damaged the interior of the church. In 1941, during the Pastorate of Rev. L.J. Ruff, a beautiful covering of nu-wood, a wood pulp wallboard, was put on the walls by an artist decorator from Dubuque, Iowa.



Again in August of 1949, during the Pastorate of Rev. Hillard Howard, an extensive church improvement was made costing \$8,000. New hardwood floors were laid, new oak memorial pews were installed, and a chancel and choir loft built. The altar and altar set was given as a memorial to Leta Fern Hicks, made possible through her own gift which she left to the church.

The Wurlitzer electric organ was given in memory of Henry and Olive Hicks, Paul and Jane Hicks Harwood, William and Lauretta Hicks, Annie Hicks Moyle, and Hester Hicks McFadden. The organist was Mrs. Albert Williams, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. W.W. Hicks.

The pulpit and lectern lights were in memory of Mrs. Eva (McFadden) Schoenhard. The pulpit Bible was in memory of Mrs. Mary M. Glindinning. Francis and John Coulson made a gift, both teachers in Chicago and Pak Park, in memory of Mr. and Mrs. S.T. Napper and Rev. and Mrs. R.L. Griffin.

The dedicatory service was held on Sunday, March 12, 1950. The District Superintendent, Dr. Milton Bayly of Rockford, preached the dedication sermon. Rev. and Mrs. Hillard Howard served the church for eight years. He was transferred to Galena in June of 1952, and the spirits of the church members and attendants were crushed. But the faithful leaders carried on, and a supply of ministers was obtained and services were held regularly for ten months. Rev. Hillard Howard of Galena still was the salvation, and during that ten months was called back several times to bury the dead and offer solace to the bereaved families.

In April of 1953, Rev. Ralph C. Steele and wife and two children of Ely, Minnesota, were assigned to the church, and Rev. Steele delivered his first sermon on April 19, 1953. Then, the pastor was a woman, unmarried who has just completed her degree. Her name was Joanne Hanners and her duties here were as a full-time pastor for the Scales Mound-Council Hill charge. She was the third full-time pastor who has served our church. The other two were Rev. Saxe and the Rev. Ralph Steele.

Recently, the W.S.C.S. Organization, by the conference vote, has changed its name to United Methodist Women. The purpose was much the same to help at least financially in the field of missions. Each year a pledge service is held and each member pledges something towards home and for the mission field.

Annually, a spring luncheon was held to which churches of all of the denominations in the area were invited. Fellowship among the churches was the purpose of this event.

The Circle was in existence as it also the 4G society. What does the 4G stand for **Give** a little; **Get** a little; **Go** little; and **Gab** a little.

The MYF was known as the UYF, or United Youth Fellowship, has included youth from other churches.

Many new additions to the church structure and interior furnishings have been purchased for memorial funds on their deceased members. These have been many and are too numerous to itemize.

The turnover of pastors has been fast going in part to the fact that this is a training field for seminary students finishing their education. The Dubuque Iowa seminary offers this opportunity and credit courses for graduation.

The pastors since 1953 were Billy Kirk, Stanley Lane, Phil Gardner, Rev. Saxe, Kenneth Fels, Jonathon Deily, David Scott, Charles Cerling and Boyd Ellefson. Since 1978, pastors serving the church were Rev. Dennis Morales, Rev. Sheryl Hendrickson, Rev. Dan Schenck, and Rev. Kwon Chong. Some of these have been students who became full time ministers while serving this church.

The priceless glass windows have been reelected and protective coverings installed to guard against vandalism.

Joining the church is a spacious kitchen that has been added with modern equipment. Two restroom facilities were also included in the improvements. Improvements since 1978 include: vinyl siding on the Church and parsonage, gas furnace and air conditioning in the Church, ceiling fans for the Church and Hall, some replacement windows in the parsonage, and a new roof on the Church. Some of these improvements were purchased with memorials given to the Church.

Several local residents called to Christian Service: Ministers

Henry Tresona went to Nebraska and preached 36 years at Schuyler, his first appointment. He was a brother of Miss Essie Trezona.

James Knuckey went to Greely, Colorado. He was the son of Thomas Knuckey, and the uncle of Alden Knuckey.

Robert Pooley cousin of Mrs. John Phillips, and Mrs Lauretta Hicks.

James Lowery entered the ministry during Rev. Farmiloe's pastorate, around 1880. His first pulpit was at Council Hill for two years. Then he served at Woodbine, Elizabeth, Dakota, Apple River, LaSalle, Albany, Maple Park, Leaf River, Amboy, Elburn, and Minooka. He retired in 1915, and lived with his daughter in Joliet until his death. He was 94 when he died and he was brought back to Scales Mound, his hometown, to be buried.

John Rogers was the son of Dr. R. Rogers, and served as a pastor for a few years.

John W. Lee, the son of Orlen and Florence (Hughes) Lee, is currently serving near Rockford, IL. He began in Apple River in 1986.

Joanne Temperly, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Charles Temperly, served in the Methodist missionary in Rhodesia, Africa, for 3 years.

The services are held at 10:30 a.m. each Sunday. The Sunday School meets at 9:15 a.m. every Sunday.



Methodist Ladies Aid – Early 1920s on Porch of Pat McFadden Home

Rear: Mrs. Foley, Mrs. Youle, Mrs. Ingram, Mrs. Warrington, Mrs. Penaluna, Mrs. Walter Berryman, Mrs. Thomas Pooley, Mrs. Trudgian, ??, Mrs. John Walton, Mrs. George March
3rd Row: Clarence Berrryman, Mrs. Matson, Mrs. Adams, Mrs. James Carr
2nd Row: Miss Warrington, Elizabeth, Adams, Annie Gummow, Edith Duerrstein, Tillie Carr, Mrs. Tyrell, Maggie Berryman, Mrs. Les(Amy) Powell
1st Row: Annie Morrison, ??, ??, Mrs. Ed Martin, Mrs. Peter (Laura) Smart



Methodist Ladies Aid Porch of the Parsonage Rear: Mrs. Penaluna, Mary E. Perry, ??, Mrs. Youle, Mrs. Scott, ??, Mrs. James Berryman, Annie Gummow

3rd Row: Mrs. March, Mrs. Wilbur Berryman, Susan Martin, Mrs. Trudgian, Mrs. Ira Smart

2nd Row: Mrs. Warrington, Mrs. Rummell, Mrs. Ingram, ??, Mrs. Henry Hicks, Mrs. Foley

1st Row: Mrs. R. Rogers, Mrs. Les Powell, Mrs. Edith Durrstein, and baby, Mrs. John Walton, Tillie Walton, Elizabeth White, Tillie Carr, Mrs. Admas, Mrs. Tyrell, Mrs. William Hoskins, Mrs. Matson, and Mrs. James Carr.

Catholic Church

The first Catholic Church was organized in Scales Mound in 1853, and was cared for by pastor of St. Mary's of Galena. Services were held in private houses until 1868, when a brick storeroom, built by Mr. Covey, was purchased and used until 1874. At this time, the present brick church was erected on the old site. Father Bailey, of Galena, officiated for several years.

Eight acres of ground located four miles west of Scales Mound on the Galena road (Stagecoach Trail) was donated for a cemetery. For a time, the church was also served by the pastors of Elizabeth, namely Father Weber, Father Reudershoff, Father Newman and Father M.B. Krug.

They were followed by Father J.K. Niles, pastor of St. Mary's Church in Galena, and by Father Schoelch of LaCrosse diocese. In 1914, Father William McGuire, chaplain at the Orphan Home in Freeport, offered to hold Mass once a month in Scales Mound. In July of 1915, Father McGuire was made pastor of Apple River and was also given charge of the church at Scales Mound.

When Father McGuire took charge in 1914, the church itself, as well as the furnishings, was in a very poor condition. He soon was enabled to make the necessary changes and improvements through the generosity of the children of Mr. Henry Saam, who in 1915, donated new stained glass windows in memory of their father and purchased many other needed furnishings.

Mr. Anton Stephan donated a new altar in memory of his deceased wife, and Mrs. Edith Allan donated a new altar railing in honor of the Sacred Heart. At the same time, the children of Mr. Christian Saam donated a set of new Stations of the Cross in memory of their father. To the bequests of Mr. Peter Zauver and Mrs. Anton Stephan, the parish gradually added enough to enable the pastor to build an addition and renovate the church.



Other pastors who served after 1914 were the Rev. J. Egan, Rev. E.J. Connolly, Rev. R.J. Guccione, and Rev. F.C. Voet. During the pastorate of the Rev. R.J. Guccione, vast improvements were made. The interior of the church was decorated and new pews installed.

In 1942, an Altar and Rosary Society was organized with Mrs. Pearl Hesselbacher, President; Miss Alva Magee, Vice-President; and Mrs. John Miller, Secretary-Treasurer. The purpose of the Society is Personal Sanctification and care of the Sanctuary.

A new Hammond electric organ was purchased and installed in the spring of 1953. Rev. Norbert Richter was serving the church at that time, having arrived here in 1952.

Many changes were made in the Catholic Church during the second Vatican Council, which affected Holy Trinity Church as well as large churches everywhere. English replaced Latin as a language of the mass, and the priest faced the congregation at a front altar.

Congregation singing and layperson serving as commentators were introduced at this time. The organization of Parish Council was a significant change since Vatican II. In 1966, under the direction of Rev. Lawrence London, the first council was organized. Members elected were Mrs. Doris Crow, Mrs. Marion Davis, Mrs. Bernice Dotzel, Mrs. Clara Hesselbacher, James Horn, William Huilman, Sherman Piquette, Leo Saam, Ralph Schoenhard Jr. and Mrs. Margaret Schultz. The purpose of the council was to act and serve in the decision

making with the pastor in all matters pertaining to spiritual, educational and financial affairs, of the parish and in the operation and management thereof.

The first parish council had become inactive in 1972, and was reorganized under the direction of Rev. Salvatore Guagliardo. Those members were President James Huilman, Vice President Mrs. Sharon Doser, Secretary Larry Stephan, Mrs. Sandra Frank, Kenneth Smith Mrs. Carol Bilgri, Mrs. JoAnn Williams Herbert Pfohl, Mrs. Tammy Hesselbacher, Mrs. Sandra Pfohl, Norman Homb, Ralph Wubben, and Richard Soat.

In 1958, one acre of ground was purchased from Foster Glasgow for a new cemetery West of Scales Mound (on Culvert Road). The Williams family gave a cemetery marker in memory of their husband and father, Lawrence. In 2013, a cross was added to the cemetery in memory of the Davis Family.

Tuck-pointing at the church was done in 1960 and 1971 the interior of the church was completely redecorated, a new furnace was installed in 1972, and an air-conditioning unit was put in 1973. A new roof was put on the church in 1975.

The cast bell that is still in use at Holy Trinity was originally installed at the Irish Mission St. Mary's Church in Vinegar Hill, north of Galena in 1835. When Holy Trinity was renovated in the mid 1930s, the bell was transported to Scales Mound and installed there.

In 1968, Apple Canyon Lake was developed and a few years later the Galena Territory, which during the summer months the church was fill to capacity.

In 1985, under Father Tranel's pastorate, another addition was made to the church along with a basement, which had a kitchen and restrooms. The church was also made handicapped assessable.

In 1993, under Father Conro's pastorate, the church was remodeled. A clavinova was purchased and the choir was moved from the loft to near the sanctuary in 2002 while Father Librandi was pastor.

A memorial was given to the church and its memory was for Hymnal Board, Mrs. LethaJewel; flags M.B. Carr; Easter candle stand Donald Van Lent; front altar Henry Saam; tabernacle Sherman Piquette; outdoor bulletin board Mrs. Viola Davis Hickman; holy water fountain and public address system Alfred C. LaBelle and Thomas Richardson and baptismal font Larry Williams., and new tabernacle Mrs. Marion Davis. The Alter and Rosary Society have continued to be a very active organization.



5:00 and again on Sunday morning at 10:30.



Pastors who had services in 1953 are Rev. Norman Richter, Raymond Hetterman, Henry Weckler, Lawrence London, Louis Pasut, Salvatore Guagliardo, James McGuire, Frank Draude, Rev. Daniel Tranel, Rev. Chris Kuhn, Rev. Stan Kos, Rev. Max Lasrado, and Rev David Reese. Now the masses are held on Saturday evening at

Presbyterian Church

The Rev. J. Kolb, pastor of the German Presbyterian Church in Galena, Illinois who had been doing missionary work in this neighborhood prior to this time, and organized what was later to become the first Presbyterian Church of Scales Mound in 1856 at the home of George Baus in Guilford Township.

Those present at this meeting were George Rittweger, Sr. Ernest Schoenhard Sr., George Baus and Rudolf Hammer.

The Elders of this group of worshipers were Rudolf Hammer, Conrad Winter, and John Baus. Soon, this home was not large enough and the place of worship was moved to the Schoenhard School south of Scales Mound, which was used until 1860. At this time, the English Presbyterian Church of Scales Mound was purchased from the Society of Americans who were

unable to support and maintain a minister any longer. This was named the German Presbyterian Church and the value, at that time, was \$1,000. This was too far for some of the members to travel, so Rev. Kolb organized a Presbyterian Church at Schapville, Illinois, and served both churches until 1864. Rev. Kolb was succeeded by Rev. J. Schwartz, Rev. Jacob Liesvelt, Rev. J. Funk, and Rev. H.T. Smidt. In 1871 John Boell organized the first Sabbath School.

A new church was erected in Scales Mound in 1885. The Rev. Brichard of Schapville served both churches from 1891 until he retired from active work in 1912.

Up to this time, all the services were conducted in German language. Now, the Sales Mound congregation considered themselves strong enough to be self-sustaining, so they severed from the Schapville church and were supplied by students of the Seminary of Dubuque until 1914, when Rev. C. Hayengie was called to serve as pastor.

In 1915, the new 8-room manse was built. Rev. Hayengie resigned in 1916, and was seceded by the Rev. H Noeding and Rev. H.A. Sinning.



Presbyterian Church 1900

In 1921, the church was moved to its present foundation and was remodeled, redecorated, brought a new furnace, lights and new pews were installed. Before being moved at this time, the church and manse were only a few feet apart. A service of dedication was held on January 22, 1922, and Rev. H.A. Sinning was pastor. Ministers serving were: Rev. H. Schmidt, Rev. Clarence Richardson, Rev. J. Ludeman, Rev. June, Rev. Martin Fouts, Rev. Lloyd Fonken, Rev. H. Blazer, Rev. Orville Roth, Rev. Donald Roraback, and Rev. Lewis Furda.

On February 19, 1914, Rev Hayengie with the aid of Mrs. Christian Duerstien and Mrs. Henry Gesselbracket organized the first Ladies Aid Society. A few years later, a Missionary Society was organized. In 1950, the two societies joined together, reorganized and adopted





Rev and Mrs. Sinning 1953

a new name, which was the Women's Association of the Presbyterian Church (W.A.P.C.). The officers were Mrs. Cleland Hickman, President; Mrs. Louie Hesselbacher, Vice-President; Mrs. Glen Hughes, Secretary; Mrs. John Winter, Treasurer; and Mrs. Ernst Hesselbacher, Mission Treasurer. Rev. Clarence Richardson organized the Faith, Hope, and Charity Guild (F.H.C.) in 1937 with Mrs. Glenn Edge, Mrs. Cleland Hickman, Mrs. Ray Baus, and Wilma Stadel as officers. Others that held offices were Mrs. Louie Hesselbacher, President; Mrs. Wayne Bale, Vice-President; Mrs. Norman Travis, Secretary; and Mrs. Walter Hammer, Treasurer.

Other organizations in the church were the Westminster Fellowship and the Junior Youth for the young people of the church.

The interior of the church was redecorated in 1947.

One of the happiest events held in the church during the past 25 years was the observance of its hundredth anniversary in 1960. A number of former pastors and members return to celebrate a happy occasion.

The church and the church rooms received many improvements over the years. From 1953 to 1960, the basement floor was tile; the bathroom got a new hardwood floor installed the sanctuary, and electric organ purchased. The work of the pastors was made easier with the installation of a study in the basement. In the years 1960-63, the sanctuary was painted the ceiling lower, new light fixtures and carpeting installed, and the balcony was paneled and closed so it could be used as a Christian education room.

A large painting of Jesus was given as a memorial, and hung on the front wall of the sanctuary.

The basement was not neglected, it was insulated paneled, had a new ceiling, and recessed lights installed. The kitchen was remodeled with the new cupboards, sink and stove. As well as extensive repairs, have also been made on the exterior of the church.

The church has been served much of its time since 1913 by students from the University of Dubuque Theological Seminary. Minister serving in the past years included Rev. Louis Furda; Rev. Roy Gray; Rev. Donald Zimmerman Rev. Richard Runge; Rev. Jack Birkett; Rev. Lowell Knauss; and Rev. Louis Paradise. Other Pastors who have served since 1978 were Rev. Jeff Carlson, Rev. Mike Hibbs, Rev. Tim Fischer, Rev. Donna Harris, and Rev. Janice Gehlsen. After this, students from the theological seminary have been conducting worship services each Sunday.

A Sunday church school was organized in 1971. Some teachers were Cleland Hickman, Mrs. Lewellyn Meyer, Mrs. Cleland Hickman, Mrs. Roger Busch and Mrs. Wayne Hickman.

Pianist and organist serving the church over the years include Mrs. Lewis Furday, Mrs. James Sanders formally Mary Ann Sheean, Mrs. Les Koester, Mrs. Norman Winslow and Mrs. Allan Kruger.

In 1962, under the leadership of Mrs. Donald Zimmerman, the name of the woman's organization was changed from the Women's Association of the Presbyterian Church W.A.P.C. to United Presbyterian Women U.P.W. with two social units the F.H.A. Circle and the Evening Circle. All had met monthly for Bible study, Fellowship and needlework, filling responsibilities in the church with mission concerns both local and worldwide.

Some of the Officers of the U.P.W. were Mrs. Wilbur Pogeman, President Mrs. Cleland Hickman, Vice President Mrs. Lewis Hesselbacher, secretary and Miss Leone Stadel, treasurer.

The F.H C. Circle Officers were Mrs. Carl Hearnert President; Mrs. Walter Hammer vice president Mrs. Meldon Spensley secretary; and Mrs. John Distler treasurer. Mrs. Roger Busch president of the Evening Circle and Mrs. Cleland Hickman the serving as secretary treasurer.

Raymond Dittmar, Cletus Koester, Cleland Hickman, Kenneth Hickman. Mrs. Wilbur Pogeman and John Distler were members of the session in 1978.

A number of changes have taken place in the church during the last few years. Among the improvements were: Sanctuary carpeting, ceiling fans, religious pictures, clock, flags, and vases; pulpit light, flounce for choir loft, manse roof, ramp for the handicapped, trees new furnace, basement tables, dehumidifier, basement door, microwave, TV and VCR, and an electric typewriter.

Sunday services were held at 9:30 a.m. Sunday services were held during church services the fall and winter months.

The F.H.C. Guild met the first Friday of each month to have Bible study and care for interests of the Church. There were sixteen active members in 1993.

There were 55 members on the roll. The session members in 1993 were Edward Meyer, Allan Kruger, Cletus Koester, Sheri Grindey, Helen Koester, and Virginia Laity.

In 2014, the church members decided to close it and the members sought membership in others churches in the area. The parsonage was sold and efforts continue to try to sell the church. Currently the church is up for sale.



Our Neighboring Churches

In writing of the churches in our community, we deem it only fitting to mention some of our neighbor churches where several families from in or near Scales Mound go to worship.

Zion Presbyterian Church

Residents of the area also attend the Presbyterian Church in Schapville. In 1855 and 1856, the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church reports refer to our church as the "Zion Presbyterian Church." The deed for the church property bears the name, "Old School Presbyterian Church of Mill Creek." The deed for the manse property bears the name, "The First German Old School Presbyterian Church." This church was built in 1860 and the alter remodeled in the early 1900's. The first pastor was Rev. A. Kolb. "The Schapville Zion Presbyterian Church," became our official name in 1925 when the church was incorporated. In the 19th century, Mennonites emigrated from Bavaria and Wuerttemberg and settled in Jo Daviess County because it reminded them of home. They began worshipping in various homes, moving to a log schoolhouse to accommodate the growing congregation, and then to a rock schoolhouse. When they outgrew the rock schoolhouse they decided to move worship to Schapville. The church was never part of the Illinois Mennonite Conference. They were unable to obtain a Mennonite pastor and finally turned to the Presbyterian Seminary in Dubuque. They provided student pastors.

In 1854, with 50 members under the Presbytery of Rock River they built the log church in 1856, and it was called Zion Church, it stood directly behind the present church.

In 1886, the present church was built. The pointed arches and the openness of the sanctuary speak to a Gothic influence in its architecture.

In 1925, the church was incorporated and re-named the Schapville Zion Presbyterian Church.

In 1942, the painting of Christ was added in the chancel area. It was donated by the Ladies Aid Society, which is now known as Women's Circle.

In 1948, the original clear windows were replaced with stain glass windows donated by the families of our congregation.

Through the years, there have been additions and changes made to the church building. The sanctuary still reflects the original building. One year after the village of Scales Mound celebrated its centennial, the Schapville Zion Presbyterian Church observed its hundred year as a congregation. Additions and improvements have been added since 1954. Water was pipe to the church in 1958 and more Sunday school rooms, restrooms, and kitchen facilities were

added in 1966. Other improvements include: new roof, siding, interior painting and re-decorating, and new carpet in the Church parlors. In 1954, this church and the First Presbyterian Church of Elizabeth worked to form a two-point parish sharing the same minister. In 1975, the Elizabeth Church was closed and now some of those members come to the Schapville to worship.



The United Presbyterian women, formerly the Ladies Aid, observed their 50th anniversary 1970. Mrs. Wayne Arnold was ordained as Ruling Elder, the first woman to hold this office. In 1976, Mrs. Carlisle Eversoll became the first woman to be ordained Deacon trustee. The 90th anniversary of the church building was also celebrated in 1976.

Ministers and student pastor's serving the church over the years included Walter Morz, Rev. Peder Carlson, Don Pomeroy, Rev. Roane Deckert, Rev. James Larson, David Scriven, Rev. Abe VanSlightenhorst, and Rev. Donna Wrzeszez. The current pastor is Rev. Dottie Morizzo.

Some church offices in our session were Mrs. Wayne Arnold, Clerk Carlyle Eversoll Melden Grube, Kenneth Parrot and Miron Roberts. Deacon trustees Mrs. Carlyle Eversoll, chairman, Wayne Arnold, Robert Montgomery, Mrs. Raymond Stadel, and Lynn Wasmund. Sunday School Superintendent Jack Elrick, United Presybertain Women Mrs Wayne Arnold, President; United Presbyterian Men Kenneth Parrott, President; U.P.Y. "The Seekers" Dovery Stadel, President.

Other officers over the years include: Deacon Trustees – Peg Eichman, Simone Winter, Morris Cooper, Marilyn Eastman, Gloria Morris, Roy Cheeseman, Gordon Smith; Clerk of Session Dorothy Cheeseman, Cemetery Chairman Carlyle Eversoll, and Sunday School Chairman Diane Marcure.

Mary Jane Stadel was the organist for 26 years.



Methodist Church of Council Hill



The pastor of the Methodist Church at Scales Mound, Rev. Steele, also served the Council Hill Methodist Church. The Minister at Scales Mound has been serving both churches in 1924. Atop the rolling countryside, outside of Galena, IL, sits the Little White Church on the Hill. This charming 1894 country church has been lovingly restored and offers stained glass windows, original pews, pine flooring, authentic lighting, a dressing room and even a period restroom. Soon this church member voted to close and sell the church.

The church has been converted to a wedding chapel. It is located only 8 miles from Galena, IL, it is the ideal setting for wedding ceremonies up to 100 people, complete with wedding hostess. Imagine walking down the aisle in this beautifully restored chapel, surrounded by your dearest friends and family, or create memories you will cherish forever as you renew your vows, commemorate your anniversary, or christen your children. The outdoor chapel includes an arbor, a cobblestone walk and wedding dove benches. You can even celebrate your special occasion by tolling of the chapel bell. Customized packages are available.



Zion Lutheran Church and St. John's



Among other neighboring churches are the Zion Lutheran Church of Schapville and the St. John Lutheran Church located on the ridge road about half way between Scales Mound and Schapville. St. John's Church is the older of the two and was built in 1870 and usually referred to as the "Mother Church." The Zion Lutheran Church was built in 1886. Since the earliest dates a single pastor, the first being Rev. G.A. Klingworth, has served these two churches.

For more than a century, the Lutheran Church has been active in this area. Rev. John Klindworth of Galena served the Lutheran people for 20 years, holding services in the Taylor and Schoenhard schools. Most of these years he walked the 20 miles to his churches, but sometimes he rode horseback. Finally, he travelled by horse and buggy.

In 1868, St. John Lutheran Church was organized. The first church building was dedicated at its site on Elizabeth-Scales Mound Road on September 18, 1870.

On October 10, 1886 Zion Church was dedicated in Schapville. In the 119 years of the Lutheran Church in our area, both congregations were served by the same pastor. During those over 20 pastors have served the churches.

In January 1977, the two churches merged to form the Shepard of the Hills Lutheran Church. This church regularly serves members from Galena, Scales Mound, Stockton, Warren, Apple River and Apple Canyon Lake.

A member of the church, St. John's, told the family who owned Oak Hill near Apple River that this country church needed a home. The congregation had built a new church and could no longer afford to keep up the old one. The suggestion was to take the church and move it to the Oak Hill property, it will be the answer to both our prayers. In 1996, their



father passed away suddenly. His wish was to rest on the property, which he adored. Faced with many obstacles to overcome, to make this happen the family worked diligently to find away. Their father's dream became a reality, when they purchased and moved St. John's church to Oak Hill.



This church has a quilting circle that meets Tuesdays between 8 and 3. They have been quilting with fellow Christians from the Methodist, Catholic, and Lutheran Churches in the area. They also have a Men's Coffee & Bible Study, which meets the 1st and 3rd Wednesday every month at 8 a.m. There is a Youth Group that works on activities that strengthen their sense of stewardship, community, worship & fellowship. They lead worship and actively participate in worship as needed by the Pastor. They perform fund-raising efforts throughout the year so that every three years they can attend the ELCA National Youth Convention.



Citizen's Cemetery

The Citizen's Cemetery located one half mile west of Scales Mound is certainly a credit to the village. Francis Phillips, who at the time owned the farm adjoining where Herbert and Nettie Tippet lived donated the land for the cemetery, this took place in about 1860.

Through the years, the cemetery has been cared for. Each Memorial Day and on other special occasions, the graves of loved ones who have passed away are decorated with flowers and emblems of lodges and organizations to which they may have belonged. Many distant visitors call there each year.



Bethel Cemetery

This small-destroyed cemetery is located in the eastern part of the Scales Mound Township near Stagecoach Trail. Older people in the community remember a small church or chapel standing on the site and it is thought that there are some 50 to 60 burials here.

Holy Trinity Cemetery

Holy Trinity is located across the road from Citizen cemetery, one half mile west of Scales Mound. Through the years the cemetery has been well cared for. Each Memorial Day and on other special occasions the graves of loved ones who have passed away are decorated with flowers and emblems of lodges and organizations to which they may have belonged. Many distant visitors call there each year. The Davis Family recently donated a cross as well the Lawrence Williams Family donated entry stone.



Veta Grande Cemetery

This cemetery is virtually destroyed. The stones found were propped against several trees.

Singer Catholic Cemetery

This cemetery is located in the northwest quarter of Section 9. It is south of Stagecoach Trail east of the intersection of Stage Coach Trail and Cording Road. This cemetery is maintained by Holy Trinity Church.



Hammer or Mennonite Cemetery



This cemetery is located in Section 12. Hazel N. Hassan wrote about this cemetery and these people in an article published in the Mennonite Heritage, March 1977. She gives the location as Two miles south of Scales Mound, Mill Creek Road branches to the left off of the North Elizabeth-Scales Mound Road. The cemetery is located to the right, or west, side of Mill Creek Road about one and one-half miles beyond the junction of the two roads. Permission should be obtained before entering the pastureland to climb to the top of the high bluff on which the cemetery is situated. There is no bridge over Mill Creek here but it must be crossed to reach the site. The Charles Hammer family takes care of this cemetery mowing, trimming, removing sticks, pine cones and even gooseberry bushes. They donated an archway that says "HAMMER" and on top of that 1842 the year the cemetery was started. They also have a sign-in booklet for visitors.



St. John's Lutheran Cemetery

This cemetery is location in southeast corner of Section 10 off the Elizabeth-Scales Mound Road.

Zion Lutheran or Shepherd of the Hills

This is also known as the Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Cemetery. This cemetery is located in the southwest quarter of Section 29. It is east of North Hoppe Road and south of South Schapville road. It is located on a stream that runs into Mill Creek. There is an access road on the west side of Schapville Road, across from the church, that leads to the cemetery.



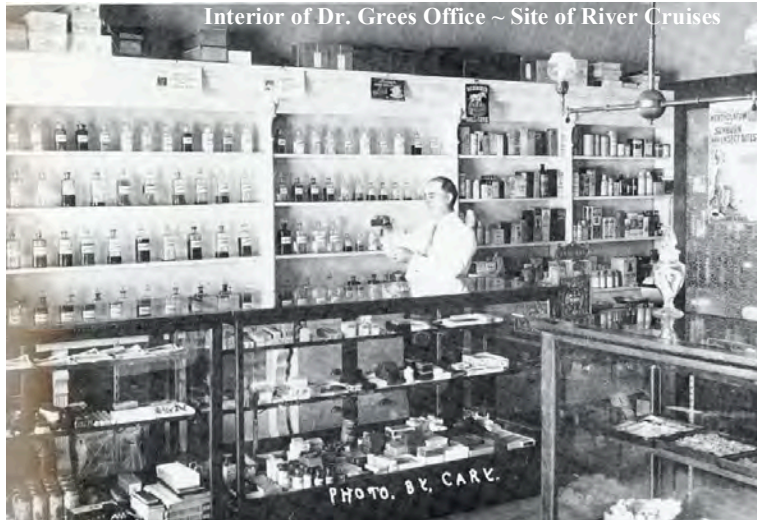
Schapville Presbyterian

This cemetery is located in the northeast quarter of Section 30. It is at the "Y" formed by East Stadel Road and East Schapville Road.



DOCTORS

The early country doctors had a rugged life, and endured hardships the younger generation could never take. They never refused a call night or day, and their calls were made with team and buggy or sleigh as the season demanded, sometimes they went on horseback. Some doctors owned their own team of horses, but many resorted to hiring rigs from the livery barn with a driver, so the doctor could relax a little to and from the calls. In



1866, Dr. H.M. Fowler, physician and surgeon, set up practice in Scales Mound and spent his entire life in this community administering to the sick all loved him. He died in the Stephan Hotel. In 1890, Dr. Martin came to the community, later Dr. Kittoe, then Dr. Charles Kenegy. Then followed Dr. Grees then Dr. Phillips. Both had their offices in the small building south of the bridge. Then followed Dr. C.E. Wright, whose office was located in the store building, which stood on the corner where the old firehouse. Dr. Wright,

his wife and three daughters lived here many years, and were active in community and church affairs. Later they moved to Rockford, Illinois. Then came Dr. G.M. Tyrell, who spent several years here, and moved to Elizabeth, Illinois. Dr. Cottingham moved here when Dr. Tyrell was here, later moving to Kohler, Wisconsin, where he was company doctor for a large manufacturing plant. Dr. G.M. Tyrell again returned to Scales Mound and had a thriving practice in connection with his drug store in the building that burned, on the site where Gessner's Café was located. Dr. R.E. Logan and Dr. Tyrell joined a partnership and had their offices in the same building in connection with the drug store. Later, Dr. Logan left and located in Galena. Dr. Tyrell moved to Freeport, Illinois, and sold his practice to Dr. R.E. Sutton. Dr. Sutton came to Scales Mound during the time of World War I when the "flu" epidemic raged and built up a tremendous practice. He gave all of his skill and strength to a new community. After several years, he decided to locate to Kirkland, Illinois. In 1931, he returned to Scales Mound. Dr. Victor Karpis, fresh out of medical school, set up a practice here for about a year in the Heckelsmiller building, later going to Anna, Illinois, to work in a State Institution. Then came Dr. Boland. He equipped a small hospital in the downstairs apartment, and he and his wife, a trained nurse, cared for many patients. Their living quarters were upstairs. Dr. Boland left and later went into Naval service.



