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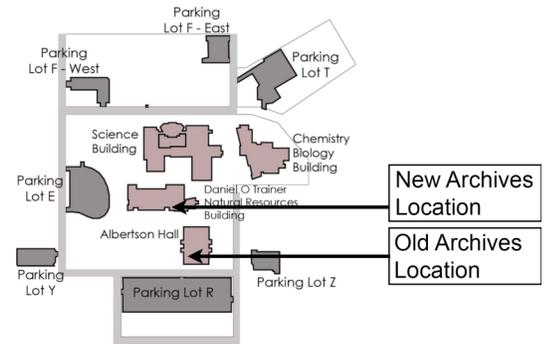
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## Albertson Hall is Closed - the Move of the Collection Continues (Area Research Center at U.W. Stevens Point)

Albertson Hall is CLOSED! Thank you for joining us for years of research in this building! Things definitely look different for us as we prepare our collections for our move.

### Why is the Archives moving?

In 2021, the Wisconsin State Legislature approved the demolition of Albertson Hall due to major structural issues with the building. A new building will be constructed on the Albertson Hall site. As a result, all departments must vacate the building to make room for the new facility.



*Our move is well underway! It takes quite a chunk of time and people-power to move over 8.5 thousand linear feet of collections, but we're getting there!*

### Where is the Archives moving?

The Archives is moving just one building north! Our new temporary location will be in the Trainer Natural Resources Building (the building with the large mural), 800 Reserve Street: just inside the southeast doors, room 110. Because our collections will be stored both on- and off-site, research appointments will be required to ensure materials are available.

### When will the Archives reopen?

Our goal is to reopen all of our services by July 1, 2022. We will likely be able to host researchers before this date.

### Can we still visit and view collections during the move?

Unfortunately, no. All of our efforts will be going toward relocating our collections and service points with the goal of hosting researchers as soon as possible after our move. All physical collections will be unavailable during this time. All [digital collections](#) will still be available to view.



*Pictured here is one of our three collections storage rooms in the Trainer Natural Resources building.*

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## President's Message

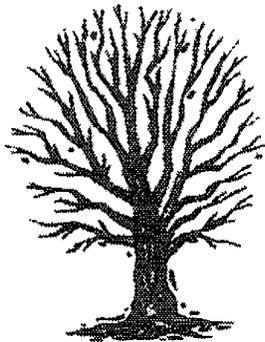
Hello MAGG Members,

Summer is here, along with the Fourth of July. It is also the time of weddings, anniversaries, family reunions or just family get-togethers, all of which are great times to catch up on your genealogy research. Since the beginning of Covid-19, many of us have not been attending these family events. And it is time to catch up with those distant relatives, find out all the new additions to the families, as well as those family members that have passed away. Even if you decide not to attend an event, send a request for family updates and share with them any updates from your family. What can it hurt? And don't forget to ask for updates on email addresses and phone numbers.

If you are looking for more tips to help with your genealogy, Mehta Hess, Adult Services Librarian at the Everett Roehl Marshfield Public Library reminded us that the library recently started subscribing to Family Tree Magazine, and she thought we might want to mention it to our Genealogy friends. She also mentioned that they've been getting it for at least a year so they've got some back issues if anyone wanted to check it out. It is full of tips, stories, and research guides (each issue features a research guide for a specific state).

Also, don't forget that the City of Marshfield is celebrating its 150th Anniversary all year. We had lot of activities during our past June Dairy Days and also the Walking Tours on June 27th, "**Retracing the Path of the Great Marshfield Fire of 1887.**" Some events to look forward to include the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual "**Horse Power**" Exhibit, featuring horse drawn carriages, wagons, carts, and buggies from the late 1890s and early 1900s on July 30th, at the W.H. Upham House, during Hub City Days; a "**Marshfield & North Wood County History Display**" at the Central Wisconsin State Fair on August 23-28; public "**Cemetery Re-enactments**" in September; and a "**Marshfield Clinic History Display**" August 8-October 14 in the Main Lobby of the Clinic just outside of New Visions Gallery. In addition, there will be the monthly Spoken History Series programs every month at the Everett Roehl Marshfield Public Library...July 14<sup>th</sup> - "**Wisconsin in the Civil War**"; August 11<sup>th</sup> - "**A History of the World's Largest Round Barn**"; September 8<sup>th</sup> - "**Etched in Stone: Understanding the Symbols Used on Old Gravestones**"; October 13<sup>th</sup> - "**Genealogical and Local History Records Available in the Wisconsin Regional Archives**"; November 10<sup>th</sup> - "**The Life and Times of Engine 2442**"; and on December 8th - "**Marshfield's 150<sup>th</sup> Celebration, Leading into an America250 Celebration; Let the Planning Begin.**"