Dr. Perry Rogers house - Sally Saam house. Dr. Rogers was the dentist in Scales Mound. He had a hand-powered drill.



Dr. Perry Rogers & Family

DENTISTS

Dr. P.R. Rogers was a dentist in Scales Mound for many years and was very successful. His office was upstairs in his home. His methods were crude compared to the dentists of today. Dr. Rogers had no running water, and foot that he propelled his drill used in the opening of cavities. He took his own dentures and made all of the dental plates. Infection was unheard of in that day he was kind to young and old. Besides being a fine dentist, he was civic minded taking an active and interested attitude in all affairs of the town. He was mayor for several terms, served as a school director for many years, and was very interested in the education of the youth. He was a faithful churchgoer and a member of the Methodist Church.

VETERINARIAN

George Tyson, a farm boy from Shullsburg, Wisconsin, came here in 1916. He bears the distinction of being the first veterinarian to practice in this village and the last one to pursue that vocation for any length of time. The office was located in the Heckelmiller cottage.

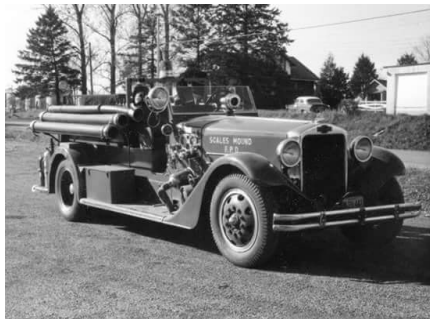
In 1917, "Doc" Tyson was called to serve in the U.S. Army of World War I. Dr. J. W. Roberts, who remained for two years, acquired his practice. After his return from the Army service, "Doc" resumed his rounds of this farming community, continuing until 1928, when he moved to Western United States. George Tyson was referred to as a colorful figure, being quite widely know also for his activity as the first tuba player with the local Arabian Serenader Dance orchestra.

Currently Dr. Tom Hepperly lives in the village and practices in a clinic.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Scales Mound Volunteer Fire Department dates back to 1907, when the first equipment was purchased for the village. This indeed was a crude piece of fire fighting apparatus. It consisted of a 2-wheel cart, a pressure pump and tank. We do not have any stories of heroic deeds from this old time fire department, but no doubt they accomplished what they could with what they had to work with.

In 1929, the need for better equipment was evident. A civic-minded group called on local citizens of the area for donations to purchase a new fire truck



and other necessities. It wasn't long until the response had been great enough to buy a full-equipped new truck. Volunteer firemen manned this, with C.J. Winters as chief. The truck was housed in the small building at the south end of the bridge.

In 1947, the Fire Department decided it should have a more convenient location and better housing. They purchased the corner lot, from the Loretta H. Hicks Estate, and in the fall of that year, they put up a new cement block building. (This was in the location where Mr. Edward S. Bray's store formerly stood. The old store building was purchased and removed by Lloyd V. Berryman.) The new building was made large enough to hold two fire trucks, a tank trailer and still had enough room for the firemen to hold their regular monthly meetings.

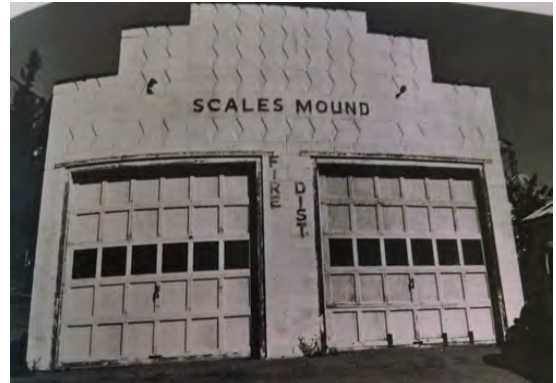
In order to pay for the building, the fireman used their initiative by holding dances and other forms of entertainment to which the public responded graciously.

On August 18, 1949, in order to give better fire protection for more farm and homes, a Fire District was formed. It is now known as the Scales Mound Fire Protection District: Louie Hesselbacher, President; Roy J. Eustice, Secretary-Treasurer; and Walter Bethel, trustee.

The District extended out about 10 miles in three different directions from the village. It covers most of Thompson, all of Scales Mound, Council Hill and part of East Galena and Guilford Township.

The officers include Roy J. Eustice, Chief; Eldon Opie President; and Alden Knuckey, Secretary-Treasurer.

Working with the Volunteer Fire Department a new truck was purchased with a Boyer 500 gallon pumper, a 1600-foot of hose and 300 foot of high-pressure hose. It would be impossible to mention how many dollars the volunteer firemen have contributed. They too are proud of their record, their equipment, and the job they have done. After starting with practically nothing and operating in the red for several years, today the fire department is financially sound and they came about it through their desire to better serve the community in which they live. Scales Mound is justly proud of their Volunteer Fire Department.



The trustees of the district have been: President, Cleland Hickman, Secretary-Treasurer, Cletus Hammer, and Trustee Allan Kruger. There are 35 volunteer firemen in the force and R.A. Hanover served as Chief with Charles Koester Assistant Chief and Pat Ohms Secretary.



Without a doubt, the most noticeable improvement in the Scales Mound Fire Protection District is the new firehouse, which stands at the south edge of town. It was completed in 1974, at an approximate cost of \$128,000 on land, which had been purchased earlier from Charles (Jake) and Mary Leinberger. The building has ample space to

house the modern firefighting equipment, well-furnished kitchen, restrooms and a comfortable meeting room.

The old firehouse, which had been enlarged once in 1965, was sold to Jerry Lopp for a business establishment. A pumper and an emergency vehicle have been added to the equipment through these years.

The Scales Mound Station has 26 volunteers' members.



With the growth of Apple Canyon Lake, it became apparent that to operate efficiently

in that area, additional firehouses should be built there. It was constructed to house a pumper, but soon this building became too small to house the additional modern-day fire equipment, so the station that was located near the Club house was declared to small and would be used for storage for the department, and then a new station was constructed.



Just like Apple Canyon Lake, with the growth of The Galena Territory, it became apparent to

supply service to that part of the district an additional station would have to be constructed. Soon, the trustee decided to construct another station located near the Territory Owner's Club to house a pumper, and training room, but soon this building became too small to house the additional modern day fire equipment since the territory has grown.



The mission statement states:

"It is the mission of the Scales Mound Fire Protection District to protect the lives, property and environment within our community. When we are summoned for any emergency service, all available resources will be used to ensure a professional, rapid and safe response to the citizens. We continue to serve in the Scales Mound Fire Protection District. "

The Scales Mound Fire Protection District houses three Fire Stations and protects approximately 110 square miles. We thank the community in the Scales Mound Fire Protection District for their ongoing support and always-welcome volunteers.

From early records of major fires that the department have handled;

January 27, 1881 – A.P. Ketterer has fire consisting of 1 bed, 1 polister, 1 pillow, 1 quilt, and 1 blanket. The total loss cost about \$12.00.

June 17, 1890 – Newton Smart had barn fire, which was struck by lightening. The total loss cost about \$500.00

January 29, 1900 – The Lutheran Parsonage in Schapville caught fire and entirely consumed. The total loss cost about \$600.00.

January 22, 1917 – Thomas Harwick residence in Guilford was burned, also three bushel of seed cord and two bushel of clover seed. The cost of the seed was \$16.50.

Fire at Scales Mound

Loss is estimated at from \$12,000 to \$15,000

Galena Gazette – One of the most destructive fires which have visited Scales Mound in the history of that village was that of Thursday night when the store and adjoining buildings used as warehouses and occupied by E.J. Martin were totally destroyed, with a loss estimated at close to \$12,000. Shortly after midnight, Roy Moon discovered flames coming out the warehouse adjoining Mr. Martins's store.

The origin of the fire is unknown. The building was owned by the Thomas H. Hocking estate and the contents by Mr. Martin. The latter estimates his at 412,000, with insurance at \$5,000. The building was valued at \$3,000 with an insurance of \$1,500.

Eagle Ridge Fire accidental

January 8, 1992 – When the call came into the Scales Mound Fire Department at 5:53 p.m. it turned out to be the biggest challenge the department has encountered – Eagle Ridge Inn and resort was on fire. Wayne Wienen of the Galena Territory Department directed the firefight until Scales Mound Fire Protection District Fire Chief Carl Winter arrived. Winter immediately called for mutual aid. 33 fire departments and the Galena Area EMT's responded.

One helper not a fireman said, "It was the most amazing and best organized employment of men and machines I have ever seen. One would think they practiced for it every day."

Fire investigators have concluded that the spectacular blaze which gutted part of the Eagle Ridge Inn and Resort was accidental. "The fire probably started behind the massive stone fireplace in the first floor lounge." said Winter. He theorized that radiant heat from the fireplace was transferred to steel "I" beam. That heat had then been transferred to the wood trusses under the floor behind the fireplace. Over the years, the trusses, subjected to intense heat, had probably deteriorated," said Winter.

"On January 8th a fire had been kept going in the fireplace in the lobby of the inn all day. The "I" beam transferred heat to the wood trusses, building the temperature in the wood until it finally ignited," said Winter. "The fire burned for at least one hour with no siting of the fire" said Winter. "No one could see it. It was trapped in the floor and walls and traveled a long way before smoke was finally seen. In fact, there was no siting of the fire until after the fire department arrived."

"When we finally got to the bottom of the debris in the hallway under the fireplace, all we found of those trusses were the nailer plates," said Winter, "Everything else had burned away."

"There was nothing anyone could have done," said Winter. "Staff began looking as soon as they smelled smoke... It was a fire just waiting to happen."



First Responders

The Fire Department has trained some fireman to be First Responders. These men and women go directly to the scene of a call without waiting for the ambulance. They are trained in everything an EMT is but they don't work with ambulance.

They not only respond to calls in village, but in the Territory and Apple Canyon Lake as well, they work with three different ambulance serves, Galena, Warren and Elizabeth.

The original group of firemen to take the training was Steve Koester, Tim Brant, Al Busch, Ron Duerr, Mike Petsche, Bernie Trebian, Leo Werner, Steve Williams, and Carl Winter. Since then several members have taken training to fill the positions of ones wishing to retire.

E.M.T.'S

The first working EMT's in Scales Mound were Marvin and Joanne Schultz. They passed their test in May 1980, after 120 hours of training 3+ hours of recertification every month.

They worked with the Galena Area Emergency Medical Service, which covers Menominee, Galena Council Hill, Scales Mound and Guilford Township, and includes the Galena Territory.

Other working EMT's over the years have been Sheila Winter, Bonnie Wasmund, Mike Oellerich, Tom Beebe, Julie VanRaalte, Dennis Enright, Josh Winter, Karen Kelly, and Ruth Foley.

These EMT's respond directly to the scene of a call without waiting for the ambulance, and work hand in hand with the first responders. The Fire Department has a rescue squad that carried the equipment that the EMTS and first responders can use until the arrival of the ambulance.



People



Ford School 1919 Back Row: William Fiedler, Milton Tressider, John Fleming, Ray Werner, Jack Hibernick, and Doreen. Front Row: Frank Hibernick, David Davis, Charles Pooley, Ray Fiedler, James Pooley, and Marie



On the Steps of Guilford School Front Row: Everett Colin, Bernice Menzemer, Ron Weis, Margaret Wachter, Melvin Ehrler, 2nd Row: LaVerne Ehrler, Lester Wachter, Francis Keleher, _____, Ray Schultz. 3rd Row: LeRoy Wachter, _____, Bob Schultz, Walter Colin,, 4th Row: Ruth Wachter, _____, _____, Teacher Benetta Davis



Terry Schoenhard standing in front of the Ken Frank Home. Behind him is the restaurant and J.C. Winter Plumbing



John Jackson Family



Anton Stephan Jr. Family



Della Cousins-Pooley



Grandma Cousins



Herb & Ruby Hickman



Mel Carr



A.J. Knuckey Family -1913



**About 1910 front porch of the Stone
Boys on top steps: George & James
Allan Middle: Mrs. William Allan
Bottom steps: Les Berryman Lady
on the right Mrs. Margaret Berryman**



**Nicholas Bausman with
grandson Stanley (Spud) Davis**



Louise (Thomas) Berryman at home



**Hank Roberts, Hal Stadel, Frank Sauer, Charles Ohms
Tom Sheean, Don Gantenbein, Leo Schuller, campaigning
for new school in 1946**



**Red Trevarthan, David Wenzel, Ross Hanover, Harriet (Pete)
Vipond -- March 25, 1949**



Louis R. Hammer



Mr. & Mrs. Harley Francomb



Mr. & Mrs. James Hodgin



**Glasgow Family ~ Rear: Merrill,
Foster, Middle: Olive Williams,
Bessie Longhorn, Front: Hattie (Pooley)
Glasgow**



**Hicks Family ~ Laura, William B.
Gladys Leone, Lucille, William W.,
Lola Esther.**



Irene Tippet Jackson



John Berryman Family
Martha Jane, John,
Myrtle, Lloyd V., Bertha Rose



James & Mariah (Hocking) Pooley



Walt & Susan Gummow



John V. Schoenhard Family
Carl, Emma, Ralph, John V.



Dorothy Laity, Mildred Horn
Alberta Sauer, Sally Saam, Helen Stadel



McFadden Sister ~ Maggie Wing,
Alice Poyzer, Eva Schoenhard



Samuel & Hattie (Pooley) Glasgow



Bill, Elmer, & Art Stadel



American Legion Auxiliary
Front Row: L to R: Bea Trevarthan, Wilma Stadel, Betty Schoenhard, Marge Fellenzer. Back Row; L to R: Delores Distler, Anita Sheean, Marcia Saar, and Helen Walter



Ralph Schoenhard Sr.



Anton Stephan & brothers
Anton built the store at Clark & Franklin



Hannah & Herman Stiefel
Brother & sister



Howard Stalion
Telegraph Operator



Membership in the Women's Society 1954
Ila Barnard, Alta Baus, Letha Baus, Gladys Berryman, Mabel Carr, Edna Cline, Marie Colin, Sylva Cousins, Blanche Edge, Florence Edge, Hattie Glasgow, Genevieve Haffele, Laura Hicks, Blanche Holland, Minnie Hughes, Eva Jackson, Hazel Jeffrey, Daisy Knuckey, Marian Lange, Florence Lee, Bessie Longhorn, Mabel Mullen, Dorothy Opie, Dell Pooley, Lizzie Redfearn, Anne Rummell, Tossie Rummell, Viola Steele, Nettie Smart, Sadie Temperly, Flora Trevaarthan, Minnie Trezona, Anita Webster, Eleanor Webster, Ruth Wilcox, & Lucille Williams



Sewing cushions for the Methodist Church 1919



Percy Davis Home



John Smart Home



George Baus Home



City Bulletin Board



Round About Flower Garden



Schapville Zion Lutheran Church



Methodist Church



Council Hill Town Hall



Sorghum Factory on H Muehleip Farm on Pea Ridge Road



Eldon Hesselbacher 1944



Helen Edge-Rehmstedt



John E. Cousins



Roscoe Pooley



Elizabeth Hicks-Hancock & children



Elizabeth Hicks-Hancock



Phillips Family
Rear: Margaret Grindey, Bill Phillips, Kate Williams
Front: Frank Phillips, Mary Ann Pellar, James Phillips



Rube Watson, P.R. Stadel (rear), Bill Wilcox, Henry Perry, and George Hammer



Olive Finkenbinder



Marge Knuckey



Henry and Mary Vipond-Perry



George Wickler



Helen Phelps



Adele Phillips McFadden



Margaret Hick's Home



Left Side of post Standing L-R: Leneta Bell, Joseph Bell, James Allison, Melissa Allison, & Grace Temperly. Sitting Ada Temperly. Children L-R: Clarence Everett, Alice & Melvin. Right side of post L-R: Vickers & Sarah Temperly, Lester Smart, Clifford Smart, Alice Smart, and George Smart. Front L-R: Annie Edge, Leona (Redfearn) Smart, Millie & Thomas Sincocks, and Isaac Edge.



Robert Pooley



Jamie Schueller who won a tractor



Ralph Wenzel



Lavern Ehrler shows his winning Lottery \$100,000



Alberta (Bertie) Sauer & Marcia (Gessner) Saar



1916 4th of July Parade



Lloyd Shorty Rummell 1940



Viola Bausman Davis



Eldon Opie



1993 Township Officials ~ Front Row L-R: Mary Saam, Mary Knuckey, Trustee. Back Row L-R: Cletus Winter, Sup.; Ed Meyer, Wayne Hickman, Trustees; Ernie Schoenhard, Clerk, Road Com. Stewart VanRaalte absent



1993 Village Officials. Front Row L-R: Betty R. Busch, Treas.; Margaret Townsend, Clerk; Marcia Saar, Trustee. Back Row L-R: Mayor Jim Davis; Steve Kieffer, Ralph Schoenhard Jr., Tim Brant, Keith Saam, Marvin Enright, Bill Foley, Trustees. Kieffer newly elected & Enright retiring trustee.



Gary Saam Construction ~ Randy Goodwin, & Gary Saam



New Water Tower & Cable Setup



Michael Winter Family

Schools

Schools in the Jo Daviess County wilderness area were private or subscription schools, using private rooms or parts of private homes as quarters. Citizens of this area are to this day indebted to Nathaniel Pope territorial delegate, for his amendment to the petition for the inclusion of Illinois territory as a state. Principal amendment proposed by Mr. Pope was, first, that the boundary of the new state should be moved to the parallel of 42. (Otherwise we should have become part of Wisconsin); and secondly, more important than the boundary line, to apply the three percent fund from the sale of public lands to educational purposes, rather than to roads as had been the case in Ohio and Indiana.

Pioneer farmers decided to build the first schoolhouse near the state line in 1831.

George Cabbage was engaged as teacher, presiding in a log house within a mud and stick chimney, earthen hearth and fireplace large enough for a 4-foot log. Writing benches, seats and flooring were of wide hewn plank, and greased paper covered window holes.

The next educational building in the area appeared in 1845 at Veta Grande or Blackleg Diggings, as it was known. That settlement had enjoyed larger population in early days due to lead mines, but after the establishment of the Village of Scales Mound in 1853 on the new railroad, urban settlement gravitated to the new town.

Joshua Hawkins was master of the first village school established in 1855. The house in which it was held was of primitive kind, aptly described as a "shanty". During 1855, a new building was built, a brick structure of two story, known as The Brick School House of District Number 1.

As the Village grew out of infancy, population grew also but the founders had foreseen the needs and the first schoolhouse accommodated the increasing number of pupils in a lower department taught first by John Lindsay and an upper department taught by J. W. Wilcox, who was later County Superintendent of Schools. Courses of study included writing, spelling, reading, arithmetic, U.S. History, physiology and physical geography. While high school, as such, was still many years away; philosophy, algebra, botany, and zoology were in the curriculum of the older students.

School buildings then were used for many non-school activities. In 1861, meetings were held, resolution for patriotism adopted and measures inaugurated for enlistment of volunteers to the Union Armies. Income of the district increased in 1882 by a decision to raise the rent of the schoolhouse to the town of Scales Mound from \$10.00 yearly to \$25.00. Apparently some signs of crumbling bricks were discovered for the 1880 the Board voted to notify the members of the martial band to discontinue use of the schoolhouse as a place of practice.

Familiar names among the board members of '70's include George Hoch, John Allan, S.T. Napper and James T. Knuckey. Familiar, too, are school elections and board members duties. In April 1876, an election was held to purchase two additional lots and the motion lost 23 to 22. Three years later, one lot was purchased for \$103.00 on authorization of a vote of the people. The building had to be scrubbed, rooms were whitewash and wood purchased for the two stoves.

Money available for school purposes were few but normal for the time. Receipts in 1881 included school District Tax \$636.00, rent \$10.00 tuition \$4.25, Township Fund \$36.00, and State distributive fund \$179.00. Bills included 10 cords of wood \$33.25, sawing the same, \$7.50; 1 broom 35 cents and 1 axe handle 35 cents. Teacher of upper department had been raised from \$35.00 to \$50.00 monthly and lower department from \$20.00 to \$30.00. In 1882,

thirty new patent seats were purchased for \$150.00.

Teachers were required to build the fires and sweep. According to old contracts stated that "she or he will refrain from all profanity and improper conduct while in pupils' presence, will institute no cruel or unusual punishment and will promptly report to director all scholars guilty of refractory or incorrigibly bad conduct". Intermittent attendance naturally advanced age of some pupils and discipline problems are reflected in Board motion to hire only male teachers. Teachers prepared at Northwestern German-English Normal School at Galena, Illinois.

Progress in education did not bypass this small but lively community for by 1892, the new one and a half story school building was erected on the site of the present grade school. The following year saw the establishment of a high school and in 1896, the first class was graduated. Members of the first class were Edith Stephan Allan, and Josie Edge Vipond, Will Allan, George Allan, Fred Monnier, Fred Lyne and Elsie Kneebone.

The second graduating class in 1898 included Anton Stephan, Ray Stephan, Nina Pooley Adams, Vina Pooley Sawdy, Art Yuoule, Frank Kammer, Manie Hocking, and Olive Moon.

Extra curricular activities of the new high school included sleighing parties, debating club, a quartet and mandolin club. The first annual banquet alumni association, held in 1896, featured the Mandolin Club in its entertainment in the McBride Hotel. All members of the class provided speaking and singing numbers for the thirty-five assembled guests. The toastmaster was Superintendent Clarence Levitt, well known in this area for his work in education.

While population gradually declined with the cessation of mining activities and migration to larger factory centers, this area continued to provide the best possible in educational facilities that could be afforded.

Outlying country districts were actively canvassed for more students and the depression years were weathered satisfactorily, although it became necessary to reduce the number of teachers in the elementary school from 3 to 2.

In 1919, the brick schoolhouse was enlarged to two stories with six rooms, including an assembly room and library. Originally, high school courses were designed primarily as college preparation.

In 1934 typing commercial courses were added, a step in the trend to more practical courses for the majority of students.

A movement to enlarge the high school district proved successful in 1940. District 123 was created comprising the area from Council Hill to Scales Mound and from Schapville to the Wisconsin State line. Directors elected were Roy Winters, Edward Sincock, Louie Hesselbacher, William Travis, and John Krug. The grade school continued as a separate entity, owning the building and occupying two of the first floor rooms. Quarters for the high school were too small for expanding school requirements necessary for state recognition. Districts along the state line were handicapped in taxing power due to closeness of Wisconsin, but when a vote was called was called in May 1946, the district voted the necessary bonds to erect a new building at an estimated cost of \$75,000. However, construction was postponed



because bonds could not be issued until the legality of some of the votes for the district was established.

Use of the township hall as a gymnasium enabled the district to maintain probationary rating as a recognized school. Court approval delayed endlessly until the Supreme Court finally handed down a favorable decision in 1948. New problems arose though as steadily advancing prices now require a larger bond issue in the amount of \$153,000 for the project. Voters again decided favorably in January 1949, an adequate site was obtained and cleared on the southeast edge of the village, and construction was begun May 1950. During 1949 voters of Jo

Daviess County authorized a countywide school survey to determine needs and recommended whatever changes were necessary to provide equal opportunity of education for all pupils. The committee serving without pay with George Trevathan of Scales Mound as chairman did a thorough and exhausting survey, setting up the entire county in community unit districts. Scales Mound was included

with Warren, but before an election was held the Warren area formed its own unit. The survey committee then revised its recommendation to include Scales Mound with Galena and East Dubuque. A favorable vote was recorded here but the proposal lost elsewhere in the proposed unit.

The new gymnasium was available January 1951 for home basketball games, and Scales Mound was the tournament host for its first time in history at the district playoff. The new school was formally dedicated that spring but the classrooms were not moved until the new term in September 1951.

The high school plant surpasses many larger communities' utility and beauty and

represents long and untiring effort on the part of the carious school boards, the P.T.A. and interested citizens. Members of the board on the dedication plaque were Laverne Hesselbacher, Kenneth Hickman, Mrs. Ruth Boettner, Mrs. Mildred Horan, and Lavester Dotzel. Mr. O.S. Barnard, Superintendent since 1947, was in charge of the transfer to the new building and installation of the new home economics and industrial arts departments. Besides the gymnasium the new structure included four classrooms a library and shower rooms as well as ample playground facilities. The entire

Grade School in 1953



"Scales Mound Community High School, built in 1950-51

Courtesy Fred Smart

community was making increasing use of the auditorium and other facilities.

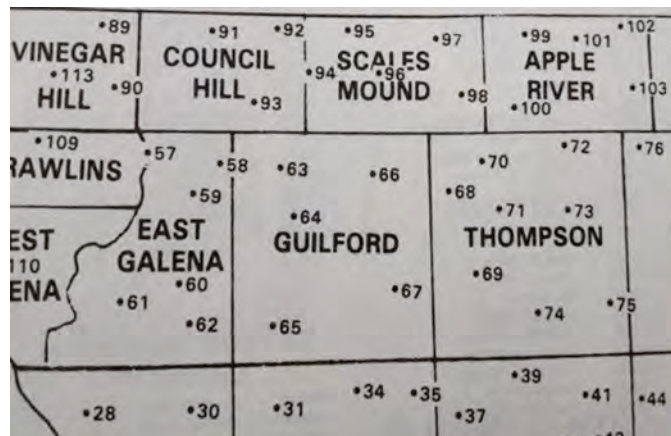
During 1951, three local alumni, Tossie (Edge) Rummell, Mildred Berryman Horan, and Dorothy (Pooley) Opie, conceived the novel idea of soliciting donations from all former alumni teachers and others who attended school here to purchase a stage curtain for the auditorium. Three hundred people, were contacted by mail and a gratifying response of \$600.00 was received, enough to purchase the curtain and apply some to the cyclorama. Subsequently, the senior class voted to complete the purchase of the latter.

The year of 1951 was a busy year, for November 24 found the P.T.A. serving one hundred ninety two guests at the Scales Mound High Alumni Banquet. The three course dinner was followed by a fine program, which, like the 1896 Banquet, featured alumni members, Anton Stephan, Chicago, Illinois, of the class of 1898, was the principal speaker. Special homage was paid to Mrs. Edith (Stephan) Allan of the class of 1896, to Mr. Stephan and Art Youle, Shullsburg, Wisconsin of the class of 1898 and to Mrs. Ruby (Berryman) Youle, Shullsburg, Wisconsin, of the third class of 1900, who were all present.

The old school building houses the grade school, which was partially remodeled in 1952, and a third teacher had been added to the staff in 1951. Board members there were Clarence Schultz, Cleland Hickman, and Leslie Schultz.

Wilma Stadel taught the primary grades since 1953, Mrs. Eula Koehn taught the intermediate grades, and Eldon Opie was principal and teacher of the upper grades. In the high school, Mr. O.S. Barnard was the superintendent and teacher of commercial subjects. Fred Smart was science teacher and coach, Carolyn Osborne was teacher of English, Jean Linden was home economics, and Walter Weiss was in charge of industrial arts departments. Lloyd Rummell was a custodian. Although consolidation was the order in some areas, the rural vicinity continued to be served by the Tresidder, Veta Grande, Schoenhard, Schapville, Thompson Center, Pea Ridge, Council Hill and Keenan Schools.

These country school districts made up the now Scales Mound School District:



District #	Country School Name	Location
58	Miner	6961 W Miner Road
63	Ford	4752 W Stagecoach Trail
64	Taylor	4075 W Guilford Road
66	Schoenhard	4457 Elizabeth---SM Road
68	Keenan	Hammer Road
69	Schapville	1352 Schapville Road
70	Pea Ridge	5000 Pea Ridge Road
71	Thompson/Prosperous Ridge	Corner of Pea Ridge & Brant Road
91	Council Hill	6793 N Hill Road
92	Travis	4712 W East Road
93	Lupton/Council Hill Station	6707 W Council Hill Road
94	Mt. Zion	3427 Council Hill & 1803 N Culvert Road
95	Veta Grande/Black Leg Diggings	9070 Veta Grande Road
96	City School	311 Provost Ave
97	Mt. Pleasant or Tresidder	Across from 8498 W Charles Mound Road
98	Carr	West of 1799 E Stagecoach Trail

Some of the Country School



Schoenhard School



Mt Zion School



Mt. Pleasant School

No account of school history would be complete without recounting the trails of Joe Atkinson, janitor. One dark Halloween night, some of the more enterprising young bloods were successful in stabling John Cousin's cow – on the second floor of the old school building. To add to Joe's woes, the next morning, the cow stubbornly refused to descend the same steps that she had apparently willingly ascended. After all manner of threats and persuasion had proved futile, the cow's troubles were removed finally by planking the stairs; Joe's troubles were removed finally.

It has often been said that the school system in a small town is the hub of the community. This has indeed been proven in our community. The new high school, which was completed in 1950, was to have been an answer to all the wants and needs. However, in 1953, the country schools districts of Miner and Taylor petitioned for annexation of the district and became a part of the system after favorable election.

Money was always a problem and a feasibility study was begun in 1956 to study the advantages of combining high school and grade school districts into a unit district. After many hours of study by the two wards, and a group of dedicated school patrons, public meetings were held to explain the advantages of becoming a unit district with one tax base. Elections were held May 16, 1959, in both districts with 200 favorable votes and 11 no votes cast for the establishment of this district. The first elected board of the newly formed district was Ernest Schoenhard, president; Mildred Horan, secretary; Cletus Hammer, Glen Hesselbacher, William Huilman, David Knuckey, and Lyle Skaggs were board members.

Immediately, plans began to add additional space to the building. With much help from the building and curriculum consultants from the state office of education and architect Paul Rossiter a plans were made to add four grade school rooms, two high school classrooms, a Library, a study hall, executive offices and additional toilet facilities. The addition was completed in 1960, and grades six through eight moved from the old school. Ten years later, in 1970, another addition to house a kindergarten through fourth grade was completed the first edition and also provided a learning center for all grades where the students could go for individual help and steady. It also included a large music room. In 1972, the cafeteria was added and noon lunches are available for students and teachers. Mrs. Roger Bush was engaged as chief cook with Mrs. William Knuckey as her assistant.

The 1960s saw the end of the year of country school. Students began to be bused to Scales Mound. A touch of nostalgia can be found throughout the community when any of the schools are named: Mt Zion, Guilford Schapville, Thompson Center, Pea Ridge Mt. Pleasant Miner, Council Hill and Veta Grande. The buildings were sold at auction and are used or different purposes.

In 1971, the old Scales Mound grade school building was sold to Eldon Hesselbacher and Charles Davis who in turn sold it to Hare enterprises, Richard "Dick" & Jane Piper, and Marv Schultz.

Educational programs have constantly been enlarged. Kindergarten classes were starting in 1965 Betty Hanover was the teacher. Industrial arts and vocational agriculture students were bused to Galena for some years with the two districts sharing the cost of the programs. Then, Larry Elliott and Larry Lomax were hired to teach these classes in Scales Mound. The district also joined the Highland Community College District and many students could further their education there. In 1970, the Vocational Technical Center was built near Elizabeth with the Jo Daviess county schools and Savanna cooperating. Many junior and senior students are bus there daily for classes. In 1974, after a successful referendum, the district entered into an agreement with the vocational tech center for students to build a

house in Scales Mound that would be used as living quarters for the superintendent. Following the completion of the house in 1976, five hundred people attended an open house. The house was sold and used as a private residence.

Scales Mound has been fortunate to have excellent people as custodian maintenance staff. They include Lloyd "Shorty" Rommell, Ralph Schoenhard Sr., Leslie Schultz and Mernice and Bernice Dole, Herb Bates, George Chevalier, Mark Douglas, Bob Bussan, Don Dickinson, Jim Glasker, Pat Ohms, Al Bilgri, Jodi Winslow, Brian Bussan, John Hesselbacher, Dave Hoftender, and Brendan Werner. Much to the delight of the entire sports minded community a county basketball tournament was hosted here soon after the gym was built. Card parties, breakfast, suppers and athletic banquet were held in the gym and cafeteria.

Betty Schoenhard was the first full-time secretary employed by the school district serving from 1958-1968. Betty J. Busch Secretary followed her. Shirley Dexter, Gail Cording were the assistant secretary. Others who have been employed in the office were Pattie Wade, Barb Travis, Judy Koester, Tammy Hesselbacher, Diane Olson, Rhonda Pokoj, Karen Hesselbacher, and Ruth Foley.



Superintendent serving the district include O.S. Bernard, Eugene Holmes, Lee Amons, Richard Hennegan, Ralph Layman, Bob McCoy, Russell Ward, Tom Barber, Robert Busher, Joe Ross, Gary Koepitske, Lawrence Cherry, Kent Hammer, Fred Sams, Ken Schablowsky, Darrell Brown, Dee Wiley, Gordon Appel, Barbara Sloan, Laura Nelson, Steve Bianchetta, and William Caron. Principals that have served the district are John Engels, John Rogers, Richard Johnson, Larry Limmel, Michael Hesse, Charles Aubrey, Wilson Ford, Dan Cekay, Richard Crandall, Ron Armstrong, Kevin Holland, and Matt Wiederholt.

The PTA was very active and provided much-needed equipment for the home economics room, some scholarships for students, and held monthly meetings. As interest waned, however, in the group it was disbanded. In 1977, a group of parents and teachers formed the parent-teacher organization PTO. Meetings were held several times a year. During the first year, the group worked and was able to give the school a slide projector and playground balls. In 1970, the officers were JoAnn Williams, president; Sandra Stienstra, vice president; Sharon Webster, secretary; Jeanette Wienen, treasurer.

The first buses were used in 1956 and the drivers were Marian Davis, Margaret Hesselbacher, Margaret Wachter and Verle Stadel. The number of buses have increased and so the drivers also increased; Patricia Dittmar, Clarence Grindey, Verle

Stadel, Jerry Stadel, Myra Cording, Dona Baus, James Hanson, Chuckie Davis, C. Eversoll, William Knuckey, Rev. Larson, Charles Koester, Bud Nesbitt, Crystal Stadel, William Knuckey Mary Jane Stadel, Don Stoewer, Vernon Redfearn, Barbara Turpin, Mary Ann Ohms, Jane Stadel, Carol Smart, Eva Koehn, Ed Meyer, Sharon Doser, Myrna VandeDrink, Al Bilgri, Tom Harvey, Roger Busch, Larry O'Reilly, Terry Schoenahard, Bev Koester, Charlie Koester, John Hesselbacher, John Duerr, Dave Hoftender, and Leo Werner.

Growth of the district can be measured in many ways over the years. In 1953, there were five high school and eight grade school teachers plus the superintendent. In 1978, the faculty consist of 12 high school teachers, 10 grade school teachers and several teacher's aides, a principal and Superintendent. In 2015, there is 29 teachers, 6 teacher's aides, a principal, and a Superintendent. The budget in 1953 or the high school District alone was \$25,000. In 1978 the total budget for the unit district was \$525,314. The enrollment was 315 students. Board members were Lee Anderson Pres. Charles Collin, Willis Hammer Jr. David Lange Keith Saam, Daniel Schamper, and Helen Stadel. The district budget in 2015 was \$4,617,689. Board members are Paul Homb, Jim Stoewer, Staci Duerr, Jeff Bader, Dave Howland, Laura Duerr, and Jennifer Vandigo. The late 70s threw the 80s were difficult times for school districts. The bottom fell out of the land market and assessments declined. District 211 knew they had to tighten their belt and hold on. Under the guidance of Superintendent Larry Cherry, the Board of Education, staff and personnel worked together to hold the line on spending, and still maintained a quality program for the students.

Repairs were made to the building for better heating efficiency. Staff agreed to a salary freeze for two years. The Superintendent offered his services as a substitute teacher. There were no new buses ordered for a two-year period. Several elementary classes were combined to assign one and a half classes per teacher. This eliminated teaching positions, resulting in a substantial savings. This was a necessary but unpopular decision. The District also did not use the services of the Vo-tech Center in Elizabeth for one year.

A very active Booster Club was organized to maintain the athletic program. All expenses, except salaries, were paid by this organization until the district could financially support the sports program again.

The growth of Apple Canyon Lake and The Galena Territory helped substantially increase the assessed evaluation of District 211. The School Board and administration began to see the light at the end of the tunnel. The financial situation of the district was beginning to stabilize. Board members during this time were George Anderson, Susie Davis, Greg Jones, Bob Wachter, Jon Davis, Judy Winter, and Gary Cording.

The elementary school celebrated its centennial year in 1993. In 1992, Scales Mound joined with other schools in Carroll-Jo Daviess Counties in creating the Regional Superintendent's Testing Program for local scoring of standardized tests. With the program's creation, Scales Mound School switched from the Iowa Test of Basic Skills to the Standard achievement Test as the local assessment instrument. After several unsuccessful attempts to join, Scales Mound finally was made a member of the Northern Illinois Library System in 1992.

In 1992, the School District applied for regional accreditation through the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. During the 1992-93 school year, the school underwent a successful evaluation by the NCA and achieved full membership status and accreditation. Among the outcomes of this process was the development of several short

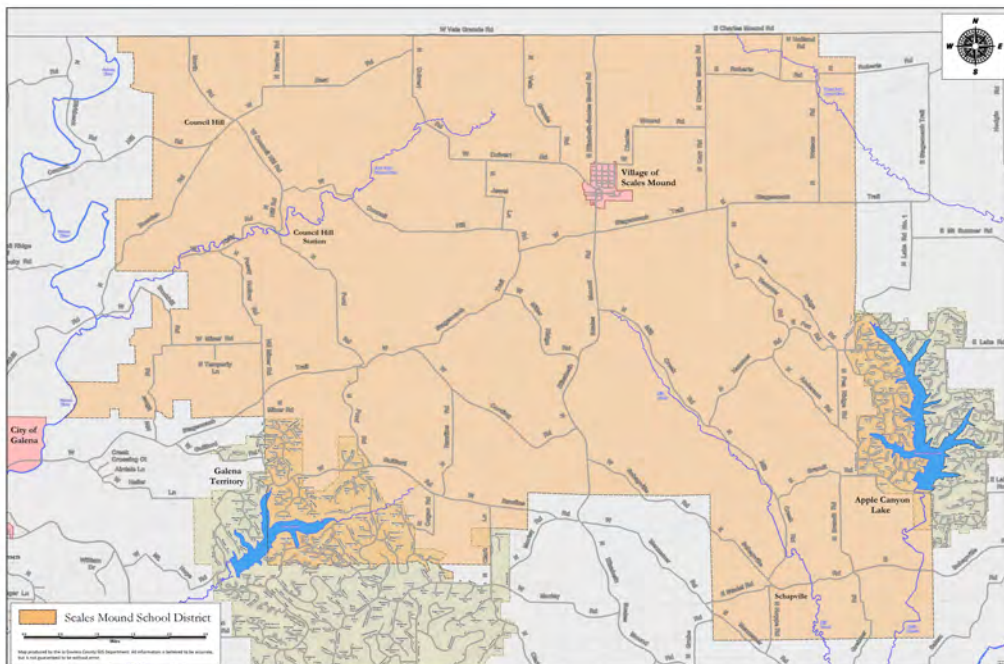
and long-term goals for school improvement. In 1992, James Gephart, the son of Jim and Carolyn Gephart, advanced to the National Spelling Bee held in Washington D.C. Kim Meyer, the daughter of Joel and Mary Meyer, was the second one to go to the National Spelling Bee.

Despite the many changes and improvements at Scales Mound School there was still uncertainty about its future. The current State of Illinois formula for funding school districts places the major financial burden for funding schools on local taxpayers. As the cost of operating the Scales Mound School District continues to increase, dependence on the local property taxes as the chief revenue source will force the district to seek a tax rate increase – an unpopular idea in these times, since the bottom fell out of the land market and assessments declined, again. There are many challenges facing Scales Mound School in the next decade.



Community awareness of the needs of the school and public involvement will be necessary for survival. For the past four decades the Scales Mound School has been evolving into an effective educational program for students. The challenge for residents of the school district will be to prevent erosion of the programs and provide sufficient funding for the program to continue.

This exceptional combination has resulted in a student body that has excelled in citizenship, academics and co-curricular activities. Scales Mound Schools is committed to help all students reach his or her full potential, as the future of our community and nation hinges on our children becoming well-educated and responsible citizens.



Map of the School District

Parent Teacher Association

The first P.T.A. was organized in 1921 while M.E. Broom was principal. The first officers elected were: president -Mrs. William Allan; vice president –Mrs. Margaret Berryman; secretary-treasurer – Rev. H.A. Sinning. The first year they put on two plays, proceeds from which were used to purchase a merry-go-round, a slide, a flag pole, and flag, pictures for the lower grade rooms and gravel for over the school grounds.

In 1930, due to lack of interest, the organization was discontinued. However, in 1934, Supt. R.F. Hoke called a meeting of interested people and a new group was organized. In 1938, the P.T.A. sponsored a recreation center for young people, and the following year a library, was established. The P.T.A. took care of local expenses and the W.P.A. hired Mrs. Eula Koehn as librarian.

Each year the organization contributed something educational for the use of the pupils. A service flag was purchased and dedicated in honor of the boys who served in World War II. In 1946, the passage of bond issue for building a new school building was the project. The P.T.A. paid the expense of publicity.

In 1947, a movie projector was purchased. The businessmen purchased roller skates, and the P.T.A. successfully operated a skating rink in the Town Hall for two years. When the new school was built, the P.T.A. purchased a flagpole, dishes and silverware for the Home Economics department, 200 chairs for the gym, and a filmstrip projector. On November 24, 1951, the P.T.A. sponsored an alumni banquet, at which 192 people were served a three course dinner in the new gym.

The officers of the association were Mrs. Dorothy Opie, president; Mrs. Marie Collins, vice president; Mrs. Mildred Hammer, Secretary; and Mrs. Marian Davis, Treasurer.

The Officers that took over their new duties in the fall were Mrs. Celia Hickman, President; and Mrs. Ruby Schultz, Treasurer. The officers of vice-president and secretary hold over another year.

Through the years, many parents have served the P.T.A. faithfully and much credit should be given to all past presidents and their co-workers for the good work accomplished.

The P.T.O continues to support the school district by contributed something educational for the use of the pupils. Their main fund raising source is the concession stands that are manned at all the school athletic events.

SPORTS AND RECREATION

Referring to the 1900 era, the old hands claim that a first rate team could be fielded in Scales Mound for any game then in vogue. The area had outstanding performers; enough of them to put fear in the hearts of many big town teams. Football, unknown here, was a favorite and played with such spirit and skill by those teams as Platteville College, Warren and many others left the field on the short end of the score. George McBride, Will Edge, and Harold Phelps were some the regulars on that first and last squad.

Scales Mound was a big basketball rooter at the new gym, and possibly part of their enthusiasm can beat the early foothold the game found here back in 1899. The High School did not take up the game until about 1910, but most of the towns in the area had "Town Teams." As Scales Mound was one of the pioneers, the 1899 team had to travel as far as Epworth, Iowa, to play the Epworth Seminary and to Platteville, Wisconsin, to engage the Platteville College. Games also were exchanged with two Freeport teams, as well as with Warren and Nora in this county.

Travel was by train, the team stayed overnight and bunked as many as four in a bed if finances were low. Home games were played in Allan's Hall. Some games also were played in the Woodman Hall. Nora was reported particularly hard to defeat, as part of their strategy was an uncanny ability to bank the ball off the ceiling. Play at that time was described as rough. Officials consisted of an umpire and a referee.

Local members of that first championship team were Frank Kammer and Bub Edge at guard, Charles Monnier and Art Youle at forward, and Harold Phelps at center. The latter was an all around athlete, starring in football and baseball too. Ed Stephens and R. R. Pooley were substitutes and doubled as umpire as times.

The first team continued for some ten years, after which came a succession of town basketball teams. Most famous of the later groups was the Rainbow Oiler five, managed by that well-known sports promoter, Francis Holland. Few out-of-school teams were active in the county since the Oilers dissolved in the early thirties. In 1915, a championship of Jo Daviess County was won under gaslights at Allan Hall. Members of that team were Earl Rummel, George Trevathan, Edgar Johnson, Delbert Hicks, and Milton Rittweger.

Interest in high school basketball had gradually grown with regular conference schedules and tournament play. Enthusiasm had quickened, particularly since 1951, when the team was able to move from the Town Hall to the new gymnasium. Back in 1947, Scales Mound High School transferred its athletic program from the Grant Conference of Jo Daviess County to the Blackhawk Conference of southern Wisconsin. The move was made to match the teams with more towns of similar size. However, the local team did return each year to Illinois to become a formidable opponent in tournaments. The 1951-52 season was outstanding with Scales Mound winning its one and only conference title as well as second place in an invitational tournament of much larger schools. Carlton Rittweger and Bob Koehn were standouts on that team, the latter setting a new record for points in the Mt. Carroll Tournament.



Championship High School Basketball Team of 1952. Top Row: L-R Charles Harwick, Bernard Mullen, Foster Glasgow, Fred Lovesee, Bill Brickner, Melvin Keleher, Coach Fred Smart. Center Row: L-R LaVerne Buske, Vernon Willis, Bob Koehn, Carlton Rittweger, Charles Davis, Orrin Smith, Bottom Row: L-R Lavern Hesselbacher, Bob Smart, David Radke, Edward Dotzel

Baseball the great American game found an early following in Scales Mound, the first team appeared in 1890, and was described as second to none in Northwest Illinois and southern Wisconsin. In fact, so confident were those early stalwarts that they were able to take on a \$500 side bet from one encounter. Some of the nine included Will Allan, Harold Phelps, William Lowery and William (Buck) Wickler. The latter was referred to as a picture of big league caliber in any year of the game.

After 1900, baseball continued to be a popular locally fielding with such players as C.L. Walton, Walter Jeffrey and William Edge. Will held the record for one of the longest ball hits at the Platteville Park for many years. Interest here reached the peak in the late 20s in the Wisconsin-Illinois League. Large crowds regularly attended and rivalry was



1930 Northwestern Illinois League
Championship team

intense. The championship team of the 1930 managed by R.R. Pooley included Heck Watson, Ted Bray, Charles Rowe, Sam Peacock, John Fellenzer and Doc O'Flattery.

Scales Mound High School played a regular scheduled baseball games in the Wisconsin Blackhawk Conference, but the squad was usually small and season short. The team was managed by Clarence Lange and maintained a favorable record in the southern Wisconsin. The team was worthy of more

interest than was generally shown but there were so many more competing summer entertainments than there were in the earlier years that it is difficult to draw a very large following.

In the field of individual sport, the village has always had a good share of enthusiasm. By 1900, a tennis court was maintained in the Village Park just south of the bandstand. Golf had some followers on Galena and Dubuque courses, and at one time, a miniature golf course was maintained here. Fishing and hunting remained perennial favorites, however. Every spring people could find hundreds of poles in the Jo Daviess streams angling for sucker, bass and trout. Fishing and hunting camps were operated on the Mississippi by some of our residents.

Every fall brings an army of small game and bird hunters, but interest in the latter declined. Ring-necked pheasant were planted around 1934 and reached a peak in the late 1930s. Heavy hunting, poor cover, and foxes doomed that wily bird to the fate of the prairie chicken that roams the area in great numbers.

Trapshooting was quite popular hear about 1900. The shooting range was located just south of the school building; received steady patronage, and a club usually climaxed the season with an individual turkey shoot. Shotgun shells sold for \$0.45 a box and such sharpshooters as Will Lowry, Ed Martin, R. R. Pooley and P. R. Stadel could hold their own with the best of them. The Sportsmans Club built a new trap in 1950, but enthusiasm waned, possibly due to high ammunition prices, and the trap became inactive.

Although present day teams fail to match the early ones, or the memory of the early ones, outstanding athletes have regularly been produced. School athletics and recreation programs now are much more varied, and training of both boys and girls is aimed at fuller and richer adult life.

In passing, from Scales Mound's sports career, it may be fitting to note that this area was the source of the material for one so-called sport that provided excitement for thousands throughout the country. Charley Martin raised fighting roosters, said to be one of

the best strains available anywhere, which were shipped throughout 46 states. That sport was unlawful in Illinois, but it was reported probable that an occasional test match may have been arranged to try the product.

This would seem like everything else has made some changes over the past few years. No longer do we have the ball teams that became so famous in the 1930s. These have given way to the softball teams and softball leagues that are numerous throughout the area.

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Scales Mound had softball teams like the Lions Club with Bob Webster as manager; Northside Tap with Don Stoewer as manager; Jerry's Body Shop also sponsors a league team and then there was the beer team,



just a bunch of young guys out for a good time, and everyone was the manager. Ken's Shell Station sponsors a girls' softball team with Larry Ohms and Chuck Grindey as manager. The Association also hosts numerous leagues, T-ball, boys & girls' little league, men's league, horseshoe and volleyball leagues, and they host several tournaments for softball, volleyball and horseshoes. This park also is used by the high school for their softball team, which is coop with River Ridge, Illinois.

The biggest following was a Scales Mound High School Basketball Team, and every home game was a sellout in the enthusiasm for the home team. Although Scales Mound is one of the smaller schools in the Illinois Up-State Conference, our teams have had a winning conference record and always a threat to bump off any of the bigger schools. The school athletic program also includes girls' volleyball, softball, and basketball teams with league schedules.

Bowling, too, had become popular over the years. Six local teams were bowling in the league in Galena.

They were sponsored by the following businesses; State Bank of Scales Mound, Saam's Service Station, Village Hardware, House of Beauty, Doyle Feed and Seed, and Lad and Lassie Saloon. Golf has become a popular recreation in the past few



Rear: Herb Hickman, Don Paquette, Jim Williams, Glen Hughes, Kenneth Hickman, Teacher Fritz Maybee, Front: John Fellenzer, Tom Sheaan, Clarke Rowe, Henry Fellenzer, & Vernon Hughes

years. Several of our local people can be found on the golf courses around the area on weekends as well as most any evenings when they can take advantage of daylight savings time. Golf courses are as near as Galena, Apple Canyon Lake and Eagle Ridge at Galena Territory.

With the newly formed Gun Club, the interest in trapshooting is running high and Scales Mound again. Deer hunting has taken over for pheasants, which was once the popular fall prey. Each fall, it is a struggle for local hunters to get their deer license because only a limited number are issued by the state. Jo Daviess County has had the highest deer killed in the state several times in the past few years. Boating is another sport that has picked up momentum in the past few years.

Excellent boating can be found at Apple Canyon Lake, Galena Territory and on the Mississippi River. All of these places offer good fishing, and ice fishing is popular on the river backwaters in the winter.

Our school, as we mentioned before being small, does not have a football or baseball team but does co-op with Benton, Wisconsin for football and River Ridge, IL for baseball. Also, girls' basketball and softball is co-op with River Ridge, Illinois, and the school has added track and field, which is co-op with Benton and Shullsburg, Wisconsin.

On January 24, 1992, Scales Mound High School honored 20 all-time best basketball players to have graduated. The top twenty were Byran Brickner 1983 graduate; Todd Crow 1985 graduate; Julie Davis-Schmitt 1980 graduate; Paula Davis-Crane 1987 graduate; Sharon Davis-Winter 1982 graduate; Susanne Davis 1981 graduate; Kevin Duerr 1987 graduate; Clem Grant 1959 graduate; Bob Hickman 1967 graduate; Bob Koehn 1952 graduate; Bill Laity 1971 graduate; Dick Laity 1963 graduate; Curt Oellerich 1984 graduate; Brian Schoenhardt 1976 graduate; Orrin Smith 1955 graduate; Jim Vondran 1979 graduate; Bob Webster 1963 graduate; Larry Werner 1974 graduate; Cleland Winter 1959 graduate; and Doug Winter 1985 graduate.



From L-R: Back Row Todd Crow, Bob Hickman, Bill Laity, Larry Werner, Curt Oellerich, Doug Winter Middle Row: Bob Webster, Cleland Winter, Suzanne Davis Front Row: Dick Laity, Clem Grant, Sharon Winter, Kevin Duerr, Paula Davis, Julie Schmitt. Missing from the picture Jim Vondran, Brian Schoenhardt, and Orrin Smith

After the 1952 high school championship team, there was nothing until the boys success started in 1984 with winning of regionals and then five years later, in 1989, they return to the title game again and brought the hardware back to the mound.



But it would be twenty years before the hardware would return to the mound. But it was followed again in 2009, 2010 and 2012.



escort home, were driven around the city on a fire truck and then attended an impromptu pep rally at the high school when all the fans congregated there after the game. The team beat Springfield Lutheran with scores of 16-25; 25-21; 25-17. Then, in the championship game, they faced Heyworth and lost in close 3rd game with scores of 25-22; 18-25; 24-26.



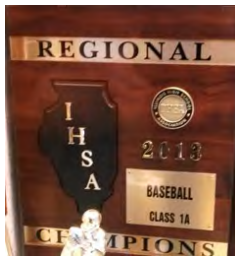
Then, that same year, the River Ridge-Scales Mound Girls' basketball team also was vying for the state championship. The RRSM Girls' faced Hinckley Big Rock in the super sectional and won 43-28; then on to state in the semifinals they faced Colfax and won 58-48; then faced Winchester for the state championship losing in a very close game 26-29.



The Girls team was regional champs again in 2013, but lost in first round of sectionals.



The boys' baseball team which co-op with River Ridge were regional and sectional champions in 2013.



The high school track was very successful with trips to the State of Wisconsin finals in 2012, 2013, 2014, and 2015.



In 1992, Scales Mound did not field a girls' softball team, and Brooke Gartner and Valerie Wachter had no other option. The boys' baseball team only had nine members, so these two girls were welcome to the team. On opening day, Gartner started at 2nd base. However, they could not play if the team made post season per the IHSA.



The first regional title for the Girls' Athletic Program came in East Dubuque, Illinois, in May 2009, with the SMRR softball taking on Pearl City. SMRR came out behind their ace on the mound Darcy Steffes, and she was backup by clinch hitting of Carlene DeCoster, Alex Korte, Nicole Winter and Whitney Kieffer. They advanced to the Eastland Sectional to face Dakota,



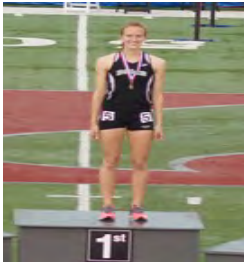
and lost in the seventh inning to a close call at the plate.

Then in 2010, Scales Mound was vying to become the smallest school in state history to win an IHSA Girls Volleyball state title. The school's official enrollment was 71 students in the building for 2010-11, Stewardson-Strasburg holds

the current mark, as the 1986 Class A champ had an enrollment of 135. Not only was this the first IHSA state final trip for any Scales Mound sports team, no team from the school had ever won a Sectional contest until this year. Prior to this year, the Hornets had won five total Regional titles, four in boys' basketball, and one in softball. The team was lead by senior middle hitter Whitney Kieffer, who had 404 kills and was being recruited by Division II schools to play basketball next year. The Hornets, after defeating two-time defending state champion Eastland, in the Sectional Final, received a police



Then the high school track team also experienced state finals in 2014, with Brittany Davis winning a state title in the 400 and 800 meter, Katie Kruger placed fifth in state, and the team of Abigail Davis, Sonja Townsend, and Brittany Davis placed fifth in state for the 1600 meter relay. And in 2015, Brittany again won the state title in the 400 meter.

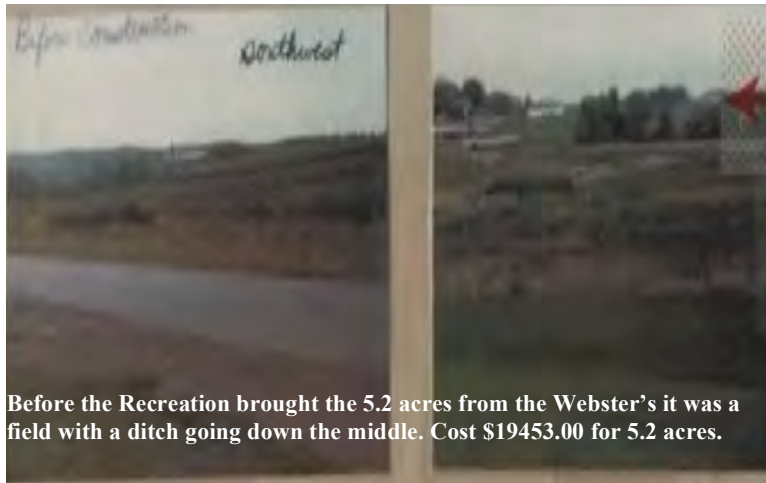


And as anyone who walks in the hallway outside the gyms at the school can see, the trophy cases are overflowing with trophies. Scales Mound may be small, but they are very mighty in all areas, not just sports the school has had several state finalist in WYSE team (Worldwide Youth Science Engineering). In fact, if you enter the gym you will see the banner for all the areas that this team has won. Awards also have been won the student participating in competition for the Tech Trek, which students have won design, manufacturing, and sales.



SMRA (Scales Mound Recreation Association)

"Build it they will come"



The year was 1981, a group of citizens from the community saw the need to have a recreation area. Spear headed by Ken Frank, this group met and organized the Scales Mound Recreation Association. Years have come and gone and what use to be a swamp at the edge of town, now it is a gathering place for people of all ages. But even after the weather had pushed everyone inside, this association worked to organize fish fries, and brunches to help

fund this project.

They wanted to provide an area that would be for every one of all ages to play, so they graded and seeded the field. Then three later years on September 9, 1984, the first games were played at High Point Park.

The group raised money to obtain the land from the Webster Family. The Davis Family of Davis Farm Supply held a 30-team tournament and raised \$3,000, which the group used as seeded money. This group also held card parties, fish fries, dances, and brunches. From 1981 to 1983, the SMRA raised \$20,000 and the 5.2 acres of land (swamp) was purchased from the Webster Family.

The actual work began in October of 1983, a local contractor Gary Saam did some of the groundwork, but local farmers using their own farm tractors did most of the work. High Point Park, as it is known today, could not have been created without all the volunteer help.

Not only did it take a community effort to build the new ballpark, it took a "community" effort to come up with the ballpark's name and logo. Providing this effort was Ken Hickman, who came up with the name; and Sharon Meyer and Linda Hickman, who drew the logo.



donated by Mrs. Lyle Cousins-Simmons, replaced the tent. In the summer of 1985, the pavilion was added, July 1988, the bathrooms was added, June 1989, lights were added just like

Wrigley, Spring of 1991, the concession stand, Summer 1991, the volleyball courts, July 2000, the small playground equipment, July 2001, the large playground equipment, September 2004, the basketball courts, and in Spring 2006 family restrooms, horseshoe pits, and batting cage. The association purchased additional land also over the years.

Members of the SMRA continues to spear head the drive for funds, and even though the board members have changed over the years, many families have had two generations serving on the board. Out of this association SMASH – Scales Mound Area Sports Headquarters was formed, which again was started by a group of citizens who wanted an organization designed to foster and promote youth sports in the Scales Mound area and support Hornet athletic teams with off-season leagues and tournaments.

The amount of money this association has saved the people of Scales Mound is unbelievable, by time saved in tax dollars maintaining a park like this, by having a place for the youth to have recreational things, and families having time to spend with each other instead of driving to neighboring communities to seek recreation. This park also provides people from neighboring communities to come to our village, which in turn pays off to our businesses.

In 2006, the Village Board nominated SMRA for the Governor's Home Town Award in



their nomination, the board stated that *"Scales Mound may not be the largest village in the State of Illinois, but no one can say we don't have a large hear. When someone is in need or something needs getting done... the community pitches in and accomplishes the task. This is not truer when in 1981 a group of citizens from the community saw the need to have a recreation area."*

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Duerr, Ron Doser, and Susie Vondran. However this group had many citizens donating their time and talents to this project over the years.



Past & Present Board Members

Original Davis Farm Supply Team that had the first over 30 tournament in 1981 and donated \$3,000.00



CHARLES MOUND

Charles Mound, an elevation of land 1241 feet above sea level, was determined by US Geological survey to be the highest in the state of Illinois is located in Jo Daviess, the Northwestern County of the state, about 2 ½ miles northwest of the village of Scales Mound and 1/4 mile South of the Illinois-Wisconsin state line.



From the surrounding terrain, this mound rises rather abruptly to the altitude of about 80 feet, is about 1/4 mile in length and measures about 150 feet across its flat top.

Due to its location in the “driftless area” that is the small area in southwest Wisconsin and northwest Illinois, that it was not visited by the glaciers. It is believed, by many people that Charles Mound may be the accomplishment of the mountain building Indians, who it has been proven by excavations in nearby areas build mounds of this type for the purpose of burial or worship. In the confirmation, it resembles a double crested or possibly a serpent mound and its surface is a composition of a shale flint rock and mixed soil might indicate that it is the result of a human plan and effort. In size, formation and structure, there is a decided similarity to the largest of the Cahokia group of mounds in southern Illinois, which have been proven to be of mound builder origin.



In 1828, the second permanent white settlers came to this locality from Pennsylvania. The Elijah Charles family established their home, a house built of logs at the base of the mound, was thereafter known as Charles Mound. The Charles', being a Christian family, opened their home in 1831 as a meeting place for the first church services for the community with the Rev. Thomas of New Diggings, to preach.

During these years, the settlement of the early 1800's marauded bands of sac and fox Indians under the leadership of Chief Blackhawk because of much anxiety and fear that a block house was built on Charles Mound for the protection against these attacks. They were so frequent and surprising that five families in the vicinity had to take refuge in the fort for an entire summer; no crops could be planted that season. Although there is no count of casualties from these attacks, arrowheads have been found here, sustaining the occurrence of such assaults.

The stagecoach road that ran adjacent to the base of the mound, at that time, was a connecting link between Wisconsin settlements and the Sucker Trail, later known as the Chicago Galena stagecoach line, which was ¼ mile south of the present village of Scales Mound.



View from the top of Charles Mound

In 1848, Mr. Richard H Magoon secured from the US Government, by land grant, the track of land of which Charles Mound is a part. In the third transfer of this parcel of land by sale, it came into the ownership of Seth and Elizabeth Glanville, who had previously come to America from England where Mr. Glanville had been engaged in mining. When the call of the “Gold in California” arose in 1949, Mr. Glanville, being a man of strong ambition an adventurous spirit, traveled through by oxen to try his hand at finding gold.

After eight years in California, he returned and later purchased the farm where Charles Mound is located, and where the family home was ecstatic list. The log house, previously built by the Charles, family was used for a few years, but was then replaced by a frame dwelling.

Scores of tourists and sightseers are attracted to Charles Mound by its scenic beauty and historic interest. Accessible by car, as well as on foot, its summit offers and unsurpassed panoramic view into three states Illinois, Iowa, and Wisconsin, disposing such interesting scenes as Galena; lead mines of the southern Wisconsin and northern Illinois; convent of the Dominican sisters at Sinsinawa; distant mounds of Platteville Belmont, Sinsinawa, and Blue Mounds in Wisconsin, Sherrill Mound in Iowa; and the beautiful hills and valleys of northwest Illinois.



In its own scenic beauty, Charles Mound is a delight to all visitors. The rest for green wood land at its base with clear cool spring water available nearby offers an ideal spot for picnics. To be a top this vantage point at dawn and see a glorious sunrise affords an inspirational for a new days beginning. And evening are no less beautiful, the sunset and in all its magnificence, leaving a feeling of serene tranquility and reverence. In the calm and quiet of the night, as the moon and stars shed their soft celestial illumination over the scenic landscape, the twinkling lights from surrounding towns in mines seem as hundreds of terrestrial stars. As a season pass is in review, Charles Mound presents the scenes as nature paints their ideal subjects where an artist's brush.