Enjoy and hope to see you at some of the upcoming events, *Vickie*



## MAGG Officers and Committees

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(Year office expires is in parentheses.)

The Marshfield Area Genealogy Group is an affiliate of the Wisconsin State Genealogical Society.

Our purpose is to provide meetings and programs of genealogical interest and to provide instruction in genealogical procedures. Also to collect, preserve, and disseminate genealogical data found in the Marshfield area and/or relative to the people of the Marshfield Area.

Meetings are regularly being held at 6:30 p.m. on the second Wednesday of each month at the Everett Roehl Marshfield Public Library upstairs in the Felker Family Genealogy and Local History Room, except July (month of our family picnic).

## Membership Information

Our membership year is from May 1 to April 30. Individual membership per year is \$12.00 and a

Family membership is \$15.00 per year. For hardcopy newsletter add \$6.

Membership Forms can be downloaded from our website <http://www.marshfieldgenealogy.com/> and returned with payment to us at: MAGG, P.O. Box 337, Marshfield, WI 54449.

## The New Digital Readiness Toolkit is Available

From the *Recollection Wisconsin Newsletter*,  
June 2022

Recollection Wisconsin's new [Digital Readiness Toolkit](#) is now available! This revised and expanded set of tools, guidelines, examples, templates, and other resources is a complete guide to creating and tending a digital collection. The Toolkit was developed specifically to meet the needs of small cultural heritage organizations and is freely available for anyone to use. Every stage of the Toolkit's development, from planning to design to review to testing, was driven by community input. Many thanks to everyone who contributed to this process, including beta testers at Carthage College, the Judge Eghart House (Port Washington), The Highground Veterans Memorial Park (Neillsville), and the Sister Bay Liberty Grove Fire Department Oral History Project.



This work was supported in part by grants to WiLS, in partnership with Recollection Wisconsin and the Wisconsin Historical Society, from the National Historical Publications and Records Commission (NHPRC).

## It is With Great Sadness That We Say Good-Bye to One of Our Members...

### CHARLOTTE KRUSE

Charlotte (Kettering) Kruse, age 94, of Marshfield, Wisconsin, passed away peacefully late Monday, May 23, 2022, at Stoney River Assisted Living in Marshfield, Wisconsin. Her family wants to express enormous gratitude to the dedicated staff at Stoney River, who provided her exceptional and compassionate care.



Charlotte Kruse

A Memorial Service will be held Monday, June 6, 2022, at 11:00 AM at First Presbyterian Church, located at 200 S. Lincoln Ave., Marshfield, WI. Visitation will be held at the church one hour prior to service. All are welcome to attend.

Charlotte was born on July 10, 1927, to parents John and Margaret (Sode) Kettering in Essington, Pennsylvania. While growing up in the Great Depression, she was dedicated to her family and studies; and though she hated weeding her family's vegetable garden, it began a lifetime passion of gardening.

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## Queries

Seeking any information or photos on buildings designed or built by Gus A. **KRASIN**, the architect, from Marshfield, WI. Contact: Kenneth **KRASIN** or Carol (**FARINA**) **KRASIN**, 8743 Kentwood Court, Darien, IL 60561. Phones: Carol- (630) 910-4560, Ken- (630) 258-5744. Emails: [carol.krasin@outlook.com](mailto:carol.krasin@outlook.com) or [ken.krasin@outlook.com](mailto:ken.krasin@outlook.com)

Does anyone know how I might go about searching for an old wedding portrait from Marshfield or Stratford area photography studios from 1900s? One was taken but no one in my family can find a copy. Needle in a hay stack, I know, but hoping for a miracle! Contact: Louis (**GILES**) **MADDUX**, 8824 Old Charlotte Pike, Pegram, TN 37143, (615) 353-8867. Email: [weezmad@aol.com](mailto:weezmad@aol.com).