Although privately owned by the family of Wuebbels, it is marked on the state road maps and attracts tourists from all parts of our own state and many other states. A register of visitors is kept and the owners invite the signatures of all the guests.

Items of interest to sightseers here include visible traces of the old stagecoach road; the site of the Charles' log house site; the site of the block house entrance to the mineshaft, which was in operation nearly 50 years ago; trail to a miniature triple canyon; concrete markers placed here in 1935 by U.S. Geodetic survey; land patent, 104 years old; and arrows that have been found on the premises.

The possibilities for development of this point of interest grew, and a park and year round recreation area are many as it lends itself to winter sports as well the summer attractions particularly so if an artificial a lake were built. Conditions for lake are ideal and springs would be the source of supply thus making it a freshwater lake.

This article was taking for the scrapbook for Mrs. Gladys Glanville Stiefels.

Charles Mound the highest point Illinois was in 1978 open to visitors who wish to ascend and easy foot trail leading to the summit. A neatly kept picnic area at the base and foot trails through the woodland offer moments of quiet relaxation and enjoyment of nature.

A pioneer memorial was established in 1965 in respectful memory and tribute to all pioneer families. In 1975 this land was dedicated by the Glanville estate and the Illinois Department of Conservation as a bird and wildlife sanctuary and preserve.

The "Summit Rocks" collection is almost complete. Each rock in the collection is from the highest point of its state and was donated by a person who had visited that summit.

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**Veteran Memorial Park
Railroad Park
Memorial Park**



Veteran's Park

During 2012, a group of local citizens gathered and decided they wanted to pay tribute to local citizens who served our country in the armed forces. They came up with idea use pavers that could be purchased, an each one would have a veterans name engraved on it, and the committee would arrange to have place at the park. Their goal was have this completed by the time the village celebrated its 160th anniversary. This was accomplished and they also added lights and memorial benches and markers as

well. This project is an on going effort and pavers are still available to purchase, whether it is for a family member or past veteran who has no one left in the area.

The American Flag flies in memorial Park twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week, in honor of our war dead.



Railroad Park ~ Memorial Park

In Memory

James L. Lopp



Our community suffered its first battlefield casualty in the Vietnam War when Sp. /4 James L. Lopp son of Aaron and Helen Lopp, was killed in action on February 8, 1968 in Vietnam. He was born July 5, 1947. He was buried in Scales Mound Township Cemetery on February 24, 1968.

On July 14, 1968, a dedication ceremony was held in the little memorial park, located on the north by the railroad, just west of the crossing. Col. W.B. Harding, commander of the Savanna Ordnance Depot, presented a Silver Star and Purple Heart to Mr. & Mrs. Lopp during the ceremonies. The keynote address was given by State Senator Gordon Roseleip of Darlington, Wisconsin. A one-ton granite marker was placed in the little park through the combined efforts of Mr. and Mrs. Lopp, the American Legion Post 1058, American Legion

Auxiliary, the Village of Scales Mound and various other people who donated money and labor. Each year, the legion auxiliary furnished the flowers for the park as well as payed for the electricity to the light the flag. The village keeps the rest of the grounds in order.

America became involved in the Vietnam War in 1961. Several of our young men were drafted for a two-year term, with one year being spammed Vietnam.



Raymond Harwick

Raymond Harwick was wounded in action in Vietnam War and was the only other person receiving injuries. The Vietnam War ended in August 1972.

Leland Holland



Leland J. Holland, a retired Army colonel, who was one of the 52 Americans held hostage for 444 days in Iran after the takeover of the United States Embassy in Teheran in 1979, died Tuesday, October 2, 1990, at Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington. He was 63 years old and lived in Warrenton, Virginia. Colonel Holland died of cancer.

Iranian militants swarmed into the embassy on November 4, 1979, and took Colonel Holland, who was the military attaché, and the other Americans there as hostages. They were not released until the Inauguration Day of President Ronald Reagan in 1981. After their release, Colonel Holland and the other hostages told of beatings, months in solitary confinement, constant fear of death and physical and mental mistreatment at the hands of their Iranian captors.

On January 29, 1981, a thanksgiving service in honor of his release was held at the school gym. On January 30th, Leland called from West Germany and talked to his family. Then, on February 9th, Colonel Holland returned to his hometown. Hundreds of people lined the streets as he arrived by charter bus from Chicago, where family and friends had gone to meet him. If there was ever a hero's welcome in Scales Mound, this was "It". A short program was held in the afternoon, and an overflowing crowd attended the reception in the school gym in the evening. The keynote speakers were Lt. Governor, David O'Neil, and Senator James Gitz of Freeport. Dave Lange, School Board President, presented the honored guest with gifts from the merchants and friends. Former Helen Phelps presented \$444.00 from the Village and the keys to the City.



Colonel Holland enlisted in the Army in 1952 and retired in 1986, six days after he learned he had cancer. He served two tours of duty in Vietnam and also in Italy and Germany before being assigned to the embassy in Teheran in 1978. The colonel's military decorations included the Distinguished Service Medal, the Legion of Merit and the Bronze Star. He passed away on October 2, 1990. He was survived by his wife, Mary Anne; four sons, James L. and John S. of Warrenton, Joseph R. of Cincinnati and Jerome T. of Jersey City; two daughters, Barbara L. Holland of Fairfield, Ohio, and Rose M. Brinkman of Chaptico, Maryland; his mother, Clara M. Holland of Galena, Illinois; two brothers, Edward A. of Scales Mound, Illinois, and Robert P. of Renton, Wash., and six grandchildren.

Thomas J. Williams

On Tuesday October 20, 1998, at 7 p.m., Senior Patrol Agents Thomas J. Williams, and Jesus De La Ossa were traveling to San Diego after successfully completing the Border Patrol Academy Instructor's Course. They were involved in a head on collision on a rain-slicked road with another vehicle and lost their lives in the accident. The accident happened about 15 miles west of Artesia, New Mexico. The two agents were returning to San Diego, where they were stationed, from a federal training center in Artesia, New Mexico, when the accident occurred. The accident took place on Highway 82 in New Mexico.



Agent Williams was born on July 21, 1966, in Hazel Green, Wisconsin. He was the son of Lawrence and JoAnn Williams of Scales Mound. He graduated from Western Illinois University, Magna Cum Laude with a degree in criminal justice. He served in the Navy for four years, two of which were served on the submarine USS Henry Clay. He entered on Duty May 5, 1994. At the time of his death, his official station was Brown

Field, California. He was a graduate of the 266th session of the U.S. Border Patrol Academy in Glynco, Georgia. Agent Williams, at the time of death, was married and had a daughter.



Kurt M. Meusel

In what originally seemed to be a routine call, tragedy struck the Scales Mound Fire Protection District with the sudden loss of fireman Kurt Meusel. An elderly man, with



dementia, had wandered off, and the call went out for people to join the search. Meusel was one of the first to answer that call. "He turned around and said, 'I'll be right back. I've got to go help.' And then he drove off," said his mother, Susan Meusel. Kurt jumped on his ATV and drove off to join the rest of the firemen in the search. The dementia patient was later found, but news about the loss of Meusel stunned the region over such an unavoidable and unexplainable accident. Kurt was the first member of the Scales Mound Fire Protection District to have fallen in the line of duty. At the age of 25, Kurt had been on the fire department since he turned 18, and also worked as a heavy equipment operator. But his life was scheduled to change later this summer when he would have married Kara Homb of Scales Mound.

According to the Jo Daviess County Sheriff's Department, Kurt's ATV struck a deer, and the four-wheeler veered off into a ditch where it rolled, causing the injuries which lead to his death.

Kurt was born on January 6, 1985, in Dubuque, Iowa, a son of Michael A. and Sue M. (Stoewer) Meusel. He was a graduate of Scales Mound High School, with the class of 2003 and attended and graduated from Diesel Truck Driving and Heavy Equipment School at Sun Prairie, Wisconsin. He was employed at Gary Saam Excavation Co. Kurt loved four-wheeling, horseback riding, truck pulling, hunting and fishing.



Small Town Living

Well Scales Mound must be good for you; the following was taken in 1993 of some of the senior citizens that were living in the village at that time, with their ages as well.

Many towns have people that live over a century, well Scales Mound has four such people. They are Jane Jackson, John T. Gummow, Sadie Temperly, and Alvin Roberts.



Citizens 85 & over in 1993 Front Row: L-R Sadie Temperly 94, Myra Hesselbacher 88, Tena Smart 88, and Clifford Smart 93. Back Row: L-R Wilma Stadel 88, Ralph Schoenhard Sr. 86, and Marie Stodden 89.

Jane Jackson



Jane Harvey Jackson was born in Cornwall, England, on January 28, 1826, the daughter of William and Jane Harvey. Jane often recalled her parents continually apprehensive concerning her frailty and feared she would never reach womanhood. Jane's parents, William, lived to the age of 77, and Jane lived to the age of 87.

At the age 20, Jane married John G. Jackson (an adventurer Cornish miner), and in 1847, they came to America, first settling in New Jersey. Then later moved to West Virginia, where John worked in the mines there.

Some years later, word reached the Jacksons of the fortune that could be made in the lead mines of northwest Illinois and southwest Wisconsin, so they made their way to Hazel Green, Wisconsin, and later to Galena, arriving in 1852. Later, they purchased a farm near Scales Mound in section 22 & 23, northwest of the village; this farm was over 100 acres in size.

John had left his family several times to go work the mines in California during the gold rush, the mines in the Black Hills in the Dakotas, the mines in Virginia City, Nevada, and the copper mines in Michigan. Always returning to Scales Mound where Jane and their ten children namely: William (1849), John (1850), Martha (1852), Joseph (1853), Mary (1855), Jane (1857), Catherine (1858), Joshua and Samuel (1860), and Araminta (1861) lived.

The Jacksons lived on the farm until John retired from farming in 1883, and they moved into the village and lived on Franklin Street. John passed away on September 10, 1908. After that, Jane lived in the same house for the next twenty-five years.



On her 100th birthday, she signed a petition for Ruth Hanna McCormick for Congress, and she cast her vote on April 10th of that year.

When Jane was 104, she fell and fractured her hip. Doctors then gave her only a few days to live, but she recovered to the extent that she was able to move around her house using a rocking chair. But her health declined, while her mental health remained intact, she, however, lost her sight and hearing.

But even though she was bedfast at the time of her 107th birthday, she seemed more concerned about the ailments of her daughters Martha, Mary Bushby, and Arminata Kneebone, who had resided with her. Jane lived until June 12, 1933.

J.T. (John Tippet) Gummow

John Tippet Gummow was born in Scales Mound on July 11, 1875. He was the son of Walter and Susan Tippet Gummow. J.T. spent his life within a one-mile radius of his birthplace.

He served on the Jo Daviess County Board of Supervisors and was the recording secretary for the Scales Mound Township Cemetery Association. He was a 50-year member of the Masons and the Order of Eastern Star. He lived on a farm in section 24 and after he married Annie Berryman, the daughter of James & Margaret Berryman. He married Annie Berryman on April 1, 1900; she preceded him in death on April 28, 1956. She was born in December of 1876. J.T. died on March 14, 1983 at the age of 107.

He took over the operation of the Berryman Farm, which was located in 26 (Dan Davis farm). Prior



to taking over the Berryman Farm, he worked for Henry & Olive Hicks. He continued to farm with the help of some hired hands Henry Schoenhard, and Clarence and Clinton Rowe. On his 100th birthday, he received a birthday card from President Ford. He moved to the Galena Nursing home in 1973, however, his hometown honored him when they celebrated their centennial celebration by dedicating the 1978 edition of the village history book to him.

Sadie Temperly

Sadie Temperly was born on September 23, 1898, the daughter of John and Elizabeth Dittmar-Wise. She married Charles Temperly on November 25, 1933. She passed away on May 30, 2003, at the age of 104.

She graduated from Apple River High School in 1916; she attended Rockford Business College and Platteville Normal Teaching College, graduating in 1927. She taught in country schools for 28 years, retiring in 1964 from the Winslow School District. She visited 48 of the 50 states; the only two states not visited were California and Hawaii. Charles and Sadie had two daughters, Janet and Joanne.



Alvin Roberts

Alvin W. Roberts was born on January 4, 1915, in Parker, South Dakota, the son of George and Annie (May) Roberts. He was united in marriage to Alyce Eichel on August 21, 1936, in Parker, and she preceded him in death July 26, 1993, he passed away Monday, March 16, 2015, at the Elizabeth Nursing Home, at the age 100.

Alvin and Alyce moved to Harvard, Illinois, in 1936 and came to Guilford, near rural Scales Mound, in 1950 and farmed until they retired and moved to Scales Mound. Alvin served as road commissioner for Guilford Twp. He also worked for the Branigar Organization, developing roads for the Galena Territory, Apple Canyon Lake and Reedsburg. Alvin loved playing euchre and cribbage. He was a longtime member of the Galena Eagles Club. Alvin and Alyce had two sons, Wendell and Dale.



Labor of Love

As Ernie Schoenhard wrote in the 1993 History Book – here is a little part of it

I feel very fortunate to have had the opportunity to be among those who compiled the 1953, the 1978, and now the 1993 history books. Therefore I feel free to refer back to the 1978 book and make comparisons.

As I look back on the last 15 years nothing earth shaking has happened in our community. It is true most all of us have lost a loved one or a close friend. This is where we are all acquainted and share each other's sorrows and joys. That is our way of life – but we must go on. The Vietnam War resulted in James Lopp losing his life and Raymond Harwick being wounded. In 1991, the Persian Gulf War was supposedly ended. No one from our area lost their lives. Those serving in the Gulf who have close ties here in Scales Mound were: Dennis Enright son of Marvin & Betty Enright, Charles Fields son of Charley & Betty Fields, Marty Holland son of Edward & Betty Holland, Charles Huilman son of Florence Huilman, Brian Huilman grandson of Florence Huilman, David Schuman grandson of Helen Lopp, and Leonard Smith grandson of Ken & Stephanie Smith.

In 1978 our town was making plans for the 125th anniversary. The big event took place in June as usual – big parade, games, rides and all kinds of entertainment made the celebration a success.

They have been fortunate to have live in this wonderful community for the past fifty years.

This was included because Ernie and Betty Schoenhard were involved with the first history of Scales Mound, published in 1953, the update in 1978, and the update of 1993. Also, Betty spearheaded the start and maintained the “green book” of Scales Mound graduates.

So here is their story –

Ernest Schoenhard “Ernie” was born on November 4, 1915, in Scales Mound, son of George C. and Eva C. Schoenhard. Ernie married Betty Youle on November 26, 1938, in Clinton, Iowa. He died on December 29, 2001.

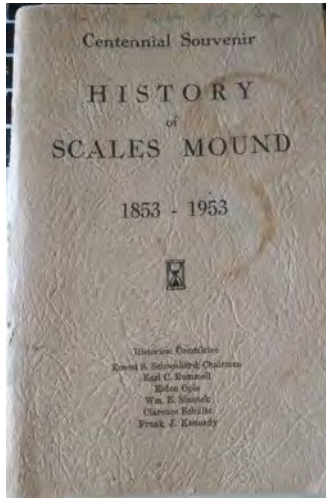
Ernie operated the Shell Station prior to entering the service during WW II. After this, he was a farmer here and then retired and moved into the village. Ernie was a member of the Apple River American Legion, Scales Mound School Board, Scales Mound Township Board – where he served as clerk, and the Scales Mound Township Cemetery Board. He was a fan of baseball, and his favorite team was the Brooklyn Dodgers.

Betty was born on July 10, 1918, in Shullsburg, Wisconsin, the daughter of Arthur and Aurba (Berryman) Youle. She was a graduate of Shullsburg High School, Class of 1936. She attended Bayless Business School in Dubuque, Iowa. She died on September 3, 2011.

Betty was a member of the Scales Mound United Methodist Church and the American Legion Auxiliary. Betty loved gardening and tending to her many flowers and plants. She was known for her expertise in jelly making and her home made sweet rolls that she loved to share with her friends and neighbors. Their home was open for parties, potlucks, a good game of cards or a leisurely chat on the porch on a summer evening. They had two children, Terry and Jeanne.

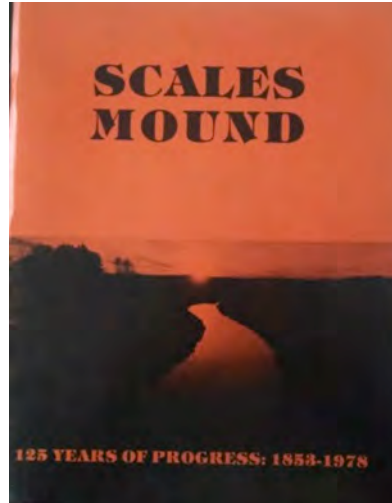


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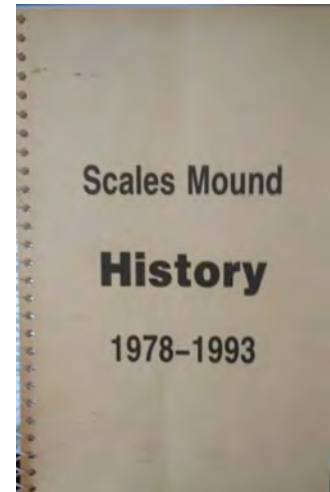
1953

**Ernest S. Schoenhard
Earl C. Rummell
Eldon Opie
William E. Sincock
Clarence Schultz
Frank J. Kennedy**



1978

**Mr. & Mrs. James Horan
Mr. & Mrs. Stanley Davis
Mrs. Flora Trevarthan
Mr. & Mrs. Ernie Schoenhard**



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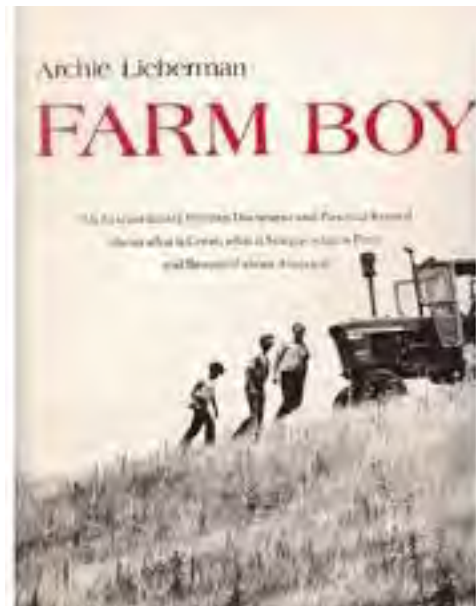
**Ernie Schoenhard
Anita Sheean
Virginia Laity
Betty Schoenhard**

A Document and Work of Art

“There is a serenity now in a place I know like no other. It is around Scales Mound in the deeply etched panorama of Jo Daviess County in the northwest corner of Illinois where the land is a crayon green and the spring and a fleece white in the winter and stays that way until the thaw ... The air smells good ... The people are kind, go to church, and pursue virtues and work hard with the land . . .”

So begins Archie Lieberman’s splendid pictorial history of a farm family the Hammers of Scales Mound. The book **Farm Boy** published in 1974 by Harry and Abrams Inc. New York tells of the warm and loving relationship between a boy, Bill Hammer Jr., and his father. Lieberman first met the family when Bill Jr. was 13 years old. He made pictures of the family and the land over a period of more than 20 years, producing a photographic record of a boy who became a man, marries, and has a son of his own following in his foot steps. Lieberman’s photography made his book not merely a document of our times but a fine work of art.

Lieberman, known throughout the county simply as Archie, has bought an old farmhouse in Schapville and enough acreage to pastures his horses, and he loves and provides room for a vegetable garden, which is cultivated by his wife, Esther, whom he loves even more. He is frequently seen on weekends in the Schapville-Scales Mound area, peering through the range finders of his Nikon cameras.



Rainbow Ridge

"Rainbow Ridge" is a proposed home for the physically handicapped.

Out of the dreams of our forefathers, the little Village of Scales Mound was founded. Nestled in the beautiful hills of northwest Illinois, this small community has preserved and kept the faith, hope, and the dreams of the people moving ever onward.

Then another dream that caught the spirit of the community slowly and steadily progressed. When the Rainbow Ridge dream becomes a reality, it will be because of the united efforts of many people who believe that every person deserves a comfortable shelter, a peaceful surrounding, and the right to achieve the highest potential possible for a happy life.

What is the Rainbow Ridge dream?

Rainbow Ridge is a proposed home for physically handicapped adults who are unable to live independently. It is to be a country living home for physically handicapped adults with normal or near normal intelligence. The Rainbow Ridge dream was first conceived by the family of a young man born with cerebral palsy.

The parents were made painfully aware of the need for shelter care of this type when they were trying to find security they knew their son would need for the future years. They were shocked to find few homes of this type were available. The ones they did find were filled with a long waiting list. Feeling compelled to work on improving the situation, they began to dream of such a facility in the Scales Mound area.

Realizing this was one mission left virtually untouched by all churches, Rev. Boyd Ellefson was instrumental in getting Rainbow Ridge approved for affiliation with United Methodist Church. The Affiliation allows them to work under the umbrella of the church. The home itself will be none denominational as to race and religion.



A Community Service was a regular activity in Scales Mound. Workers for a benefit brunch for Rainbow Ridge included L-R: Carol Soat, Emma Lou Altfillisch, Sally Saam, Fern Reddington, Sandra Pfohl, Marie Stodden, Marian Davis, Marian LaBel, Clara Hesselbacher, Carol Bilgri, Stephanie Smith, Marcella Harwick, Mildren Horan, Florence Huilamn, and Judy Winter.

Rainbow Ridge fast became an echo medical project in the tri-state area. In January 1977, the Rainbow Ridge auxiliary was organized by Ruth Redfearn. Monthly meetings and regularly scheduled workdays are held in her home. These devoted women promoted Rainbow Ridge in many ways. Their main fund was held at the State Bank the Scales Mound.

In June 1977, the Rainbow Ridge board hired Durrant Architects Inc. to complete the necessary studies and application forms for the permit needed from the State of Illinois. The

permit was issued to Rainbow Ridge on February 14, 1978.

Rainbow Ridge was to be built on land donated by the Lee Anderson family. Because of the physical handicap son, Mark, the following quote from Robert Frost has a special meaning: *"You see things as they are; and you ask, Why? But I dream things that never were and ask Why not?"* Rainbow Ridge is now the dream that many people and it is the people of this great and wonderful community made Rainbow Ridge a home for the physically handicapped a reality.

Everyone's Friend

One of the dictionary definitions versatility is "the ability to turn easily from one occupation to another." Here in Scales Mound, we can say "Versatility, your name is Birdie."



Alberta Sauer (affectionately known to all of us as Birdie) proves this point most effective. For many years, Birdie was one of the most successful implement dealers in the area. When she decided to change your occupation, she opened the Flamingo Tea Room, remodeled the building, and began a catering service.

The Tea Room had been the scene of many wedding receptions, open houses for brides and grooms of yesteryears, card parties, dinner and luncheons for large and small groups.

But Birdie doesn't do everything for business reasons - she was a very community minded person. Her place was always open for lunches following funerals, a service much appreciated by all of us. When the Glaucoma Unit needed headquarters for a half a day, Birdie opened the Tea Room for the registration. When the Girl Scouts needed a pick up station for your cookie days, again the Tea Room was open for them. The list goes on and on but we will just say, "Thank you, Birdie for your complete involvement in our community."

The Branigar Organization

The Branigar Organization, Inc., founded in 1918, by Harvey W. Branigar, Sr., was celebrating not only Scales Mound's 125th anniversary, but also its own 60th. The company had developed over the last six decades nearly 100 subdivisions or projects, both first and second home or vacation / recreation type developments. The company has developed properties including the construction of golf courses in many areas of the country including Illinois, Wisconsin, Mississippi, Florida and Skidaway Island off the coast of Savannah, Georgia, known as "THE LANDINGS."



It was in the mid 1960's that Branigar started its first vacation home or lake project, Lake Redstone near LaValle, Wisconsin. During that period, the firm was attracted to Jo Daviess County because of its scenic, topography and beautiful streams and valleys, which were conducive to continuing with the strong demand for the vacation and recreation type property. After months of investigation of the area for the necessary elements to construct a dam and lake, Apple Canyon Lake was born.

Land acquisition, land planning, engineering and many other items were going on simultaneously, and selling began in 1969. The sales continued through 1973 and the early part of 1974. For several years, previous to this, The Galena Territory, although not named at that time, was being planned and sales began in 1974.

The Branigar Organization was very much a part of Jo Daviess County and was proud to have the Village of Scales Mound as a neighbor. Scales Mound and the surrounding area has provided an adequate number of the necessary and diversified labor force required to develop and sustain a project such as The Galena Territory and Apple Canyon Lake. The company expected to be here for many years, not only from the position of land developing and sales, but the continued operation of commercial facilities, such as the Eagle Ridge Inn and Golf Club and the Shenandoah Riding Facilities.



A Visit by a Wagon train

Little did Marion and Stanley Davis think as they set at the breakfast table on April 21, 1976, that day they would be host to a small portion of the bicentennial wagon train traveling from the West Coast to Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, for the bicentennial parade.

Three wagons left the larger caravan at Oelwein, Iowa and traveled through Iowa and Illinois instead of going to Wisconsin. They received permission to stay overnight at the Davis Farm and the people, horses and wagons were source of much interest to the entire community during the overnight stay. As they left on the following morning, they were cheered along the streets by well wishing citizens.

Members of the group were Mr. and Mrs. Morley Kerr of Othello, Washington; Penny Simmons of Nampa Idaho; Mrs. Viola Wilson of



Spud & Marian Davis



Antelope, Oregon and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Cords of Hazards, Nebraska. The Davis family was happy to hear from the group after they made the entire trip to Valley Forge safely.

Hillbilly Jamboree

The Hillbilly Jamboree was a coon dog field trail held by Bill Brickner and family at their farm in June for five years. This event brought approximately 200 dogs with 400 to 500 owners and their families to the hilltop and Thompson Township. They come from Illinois, Wisconsin, Iowa, Missouri, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Tennessee, Ohio and Pennsylvania to watch the dogs display their talents.

The dogs' talents were racing at a speed of 25 to 30 mph while tracking a coon scent trail laid down through the woods by a scant stick. The trail could range from $\frac{1}{4}$ mile to over a mile, and was usually run in one-three minutes. The goal was to cross-designate lines and bark in a marked circle at the bottom of the tree at the end of the trail. The first two dogs over the line win first and second, the same with the first two dogs to bark at tree. They have to win their heats and then the semi's to qualify for the finals, the purse could amount to as small as \$10 or as large as \$10,000, depending on the size and prestige of the race.

FRATERNAL AND SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS

Modern Woodman of America

So far we have not mentioned the fraternal or social organizations of our thriving little village. On November 20, 1889, the Scales Mound Camp Number 1130 of the Modern Woodman of America was chartered. We do not have a complete list of the charter members. However, we were informed that the following men were among the group: John W. Wilcox, C.J. Schafmeyer, Adam Rittweger, Fred Neuschwander, John Heubeger, Thomas Henry Hicks, and Walter Rogers. The lodge meetings were held on the second floor of the building. The lodge was an active organization with a membership, which grew in 1895 and the members built the M.W.A. Hall. This was a place of many social activities for the members and families.

With the lodge membership of "Forester," a team was organized under the leadership of C.J. Schafmeyer. There was much interest taken by the "Foresters" and they presented many drill formations in various places.



As the life insurance rates on the M.W. A. increased, the membership fell off. Lodge meetings were no longer held and the surviving members sold the hall in 1950 to J.C. Winters, who remodeled the second story into two apartments, using the first floor for a plumbing display store.

Other fraternal and insurance organizations in the early days were the Knights of the Globe, the Macabees and the Independent Order of Good Templars IOGT, the latter being strictly a fraternal social, and temperance organization. Their meetings were held in the room above the blacksmith shop and we are told they were often largely attended so that the members feared the floor would break down.

As times change, the members became more active in other social activities, interest in the lodges waned and they were finally disbanded.

Royal Neighbors

On February 27, 1895, an organizational meeting of the charter members of the Royal Neighbors of America was held in the Woodman Hall in Scales Mound. Mrs. Lizzie Grist of Decatur, Illinois, was the officer in charge.

The new organization was named the Star Camp Number 121, Royal Neighbors of America and the following people were elected officers to serve the new lodge: Oracle, Mrs. Martha Kammer; Vice Oracle, Mrs. Carrie Allan; Recorder, Sarah Hocking; Receiver, Mrs. Annie Walton; Chancellor, Mrs. Mary Patterson; Marshal, Mrs. Katie Carey; Assistant Marshal, Mrs. Annie Knuckey; Inner Sentinel, Mrs. Elizabeth Lindsay; Outer Sentinel, Mrs. Ella Phelps and Past Oracle, Mrs. Mary Schafmeyer.

The large group grew in membership throughout the years, at one time its membership was over 85.

Besides the regular lodge meetings, members were active in other worthwhile projects, and many family parties etc., were held at the hall. Each Memorial Day, the Star Camp decorated the graves of the members who have passed on.

After the sale of the Woodmen Hall, the Royal Neighbors held their meetings in the homes of their members. They met on the third Wednesday of the month. Some of the officers include: Oracle, Viola Bastion; Vice Oracle, Elizabeth Hughes; Past Oracle, Florence Schoenhard; Recorder, Sylvia McFadden; Receiver, Daisy Knuckey; Inner sentinel, Mary Distler; Chancellor, Molly Stadel; Marshall, Alberta Glasgow; Assistant Marshall, Helen Pooley; Outer Sentinel, Edith Kuhse; physician Dr. Sutton and Managers Mae Rittweger on Ella Kilian and Sadie Temperly.

The Royal Neighbors of America celebrated their diamond Jubilee celebration 75 successful years as a fraternal life insurance Society on March 20, 1970.

Camp 121 contributed to the Royal Neighbors home for the aged independent members at Davenport, Iowa. They also contributed to the scholarship program, which was inaugurated in 1961.

A state camp was held every four years. In 1974, Janet Temperly and Mrs. Dorothy Laity attended as delegates from star camp 121.

Included in the membership of camp 121 were six members who were members for 50 or more years. They were Zita Sincock, Francis Wharton, Daisy Knuckey, Edith Kushe, Sylvia McFadden, and Margaret Sims.

Some other officers were: Oracle, Mary Ann Ohms; Past Oracle, Helen Pooley; Vice Oracle, Edith Kuhse; Chancellor, Zita Sincocks; Recorder, Dorothy Laity; Receiver, Janet Temperly; Marshall, Daisy Knuckey; Assistant Marschall, Sadie Temperly; Outer Sentinel, Myrtle Hendrickson; and Managers, Sylvia McFadden, Ruth Wenzel, and Diane Ohms.

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Scales Mound Lions Club

On October 12, 1950, a certificate of membership was initiated to 24 charter members of the newly organized Lions Club of Scales Mound, Illinois, Charter members were Willis Stadel, George Trevathan, Clem Koehler, James Horan, Harold Heim, Frank Sauer, Andrew Bud Doyle, Vernon Hughes, Clarence Scultz, Myles Byrd, M.B. Carr, Ted Stadel, Francis Peebles, Dale Jewell, Ernst Grebner, Allan Buske, Joe E. McDonald, LaVester Dotzel, Fred Smart, Stanley Davis, Gene Holmes, H. Walter Weiss, Louis Hesselbacher, and Sam Townsend.

The first officers of the club were: President, Willis Stadel; 1st Vice President, Harold Heim; 2nd Vice President, Frank Sauer; 3rd Vice President, Henry Weiss; Secretary-Treasurer, George Trevathan; Lion Tamer, James Horan; Tail Twister, Ted Stadel; Directors, Vernon Hughes, LaVester Dotzel, Stanley Davis, and Clarence Schultz.