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**DEREMER, PADDEN, ROWLEY**

## Pope Orders Online Release of WWII-Era Pius XII Jewish Files

From Dick Eastman's Blog - 24 Jun 2022 10:24 AM

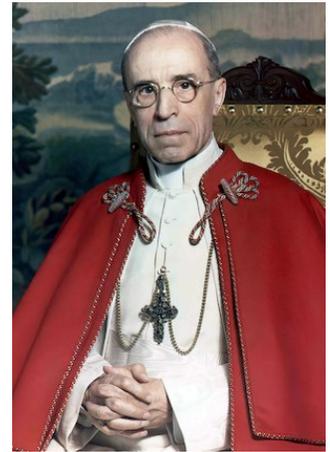
Pope Francis has ordered the online publication of 170 volumes of its Jewish files from the recently opened Pope Pius XII archives, the Vatican announced Thursday, amid renewed debate about the legacy of its World War II-era pope.

The documentation contains 2,700 files of requests for Vatican help from Jewish groups and families, many of them baptized Catholics, so not actually practicing Jews anymore. The files were held in the Secretariat of State's archives and contain requests for papal intervention to avoid Nazi deportation, to obtain liberation from concentration camps or help finding family members.

The online publication of the files comes amid renewed debate about Pius' legacy following the 2020 opening to scholars of his archives, of which the "Jews" files are but a small part. The Vatican has long defended Pius against criticism from some Jewish groups that he remained silent in the face of the Holocaust, saying he used quiet diplomacy to save lives.

You can read more in an article by Nicole Winfield published in the Washington Post at: <https://wapo.st/3tV0o7R>.

From <https://eogn.com/page-18080/1282772/>



Pope Francis

## Records of Jews Who Sought Vatican Help During Holocaust to Go Public

From Dick Eastman's Blog - 24 Jun 2022 3:50 PM

The following is a follow-up article to the article published earlier at <https://eogn.com/page-18080/1282772/>: Relatives of Holocaust survivors and victims can now look through the files of more than 2,700 Jews who sought help through Vatican channels to escape Nazi persecution before and during the Second World War. The archives have gone public on the internet at the request of Pope Francis.

The files constitute "a heritage that is precious because it gathers the requests for help sent to Pope Pius XII by Jewish people, both the baptized and the non-baptized, after the beginning of Nazi and fascist persecution," Archbishop Paul Richard Gallagher, Secretary for Relations with States and International Organizations, said in a June 23 article for Vatican News.

This heritage is "now easily accessible to the entire world thanks to a project aimed at publishing the complete digitized version of the archival series," he said. "Making the digitized version of the entire Jews/Jewish people series available on the internet will allow the descendants of those who asked for help, to find traces of their loved ones from any part of the world. At the same time, it will allow scholars and anyone interested, to freely examine this special archival heritage, from a distance."

The files are hosted at the website for the Historical Archive of the Secretariat of State's Section for Relations with States and International Organizations. The archive hosts a photographic reproduction of each document and an analytical inventory that names all those requesting help.

The series pertains to the papacy of Venerable Pius XII, who was elected pope on March 2, 1939, just six months before the start of the war.

Some requests written by Jews or on behalf of Jews sought help to obtain visas or passports, to find asylum, or to reunify families. Others sought freedom from detention or transfers to a different concentration camp. They sought news of deported people or asked for supplies of food or clothes, financial support, spiritual support, and more.

You can read more in an article by Kevin J. Jones published in the *CBCPNews* web site at: <https://bit.ly/3OGFKQU>

From <https://eogn.com/page-18080/12828108>

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She graduated from Ridley Park High School before continuing her education at the University of Pennsylvania, School of Nursing as a member of the Cadet Nurse Corp.

After graduating June 23, 1948, Charlotte worked at the University of Pennsylvania hospital for two years, before transferring to Ann Arbor, Michigan to work at the University of Michigan hospital where she met the love of her life, Captain Francis Kruse, Jr. M.D.

Charlotte and Frank were married June 13, 1952. After the birth of their first daughter, Josephine, they relocated to Parks Air Force Base in Pleasanton, California. It was there that they welcomed twins, John and Nancy, and their youngest daughter, Frances. After Frank's service in California, the family relocated to Washington, D.C., and shortly after, to Lackland Air Force Base near San Antonio, Texas. In 1961, the family settled in Marshfield, Wisconsin, so that Frank could pursue his career as the first neurologist at the Marshfield Clinic.

Charlotte was a dedicated wife and mother. She also had vast interests and community involvement that spanned her entire life. Charlotte was a founding member of many organizations and clubs, such as the Saint Joseph Hospital Auxiliary (NKA Partners), the Mother's Day Art Fair, the Wildwood Park Zoological Society, and the Duplicate Bridge Group. She was also a lifetime member of numerous associations and societies, such as New Visions Art Gallery, North Wood County Historical Society (Upham Mansion), P.E.O., Marshfield Garden Club, American Hosta Society, Marshfield Genealogy Society, Altrusa, Marshfield Women's Club, and First Presbyterian Church. Charlotte was incredibly devoted to the betterment of the world around her, and invested a great deal in her community, serving as contributor to M.A.P.S. and the Everett Roehl Public Library with a focus on Genealogy Studies.

Charlotte was a beloved friend to many and enjoyed a great number of hobbies throughout her lifetime. She loved gardening. Her favorite flower was the red rose, and her favorite plant was Hosta; so much so, that her garden was featured in numerous Marshfield Garden Walks over the years. She was a world traveler and shared her wanderlust with her family. Charlotte was always fascinated with genealogy and invested her time studying the history of her family

and the generations that came before her. She was also a Patron of the Arts, and curated a home filled with every form of art imaginable. Charlotte loved the game of Bridge, word searches, and jigsaw puzzles.

Charlotte is lovingly survived by her four children: Josephine Kleiber (husband John), John Kruse (wife Jodi), Nancy Kruse Young (husband Peter), and Frances "Frankie" Kruse. She also leaves behind her beloved grandchildren: Brian Olson, Alison Jump (husband Michael), Carly Kleiber, Katherine Kruse Montgomery (husband Cameron), Nicholas Young (wife Erin), Jocelyn Kleiber, Rachel Young, and Dr. Hannah Kruse Young. She is also survived by her adored great-grandchildren, Chase, Tenley, and Adam (named after her beloved grandfather, Adam Sode).

She was preceded in death by her husband, Dr. Francis "Frank" Kruse, Jr., parents Margaret and John Kettering, sister Elizabeth "Betty" Paterson, brother-in-law MacDonald Paterson, parents-in-law Mae and Francis Kruse, Sr.

In lieu of flowers, please contribute donations to Friends of Marshfield Public Library, North Wood County Historical Society, or Wildwood Zoological Society.

*(from the Hansen-Schilling Funeral Homes & Cremation Center's Tribute Archive: <https://www.tributearchive.com/obituaries/24921824/charlotte-m-kruse>)*

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*(Continued from pg. 1, "Archives")*

### **What will the temporary space entail?**

Apart from our change of location, our researchers will enjoy a similar research experience. Research appointments will be required to ensure materials are present and available for use.

During research appointments, our reference desk will be available for researchers to check in and large tables will be available for collections use.

Check out our moving page for updates: <https://www3.uwsp.edu/library/archives/Pages/moving.aspx>.

## An Overlooked Part of the 1950 Census: The Notes

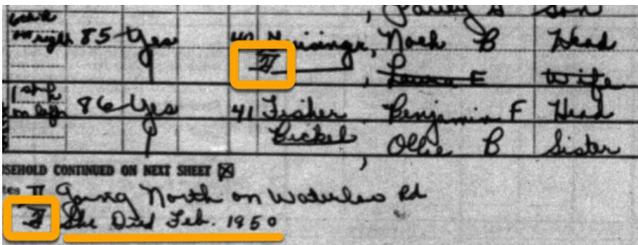
By Amy Johnson Crow, Blog Posted June 12, 2022

The 1950 US Census has helped countless genealogists. However, there's a portion of the census that many people are overlooking: the enumerator's notes. Let's take a look at what they are, where to find them, and how to associate them with the right people.