On November 11, 1954, the charter presentation banquet was held in the Scales Mound high school auditorium. John Pederson, District Governor, presented the International Association of Lions Club Charter to Willis Stadel, President of the Scales Mound Lions Club. Hugo Apfeld, International Counselor, and James Snyder, International Counselor, were the distinguished guests. The Galena Lions Club and the East Dubuque Club were sponsors of the Scales Mound Lions.

The club was instrumental in getting the glaucoma Scales Mound for three different years. They had sponsored athletic banquets, a baseball team, and they paid for and erected the Scales Mound welcome signs. The club also sponsored the 125-anniversary celebration on June 16, 17, and 18, in 1978.

The club also purchased some land and built a cabin that held their meetings and other activities.

Some officers were: President, Wayne Miller; 1st Vice President, Steve Keiffer; 2nd Vice President, Michael Koehler; 3rd Vice President, John Weinen; Secretary-Treasurer, Vernon Redfearn; Lion Tamer, Edward Holland; Tail Tamers, David Lange, and Terry Schoenhard

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American Legion

With the return of service men in the fall of 1945 and early 1946, the desire for an American Legion Post in Scales Mound was imminent. As Legion members from World War I had belonged to the Apple River Post, it was decided that a meeting be held with them and decide on the chances of starting a new post in Scales Mound.

This was held in the spring of 1946 and the new post for Scales Mound was started, Paul Koester was elected the first commander; Frank Saur, vice commander; and Milton G Rittweger, Adjutant.

The meetings of this organization were first held in the Town Hall. Later, the Legion rented the Woodman Hall. Meetings were held monthly until July 1, 1950, when the building next to the old firehouse was purchased from J.H. Hesselbacher.

Improvements were soon started on the new legion building, and in each passing year its appearance was improved. In November 1952, the final payment on the building was completed. Officers were Leo Schuler, Commander; Donald Gantenbein, Vice Commander; Vincent Wollert, Second Vice Commander and George Charley, adjutant. Robert Saar was the county legion commander.

Other officers that took over their duties were John Laskot, Commander; and Edward Sincock, Senior Vice Commander; Milton Rittweger, Junior Vice Commander; Rev. Steele, Chaplin; and Frank Sauer, Sgt. At Arms.

Mrs. Helen Phelps purchased the Legion Hall on December 1, 1975, and it houses an antique shop.

Some officers of the legion post 1058 were: Commander, Calvin Walters; Senior Vice Commander, John Distler; Junior Vice Commander, Kenneth Wills; Chaplin, Edward Sincock; Sgt. At Arms, Delbert Stegall; Adjutant & Finance Officer, Robert Saar.

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Fire House & American Legion Hall with Railroad Park in foreground.

American Legion Auxiliary

Following the American Legion, as an organization in Scales Mound, came the American Legion Auxiliary.

The Auxiliary was started on January 3, 1950, at the meeting that was held in Scales Mound with Mrs. Helen Cole, 13th District Chairman of Morrison, Illinois in charge.

The first officers that were elected were Marcia Saar, President; Eleanor Byrd, Vice President; Dorothy Opie, Treasurer; Elizabeth Schuler, Historian; and Anita Sheean, Secretary. Rose Hughes was appointed rehabilitation chairwomen. The first regular meeting was then held on January 17, 1950, with 21 charter members.

The purpose of the Legion Auxiliary was to assist in the rehabilitation of disabled veterans, community service, child welfare, and contribution to the accomplishment of the aims and purposes of the American Legion. The Auxiliary was active in sending birthday boxes to men in service, cookies, cigarettes and other try favors to veterans' hospitals and conducting poppy day sales. The Auxiliary received credit as blood donors given through the Red Cross.

Other officers were Lois Gantenbein, President; Judy Gessner, Vice President; Helen Loskot, Secretary; Marcia Saar, Treasurer; Anita Sheean, Historian and Chaplain; and Lisa Hesselbacher, Sargent at Arms. Marcia Saar was elected President of the County Auxiliary.

Other officers who took over were Anita Sheean, President; Lyla Grindey, Vice President; Lois Gantenbein, Secretary; Dawn Stadel, Treasurer; Elsie Grebner, Chaplain and Historian and Alberta Sauer, Sargent at Arms.

Helen Lopp, mother of Specialist 4 James L Lopp, who was killed in action in Vietnam, was the only Gold star member of the unit 1058. The Auxiliary assisted in erecting the memorial in the railroad park and assumes the care of the grounds and paid for the lighting of the flag.

Unit 1058 was honored with two scholarship winners, Veronica Hughes-Larkin was granted a National President's scholarship in 1965, and Sherry Duerr-Grindey was awarded the Past President Parlay Nurses scholarship in 1972.

Some other officers of the Auxiliary were President, Helen Walters; Vice President, Betty Schoenhard; Secretary, Wilma Stadel; Treasurer, Bernice Trevarthan; Historian, Anita Sheean; Chaplin, Elsie Grebner; Sgt. At Arms, Leona Stadel.

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American Legion Sign in Railroad Park



American Legion Auxiliary, Front Row L-R: Bea Trevethan, Wilma Stadel, Betty Schoenhard, Marge Fellenzer., Back Row L-R: Delores Distler, Anita Sheean, Marcia Saar, and Helen Walters

Scales Mound "50" Plus Community Club

A social club for all people of 50 years of age plus was organized in April 1974, with the following officers: President, Mildred Horan; Vice President, Lewis Nielsen; Secretary, Gladys Stiefel; and Treasurer, Wilma Stadel.

Meetings were held in the afternoon on the third Thursday of each month at the Flamingo Tea Room. Euchre and Bingo were the usual entertainment, after which a lunch was served. Occasionally, potluck dinners were enjoyed. Organizations that have entertained the group were the Legion Auxiliary, Home Extension, 4-H Dairy club, FHA girls, Altar and Rosary Society, Alberta Sauer, and others. After the Tea Room was sold, the club continued to meet at the Town Hall.

Home Extension

The home extension is an organization made up of a group of women who meet each month to give and receive lessons that have been prepared by experts on home baking, community problems, government and arts and crafts.

Each year they participate in September by going to market days. This is a countywide home extension association project.

A benefit luncheon for rainbow Ridge was held in 1976.



Scales Mound Gun Club



In February 1975, 18 young men, interested in hunting and trapshooting organized the Scales Mound Gun Club.

Officers for the newly organized club were: President, Gary Stadel; Vice President, Stuart Ohms; Secretary-Treasurer, Kenneth Frank. The main goal of the club was eventually to buy some land and buildings on the clubhouse and trap shooting range. The clubs main activity

is trapshooting, which is done every Monday night in the summertime with one or two trophies shoots on Sundays.

Son Shine Center

The Son Shine Center started in 1983, by Pastor Abe Van Slightenhorst and four women – Wilma Hammer, Mary Koester, Kathy Townsend and Sherry Suess. The Son Shine Center is a Christian outreach program of the Schapville Zion Presbyterian Church, serving the needy by selling used clothing and household goods. This center is located in Schapville.

WORLD WAR I

On May 7, 1915, the Lusitania, the fastest and largest steamer in the Atlantic Ocean service, was torpedoed without warning by a German submarine off the coast of Ireland. 1,198 men, women and children, including 123 American citizens, were lost, 726 were saved. Thus, the tenet of total frightfulness in warfare without regard for non-combatant or neutral lives was scarred in to history with a Prussian brand. The entrance of the United States into the war against Germany two years later became predestined.

On September 22, 1917, the first draftees from Jo Daviess County were inducted into the armed forces. Fifty-eight young men were called from Jo Daviess County and among them the seven Scales Mound Boys. Then the terror of war struck home. Many of the first draft call saw action with the history making 33rd division. They saw action at the Meuse, Marne, Argonne and Chateau Thierry, some of the bloodiest battles of the war. In quick succession, more men were called, and with little training were shipped across for active service. Some of our Scales Mound boys were in the 86th division, which was landed for outstanding warfare. The men were drafted in September 1918, but due to the terrible "flu" epidemic of that year, many were taken sick and were hospitalized or cared for only by army buddies in the barracks and so did not see overseas duty.

Charles W. Walton was the commissioned officer from Scales Mound. He was made a captain in the 17th Cavalry and continued in the army service until he was pensioned for years of service.

The army uniforms issued to the boys were ill fitting, and supplies of clothing were limited. But, as always, the women at home were working, knitting helmets and wristlets and socks for the men fighting in the cold. The foxholes were wet, and sloppy and filth prevailed and the soldiers suffered intensely from "cooties."

On November 11, 1918, the glad and startling news was sent across the sea that an armistice had been signed. People were happy; much ado was made in public demonstrations of burning the Kaisers in effigy. In Scales Mound, the whole town was awakened at an early hour and marched through the snow to each home where a service flag was hung and sang songs, and many a prayer of thankfulness was uttered to God. After the armistice, the boys in camp were mustered out in a few months time, but an army of occupation was held in Germany and many of the boys who were called first were kept a year to police the country. They took up their abode in the homes of Luxemburg and cities in France and were treated well. But war always takes its toll. While we had no casualties, some of our boys came home "shell shocked," as it was called in that day or became sick later from poisonous gas, over-exposure or lack of care, and died shortly after the close of the war. Then, when the boys had returned home, they felt they had made the world safe for democracy. Many of the sons of World War I were called again, all too soon in 1940 to again fight a war overseas on the land, on the land on the sea, and in the air.

WORLD WAR II

In 1940, the shadows of war again were threatening and all men between the ages of 21 and 26 were called to register for the draft. The first men to be called were Elmer Krug and John Distler, who left for duty in February of 1941.

The news of Pearl Harbor soon hurried the call for more men from all parts of the world as the state of war was declared with Japan and later with Germany.

Jo Daviess County, like all others in the state and nation, was ordered each month to furnish a set of men. The selective service board was again set up in Galena and all inductees from the county reported to that city for a physical examination by a Galena doctor. Ten days later, those passing the local examination were called to Chicago for a final physical examination and upon passing this; they were inducted into one of the branches of the Armed Forces.

Again as in World War I, many of our men served on foreign soil only, unlike World War I, this time they were called upon to serve on nearly every spot of the globe as well as the USA.

Several men from Scales Mound served in the Army, Navy, Marines, Sea Bees, and the Air Force. Scales Mound was one of the most fortunate in this war, as there were no fatalities. Of the many from here who saw combat service, only a minority received wounds of any kind, although some of these were of the major kind.

The citizens of Scales Mound were quick to honor their service men and erected an honor roll bearing the names of those who served in World War II. This honor roll was placed on the lot just north of the railroad tracks and it faced the bank and post office. It has since been removed and a new honor roll was placed in the Legion home bearing the names of more service men that had since been called to the colors.

After World War II, complete peace in the world was not to be had. Young men in our country were still required to register after their 18th birthday.

But soon, a conflict started in Korea when North Korea invaded our allies in South Korea. As United States rallied to the aid of her allies, our local men were soon to be found on the Korean battleground and patrolling the sea and air in hostile territory. This war has claimed hundreds of American lives, but none have been lost from Scales Mound.



POST WAR II TO PRESENT

The years 1945 and 1946 saw a great number of War II service men return to Scales Mound and the vicinity. To many, this meant a new era of peace and prosperity.

The town itself had not changed too much during the years. However, some of the older people have passed on and several new faces greeted the returning servicemen. Many of these new faces were from various adjoining states that were able to find housing available and occupation were chiefly miners or workers at the Ordinance Depot at Savanna, Illinois.

Prices at that time were thought to be at an all time high. Government regulations still controlled most prices, but almost each passing month saw advance in prices being granted. Due to the shortages caused by the war, many civilian items were just beginning to return to the market. These included most household appliances such as refrigerators, electric stoves, washing machines, etc. Farmers were also quick to purchase tractors, trucks, and other farming machinery, as heavy equipment production took place during the war years. A shortage of farm laborers was also noticeable among farmers, and many were quick to add a second and third tractor and other power equipment to overcome help shortage and to maintain a large production. The high prices greatly influenced farmers to maintain a high level of production.

New post war automobiles were soon found on the streets of our city. Many of the first to receive these new cars had their name on a waiting list for as long as 18 months to 2 years. The black market was absorbing many new cars and keeping used cars at premium prices. However, by 1949, new cars were soon available at most dealers in many different models.

There were few changes in ownership of property of noteworthy interest during these years. Very few farms were sold here in those years. No farms were idle for the lack of good renters.

The year 1948 was Presidential election year, which put Harry S. Truman back in Washington, a surprise win to locals as well as national voters.

The year 1949 will long be remembered, for in this year the television sets made their appearance in Scales Mound. These first few sets were picking up Chicago, Illinois and Milwaukee, Wisconsin stations, but by late 1950, stations in Davenport, Iowa and Rock Island, Illinois were giving local residents satisfactory watching and listening pleasure. Each passing year found improvements in T.V. sets, reception and programs. The aerial on the roof easily identifies a home with a set installed, usually 20 feet high with prongs protruding from the mast.

In that same year, C.F. Houtakker of Galena purchased the Fields Ramp from K & M Construction Company and was furnishing ballast from mine tailing piles from Wisconsin for the Illinois Central Railroad. That year also saw the groundwork laid for loading ballast in Scales Mound proper. Also, several cars of ore were loaded here each week from the Vinegar Hill Mining and Smelting Company, located about 4 miles due north of Scales Mound. In the latter part of 1949, rumors were numerous of mining being resumed in this area.

By the end of 1950, Scales Mound had almost taken on a new look. Since the end of World War II, local citizens got busy repairing, redecorating and painting homes and business places. Earnings for most everyone were high, and with most everyone receiving a good income, they were quick to improve their properties. This, in turn, added much to beautify our city. Local officials were not idle either. Streets were repaired and other improvements made accordingly. A new school building was also in the planning stage. A slight recession in farm prices was noticed in early 1950, but by the end of the year had recovered all loss. The main

topic of conversation was, as usual, taxes and the weather.

The year 1951 was business as usual. Prices were climbing somewhat, especially the cost of living. Also, another increase in taxes was evident. Drill rigs were busy in the area and especially on the J. T. Gummow farm that was tenanted by James Horan. The rigs were also working on the Klenke farm near town. This farm was commonly known as the Napper farm, dating back to its original owner, S. T. Napper. The conflict in Korea was the much talked of topic. The big event of the year was the 4th of July celebration held at the Village Park. This was highlighted by a parade over a mile long.

The year 1952 will long be remembered for its ideal weather. Farmers in the area harvested record crops of all kinds. Many anticipated a hard winter ahead, which old timers tell as it unusually follows a bountiful harvest. This being a Christian community, it was only natural that we believe the Lord would provide for all. The average corn yield in 1952 was about 75 bushels per acre with many fields producing a hundred or better. Many farmers had the government seal their corn under a government plan. The sealing price was \$1.89 per bushel.

More prospecting drill rigs working in the area from early morning until late at night, and that enlightened the hopes of landowners and very little property-exchanged hands. Many land owners refused outstanding offers for their property.

This again was presidential election year. A World War II hero General Dwight D. Eisenhower, a republican for President, defeated Illinois Governor, Adlai Stevenson, a democrat. This election, while anticipated to be close, ended in a landslide for Eisenhower. William E. Stratton, a republican, was elected Governor of Illinois, Congressman Leo E. Allen of Galena was again reelected, and it was his 11th term in Congress.

The highlight of early 1953 was the planning of the Centennial celebration to be held July 3rd and 4th (Friday and Saturday) in commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the founding of Scales Mound. The Scales Mound Volunteer Fire Department and the Scales Mound American Legion Post No. 1058 were the combined promoters of this big event. Nothing was overlooked in making preparations for this history-making event in order to observe it in the best and most proper manner.

Entertainment for all ages was provided including rides, concessions, ballgames, a parade of great length with highly decorated floats, costumes, and a queen for the day with her attendants.

Early in 1953 found new hope for peace in the world as the Korean Conflict died down to almost a standstill. Continued high farm prices were another big question in 1953 with many farmers and businessmen alike watching the chances of peace and war. It was their great desire to prevent another depression like the one of the late 20's and early 30's.

After the Korean Conflict, complete peace in the world was not to be had, the Vietnam Conflict began in 1954. Young men in our country were still required to register after their 18th birthday. Several men from Scales Mound served in the Army, Navy, Marines, Sea Bees, and the Air Force. Of the many from here who saw combat service, only a minority received wounds of any kind, although some of these were of the major time. However, our community suffered its first battlefield casualty in the Vietnam War when Sp.4 James L. Lopp, son of Aaron and Helen Lopp, was killed in action on February 8, 1968 in Vietnam. Raymond Harwick was wounded in action in Vietnam. He was the only other Scales Mound resident receiving injury of those who served from here in Vietnam.

On November 4, 1979, a group of Iranian students stormed the U.S. Embassy in Tehran, taking more than 60 American hostages. The immediate cause of this action was President

Jimmy Carter's decision to allow Iran's deposed Shah, a pro western autocrat who had been expelled from his country some months before, to come to the United States for cancer treatment. However, the hostage taking was about more than the Shah's medical care it was a dramatic way for the student revolutionaries to declare a break with Iran's past and an end to American interference in its affairs. The students set their hostages free on January 21, 1981, 444 days after the crisis began and just hours after President Ronald Reagan delivered his inaugural address. Many historians believe that hostage crisis cost Jimmy Carter a second term as president. Scales Mound's Leland J. Holland, Army colonel, was one of the Americans held hostage for 444 days in Iran after the takeover of the United States Embassy in Teheran.

The next war was the Iraq's invasion of Kuwait in 1990, which ended in Iraq's defeat by a U.S. led coalition in the Persian Gulf War (1990-91). Then, President Bill Clinton, in 1998, ordered the bombing of several Iraqi military installations (code named Operation Desert Storm). After the bombing, however, Iraq refused to allow inspectors to reenter the country, and during the next several years, the economic sanctions slowly began to erode as neighboring countries sought to reopen trade with Iraq.

The Vietnam War was the longest war in U.S. History until the war in Afghanistan, which began in 2002 and continues at this writing. It was extremely divisive in the U.S., Europe, Australia and elsewhere. Because the U.S. failed to achieve a military victory and the Republic of South Vietnam was ultimately taken over by North Vietnam, the Vietnam experience became known as "the only war America ever lost." It remains a very controversial topic that continues to affect political and military decisions today.

The Village of Scales Mound is people by quite a number of citizens in good circumstances. Listed below are some of Scales Mound area prominent citizens;

James Addison Adams – He was a Contractor and Builder in Scales Mound; He was born in Wood Co., Ohio, April 11 1845; He came to this County in 1861, he enlisted in Co. B, 45th Regt., I. V. I., in August, the same year; participated in all their scouts and marches, and all the battles in which the Regt. was engaged, including Fort Donelson, Shiloh, Corinth, Jackson, Champion Hill and Vicksburg; and mustered out at Atlanta, Ga., on Oct. 26, 1864; He was married on April 14, 1873, to Diana Allen; she was born in Canada in 1844; they had one child, Mary Augusta, born on February 22, 1874. They attended the Methodist Church. He was also a Republican.



James Allan Sr. – He was born in Caithness, Scotland, in 1802; his father, John Allen, and mother (maiden name Janet Sanderson) were both natives of the same county, he superintended a large farm while renting one of his own; he married Diana Williamson in 1825 a noble woman, who came to Canada in 1842, and then moved into the woods of Meldbourne without a dollar. The children were William, William the 2nd, William the 3rd, Diana, Margaret, John, Euphoria, George James, Janet, and Mary. The first two William died in childhood.



James Allan Jr. – He was a merchant in Scales Mound. He was almost 75 years old when he married Elizabeth C. Phillips in April 1871. They had daughter Elizabeth Caroline born in February 1872. After his wife died in childbirth, he married Isabella Phillips in November 1874 and they had a son William. Mr. Allan in connection with his store ran a grain house and farm; he was a agent for the Express Company. James' brother William also worked for James in the store in Scales Mound.

George Bastian – He was wagon maker. He was born in Galena on May 27, 1853. At the age of 14 he worked one year in the Galena Woolen Mills, then worked for one of the Galena weekly papers. Learned the wagon making from C. Bench of Galena. He married Kate Webber of Galena on February 1, 1877. She was born on June 22, 1855. When he return to Scales Mound and started his business in June of 1876. They were members of the Catholic Church.



George C. Baus – He was born on June 30, 1857 and he was the son of George C. and Mary Haas-Baus. His siblings were Joseph, Mary, and Pheobe. He was married in 1893 to Elizabeth Ella Pooley who was born on May 13, 1863 and was the daughter of John Pooley, and they had one John. George was a farmer first in Guilford Township and in 1910 moved to Scales Mound. After Ella died he retired and lived on north Franklin St in Scales Mound. He then lived with Adam & Phoebe Baus-Rettweger. Ella passed away on September 7, 1921, and George died on February 29, 1943.

Charles Berryman – He was a farmer in Section 33, Scales Mound. He was born in Cornwall, England on December 28, 1815; He married Mary Roberts on May 31, 1841; she was born in same County in 1822; they came to U.S. in 1842; settled near Hazel Green, Wisconsin. They lived there until 1850, when they came to the Scales Mound farm, which they own was 330 acres land; They had twelve children: William H., Mary G., Charles W., Caroline H., Elizabeth J. James, John, Stephen R. Sarah E., Martha J., Hester A. and Julia F. They attend the Methodist Church; He was a Republican.

James Berryman – He was a farmer in Section 34, Scales Mound; He was born in Scales Mound on October 17, 1850; He lived here all his life except two winters spent in school in Galena; He was married November 25, 1873 to Maggie J. Annetts: she was born in East Galena, on March 5, 1853; She was for three years previous to marriage and was engaged in teaching in East Galena; they have four children, Wilbur James; Annie; Charles; and Aruba Ruby. James owned a farm of 181 acres land. They were members of the Methodist Church. James was a Republican. He was a partner in the firm Berryman and Walton grain and livestock dealers for years. He was the president of the Scales Mound Bank. While he had been in poor health for years yet the immediate cause of his death, which occurred Tuesday evening, Nov. 7, 1933, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. J.T. Gummow, was a stroke, which he had on June 29th, 1933. Since then he had been confined to his bed. Every care was given him but without avail. He was 83 years and 20 days old. Margaret passed away on July 5, 1933 and James passed away on November 7, 1933.

Patrick Boyle – He was a section boss for the I.C.R.R. He was born in Ireland in 1830, and came to the US in 1846. He lived in New York until 1851 then came to Jo Daviess County and was employed by the I.C.R.R. He married Alice Boyle in 1852 and they owned 40 acres. Together they had nine children Lizzie, Ona, Con, May, Isabella, Alice, Patrick, Daly, and John. They were member of the Catholic Church; Patrick had his toes crushed by the train in 1875.

James S. Burns – He was an agent for Magoon estate. He was born in Ohio on March 15, 1815 and came to Jo Daviess County in 1849. He married Rebecca Wright in 1852. She died on April 5, 1860; they had two children William M. and Zilpha M.

Moses Bushby -Telegraph Operator, I. C. R. R. in Scales Mound, and he was born in New Diggings, Wisconsin on December 27, 1845; He lived on farm in Wisconsin till 1871. When he took charge of this office. He married Mary Jackson on October 25, 1873; Mary was born in Hazel Green, Wisconsin on January 28, 1854; they had two children Mabel E. born on July 19, 1874 and Floyd M. born on November 6, 1875. They attend the Methodist Church, and Moses was a Republican.



James Carr – He was a farmer in Section 31 in Scales Mound; He was born in Ireland on October 26, 1846 and came to this country in 1848. He settled in New York City; and moved from there to New Diggings, Wisconsin. He came to this county in 1859 and to Scales Mound farm in 1867, and he owned 280 acres land; He married Matilda Mullen on April 23, 1867; she was born in New Diggings on November 15, 1849. They had six children: Matilda A., James R., Henry J., Harvey, Wilbur, and infant son. James was Road Commissioner, also School Director; He was a Democrat; they attend the Methodist Church.

William Chambers- He was a farmer in the Scales Mound area. He was born on March 11, 1814 in Pennsylvania, and then moved to Ohio in 1816, Missouri in 1838 and then to this county in 1841. He moved to his farm in 1855 his farm consisted of 368 acres. He married Mary in 1846. They had 3 children Martha A., William H. Jr., and James D. He was the Justice of Peace for 8 years, and school trustee for 12 years. Mary passed away on January 20, 1875.

Elijah Charles – He was the second permanent settler in Scales Mound in 1828. He married Eliza Darling on October 18, 1837. He ran for sheriff in 1840, and he ran for Justice of the Peace, and resigned from this position due to poor health. He died on May 31, 1843 at his daughter's home in Potosi.

Josiah Conlee – He was born on July 8m 1803 in Lexington, KY, and he married Priscilla Crawford in February 25, 1821. He came to this county in 1850. They had fifteen children Rebecca Catherine, William Crawford, Thomas Jefferson, Maude Jane, Zachariah, George Washington, Andrew Jackson, Sarah Ann, Sophronia, Horace Dunlop, Thompson Smith, Aramanta B, Josiah Preston, Flora, Maud, He was an election judge for East Fork in 1842. He owned the part of section 26 in 1859. Josiah died on February 4, 1891 in Fort Dodge, IA.



Charles Couch – He was the proprietor of the Union Hotel. He was born in Cornwall, England on February 26, 1834. He married Susan Kneebone on May 20, 1854. Children born to this union were Emma, Bessie, Ellen and John. Susan died and then Charles married Mary Ann Sullivan in 1871, and they had four children Mary Jane, Lillie, Frank and Annie. While Charles was in England he drove an omnibus for ten years. After he came to this country in farmer for 3 years. In 1869 he started in the hotel business. In 1871 Charles brought the hotel from Mr. Reynolds. He built an addition and barn on the hotel and then in 1874 Charles went broke. He was indicted in 1875 selling liquor without a license and for selling liquor on Sunday, but later he was found not guilty. The Union Hotel was the headquarter for the Scales Mound-Shullsburg Stage in 1875. On August 1877 Charles' daughter Bessie who had stay in England came to this country.

John Cousin – He was a farmer in Section 22, He was born on that farm on October 8, 1850; He owned 89 acres land; He married Eliza H. Turner on January 31, 1871 that was born in New Jersey on April 29, 1853. They have two children Mary J., William J., John E., Nellie, Della, and they lost one in infancy. He served as School Director; his father came to that farm 30 years prior. John was a republican. John died on November 1, 1902, and Eliza passed away on October 20, 1922.

John Cox – He was the proprietor of the Temperance Hotel and dealer in Chromos and Brackets. He was born in Lincolnshire England on August 10, 1826. He married Annie Greenfield on April 27, 1850. They came to this county in 1853. They had ten children Walter W., Emma F., Annie M., Lizzie M., Jennie G., Minnie W., Eddie M.P., Charlie W., Bertie and Harvey. John was school director for 6 years. He was a street commissioner. They were members of the Methodist Church. He was a republican. The Temperance Hotel was just opposite the depot in 1871.

Percy Davis – He was born on September 5, 1886 the son of John and Margaret Hicks Davis. He was born in Council Hill. He married Viola Bausman on July 17, 1913, she was the daughter of Nicholas & Catherine Bausman, she was born on March 5, 1893. They had two children Stanley Percival “Spud” and Dorothy June. They were a farmer and in 1937 retired from farming and moved to the village. Percy passed away suddenly on April 5, 1943, and then Viola married Herbert Hickman on April 29, 1956.



Percy & Vi Davis

Stanley “Spud” Davis -Spud was born on August 1, 1915, in Scales Mound, Jo Daviess County, Illinois, to Percy and Viola (Bausman) Davis. He was married twice. At 18, he married Cleone O’Neil on January 1, 1934. She died on June 20, 1940, leaving him with two young children Charles and Loretta. On August 1, 1941, he married, Marian Bohnsack, and they had two girls Bette, and Linda. Spud was a successful farmer who thoroughly enjoyed his chosen occupation. He also enjoyed hunting, and playing cards. For eight years he served as Township Supervisor, and for sixteen years was a member of the Jo Daviess County Board. He was a member of the Jo Daviess County Farm Bureau, a charter member of the Lions Club, and member of the Galena Elks for over 55 years. He died on August 30, 2005, at the Elizabeth Nursing Home in Elizabeth, Illinois.



John De Graff -He was a farmer in Section 25, he was born in Montgomery County New York, in December 1818; He came to this county in 1836; He built a cabin on the farm, and afterwards built a house, and has lived there for 41 years, This farm consisted of 110 acres land. He married Clarissa M. Phelps on September 23, 1839; she was born in Tolland County, Conn. on December 2, 1815. They had seven children John, Lizzie M., William, Theodore, Charles, Natalia, and Joel. John was road and school commissioner, Constable and road master for a number of years.



Dr. H.M. Fowler – He was a Physician and Surgeon; He was born in Steuben County, New York, on November 1, 1833; He moved to Cass County, Michigan, in 1845; He was among the first settlers in that County and he lived on the banks of the Sister Lakes for 23 years; the Pottawatomie Indian boys were the only playmates he knew for many years, the nearest white neighbor was three miles off. He worked in the harvest field for 37 ½ cents per day. He married Charity Arbor, of Livingston County, New York, in 1856. They moved to Galena, Illinois in 1863. He studied medicine at Ann Arbor Medical College in 1864 and 1865 then moved to Scales Mound, where he started practicing medicine and surgery. They buried three children, and had two daughters Annie and Julia. They were members of the Methodist Church; He was republican, and was a Postmaster which position he held for nine years. He passed away on June 2, 1911 and was buried the township cemetery.

Seth Glanville – He was a farmer in Section 24, and he was born in Cornwall, England, in 1814. He married Elizabeth Vincent in 1839 that was born also in Cornwall, England in 1813. They came to this County in 1846. They lived here except eight years he spent in California, the family remaining here. They had five children Elizabeth, Jonathan, Thomas, Seth and John. He owned 248 acres land, which included Charles Mound. They were members of the Methodist Church. He was a Republican.



Mark J. Grindey – He was a farmer in Section 36. He was born in England on December 26, 1839, and he came to this county with his father in 1840, settled on the farm, which consisted of 310 acres. He married Margaret J. Phillips on June 18, 1873; she was born on June 16, 1851. They were members of the Methodist Church. They had two sons James Francis, and John Wesley. Mark passed away on August 31, 1895 at the age 55, Margaret passed away on June 3, 1919, and both are buried in the township cemetery.

William Gummow – He was a farmer in Section 24. He was born in Cornwall, England on April 11, 1825, and he came to this county in 1855. He owned a farm of 150 acres. He married Eliza Treseden in 1857; she was born in Cornwall English in 1834. Mrs. Gummow, the demented wife of William a prosperous farmer of Scales Mound, recently set fire to the bedclothes in her sleeping apartment. The following was found in the Galena Gazette; *the people of Scales Mound were horrified on Tuesday evening to learn that Mrs. William Gummow had committed suicide by burning herself. She was 45 years of age, and during the past year had showed some signs of mental aberration, but was always quiet and harmless. The Galena Gazette, in referring to the sad occurrence, says: "On Tuesday evening Mr. Gummow went to the village to attend a religious meeting. During his absence his wife fastened all the doors securely, set the bedclothes on fire, and perished in the flames. When Mr. Gummow returned, and discovered the fire and smoke in the house, he broke a window and climbed in. What must have been his surprise and horror to find the lifeless remains of his wife with her face and portions of her body horribly burned. It was evident that she had been dead but a few minutes, as the flames were just then communicating to the floors and other portions of the woodwork of the house. If Mr. Gummow had returned a few minutes earlier he would have been in season to save her life. A few minutes later and the house would have been burned to the ground and the remains of the unfortunate woman consumed in the flames. Ill health and a critical period of life are supposed to have been the cause of the lady's mental trouble.* After his first wife death, he married Elizabeth A. Sixbey on June 23, 1887. He was Assessor and a tax collector. They were members of the Methodist Church. He was a republican. William passed away in 1909.