### The 1950 Census Enumerator Notes

Unlike other federal censuses, the 1950 census instructed the enumerators to make notes of unusual entries or irregular situations. (You can download the full instructions for the population schedule [from the Census Bureau.](#)) Finally, we have some insight into why some entries are the way they are!

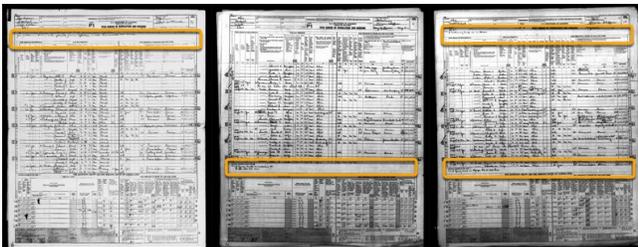
The enumerators made notes about all kinds of things. Some made notes when they turned down a street or what order the houses were in going back a lane. Some made notes about why some people were crossed out (or why they were included). There are also editorial comments.



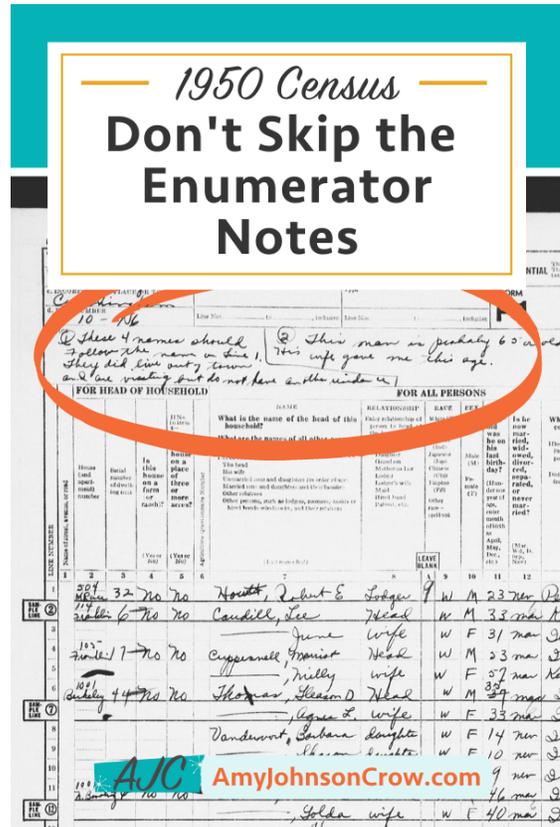
Laura Guisinger was listed in Violet Township, Fairfield County, Ohio, but her name was crossed out and a "2" appears next to her name. If you look in the notes section near the bottom of the census page, you'll see, "2) She Died in Feb. 1950."

### Where Are the Enumerator Notes?

The most common form in the 1950 census was form PI, of which there were several versions; the notes are in different places depending on which ver-



sion of the form was used. Some are near the top of the page (just below the header), others are near

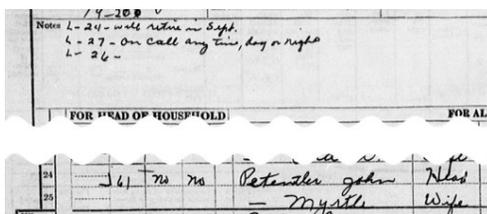


the bottom of the page (just above the supplemental questions), and other forms have notes at both the top and bottom of the page.

### How Can You Tell What Note Goes With Which Person(s)?

Just how the notes about unusual entries were to be recorded was apparently up to the enumerators. Some enumerators included the line number in their notes. (That makes it easy for us to figure out who it's about!)

On this page, there's a note "L-24 Will retire in Sept." Line 24 is John Petentler, age 61, who has no occupation listed.



Some, like the one who erroneously enumerated Laura Guisinger, gave a footnote number near her name.

Footnote numbers could also appear in the margin,

near the line number. Be sure to look also in the margin of the supplemental questions.

DO NOT HOLD ON TO THIS SHEET. If this man is incapable of working much, his hands will not open or close due to a fall in the fire about 15 years ago.

**THE QUESTIONS FOR ALL AGES**

LINE	Was he living in this same house a year ago?	Was he living on a farm a year ago?	Was he living in this same county a year ago?	What county and State was he living in a year ago?	What father is?
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23	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	County: _____ State or nearest place: _____	Father: _____ Mother: _____
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24	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	County: _____ State or nearest place: _____	Father: _____ Mother: _____

In this page in Bibb County, Georgia, there's a note with a 1 inside of a V or a caret; that same symbol is in the margin in the supplemental question for line 19. Looking at the main part of the census, I can see that line 19 was for a man name Buford Hill.

Footnote numbers can also appear in the box with the information that the enumerator wants to explain more fully.

These 4 names should follow the name on this. They did live with them and are visiting but do not live with them.

This man is probably 65 or older. His wife gave me this age.

**FORM P1 1950**

That's the case with this entry from Champaign County, Illinois. Note 2 on this page reads, "This man is probably 65 or older. His wife gave me this age."

101	60	No	70	Lutz, John M.	Head	W	M	43	sa
101				Jeanette	Wife	W	F	72	ma

The corresponding #2 is in the age field for John M. Lutz. He's listed as age 43, while his wife, Jeanette, is listed as age 72. I can see why the enumerator wanted to call attention to that!

### Make a Habit of Reading the Notes

The enumerator notes can give valuable information about the people listed in the census. It's easy to miss the footnote numbers that some of the enumerators made. As I've been doing my own 1950 census research, I've been getting into the habit of reading the notes on all of the pages where my ancestors are listed. Then, I identify who those notes pertain to. I want to make sure that I'm getting all of the information I can about my ancestors.

(from <https://www.amyjohnsoncrow.com/an-overlooked-part-of-the-1950-census-the-notes/>)

## Tracing Your Irish Ancestors: A Three-Step Guide

From Dick Eastman's Blog - 22 Jun 2022 12:02 PM

From parish records to tithe listings, an expert gives his top tips on hunting down your Irish ancestors through history. Derry City and Strabane genealogist shares his top tips for finding out as much as possible about your Irish ancestor using public records and archives.



There are 2,508 parishes in Ireland. You can identify the civil parishes of Ireland, and their associated townlands, at [John Grenham's Civil Index](#) by selecting the county of interest on the map. To gain insight into the economic and social landscape of 19th century Ireland you can consult A Topographical Dictionary of Ireland, published in 1837, by Samuel Lewis. Arranged in alphabetical order by parishes, towns, and villages this book can be viewed online at [Library Ireland](#). An excellent starting point for surname research is the "surname search" option at [JohnGrenham.com](#) where you can explore the location, frequency and history of Irish surnames.

You can read the article by Brian Mitchell published in the *Irish Central* web site at: <https://www.irishcentral.com/roots/genealogy/tracing-irish-ancestors-guide>.

## Odds and Ends from the 1940's

*Items from the Marshfield News Herald, Marshfield, Wisconsin*

### WISCONSIN CENTRAL STORY DEALS WITH LOCAL HISTORY

#### Corroborates Date of First Settlement in Marshfield, 1872

With publication of Roy L. Martin's "History of the Wisconsin Central," as Bulletin No. 54 of the Railway and Locomotive Historical Society, much valuable information regarding Marshfield and its immediate vicinity becomes available to all who are interested in statistics and other facts concerning the city's establishment and growth. The book is one of the newer ones at the Marshfield Free Library.

When the News-Herald announced five years ago that the first settlement was made here in 1872, rather than 1871, the generally accepted date, and in proof printed a series of articles based on letters and interviews with pioneers of Marshfield and nearby communities, a number of readers remained unconvinced.