The Hammer Family – Like the heads of the families Hoppe, Schap, Grube, Boettcher, and Eversoll of that time, John R. Hammer a farmer from Saxony, Germany took his family and migrated to American. When they reach Scales Mound area in 1852 they brought railroad land. He built a house and with 3 other men found a church. His son Bernhardt had nine children; George and Ida Schieckoff- Hammer, one of these became the father of Willis.



George Hammer Family



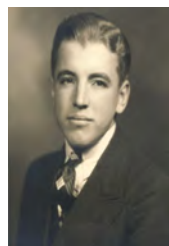
Willis Hammer Sr. – was born on July 10, 1914 and married Mildred Evans on September 19, 1934. They had two children Willis Jr. and Janet. Willis Sr. was a farmer like his father. Willis Sr. passed away on August 25, 1977, and Mildred passed away in 1993.

John H. Hesselbacher – He was born on June 12, 1890 in Guilford Township, the son of John and Mary Schank-Hesselbacher. He was involved in a meat market in Scales Mound and later started his own trucking company. He married Pearl Bausman, after



Jack & Pearl

she died in 1944 he married Mamie Sanders on January 26, 1946. He had two sons Eldon and LaVerne, and a stepdaughter and two stepsons LaVerne Duerstein, and Harold Pfuehler. J.H. had two brothers Louis, and Ernest, and a sister Mary Bertha “Mae”. J.H. passed away on February 23, 1977.



Eldon Hesselbacher – He was born on November 29, 1918 and he married Margaret Werner on July 20, 1948. He was a World War II veteran and member of the Scales Mound Fire Dept. He also was partner first with his father in the trucking business and later was partner in the same business with his brother Laverne. They had three children David, Sandra, and John. He retired from the trucking business in 1982. He passed away on October 24, 1990. Margaret was born June 2, 1947 and passed away on



January 4, 2014.



Laverne Hesselbacher – (Popeye) -He was born on March 15, 1917 and he married Clara Driscoll on September 26, 1939. He was co-owner of Hesselbacher Brothers Truckers and retired in 1982. They had one daughter Joanne. He passed away on August 30, 1989. Clara was born on March 2, 1920 and passed away on April 14, 2010.



Thomas Hicks – He was a farmer in Section 26. He was born in Cornwall, England, on July 15, 1818. Thomas was the son of Henry Sr. and Jane Dunn-Hicks. He came to this County in 1846. That same year he went to Lake Superior and worked in copper mines three years in 1849 went to California via Cape Horn, and stayed two years, then returned back to Scales Mound and stayed two years; then went to Australia; returned to Scales Mound in 1855. His farm consisted of 160 acres. He married Phillipa White on July 16, 1856; she was born in Cornwall, England, on August 29, 1835. They had seven children Thomas H., Hester A., Phillipa J., Elizabeth A., William W., Martha L., and Ida May. The family all members of the Methodist Church; He was affiliated with Republican Party. Thomas died on October 17, 1894 and Phillipa passed away in 1911.

Thomas H. Hicks – He was a farmer, he was a born in Guilford Township on May 19, 1857 and when six weeks old was removed by his parents to Scales Mound, where he grew up on the farm upon which he lived. He was married on February 28, 1897 to Olive Spensley daughter of Jonas and Hannah Spensley of New Diggings and they had two children Leta F. and Olive T. Thomas was a Township Supervisor and School Director for a number of years.

George Hoch – He was Grain and Lumber Dealer in Scales Mound. He was born in Baden, Germany on April 20, 1833; came to this Co. in 1854. He married Mary A. Hevberger on March 1, 1866; she was born in Sweden in December 1835. They had six children John, Georgie, Laura Ann, Emma, Bertha and Elizabeth. He was the Town clerk, served as School Director. He was also President of Village Board of Trustees. He enlisted in 3d Wisconsin V.I. first called in 1861 and was in 17 battles, and mustered out in Marietta, Georgia in August of 1864. George died on March 18, 1893 and Mary passed away on February 1, 1924.

James C. Holland – He was a farmer in Sec. 21. Born in Ireland January 6, 1833. He came to this country in 1840, first settling in Newport, Rhode Island where, in 1851, he married Julia Sullivan, who was born in Ireland. Children born to this union were John, Jeremiah, Daniel, William, Catherine, Edward J., Benjamin and Margaret. In 1853 they came to Stephenson County, Illinois residing until 1867, when he came to this township, buying his present farm of 160 acres, on which they have made valuable improvements. Mr. Holland commenced life as a ship carpenter. He was one of our best citizens, beloved and respected by all who know him. James C. Holland, a pioneer resident of the county, died at his home in Scales Mound township, Monday, Dec. 22, 1913, in his 80th year. From 1867 to 1883 deceased resided east of Warren, and then moved to Scales Mound Township where he resided.

James. E. Holland – He was born on June 27, 1899 the son of Edward and Elizabeth Beggin Holland. He married Clara Artman the daughter of Andrew and Mary Powers Artman on June 27, 1926. Clara was born on December 25, 1901. James and Clara were farmers for their entire life. Children born to this union were Edward, Leland, Claire, Robert “Patrick”, and Mary Barbara. James passed away on October 9, 1944 and Clara passed away on January 10, 1992.

Edward Holland – He was born on December 14, 1928 and married Elizabeth (Betty Rae) Baus on August 4, 1951. They resided on the Holland Family Homestead, an Illinois Centennial Farm, until 1996 when they moved to the Stadel-Holland Farm on the northern edge of Scales Mound. Ed began farming on the Holland Family farm at the age of 15 when his father died. He bought his first tractor, a John Deere H, in 1944 and was an avid John Deere farmer all of his life. He was a member and president of the former Scales Mound Lions Club. He served as a

member and president of the Board of Education for the Scales Mound School District # 211 and on the Board of Directors and as president for the Thompson & Guilford Insurance



Company. He was a DeKalb Seed Corn dealer for several years. Ed served as Santa's helper for many years in Scales Mound. Ed and Betty had six children Kathy, William, Kevin, Terrence, Martin, and Joel. Betty graduated with a B.S. degree from Platteville Teachers College in 1951. She taught second grade at Seminary Hill School in Galena and substituted in Scales Mound and Warren Schools after her marriage. Betty was born on April 27, 1929 and passed away on May 18, 2015. Ed passed away on August 19, 2012.



James Horan – He was a farmer in Council Hill. The son of Michael & Sarah Ann Beggin-



Horan, he was born on September 4, 1898. He married Mildred Berryman on February 11, 1928. Mildred was born on November 3, 1904 the daughter of Charles and Margaret Berryman. Mildred was a correspondent for local newspaper. Together they had five daughters Lois, Margaret, Mary, Barbara, and Kathryn. James was on the committee who wrote the 1978 Village History. James passed away in July of 1986, and Mildred passed away on February 3, 1989.



John G. Jackson –He was considerable of a mineralogist having a large collection of geological specimens, which he preserves with great affection. At the age of twenty-five he was married on May 21, 1847 to Miss Jane, daughter of William and Elizabeth (Davey) Harvey. Two weeks after their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Jackson embarked on the sailing vessel "Siddons" from Liverpool, and after a voyage of six weeks and two days landed at Staten Island. Thence they proceeded to Dover, N.J., where they engaged in the iron mines and remained there two years. Next he was searching for gold in Whitehall, Va.,

where he remained three years and operated as foreman for the Philadelphia gold mining concern W.A. Budd & Co. In 1852 Mr. and Mrs. Jackson with their little family moved to Hazel Green, Wis., and purchased a small farm near. Mr. Jackson soon occupied himself in the lead mines, at which business he continued until 1860. Then leaving his family at that place he went into the copper regions of Michigan as foreman in the employ of a New York company, and this occupied him until the spring of 1863. He then returned to Hazel Green, where he spent the summer, and in the fall of that year started for Virginia City, Nev., via New York City and Aspinwall, crossing the Isthmus of Panama, arriving in San Francisco five weeks after starting. He went to work as the employee of other parties at gold and silver mining, and in due time also became foreman there, as elsewhere; in the Justice and Sierra Nevada mines, also the Ophir and the Crown Point. He was thus occupied until the fall of 1861, and then started by rail on his return to his family. Mr. Jackson then invested a part of his surplus capital in 240 acres of land near White Oak Springs, Wis., and upon which there were no improvements. He cleared the land, brought it to a good state of cultivation, and established his boys thereon, who with his wife operated the farm while Mr. Jackson returned as far west as Belmont, Nev., and was engaged there in silver mining until the fall of 1876. He had been successful in this enterprise also, and upon returning home agreeably surprised his sons John and Joseph by sending them

to the Centennial Exposition at Philadelphia. Thereafter Mr. Jackson devoted himself to his farm, effecting valuable improvements, and remained upon it until 1883, when he took up his residence in Scales Mound. First purchasing a half---block of ground he erected his fine residence and gradually gathered around himself and his family all the conveniences and comforts of modern life. He was warmly interested in fancy poultry, and amuses himself by raising fowl quite extensively. To him and his estimable wife there were born ten children William H, John, Joseph, Mary E., Catherine, Samuel, Joshua, Araminta H., Jane, and Martha. Mr. Jackson cast his first Presidential vote for Winfield Scott, and was a staunch supporter of the Republican Principles. He held various local offices serving as member of the Village Board of Trustees, also as a member of the school board. He was a member of the Methodist Church.

Alfred Jewell Sr. – He was a farmer in Section 34. He was born in Cornwall, England in 1833, and came to this county in 1847. He was the son of James and Sarah (Williams) Jewell. In 1850 he went to California where he remained two years, when he returned to Scales Mound. He brought his farm in 1852, which consisted of 145 acres. The following year (1853) went by way of England to Australia, whence he returned in 1855. After remaining at Scales Mound until 1861, he went to British Columbia, and after departing from New York, successively visited Central America Old Mexico, San Francisco, Portland Oregon, Victoria and Vancouver B.C. after which he made the trip to Fort George traveling to the mines a distance of 350 miles. He returned home the same year, but in 1864 made the journey by team from Scales Mound to Virginia City Montana returning a few months later. He married Catherine Roberts in 1852; she was born in England in 1837. They had twelve children Alfred, Katie, Lillie M., Frank, Eliza E., Parmelia, Henrietta, William, Arthur H., and three died in infancy. The family attended the Methodist Church; Alfred was a Republican.

Edwin Jewell – He was Farmer in Section 29. He was born in Cornwall, England on January 25, 1830, and came to this county in 1847. The farm he owned consisted of 310 acres. He married Ann Reed in 1852; she was born in Devonshire, England, on August 9, 1834. They had eleven children Frances, Edwin, William Alfred, Eliza E., Arthur, James H., Sarah J., John Franklin, Alfred, Edwina and Albert. Edwin was a supervisor three years, Road Commissioner same, and School Director for fifteen years. He followed mining for two years after coming to this County; worked three years in the mines of California, and spent two years dealing in cattle in Australia. He owned a mining interest in Cornwall, England. The family attended the Methodist Church.

Thomas Jewell –He was a farmer in Section 22. He was born in Cornwall, English on April 14, 1815; married Elizabeth Rogers in 1835, and she were born in Cornwall in 1810, and came to this county in 1846. They had seven children Thomas R., Elizabeth J., Mary, John, Grace, Priscilla, and. After Elizabeth died he married Grace Jenkins in August 1854; she was born in Cornwall, England, on August 23, 1813. His farm consisted of owns 120 acres of land. They belong to the Methodist Church. He was a Republican.

William Jewell --- A native of Cornwall County, England, Mr. Jewell was born in November 1825. He remained a resident of his native county until reaching his majority, in the meantime being given a practical education, mostly at a private school. Upon approaching manhood he turned his attention to agricultural pursuits, also the buying and selling of livestock, and in time drifted into the wholesale meat business, becoming what was termed there a "common

carrier. Young Jewell was thus occupied until the time when his mother determined to emigrate with her family to America, the father having died in 1840.



William was one of a family of seven brothers and sisters, and they embarked at Liverpool on the sailing vessel "Argo of Glasco," which landed them in the city of Quebec, Canada, twenty-one days later. They journeyed by team overland to Scales Mound, which journey consumed about five days. Two brothers had preceded them to this point, and put up a house for their reception, which was a shelter of more than ordinary comfort in those days. The brothers operated in partnership until the spring 1849, when the California gold excitement two of them, James and Edwin, to start overland for the Pacific Slope, and William and two other

brothers followed these 1850. After the gold excitement ended he returned now to Warren, this county, which had become the western terminus of the Illinois Central Railroad, arriving here April 14, Mr. Jewell purchased land at Scales Mound, also at Galena, loaned some of his money and spent the summer. In the fall he started across the Atlantic to his childhood's home in England, leaving New York City December 7, and arriving at Liverpool ten days later. It proved that there was an attraction of more than ordinary moment in his native country, for on the 19th of April 1855; he was united in marriage with Miss Eliza E. Roskrow. On the 14th of May following he started with his bride on the return trip to the United States, in the mean time having gone on a wedding tour to London, where he spent ten days, and the same length of time sojourned in Liverpool. Upon returning to Illinois Mr. Jewell and his young wife began housekeeping in a modest dwelling at Scales Mound, while Mr. Jewell purchased land and employed himself at loaning money. In the fall of 1856 he changed his residence to Council Hill, where he resided four years, and at the expiration of this time revisited England with his wife, making a four months stay. He purchased in Jo Daviess County 160 acres of land, one fourth of a mile south of Scales Mound depot, and after his return from England sold his home at Council Hill and returned to Scales Mound to spend the winter, with the intention of going on to the farm he bought while in England, and which was partly improved, but with very indifferent buildings. He then purchased an improved farm, which had upon it good buildings, one of the finest in the county at that day, and moved onto it. The dwelling was 22x44 feet in dimensions, two and one-half stories high, and after being surrounded with evergreens and shrubbery, which Mr. Jewell planted from time to time, made one of the most desirable homesteads in that region. The residence stands on a knoll one-fourth of a mile west of the depot. He finally resolved to abandon farming, and purchased a fine home in Warren, which was located on Tisdale Avenue. In political matters Mr., uniformly votes with the Republican Party. Mr. and Mrs. Jewell became the parents of children, with all of who died in infancy. Mr. and Mrs. Jewell have been members of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Josiah Kistle – He was a farmer who was born in Cornwall, England on January 1, 1817. He came to Jo Daviess in 1840 and mined in Galena for 10 years. He married Grace Edwards on May 10, 1844. They divorced on July 17, 1849. He then moved to Scales Mound in 1850 and he purchased 403 acres. He married Phillipe E. Ford on May 18, 1855. They had six children Josiah C., Charles, John H., William T., Estella S., and Adella E. He was a road commissioner for 9 years and school director for 13 years. He passed away on December 26, 1866, result of an injury by a vicious horse. Phillipe was born on November 19, 1833 and passed away on March 22, 1910.

Joseph T. Kneebone -Postmaster, Scales Mound, Ill., was born in the village where he now resides, July 22, 1862, the son of Josiah and Ann (Rowe) Kneebone, the former born in Cornwall, England, in 1834, and the latter, also a native of England, born January 26, 1840. Joseph T. Kneebone, after reaching his maturity, followed farming until thirty years old, when he engaged in mercantile business for about ten years. September 27, 1897, he was appointed Postmaster at Scales Mound. December 19, 1888, he was married to Araminta J. Jackson, daughter of John G. and Jane (Harvey) Jackson, of Scales Mound, and they have three children; Beatrice and Bernice (twins), and Florence L. Josiah Kneebone, the father of Joseph T., died Jan. 19, 1896, Aramita was born on March 22, 1860 and passed away on August 3, 1940.

Josiah Kneebone -He came to this country in 1854, and in 1861, about the time of his marriage, settled in Scales Mound. There were seven children of this marriage, Joseph T., Philippa J., John F., Elsie A. and Carrie E. William H. and Amelia. He went to work in the mines at Council Hill in the winter, working on the farm in the summer. In 1864 he bought a farm in Scales Mound. In 1872 he sold it and in addition to general farming he bred cattle and horses and feed and shipped cattle to market by the carload. Josiah Kneebone was one of the most influential farmers in Scales Mound Township, lived in probably the finest house in the township and farm of 227 acres. Josiah was married at White Oak, on 16th April 1864 to Nannie B. Rowe born at Camborne, Cornwall on the 28th January 1840, daughter of Thomas and Amelia Bawden Rowe.

Alfred John Knuckey – He was a farmer and he was born in Scales Mound on November 20, 1864 son of William and Sarah Jewell Knuckey. He married Hattie Moyle Eckstein on February 22, 1888. Hattie was born on November 6, 1867 daughter of John Eckstein of Galena. Alfred and Hattie had four children of which two lived Alfred James and Blanche Mary Helen. Alfred died on October 13, 1936. Hattie remain on the farm until 1948 in which she moved into the Village.



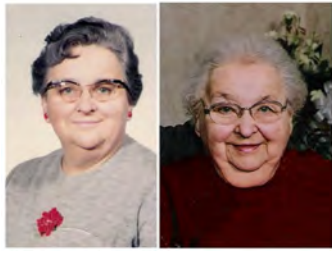
James T. Knuckey – He was a druggist in Scales Mound prior to becoming a minister in the Methodist faith. He was born in April 4, 1853 the son of Thomas & Jane Martin Knuckey. He married Julia Etta Fowler on April 2, 1876. Julia was born on December 2, 1857 and died on July 22, 1948. Born to this union were five children Archie P., Bertha, Clyde, Eunice, and one died in infancy. In 1883 he entered the Garrett Biblical Institute at Evanston, Illinois



where he spent four years graduating in 1887. His first work as minister was at Scribner, Nebraska, then on to Schuyler, Nebraska and then to Staunton Nebraska. In 1898 he moved to Colorado. In 1904 on account of ill health, and passed away on October 4, 1914.

William M. Knuckey – He was a farmer in Section 34. He was born in Cornwall, England, in 1826; came to this County in 1847. His farm consisted of 250 acres of land. He married Ellen Jewell in 1851; she was born in Cornwall. They had ten children Sarah E., James, Francis, Mary, William, Alfred J., Eliza, Flora, William the 2nd and Annie. The family attended Methodist Church.

Virginia Laity – She was a schoolteacher. She was born on July 13, 1907, the daughter of



William and Elizabeth Williams. Virginia obtained her teaching degree from the University of Platteville. She first married LaVerne A. Schoenhardt on November 23, 1938. He was the son of Henry & Florence Schonhardt. He was farmer and together they had two children Korliss and Richard. LaVerne passed away on December 10, 1962. Virginia then married another local farmer Clifford Earl Laity on June 1, 1968 who with his first wife Myrtle had four

children Dorothy, Fern, James and Keith. Earl was the son of William and Ada Laity. Virginia was on the committee who update the village history in 1993. He passed away on February 9, 1984. Virginia passed away on March 9, 2009.

Conrad Lichtenburger – Conrad and Julin Ann (Kimmel) Lichtenburger were, natives of Somerset County, Pennsylvania. He served in the Blackhawk War in the same company with his son, Cyrus, and had been a soldier in the War of 1812. They immigrated to Illinois with their children in 1822, and settled first in Jackson County. He engaged in mining, settling on the east fork of the Fever River, Scales Mound. Finally he took up a tract of land, which he improved, and upon which he remained until his death, which occurred October 29, 1836, at the age of forty-seven years. The wife resided on the homestead until about a year before her decease, when she removed to Chicago, and made her home with her daughter, until her death, which occurred in 1867, at the age of seventy-nine years. The following children comprised the household, namely: Harriet, Cyrus, Eliza A., James Monroe, Julia, Amanda, George, and Alexander.

Cyrus Lichtenburger – He was born in Pennsylvania on January 28, 1817, and came to this county in 1827 and settled at East Fork where he erected him a house and worked the 10 acres of land. He was in the Winnebago War in 1832, and he served in the Blackhawk War. He married Harriet Harper on December 29, 1840. Children born to this union were Helen, Eli, Alfred, Clara Olive, James, Frank, George, Alice, and Harry. He passed away in 1887. Harriett passed away in July 1894.

William H. Martin- He was an educator who was born in Scales Mound, the son of Henry & Keturah (Thomas) Martin who was natives of Cornwall, England. His father came to America in 1846, settling in Scales Mound, and there followed farming and mining until his death, which occurred in February 1900. William H. Martin was elected Town Clerk at twentytwo years of age, later serving two years each in the offices of Town Collector and Supervisor. In 1890 he was elected Superintendent of Schools for Jo Daviess County, having previously been engaged for sometime as a teacher, and in 1898 was elected Superintendent for a second term, serving four years. William was born on February 11, 1855 and passed away on August 7, 1932. He was member of the Methodist Episcopal Church; he was politically a Democrat and fraternally identified with the Knights of Pythias and Modern Woodmen of America.

William C. Martin – He was the son of William and Mary Grace Berryman Martin. He was born on September 24, 1867. He married Flora Augusta Knuckey daughter of James and Grace Odgens Knuckey. Children born to this union were Glen, William James, Hazel, Ella, and Florence Viola. William and Flora was a farmer.

James C. Matson -He was a teacher in Scales Mound. He was born in Thompson Township on January 28, 1849. He married Lizzie M. DeGraff on September 27, 1874; she was born on January 2, 1852. They had one son; John Franklin was born on November 4, 1875. During the summer he dealt in agricultural implements. He also dealt occasionally in blooded stock; the family attended the Methodist Church. He was a Town Clerk, he was a member of the Town Council, and he was a Treasurer of the Horse Breeders' Association. In politics he is a Republican, and at the county convention of his party he was a member of the Republican Central Committee. Socially he is a member of the Masonic fraternity, belonging to the lodge at Apple River.

Fleming Cobbs (F.C.) Maupin - He was born on October 30, 1800 in Kanawha, Virginia, the son of Thomas and Judith Maupin. He married Rachael Conlee on March 27, 1823; Rachael was born on June 12, 1805 the daughter of John and Hessa Conlee. Children born to this union were Alvey, Elizabeth, Thomas, John, Sarah, Preston, Lavina, Nancy, and Priscilla. Fleming was the first postmaster of the village. Fleming passed away in Fort Dodge, Iowa on February 13, 1873, and Rachael passed away on October 30, 1881.

James S. McBride - Proprietor of the Scales Mound Hotel. He was born in New York on January 19, 1812. Prior to coming to Scales Mound he was a railroad contractor in New York for 24 years. Then from 1859 to till the outbreak of the Civil War was building in Texas. He married Helen Sloan in 1835 and she died in 1849. He then married Delia Cole and she died in 1858, he then married Dorothy Moore. He came to Scales Mound in 1864. They had six children James, Minnie, Luella, John, George, Richard, and Robert. James was also an assistant Superintendent for the Rome & Waterman Railroad for 6 years. He purchased the hotel from John Dunstan and Mrs. Pryor in 1876. He passed away on March 3, 1890.

Charles Monnier -This gentleman native of Jo Daviess County, and one enterprising citizens of Scales Mound which place he conducts a meat market. He joined the 39th Illinois Infantry on October 1864. The winter of 1864-65 was spent in Richmond, and mustered out in October. 1865. When he return back to peaceful pursuits, he engaged in farming until 1870, when he commenced mining on the old homestead, successfully following that vocation until the spring of 1880. In the latter year he abandoned mining, and removing to Scales Mound, bought out the meat market of J. McDonald, the leading business of its kind in the place. On February 15, 1872. Mr. Monnier was married in Elizabeth Township, to Miss Dorcas Reed, who was born in Cornwall County, England. Three children have blessed their union: Josie R., Mabel A., and Frederick. In politics he is a Republican, and has served on the Town and School Boards and done duty both on the Grand and Petit Juries. His wife is an active member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and at their home on Mason Street dispenses a generous hospitality.

John Moore - He was farmer who was born in Durham, England on May 29, 1809. He came to this country in 1830 and mined for 8 years (2 in Pottsville, PA, and 6 in Wheeling, VA). He married Mary Bowman on March 19, 1835. Mary was born on March 27, 1806. They moved to Galena in 1838 and mined for 12 years, generally as superintendent because of his large experience. All the prominent companies in the Galena and Dubuque and the entire mining district sought him after. He started mining at the age of 7 years in 1816 and quit the life in 1850. They were parents of six children Thomas Jefferson, Mary Jane, Dorothy, Sarah Ann, John Washington, and Anne. Mary died on April 16, 1863 and John then married Polly Harper

on November 8, 1863. John was supervisor 5 times, assessor and collector for 2 terms each, and Justice of Peace 6 times. He was a member of the Primitive Methodist and member of the Democrat party.

Stephenson T. Napper – He was a farmer. He was born in Yorkshire, England on March 13, 1815; and came with his parents, two sisters and a brother to Knox County, Ohio, in 1828; and they left there and came to Chicago in 1836; was there until 1838, when he came to this



County. The farm consisted of 720 acres in this County and southern Wisconsin. He married Elfrida E. Toby; who was born in Fairfield, ME. They had two children Stephenson T., born August 13, 1869; and one died in infancy. He was engaged in butcher hogs, and 60 sheep, a fair average of the number he annually feeds; in coming West in 1836, he crossed the famous Black Swamps, the dread of all emigrants of that day, but having an excellent team he came through comparatively east. He was a Supervisor four terms. They are members of the Methodist Church.



Eldon Opie – He was a financial analyst for Duns & Bradstreet for over 35 years. He was born on May 16, 1915 in Apple River, the son of Walter & Ellen White-Opie. He married Dorothy L. Pooley on December 11, 1937 she was the daughter of Roscoe & Della Pooley. Dorothy was born on August 6, 1906. Together they had two daughters Diane and Carolyn. Eldon was also a director and vice president of the State Bank of Scales Mound. He was a WW II army veteran. In 1981 Eldon and Dorothy retired to Pinehurst, NC, where Eldon passed away on March 15, 1990. Dorothy passed on March 14, 2009.

William Perry – He was born in Cornwall County, England on March 9, 1828 and at an early age was put to work on the farm. When at the age of 22 on June 15th, 1850 he embarked on the vessel :Oregon for America. After a voyage of six weeks and four days he landed in New York City, he preceded to Chicago and from there by team to White Oak Springs, where he engaged in lead mining on his own account. In 1853 he went up Lake Superior into the copper mines until the spring of 1857. In 1859 he quit the mining occupation and went into farming He rented a tract of land in Scales Mound Township and in 1870 purchased his farm, which consisted of 86 acres. He put up a dwelling, erected barns, corncribs and sheds and in 1876 purchased 66 acres adjoining. He married Eliza Hancock the daughter of William and Susan Thomas Hancock on July 24, 1857. She was born in January 1836. They were member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. William and Eliza were the parents of ten children Susan, William Jr., Eliza, Richard, Edward, Mary, Martha, Henry, John and Joseph. William was politically a sound Republican, and has held various offices, member of the School Board and Road Supervisor.



Helen Phelps – She was born on August 13, 1910 in Belvidere, IL the daughter of Earl & Lillian Carver. She married H. Bruce Phelps on August 13, 1935. They had two children Judi, and Gary. Bruce passed away on February 15, 1968. She was a special education teacher in Rockford Schools. She was president of Scales Mound. Helen also owned High Point Storage and OHHO antiques. And she also was instrumental in the building the High Point Apartments. She passed away on June 28, 1993.

Mr. & Mrs. William Phelps -One of the most beautiful homes in Scales Mound Township was owned and occupied by the lady who was widowed by the death of William F. Phelps, November 2, 1888. Mr. Phelps among the most valued men of his community, a man who had arisen by his own effort from a modest beginning to a good position in life socially and financially. He was cut down in his prime at the age of sixty-seven years, not being to long enjoy the fruit, of his labors. Phelps was born near St. Louis, Mo., October 14, and was taken by her parents to Monroe, Wis., where she was given excellent advantages for education, and pursued her until a maiden of sixteen years. She then as a teacher, which profession she followed. On the 25th of December 1851, she became the wife of William F. Phelps, this taking place at the bride's home in Apple River Township. The young people commenced wedded life together in her present home. Of union there were born nine children, Natalia, Lydia, Luella, Russell J., Elmer William, Arthur, Mary Estelle, Adele A., Horacio Harold. In 1837 Mr. Phelps came to this farm at Scales Mound. It embraces 132 acres, and he made more improvements, putting up residence in 1842, to which he brought in 1851. Later he purchase additional land from time to time until he owned 182 acres. He made a specialty of stock raising, and as time passed on and the little family increased he put up an addition to the house, and also effected many other improvements about the homestead. Mr. Phelps, politically, was a decided Republican, and served as School Director and Commissioner of Highways. Both he and his estimable wife identified themselves with the Methodist Episcopal Church.

William Phillips -The fine farming property owned by Mr. Phillips is pleasantly situated in Scales Mound Township, and embraces 222 acres of finely cultivated land, with good improvements, lying on different sections, the residence being on section 23. He is one of the most prominent and influential citizens of his township, a thorough and skillful agriculturist, a man having had a long experience in mining, and one who has been uniformly prosperous, energetic, and possessed of more than ordinary ability he is looked up to in his community as one of its most useful men. He has first class improvements on his farm, a neat and substantial residence, together with the outbuildings and machinery necessary for the successful prosecution of general agriculture. William was born in Cornwall County, England, on September 28, 1823. Resolving to immigrate to America he left Falmouth, on the 3d of April 1846, going via Dublin by steamer to Liverpool, and there embarked on the sailing vessel which, after a voyage of six weeks and four days, landed him in the city of New Orleans. Thence he proceeded northward up the Mississippi to Galena, arriving June 20. He began prospecting for himself in the lead regions, working in the Black Diggings, and later purchased the claim in the Magoon Diggings. In the spring of 1850 he started overland with an ox team for the Pacific Slope, with a large company. After a long journey of four months they arrived at Placerville, or Hangtown, where Mr. Phillips engaged in mining, and remained little over a year. This proved a rather unfortunate experience, as he suffered most of the time from ague. He finally concluded to return to Illinois, and made the trip via the Isthmus and New Orleans. In the fall of 1851 he began operating his own claim, and purchased a farm of 142 acres in Scales Mound Township. He prosecuted agriculture until 1863, in the meantime steadily making improvements. He then sold out and purchased the property. In Galena, on the 30th of August 1849, the marriage of William Phillips with Miss Caroline Martin. Mrs. Phillips, like her husband, as born in Cornwall County, England, in 1826, and came to America with her father in 1848. Of this union there have been born four children: John O.; Sibilla,

Elizabeth C., and John died in infancy. Mr. Phillips cast his first Presidential vote for Taylor, and in politics is a straight democrat. He has frequently served as a delegate to the various conventions of his party in this district, and has served on the Grand and Petit Juries. He has held about all the local offices; was Road supervisor three years; Commissioner of Highways nine years; Township Collector two years; Township Supervisor three years; School Trustee six years and has been School Director for fifteen years; the latter office he still holds. Both he and his estimable wife were members of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Abel and Mary (Moffatt) Proctor - Abel Proctor was born in Vermont on March 31, 1800. He had one brother and three sisters. They were of English and Scotch ancestry. When Abel Proctor attained the age of twenty-one years he started off with a one-horse vehicle and sold shoes through the south until he landed at New Orleans, from which point he secured the position as clerk upon a steamboat plying the Mississippi river. Abel's father, Leonard Proctor, Jr. died when Abel was 14 years old. Abel was then bound out to a printer, for 7 years, and learned the printing trade. He set the first type west of Chicago. When Lafayette visited Virginia in 1824, Abel attended the reception for him. In June 1827, he landed in Galena, Illinois, when the lead mines were flourishing and when the Indian was more numerous than the white man. He was married in 1829 in Galena, to Mary Moffat, a native of Maine, and whose father the British drove out of Canada during the rebellion. The Moffat's moved to Peoria, Illinois, in 1823, and later to Galena. Mary was born on July 21, 1806. Abel and Mary had seven children Emily, Charles, Catherine, Elizabeth, Mary Ann, George, and Henry. Mrs. Proctor died on May 14, 1865. He had a farm in Scales Mound, IL. Abel Proctor sold his interests in Illinois and settled on a farm in Wright County, Iowa, Abel died at the age of 88 from falling off when building a barn where he died on March 12, 1888 at the age of eighty-eight years. Abel joined the Masonic Lodge at Richmond, VA in 1824. At the time of his death, he was the oldest Mason in Iowa.

Roscoe Pooley - He was an implement and auto dealer. He was born in Cobb, WI on September 1, 1886, the son of Henry and Marianna Pooley, and he married Della Cousins on August 26, 1913. After 35 years as a dealer he worked for the State of Illinois in the traffic division. He was mayor of Scales Mound for 8 years. He was member of the Republican Party and the Methodist Church. They had one child Dorothy. Della was born on August 20, 1888 and passed away on July 27, 1975.



Rittweger Bros. --- This enterprising and prominent firm, composed of the brothers W, Adam and George Rittweger, was doing a large and constantly increasing trade at Scales Mound. They manufacture all sorts of wagons, carriages, buggies and gigs, do general blacksmithing work, and deal largely in agricultural implements. Their father, George, was born in Hildburghausen, Saxony and their mother, Catherine Mayer in Moresfelt, Bavaria, where her father was foreman in the quicksilver mines. The father was apprenticed when sixteen years old to learn the trade of blacksmithing, serving three years, and for ten years thereafter worked as a journeyman. In 1848, striking out for a home in the New World, he came to America, and making his way to the West reached Galena, where for a short time he worked at his trade. He then started a shop at Mappon's Mound, where he worked as a blacksmith for live years. At the end of this time he removed to within one---quarter of a mile south of Scales

Mound, where he bought a small property, built a shop, and carried on his trade there until he retired from active life in 1888; although for some years prior to that time he had not worked himself, but had overlooked his business. His wife died in 1867, when she was but forty-four years of age. She had been previously married, her first husband being Peter Schneider. Mr. and Mrs. Rittweger were the parents of three children: Adam, George and Katie.

Adam Rittweger was born in Jo Daviess County, near Scales Mound, January 9, 1860. In his youth the school system of the State had been greatly improved, and he received a good education in the district school, followed by a term of school at Dubuque. From boyhood he had determined to adopt his father's trade," and at the age of seventeen devoted his entire time to it until January. 1888, when he entered into partnership with his father, and erected their present building, which was a 26x40 foot, with a storeroom above. In this building they put up a new double set of tools, two forges, etc., and all the appliances necessary for a successful business. Adam has served on the Petit Jury three times. Both are members of the Presbyterian Church at Scales Mound, which they helped to build, and of which Adam is now a Trustee. The latter has also been Superintendent of the Sabbath school, and was Secretary of the Union Sabbath School.

George Rittweger, the junior partner of the firm, was born August 19, 1863, near Scales Mound, and like his brother Adam became proficient at the blacksmith trade, working for his father, with a short interval of clerking in a store, until the spring of 1888, when he embarked in the agricultural implement business at Scales Mound. This he conducted alone until January 1889, when the brothers formed a co-partnership at Scales Mound. They then put up a new building, put in a new line of agricultural implements of all sorts, a good stock of wagons and buggies, both of which they also manufacture, and are doing the leading business in this line in this part of the country. George was agent for the German Fire and Lightning Insurance Company of Freeport, and also agent for the German Life Insurance Company of New York.

In politics the brothers support the policy of the Democratic Party. These prominent and enterprising young men are creditable specimens of the better class of natives of the county. Known all their lives to its people, they have acquired an enviable reputation for honesty and uprightness, and deservedly occupy a high place in the community.

Walter Rogers – He was born in 1853, the son of John & Elizabeth Perry-Rogers. He married Ida Jewell in 1885. She was born in 1866. Walter farmed 200 west of Scales Mound. Walter & Ida had eight children, Alvin, Allie, Pricilla, Jane, Jennie, John, Percy, and Mae. Walter passed away on August 11, 1905, and Ida passed away in 1952.

William R. Rowley -He was born February 8, 1824 Lawrence County New York. In the early 1840s he moved to Brown County Ohio and then came to Jo Daviess County in 1843 to teach in Scales Mound. Rowley married Elizabeth Miller in 1847 and had four children. It was around this time that Rowley was appointed Assessor and Collector for Jo Daviess County. Between 1847 and 1861s, Rowley held several other county government positions like Deputy Circuit Clerk and Sheriff. By 1861 the Rowley's were living at 515 Hill Street in Galena. On November 13, 1861 Rowley became the First Lieutenant of Company D of the 45th Volunteer Infantry Regiment. He participated in the battle of Fort Donelson in February of 1862, then was commissioned Captain and became aid-de-camp to Grant, who had been



recently promoted to Major General of Volunteers. Rowley fought in the battle of Shiloh and the Vicksburg Campaign. When Grant was promoted Lieutenant General on March 2, 1864 Rowley was appointed Lieutenant Colonel and Military Secretary on Grant's Staff. He held that position until his health forced him to resign from the army in October of that year. Rowley returned to Galena as Circuit Clerk of Jo Daviess County. In July 1866, on recommendation of Grant, Rowley was appointed brevet Brigadier General of volunteers for his service in the war. The Rowley's moved to 305 Park Ave in 1869. Shortly after, Rowley and his son Lewis opened a real estate and insurance business on Main Street. Rowley was elected County Judge in 1877, a position he held until his death on February 9, 1886.

Earl & Tossie Rummell – Earl was born on November 5, 1892 and he married Tossie B. Edge on July 5, 1917. Earl was the son of Henry and Sarah Poyzer Rummell. He was veteran of WW I. He managed Barker Lumber for over 47 years until he retired in 1960. Tossie was a correspondence for the Galena Gazette for several years. Earl & Tossie had infant son that died infancy. Earl passed away on August 28, 1969 and Tossie passed away in September of 1978.

Henry Saam – He was born in 1811 in Germany, and came to the United States to reside on a farm in Guilford Township. He and his wife Mary had four sons George, Henry, Christian, and John. Henry passed away on May 23, 1873 and Mary who was also born in 1811 and passed away in 1870. They are buried in the Singer Cemetery.

Henry Saam – He was the son of Henry and Mary. He was born in December 1844 and married Margaret who was born in 1842. Together they farmed in Guilford Township and raised five children Herman, Joseph, Anna, Valentine, and Margaret. Henry passes away in 1904, and Margaret passed away in 1925 and both were laid to rest in Singer Cemetery.

John Saam – He was the son of Henry and Mary. He was born on September 9, 1854. He married Josephine Montagne. She was born on August 9, 1853. They had six children Isabella, Christian, August, Julia, Josephine, and Agnes. John passed away in July 2, 1894, and she passed away on September 28, 1931.

Christian Saam – He was the son of Henry and Mary. He was born on April 9, 1846, and he married Odelia Appell. Together they had six children John, Mary A, Philomena, Teresa, Lena, and Martin. Christian passed away on December 6, 1914.

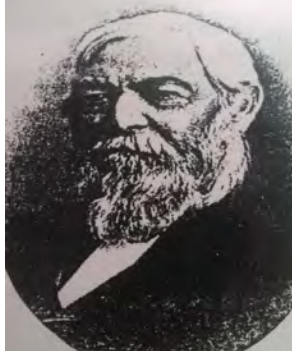
Martin Saam – He was the son of Christian and Odelia. He was born on May 9, 1880 and married Julia Durrstein. Together they had seven children Calista, Clement, Cletus, Leo, Joseph, Elinor, and Aubry "Fritz". He died on May 26, 1966.



Gary Saam – He was born on April 2, 1943 to Bill and Sally Saam. Gary married Lyla Schultz on June 26, 1971. He owned and operated Gary Saam Construction, which he started in 1966, and retired in March 2008. He was a veteran of the US Navy and enjoyed riding his Harley, fishing, golfing, and playing cards. Their children were Heather, Becky, and Teri. He passed away on May 19, 2008.

Robert & Marcia Saar – He was born on July 24, 1924. He married Marcia Gessmer on November 29, 1947. Marcia was born on January 5, 1926, the daughter of Raymond and Alberta Gessmer. Robert was postmaster for 28 years, he was appointed postmaster on December 31, 1855. Marcia graduated from the University of Illinois, and Marcia work for the Jo Daviess County Illinois Department Public Aid as a caseworker and then as a superintendent. They had two children Nikki and Jeffrey. Robert passed away on October 27, 1984, and Marcia died on May 4, 2001.

Samuel & Mahala Scales – He was one of the first to settle in the area. He was a farmer and also worked in the lead mining. Samuel Henderson Scales was born on April 17, 1805 in Rockington, N.C. He was commanded a company during the Black Hawk War and that is where he earned the title of colonel. He came to Scales Mound in 1830. He purchased land from Mr. Sole. He then moved to Galena on March 27, 1837. He then moved to Wisconsin on July 8, 1839 in the area of Gratiot Grove, and then he moved in 1845 to the White Oak area. He married Mahala Hammond on April 11, 1846 who was born on May 11, 1823. They had the following children Elizabeth, Joseph, Lucinda, Olive, Franklin, Annabel, and Sam Jr. Sam passed away on September 13, 1877, and Mahala passed away on December 5, 1922.



Clarence L. "Red" Schultz – He was engaged in businessman and farming. He was born on March 4, 1909 the son of Louis and Mary Grebner-Schultz. He married Ruby V. Busch on August 7, 1938. Ruby was born on February 11, 1915. Together they had three daughters Lyla, Nyla, and Janet. Red was on the committee who wrote the first Village History in 1953. Ruby passed away in January of 1982 and Red passed away on January 11, 1998.

Thomas & Anita Sheean – He was born on October 13, 1913 in Guilford township, the son of Thomas and Lena Duerr-Sheean. Tom married Anita Bauer on December 4, 1939 in Nevada, Iowa. Anita was born on October 29, 1914, the daughter of Charles and Margaret Bauer. Tom was involved in the construction field, farming and real estate broker. He was also a WWII veteran. Anita was a very good oil painter and several paintings are hanging in many homes in the village. Anita was on the committee who updated the village history in 1993. Together Tom and Anita had two children Terry and Mary Ann. Tom passed away on September 29, 1977 and Anita passed away May 5, 2013.

William Elias Sincok – He was a farmer who was born on July 10, 1890 the son of Simeon & Mary Emily Price-Sincok. He had 2 brothers and 5 sisters, Meda, Mary Alta, Letta B., Eliza, Minne Catherine, Simeon Blair, and Sheldon. He never married and was on the committee who wrote the first Village History in 1953. He passed away on July 15, 1970.

Henry Singer – He was born on May 11, 1814, and came to Americia in 1840 from Bravaria. He was a farmer and own 158 acres. He married Margaret Saam in 1842. Margaret was born in 1812. Children born to this union were Mary, Simon, Margaret, Theresa, Caroline and John. Henry donated the land in which the catholic cemetery bearing his name on Stagecoach Trail.

John Smart – He was born in June 1858, he was the son of William and Mary Treloar-Smart. He married Nettie Hancock on March 15, 1894 in Shullsburg, Wisconsin. She was born on March 14, 1871. They had the following children: Hattie, Letha, Clifford, William, Frederick, James, and Glenn. He farmed 118 acres north of Scales Mound. He passes away on December 27, 1945, Nettie passed away in March 1967.



Helen Stadel- She was born on September 1, 1924 daughter of Brown "Shad" & Emma Carr. She married Haldor Stadel on November 17, 1944 in Baltimore. Helen managed Thompson and Guilford Mutual Insurance Company. She also owned and operated Helen Stadel Insurance Agency and Business and Tax Service and a cow-calf operation on Carr Farms. She served on several local and area boards including Scales Mound School Board, Apple Canyon Lake Property Owners, League of Women Voters, Jo Davies Conservation Foundation, Northwest Area Agency of Aging and Jo Daviess Mental Health 708 Board. They had three children Hal Jr., Patti, and Steve. Haldor passed away on April 11, 2003, and Helen passed away on May 26, 2008.

Paul Robert Stadel – He was a merchant in Scales Mound. He was born in Jo Daviess County the son of Johann W. and Rosina Hammer Stadel. He married Mollie Winter on April 16, 1902, and three sons were born to this union Arthur Paul, Willis William, and Elmer John.

Anton Stephan – A long experience in merchandising has resulted in the building up of an extensive patronage by this gentleman, he having the second largest mercantile establishment at Scales Mound. He came to this place on the 15th of July 1877, and purchased first a stock of groceries to which he confined his attention one year. At the expiration of this time he purchased the building which he occupied but which bears little resemblance to its condition at that time. Under his supervision it was remodeled and enlarged so that it embraced an area of 20x64 feet. He then put in a stock of miscellaneous goods including china and glassware, boots and shoes, and built up a large and lucrative trade. He carried stock to the amount of over \$6,000. Adjoining the store was his comfortable residence, which, with its surroundings, forms one of the most attractive homes in the town. The family occupied a good position socially, numbering their friends among the best people of this part of the county. Until he was twenty-two years of age the early life of our subject was spent in the Province of Bavaria, Germany, where he was born Feb. 9, 1848. He was reared on a farm, and in common with the children of his native empire was placed in school at an early age. He was deprived of a father's care when nine years old but remained with his mother until immigrating to America. He started out on this memorable voyage from Havre-le-Grace on the 8th of June 1869, on the steamer "Westphalem" and after being tossed about on the waves ten days landed safely in New York City. His destination from the first had been the West, and he came directly to Scales Mound, where for four years he was employed at farming. At the expiration of this time he established his business for himself. Anton Stephan, Sr., the father of our subject, and his mother, Lena, were both natives of the same Province as their son. The father of our subject was reared to



farming pursuits, and owned a small tract of land. He was cut down in his prime, dying in Germany in 1875, when but forty-eight years old. The mother survived her husband a period of twenty-three years dying near the home of her childhood, in 1880. Both were devout members of the German-Catholic Church. Their six children were: Valentine, a resident of this county; Johannes, stay in Germany; Adam, a resident of East Dubuque. HI.; Anton, our subject; Ludwig and Annie in the Germany. On the 3rd of October 1876, our subject was married in Shullsburg, Wis., to Miss Caroline Hebenstreit, who was born near the city of Berlin, June 8, 1858. When a child of three years she came with her parents to America, and was reared to womanhood in Shullsburg, Wis. Her father was Vitus Hebenstreit and her mother was Bertha. Two sons and two daughters comprise the family of Mr. and Mrs. Stephan, namely: Katie E., born Oct. 10, 1877; Edith If., born Dec. 11, 1878; Anton C, Jr., born Jan. 30. 1881; and Raymond V., born June 18, 1883. Mr. Stephan politically, was a stanch Democrat, and a member of the Village Board. In religious matters he and his family belong to the German-Catholic.

Joseph Tangye – He was a merchant in Scales Mound. He was born in Camborne, Cornwall, England on October 7, 1833. He came to the U.S. in 1854, and worked in mines in Pennsylvania about year. He married to Elizabeth T. Osborn on December 14, 1858; she was born in Missouri in August 1842. Then he moved to Shullsburg, Wisconsin in 1855 and was mining twelve years, afterward kept store there till 1873, when he came Scales Mound. They adopted two children Annie and Mary J. They are members of the Methodist Church. He is a Republican. In the January 28, 1891 Rockford Register the following was wrote: *"Joseph Tangye, a prominent business man of Scales Mound, Ill., has announced his intention of coming to Rockford ... He says he will come next week and live in the Carpenter Block on Kishwaukee Street. He also intends to go into business."* Joseph passed away on April 21, 1898. Elizabeth passed away on May 19, 1924.



Ida Travis- She was born on July 9, 1905 daughter of William and Eliza Travis. She worked as a secretary at Millhouse Bros. Hardware in Galena, and then started her banking career at Scales Mound State Bank. She worked her way through the system over 50 years. She started in 1928 as assistant cashier, 1943 cashier, member of board in 1953 and president in 1979. In 1975 she was named Who's Who Among Business Women in the leadership of banking system. She passed away on November 7, 1997.

Robert B. Trevethan- He was the son of Benjamin and Isabelle Trevethan, was born at Apple River, Ill., on March 10, 1884. When but a lad of 11 his mother passed away leaving a void in the boy's life which was never quite forgotten. He was one of nine brothers and sisters; two sisters dying in infancy, and one brother, John, died in 1930. He passed away Tuesday morning, November 11, after a 2 months illness. He had been in failing health for a number of years. He was united in marriage with Miss Tillie Grebner, on March 1, 1911. To this union were born six sons and three daughters: Beatrice, Leo, Loma, Miriam, Myron, Norris, Jackie and Roland; and Clifford. His life was spent in farming near Apple River and for the last three years near Scales Mound. He was an industrious worker, an honest and worthy citizen, quiet and unassuming. To his family he has left an abiding example as a husband and father. His memory will serve them as a guiding light.

George M. Tyrrell – He was a physician and surgeon in Scales Mound, he was born in Stockton on November 11, 1862 and graduated from the College of Physicians and Surgeons in Keokuk, Iowa on March 1, 1888. He immediately began to practice at Stockton and continuing there for nearly four years. In December 1901 he moved to Clearwater Nebraska remaining about a year when in March 1903 he returned Jo Daviess County locating in Scales Mound where he engaged in the practices of his profession.

Joseph Vipond - He was born at Milbrig on October 12, 1841 the son of William and Elizabeth Vipond natives of Durham, England. He was engaged in farming and mining. He married on April 5, 1870 to Hattie Mary Mitchell and they had three children William, Willis, and Louis. He passes away in April 1, 1901 and Hattie was born on March 12, 1842 and passed away November 2, 1923.

Willis Vipond - He was the son on July 17, 1876 the son of Joseph & Hattie. He was a farmer as well. He married Katie Simcox and they three children Andis, Harriet, and Ruth. Willis passed away on July 7, 1940. Katie was born in 1879 and died in 1920.

Michael Winter –He was born on August 27, 1850; he was the son of George Adam and Eva C. Winter. He married Henrietta M. Cable on January 6, 1874. Henrietta was born on April 16, 1854. Michael and Henrietta had 11 children; Clara, Nellie, Sarah, George, Charles, Wilmer, Catherine, Harvey, Joseph, Benjamin, and Leo. Michael arrived in the U.S. in 1869 from Germany. He farmed is entire life. He passed away on October 19, 1928, and Henrietta passed away on June 23, 1926.



Cleland Winter – He was on January 20, 1941 the son of Fred and Eleanor (Hesselbacher) Winter. He married Judy Korte on September 11, 1965. She was the daughter of Oscar & Viola Korte. Cleland was a lifelong farmer. Judy and Cleland had two sons Steve and Doug. Cleland was a member of the Scales Mound and Apple River Lions Clubs, Jo Daviess County Farm Bureau and its board of directors and the Jo Daviess Service Company and its board of directors. He was a founding member of the Scales Mound Recreation Association and served as a board member for many years. Cleland helped organize the Scales Mound Booster Club. He was an inductee into the Northwest Illinois Sports Hall of Fame as well as a member of the current nominating committee. He was also a member of the Dairy Herd Improvement Association Board of Directors. He passed away on October 23, 2012.



Cletus Winter – He was born on June 4, 1939, in Scales Mound Township; he was the son of Fred and Eleanor (Hesselbacher) Winter. Cletus attended Veta Grande Grade School and graduated from Scales Mound High School in 1957. From 1957 to 1959, he served in the U.S. Navy aboard the USS Rander. On Aug. 17, 1963, Cletus and Sheila C. Scott were united in marriage in Benton, Wis. For more than 20 years Mr. Winter sold Pioneer Brand Seeds. He was a lifetime farmer in Scales Mound Township. Cletus served on numerous community boards, was Scales Mound Township Supervisor, and served on Scales Mound School Board, Scales Mound Lions Club, the Ambulance



Board, Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church Council, Jo Daviess county ASCS Community Committee and Farm Bureau Board. They had three children David, Leigh and Melody. He passed away June 3, 2008.

Fred Winter – He was born on September 2, 1912 the son of Wilmer and Minnie Wolfram Winter. He married Eleanor Hesselbacher on December 31, 1936, she was the daughter of Fred & Louise Scheele Hesselbacher, she was born on December 23, 1914. Fred and Eleanor were life long farmers in the Scales Mound area. He served as a trustee for the Shepherd of the Hills Church, served as director for the Jo Daviess County Soil and Water Conservation Board and Farm Bureau. He was member of the Scales Mound Lions. After he retired from farming he went to work at Apple Canyon Lake and Galena Territory. Fred and Eleanor had four children Cletus, Cleland, Karla, and Diane. He passed away on October 24, 2006, and Eleanor passed away on July 23, 2001

Wilmer Winter – He was born July 21, 1885, he was the son of Michael and Henrietta M. Cable Winter. He married Minnie Louise Wolford on February 17, 1910. Minnie was born June 16, 1886. Minnie was the daughter of Frederick and Louise Wolford. Wilmer and Minnie had 11 children; Michael, Frederick, Helen, Violet, Carl, Virginia, Lucille, Mona, Sarah, Clara, and Clarence. He farmed until 1950, when he moved to Galena. Wilmer passed away on December 3, 1963, and Minnie passed away on October 11, 1970.



C.E. Wright – He was a physician and surgeon in Scales Mound, he was born in Villa Nova, Ontario, Canada on February 6, 1869. He graduated from College of Physicians and Surgeons in Chicago, Il in 1901. He began practicing in Scales Mound that same year.

James Wright – He was born in Fifeshire, Scotland on September 7, 1825. He came to the Scales Mound in 1852. He owned 291 acres. He married Eliza Grindey on December 14, 1852. They had 8 children William, Lillian, James, Thomas, Mark, Robert, Eliza, Margaret, Annie, Charles and Mary. James was in the Civil War from March 3, 1865 to October 15, 1865. They belong to the Methodist Church.

Art Youle – He was born in 1880 and married Ruby Berryman in 1904. He was the son of Charles and Esther Youle. Art was a farmer who lived in Scales Mound, South Dakota and Shullsburg retiring in 1946. He served on the Lafayette County Board and was a member of the masonic lodge for over 50 years. They had three children Helen, Betty, and Robert. Art passed away November 22, 1961.



Art & Ruby Youle

ITEMS OF INTEREST

The White Star Cheese factory which was located 3 1/2 miles northeast of Scales Mound near the William Laity estate was owned by a group of farmers. The factory made American cheese and did a good business for number of years. Interesting item was the Sign hung on the building "White Star Cheese factory" with the store being painted black rather than one. The factory has been torn down in recent years.

The members of the Independent Order of Good Templers I.O.G.T. were often referred to by those not in sympathy with the temperance movement as the members of the "I often get tight order."

Miss Mary Chamberlain a High School teacher who made her home with Mr. and Mrs. C.E. Rummel in 1922 was the owner of the first radio station in Scales Mound. This naturally was a headphone set. Callers at the Rummel home were numerous all anxious hear the magic radio. The first station heard on the set was Havana, Cuba.

Perry Stephans was the first automobile and Scales Mound. This car was Orient Buck Board, had an air---cooled motor chain driven and was shipped to Scales Mound in parts and they assembling was done here. Perry states he seldom got far out of town without encountering trouble. Mr. Stephans was also the proud owner of a snowmobile, which drew much attention here. Perry who worked on the theory that his mail must get delivered purchased the snowmobile for his route. This was a model T with skis being used for the front wheels and a Caterpillar treads for the rear. It wasn't trouble---free motoring but Perry made several trips with it.

A Horse race run in White Oak Springs in the 1830s cost the Hulings brothers everybit of the property real and personal, which they were possessed. The Hulings had a quarter horse call "Glass Eye" and kept the track on their own farm for racing. Col. Samuel Scales who had brought his mare "Old Betsy" from Springfield Illinois accepted the challenge from the Hollings to match Glass Eye against all competition. Glass Eye was said to have been a high metaled racer in his day "without a pear on the western turf" and his owners, proud of the repetition he made for himself staked every resource on the race. So if you Col. Scales. The heat a quarter mile dash, was run early one morning on the Hulings track. In a few minutes it was over with Betsy as the winner, and the Hulings estate included in the stakes went to Col. Scales.

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In the old three rooms school at Scales Mound when Mr. Levitt was teaching the school caught fire. Mr. Levitt said "Shh keep quiet keep quiet don't get excited." So he grab a bucket and ran to the town pump and came back with about 3 inches of water in the pale. (Don't get excited).

The slang name for Scales Mound is "Scaley Hump."

General Motors Corp. spent May 13-14, 1993 shooting a commercial in Scales Mound.

Famous pets often were the topic of discussion. Among them was the Banty rooster owned by the Stadal hardware. Many a silk stocking was the victim of this cocky little bird. Another was "Nig" the black dog owned by R.R. Pooley. Nig was a fighter and although love by his owner his esteem wasn't held so high by many who feared his bite was as bad as his bark. Another pet was "Billy" a "just dog" owned by the late George C Schoenard. Billy was everybody's friend and was often seen taking his turn until going up and down the slide with the schoolchildren.

This wouldn't happen today but it has been called to our attention that years ago when the fire department on the old two---wheel cart a fire broke out necessitating its use. And the firemen arrived at the barn where it was kept they found the bar locked and the key lost. Extent of the damage not known.

J.C. Winters who is very fond of children has the goat from the Woodman Lodge in his plumbing display room. While mom and dad look over the latest fixtures Jack sees of the kids all have a ride on the goat. Jack has as much fun as the kids.

Typical sight in the village this year are the many men with the beard. This being Centennial year the men are trying to keep up with the times. The combination of the black hair and red whiskers and vice versa it's hard to explain.

In the early days when rail fence were common. Doc Fowler used to ride a pony to visit his patients in the country. Instead going around the road he would take the two top rails off and his pony would jump the fence so we could take a shortcut. He had a silver box He carried to back in time he took a chew the pony would stop until you got a chew also.

In the early 1900s sugar was purchased for 4 pounds for \$.25 and today is almost \$.11 per pound. Butter sold for \$.25 in 1870 in 1920 \$.12 and today it is \$.73 per pound. Coffee in 1870 was \$.15 per pound and today it's \$.93.

In the early 1900s sugar was purchased for 4 pounds for \$.25 and price today is \$140 1000. Free on the call this lumber in 1914 was \$80 from Minnesota. The lumber to ship from finer points Western State But the freight cost of thousand dollars.

Coal was selling at \$4.50 a ton and today it averages about \$20

Mr. John Hoch purchased the grain warehouse of John Rattlestroff, near the depot, and will occupy it with his business.

John L. McDonald, the butcher is making some repairs in his shop, to be readiness for the summer boom in his business.

Thomas Ward who worked for ten years for J.P. Hilgert of Galena is now working at shoemaking for J. Kammerer at the Mound.

George Anschutz who owned a farm was involved in a lawsuit in 1874, and he owned the store in 1875 and was indicted in 1875 for selling liquor without a license and selling liquor on Sunday. He then was granted a dram shop license in 1875.

J.A. Adams the carpenter and builder has contracts to put up buildings this spring as follows; A fine barn 42X70 for John White, who completed an elegant new house last season; an addition to William Phillips' house north of the village; a two story frame dwelling house for Mrs. Ann Bushby and a barn 28X46 barn for David Atkinson. Mr. Adams keeps five men employed most of the time, and monuments of his skills as a builder can be seen in many a handsome residence in the neighborhood.

Bloody Fight of two Cheese Makers Near Scales Mound

The village of Scales Mound was thrown into a fur ore of excitement Thursday evening when it became know that an attempt to murder Chris Heldt was made by John Hubler at the cheese factory near the village early last evening.

Hubler who is an aged German about 65 years of age and Heldt, aged thirty came to Scales Mound last April from Buffalo county, WI and received employment in the cheese factory. Last evening Hubler who was assistant to Heldt made a murderous assault to assassinate the latter, a small sized ax being the weapon with which he undertook to perform the deed. Hubler is of German nationality and can understand but a few words of English. It is supposed he was jealous of Heldt. A deep wound in the scalp was made on Heldt who was felled to the ground by the blow. Dr. Wright was called and the injured man taken to the Scales Mound Hotel where his injury was dresses. It is not known whether they will prove fatal or not. Officer Foley of Scales Mound brought the prisoner to Galena this noon and his hearing was held this afternoon before Justice Clark who bound him over to the next term of court, placing his bonds at \$500.

In 1874 Daniel Wright robbed Dr. Fowler's store and was sentenced to 5 years in the state prison.

The local Rainbo Oilers played the Harlem Glove Trotters in the Town Hall in the early '30's.

James Gephart son the Jim and Carolyn Gephart is making his second trip to Washington D.C. for the National Spelling Bee.

Clint Youle was the first NBC Weatherman on national TV.

Kevin Stier was the first riverboat captain to live in Scales Mound.

Cliff Walton owned and operated a light plant, which provided the first electricity for Scales Mound.

The east end of Schuyler Ave was known as Peacock Hill in the '30's where most members of the Owl's Club lived.

Terry Brashaw son-in-law of Chuck and Irma Ohms hit the first homerun in a ballgame at High Point Park.

In 1979 Helen Phelps was the first woman elected Mayor of Scales Mound.

In 1987 Jim Davis 21 years old, was the youngest Mayor ever elected in Scales Mound.

Sandy Frank has a wonderful picture and written collections of the progress of the Recreation Association and High Point Park.

Years ago fast food meant running over a chicken.

You are living in the greatest part of the World don't spoil it. It's fun to smile – Try it, you'll like it. Laughter is the best medicine – Use it!

Scales Mound Man attacked and injured by bull

Journal Standard – January 26, 1938~Weekly Visitor – December 31, 2015

William M. Edge, manager of the Scales Mound Shipping Association is recovering from injuries received, when he was attacked by an infuriated bull while loading stock at Council Hill Monday.

The bull knocked Edge down and rolled him over several times before Everett Bell, who was assisting in the loading, seized a club and struck the animal in the head. Edge was then carried to safety. It is not believed the victim suffered any broken bones.

Tractor Tips Scales Mound Farmer Dies

Journal Standard – April 25, 1969~ Weekly Visitor – December 31, 2015

A Scales Mound farmer, Elmer W. McFadden, was found dead in his barnyard Thursday afternoon. The tractor he was operating apparently tipped over, pinning him underneath.

Mr. McFadden was found dead at 2:50 p.m. by his brother, Harold, of Scales Mound. A manure loader was mounted on the tractor. James T. Furlong, Jo Daviess County Coroner, held an inquest and the ruling was accidental death.

Mr. McFadden, past president of the Scales Mound State Bank, was a director of the bank. Born January 31, 1894, in Apple River Township, he was the son of James and Sarah (Wharton) McFadden.

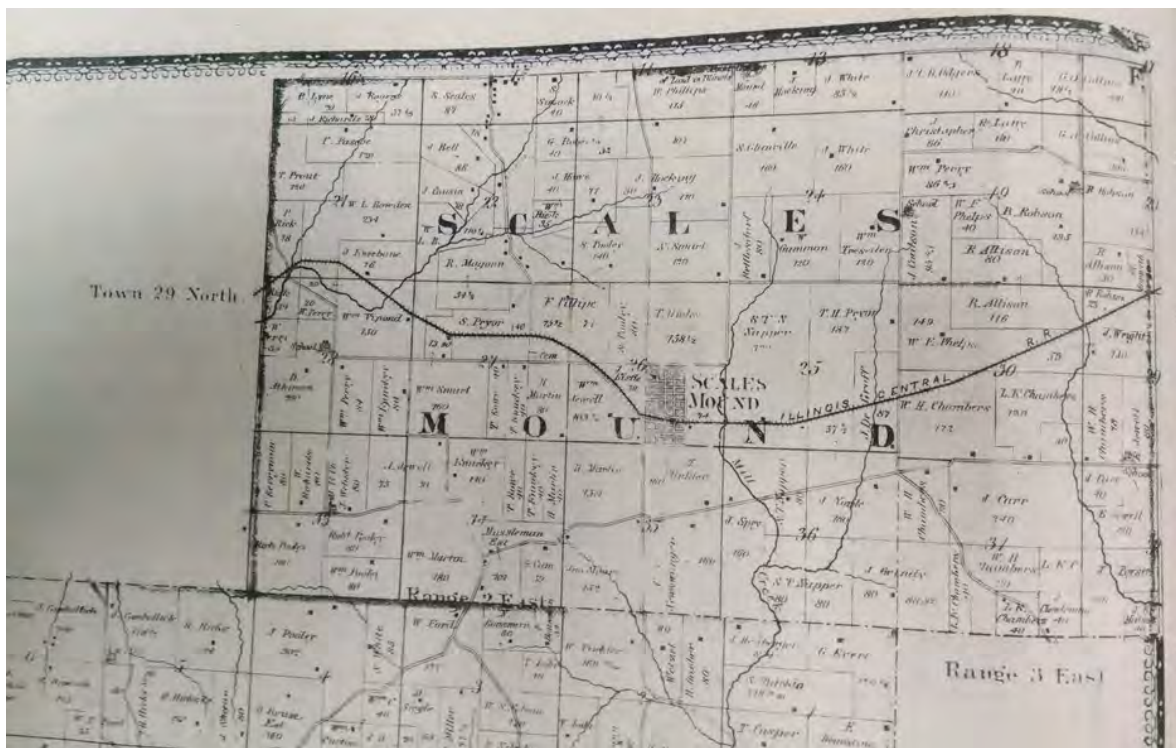
Surviving besides his brother is a sister, Mrs. Myron (Mildred) Kruger of Scales Mound. Funeral service will be held at 2 p.m. Monday in Nash-Schmadeke Funeral Home, Galena. The Rev. Kenneth Fells, pastor of Scales Mound United Methodist Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Citizen's Cemetery in Scales Mound. Friends may call after 7 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home.