All were ready to admit that no attempt at settlement was made here until the spring that the Wisconsin Central began building from Stevens Point to Ashland, but available printed records varied in their reports of that date.

#### Follows Wisconsin Central

Martin's book, however, is based on railroad records and newspaper accounts published as the work progressed, and supplies the answers to many questions which have confronted all who have tried to record a history of Marshfield and other cities along the old Wisconsin Central, now the Soo Line.

Tracing the activities of the Wisconsin Central Railroad Company from its organization, approved Feb. 4, 1871, by the Wisconsin Legislature, the author states that in June of that year the Phillips and Colby Construction Company, an affiliate of the Wisconsin Central, was awarded a contract to build the railroad from Menasha to Ashland, a distance of 250 miles.

Reuben Scott, a Menasha pioneer, was given the sub-contract for the first division, the 63-mile stretch ending at Stevens Point. The first dirt was turned on June 15, 1871, at West Menasha, and the first train

rolled into Stevens Point Nov. 15, 1871.

#### Through Unbroken Forest

"That section of country between Menasha and Stevens Point was already well settled," says Martin. "Towns and counties along the line had been generous in voting financial aid to the road.

"However, the route from Stevens Point to Ashland presented a different picture. The right of way northward led through an unbroken forest wilderness entirely devoid of towns, settlements, or organized society. An occasional Indian camp; the camps of timber cruisers, surveyors and prospectors comprised the total human activity in the territory about to be traversed by the road."

The contract for the 140 miles of road west and northward from Stevens Point was let early in 1872 by Phillips and Colby to the Hooper, Boyle, and Seymour Construction Company, according to Martin, who gives the following account of this phase of the work:

"On March 18, 1872, Hooper, Boyle, and Seymour began construction work at Stevens Point, moving westward, and by September of that year had reached Section 53 with 51 miles of 'ready track' to their credit. Section 53 was on the site of the present town of Colby, where the main construction camp remained for two years. This end of track was named Colby in honor of Charles L. Colby.

#### "One of the Finest"

"In addition to the 51 miles of usable track laid here in 1872, the contractors completed the work of clearing, grubbing, and grading the right-of-way to Mile Post 101, about 50 miles directly north of Colby. Mile Post 101 was later named Worcester.

"In October, 1872, the road was ready for inspection between Menasha and Colby, and a special train, gaily decorated, was run from Menasha for the benefit of the bigwigs and brass hats. Governor Taylor, state officers, newsmen, and prominent businessmen were loud in their praises of the splendid work done, and pronounced the new road one of the finest in the West."

Although the history does not record the name of the engineer on this special train, it does mention

Halsey Allen, Charlie Moore, and Rob Stewart as engineers running out of Stevens Point between Mile Post 101 and Menasha during 1872-75, and says that Stewart and W. B. Snyder handled the first excursion train, Governor Taylor's Special, from Milwaukee through here to Mile Post 101 in 1874.

Among the many illustrations which add to the attractiveness and historical value of the book are pictures of the depots at Hewitt and Stanley, and of many of the early woodburner engines used by the Wisconsin Central, as well as the latest acquisition of the Soo Line, the 5000, which hauls freight trains through here from Chicago to St. Paul, a distance of 435 miles, in 12 hours.



*FIRST RAILWAY STATION* Marshfield's first railroad station, built by the Wisconsin Central, was set in a virtual wilderness, on the north side of the tracks where Chestnut street now crosses the Soo Line.

The author, a native of Wells, Minn., spent his boyhood in Stevens Point, where he arrived in January, 1881, with his parents, the George W. Martins. His father, who had previously been with the Southern Minnesota Railroad, running out of Hokah, Minn., was one of a group of engineers who came to the Wisconsin Central following the sale of the former road to the Chicago, Milwaukee, and St. Paul.