Plat Maps

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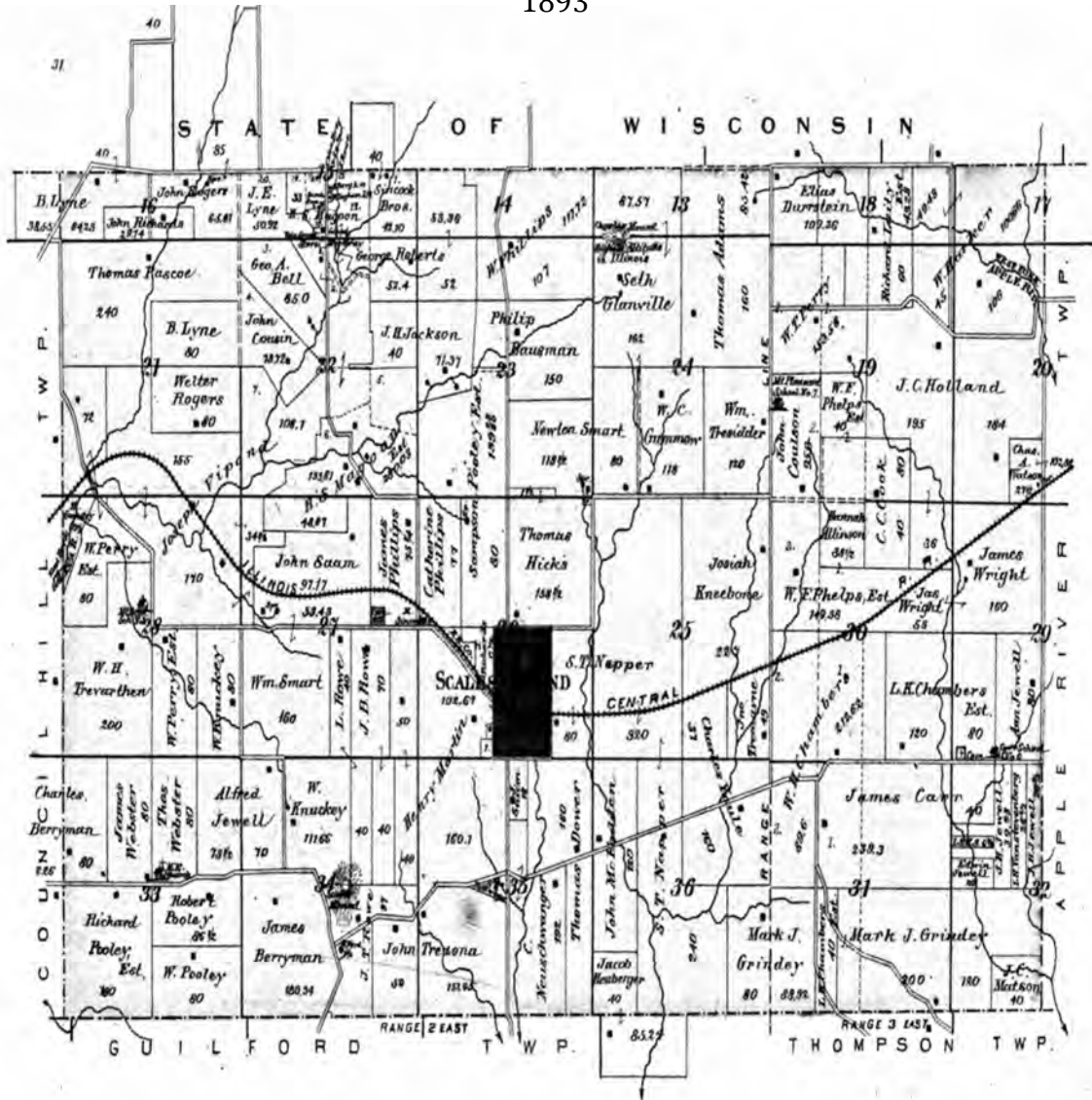
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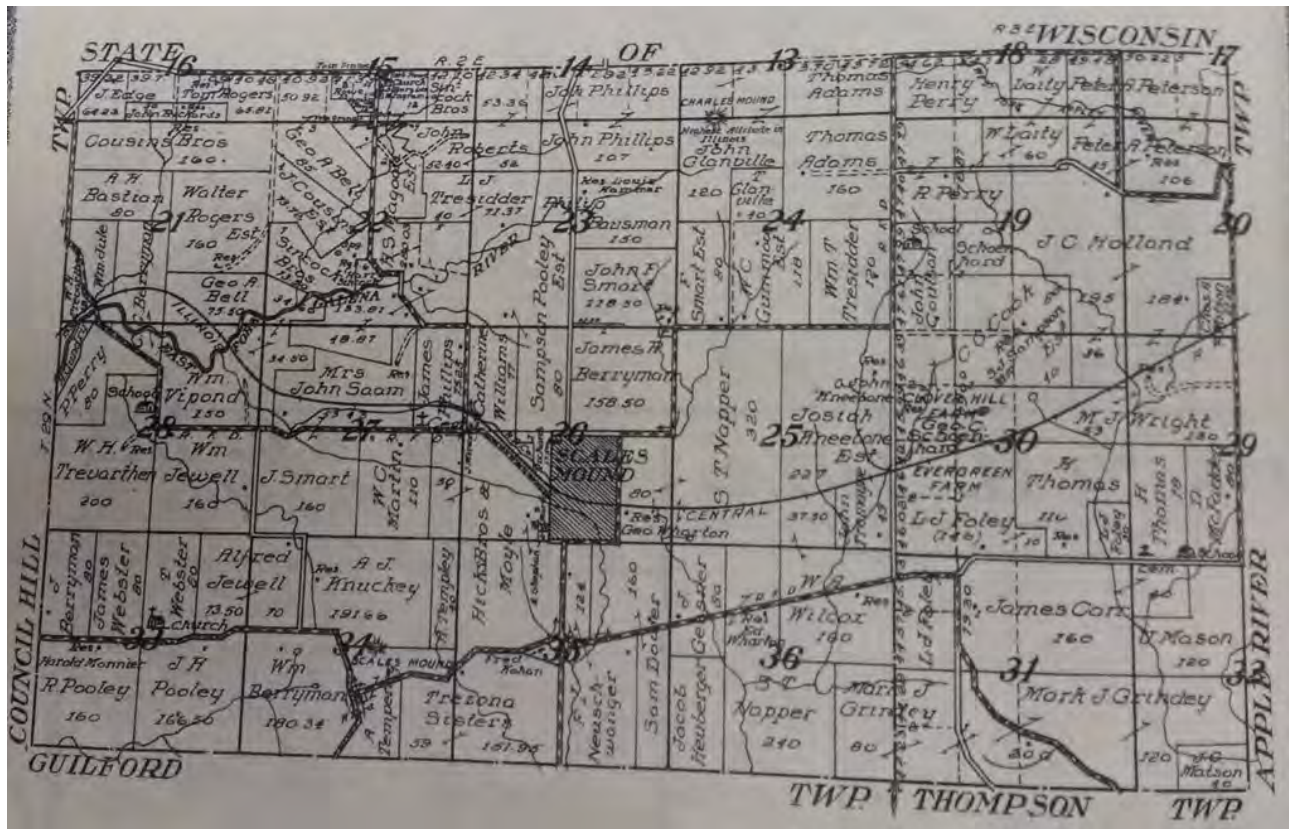


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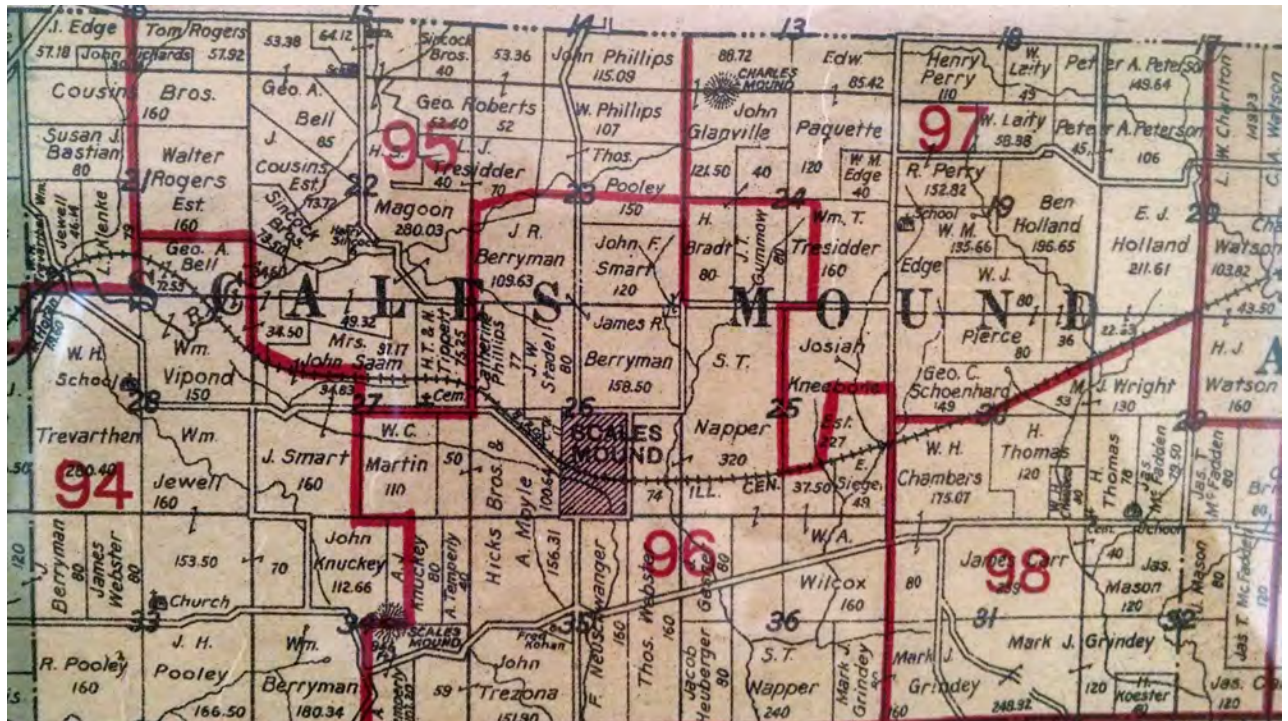
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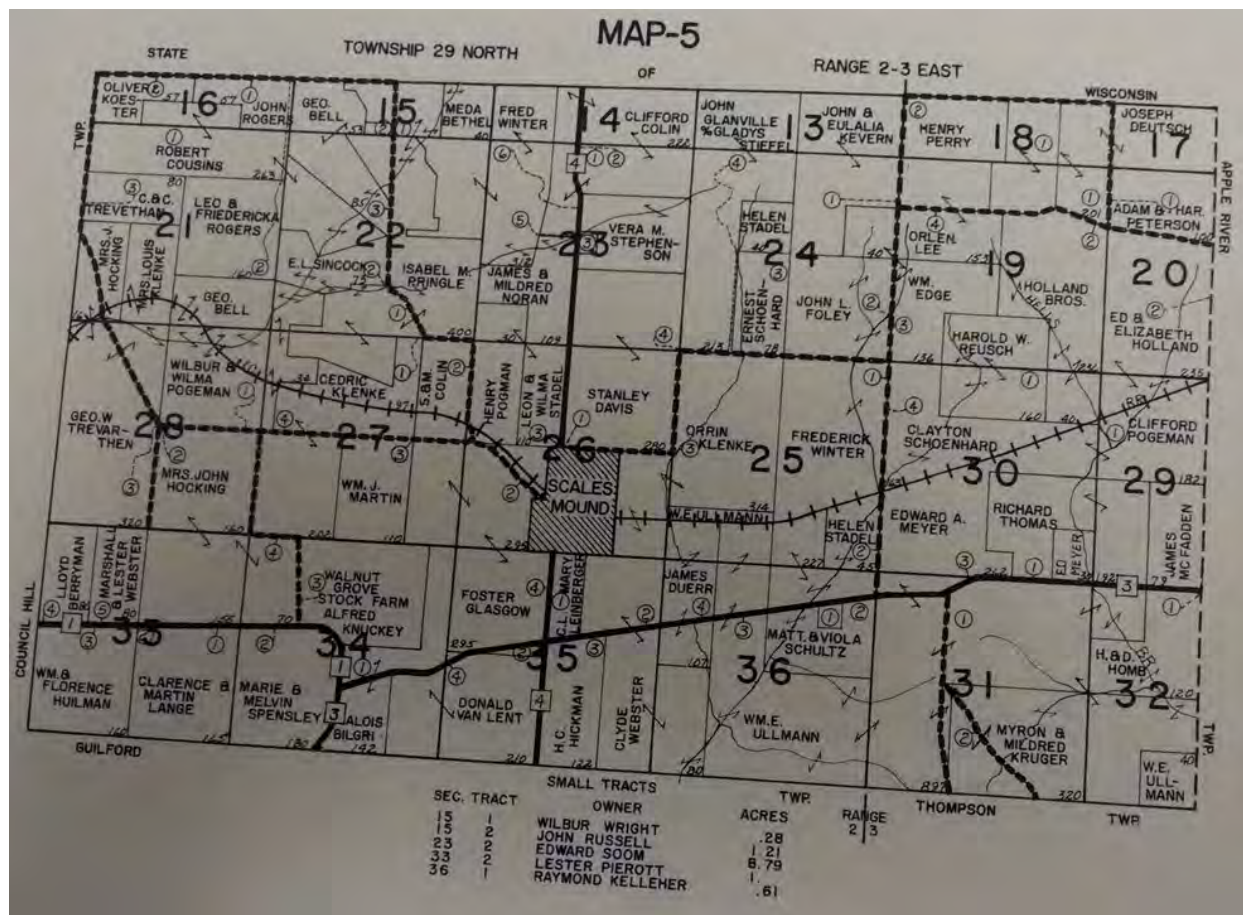
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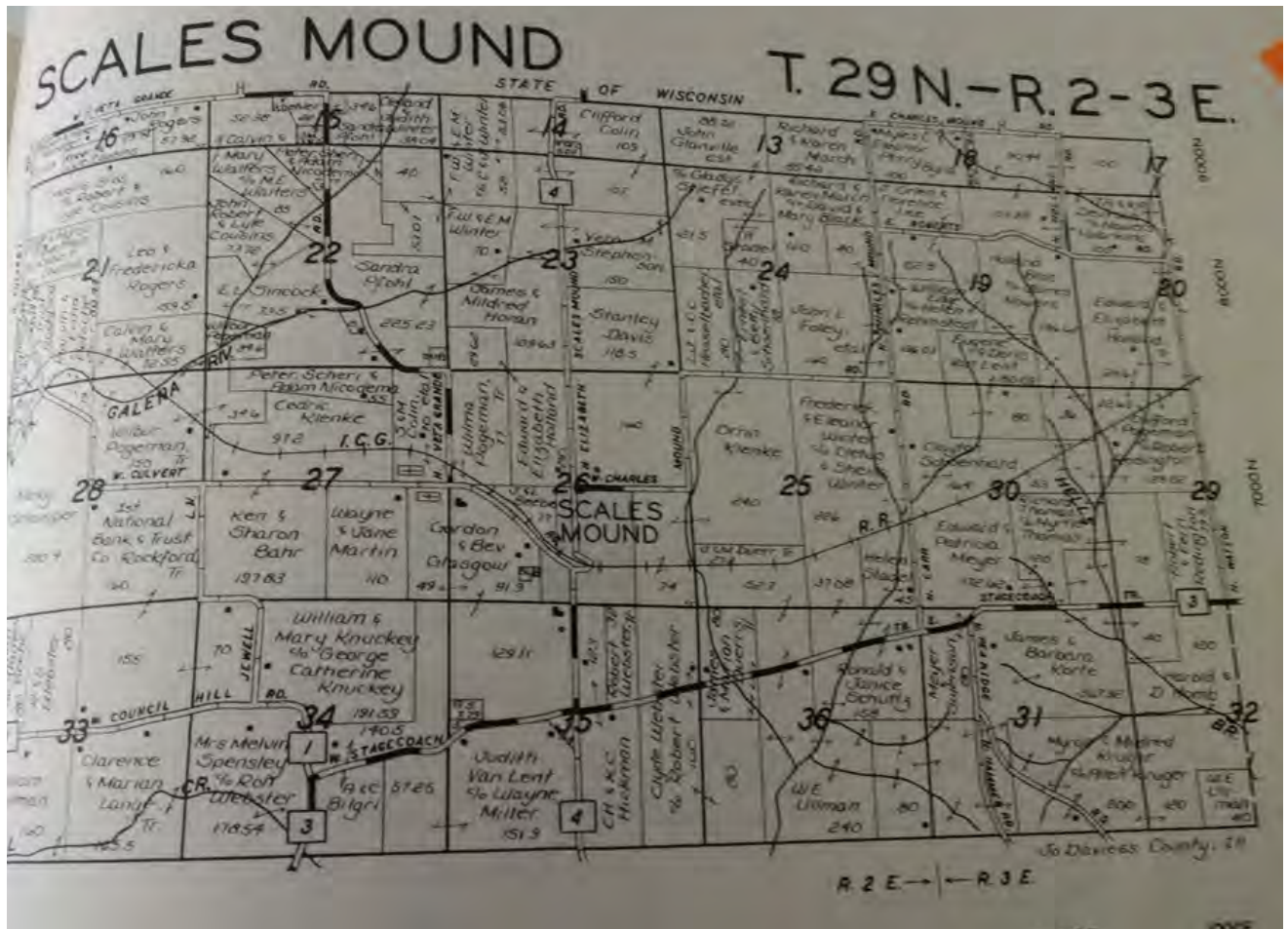
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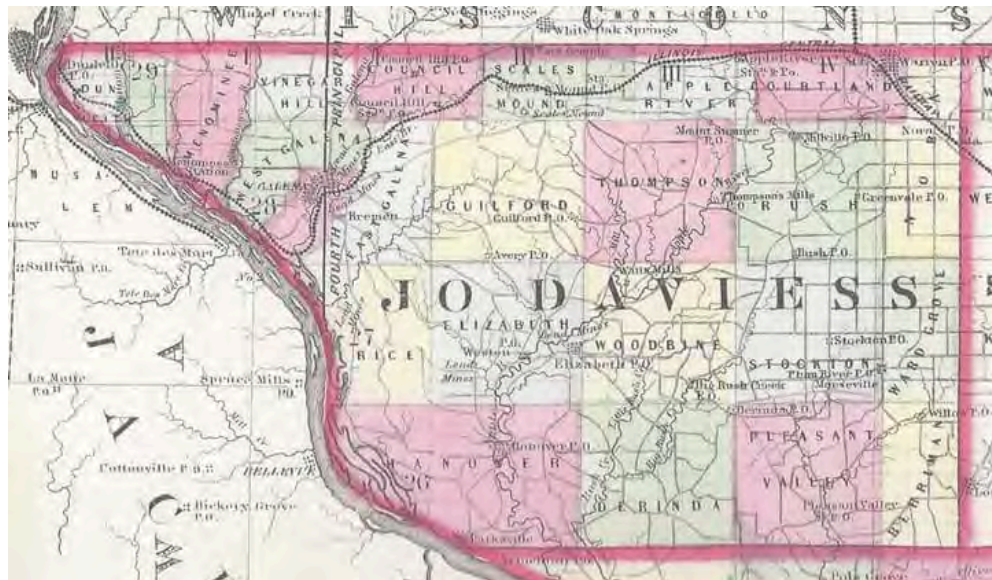
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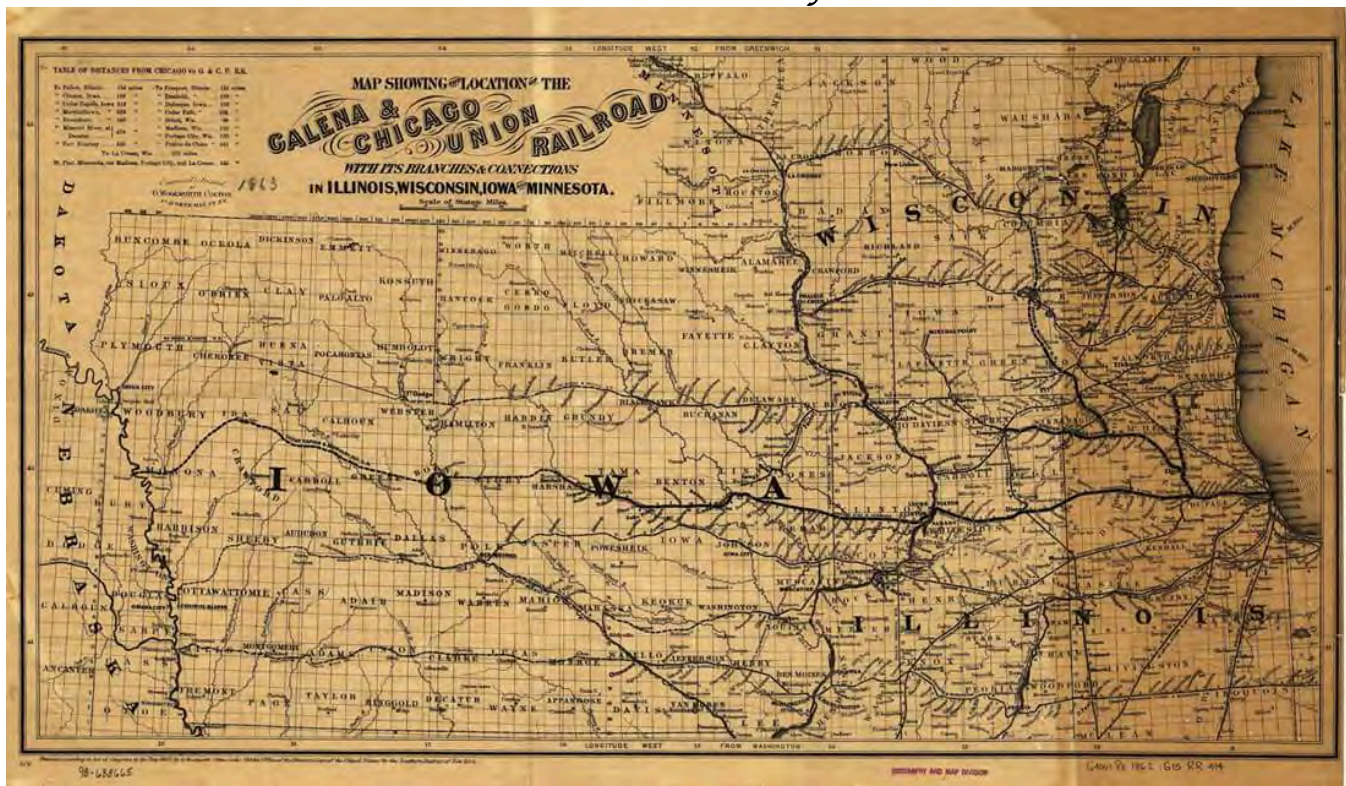
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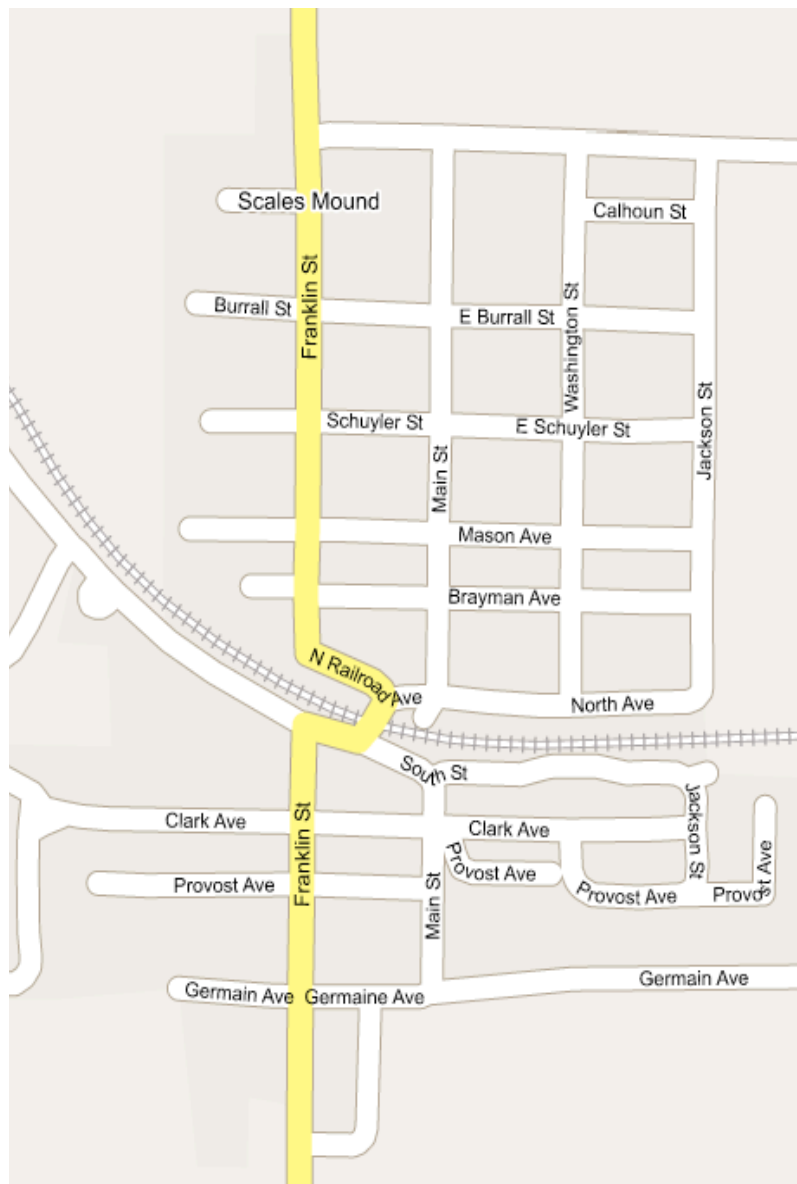


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1863 Railroad Map





Village of Scales Mound

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 HEAVY AND SHELF
HARDWARE
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 First-class Ford Service Garage and all
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SCALES MOUND
Boot and Shoe Store.
G. E. ANSCHUTZ,
 Keeps constantly on hand a full supply of Boots
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 order. Also, a good assortment of
FINE SHOES AND GAITERS.
 Made of the best material, for Ladies, Misses
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 G. E. ANSCHUTZ.
 Scales Mound, Oct. 12, 1871 —w6ra

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 NOW**
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BARKER LUMBER CO.
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COFFEE	15c	BAKING SODA	10c
TEA	25c	CUT BEANS	10c
COFFEE	25c	PINEAPPLE	20c
TEA	25c	GRAPEFRUIT	10c
COFFEE	25c	TOMATO JUICE	2-15c
TEA	25c	ROLLED OATS	17c
COFFEE	25c	WAX-TEX	14c
TEA	25c	KITCHEN KLENZER	5c
COFFEE	25c	LUX SOAP	6c
TEA	25c	LUX FLAKES	20c

ASSOCIATED GROCERS
 111 N. WASHINGTON ST. SCALES MOUND, ILL.
 DEALERS IN ALL BRANDS OF
 QUALITY FOODS

NEW STORE
At Scales Mound.
 In leaving my old stand for this new one, I have
 occasion to express thanks to my friends and the
 public generally, whose encouragement and
 patronage has enabled me to make the change.
 We shall try to keep the
BEST GOODS.
 And of the kind and quantity to suit the
 season, and at the
LOWEST PRICES.
 Outside of the Store, we continue to sell
LUMBER,
FENCE POSTS,
COAL, SALT,
WOOD.
Farming Implements, &c.
 We also buy everything the Farmer has to
 sell, and shall try to make it pleasant and profit-
 able to our patrons. Come and see us.
JAMES ALLEN.
 Scales Mound, Nov. 1, 1870 —am 1870

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STOCK FARM
A. J. KNUCKEY & SON.
 Breeders of Short
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 Scales Mound, Ill.

Marsh Harvester.
LYNE
& BALE
 Scales Mound, Ill.



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May 27 1875
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 DEALER IN
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 SCALES MOUND, ILL.

Compliments
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**R & R COFFEE
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 Dale and Letha
 Scales Mound,
 Illinois

GEORGE RITTWEGER
 SCALES MOUND, ILL.
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Blacksmithing
 AND HORSESHOEING
 Agent for City and Farm Fire
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 Automobile, Fire and Theft In-
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 Liability Policies.




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 "Bob" Doyle
 Purina Chows Quality Coals Fertilizers
 Seeds - Twine
 Phone 45 or 81 Phone 4447
 Scales Mound, Illinois Shullsburg, Wisconsin

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 67
STATE BANK
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 4% CAPITAL AND SURPLUS \$50,000.00
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 YOUR BUSINESS, SOLICITED, APPRECIATED AND
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 Scales Mound, Ill.

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 We sell a complete line of
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 Don't send your orders to the mail order
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 with ours.
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 Illinois

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Scales Mound*



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On Your 125th Anniversary**
Best Wishes in the Future



Audelson, George	James, Tom	Schwenhard, Tony
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Boehm, William	Kaehler, Rick	Stadel, Wills
Cheney, Larry	Kaehler, Carl	Stewart, Donald
Collier, Charles	Large, David	Tamm, Norman
Cooking, Gary	Muthach, Richard	Townsend, Steve
Davis, Henry	Miller, Wayne, Pres.	Wagner, John
Davis, Charles	Myhringer, Stephen	Webster, Robert
Geigley, Marshall	Newitt, Bud	Werner, John
Graham, Elmer	Rachman, Vern, Sec. Treas.	Wieser, Chester
Hammes, Willy Jr.	Schaeffer, Daniel	Winter, Fred
Hallman, James	Steen, Gary	Wison, William
Hendricksen, Keith	Steen, Leo	Woollet, Vern
Holmes, Edward	Schwenhard, Ralph	
Horan, James		

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Scales Mound
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Scales Mound, Illinois
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Insured Local Livestock Hauling

R. R. 1 Box 147
Scales Mound, Illinois 61075
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Karen Sincox & Vicki Stilson
Scales Mound, Illinois

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Phone 845-2270 Scales Mound, Ill.

Townsend Barber Shop
Stephen A. Townsend
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**DAIRYLAND
SEED'S**



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Congratulations
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 Scales Mound, Ill.

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 Scales Mound, Illinois
845-2339


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Scales Mound, Illinois

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 Scales Mound, Illinois 61075
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 Horse Gear
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"THE FEED OF CHAMPIONS"

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ILLINOIS


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CONOCO
• DIESEL
• No. 1 & No. 2
Fuel Oil



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SCALES MOUND 845-2412

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