After attending school in Stevens Point, where one of his pals was George Zimmer, now of Marshfield, Martin served an apprenticeship in the Stevens Point and Waukesha shops of the Wisconsin Central, and later became fireman on the road. In 1905 he was promoted to the position of engineer, with a run on divisions be-

tween Abbotsford and Chicago, and residence at Fond du Lac. In 1912 he became a member of the sales force of the H. W. Johns-Manville Manufacturing Company, now the Johns-Manville Corporation and since 1930 has been an asbestos contractor for that firm, with headquarters at Rock Island, Ill.  
(from *Marshfield News-Herald*, Marshfield, Wisconsin, Mar. 24, 1941, Mon • Page 6)

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## 25 DRAFTEES TO BE EXAMINED TONIGHT

### Local Selective Service Office Has Two More Volunteers

Twenty-five selectees have been ordered to report for physical examinations at the Marshfield Clinic at 7 p. m. today, the local Selective Service Board announced today.

This mass examination, the largest handled here since the draft began, will be along lines followed at the induction centers, with staff members of the Marshfield Clinic assisting Dr. F. A. Boeckman, draft board medical officer.

The majority of the Class IA registrants in this group will probably be inducted in May, although there is a possibility that a few will be called for the April quota of 18 men.

Two selectees, Elmer F. Blonien, 25, and Elmer T. Gerlach, 30, both of Rudolph, have volunteered for a year of military training. Registrants of the local board, both men are employed at Wisconsin Rapids and received physical examinations there this morning.

Their applications bring to three the number of volunteers awaiting the April call here. The selectee who volunteered previously is Clarence E. Fuller, 26, of Pittsville. Qualifying of the three men awaits official action by the local board.

John Ritchie and Francis Werner, Pittsville, inducted with the March draft here, are stationed for three months of training at the Field Artillery Replacement Center at Fort Sill, Okla., before being sent to other posts, according to word received at the draft office today.

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**Marathon County, Wisconsin Homesteaders  
Homesteading Act of May 20, 1862: Homestead Entry Original (12 Stat. 392)**

*(We have already completed Clark and Wood Counties, so would like to include Marathon, County.)*

Names	Date	Doc #	Twp - Rng	Aliquots	Sec. #
TRANTON, CHRISTIAN	8/1/1870	113	030N - 007E	NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	29
TUAG, JOHN	10/18/1892	869	027N - 002E	NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	28
TYREL, GEORGE C	9/9/1878	990	029N - 008E	N $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	1
			029N - 008E	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	1
TYRELL, WILLIAM	8/14/1899	3804	028N - 008E	SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	11
URBAN, HENRY	1/11/1892	2757	028N - 007E	NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	8
			028N - 007E	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	9
			028N - 007E	N $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	9
UTACH, CARL	9/9/1878	1000	030N - 006E	NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	13
VAN GORDER, SAMUEL	10/30/1877	939	029N - 002E	NW $\frac{1}{4}$	18
			025N - 005E	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	18
VAN SLATTE, EDITH, VAN SLATTE, A R	3/23/1892	2962	030N - 008E	NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	14
VINE, PETER	10/11/1888	2021	028N - 008E	NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	25
VOELKER, FERDINAND	9/15/1875	696	030N - 005E	E $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	2
VORWALSKE, FERDINAND	6/25/1889	2236	030N - 005E	NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	32
VOUGHT, NEHEMIAH	10/10/1888	2064	026N - 008E	S $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	30
WACHAL, GEORGE	8/1/1892	3036	030N - 010E	N $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	1
WACHTL, ALBERT	12/15/1879	1157	027N - 004E	W $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	24
WAGNER, GUSTAVUS	12/15/1873	295	029N - 009E	Lot/Trct 7	7
WAGNER, HENRY	5/23/1891	2628	027N - 003E	NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	26
WAITE, HORACE	4/10/1882	1324	029N - 002E	W $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	8
WALKER, BENJAMIN	9/25/1876	824	028N - 002E	SW $\frac{1}{4}$	24
WALKER, HIRAM C	7/13/1885	1951	029N - 010E	S $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	34
			029N - 010E	W $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	34
WALL, JOHN	6/20/1884	1702	027N - 006E	W $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	20
WALLACE, GEORGE	7/27/1904	4678	026N - 010E	NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	4
WALLBERG, CARL G	1/11/1892	2755	030N - 010E	S $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	15
			030N - 010E	NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	15
			030N - 010E	SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	15
WALSH, MOSES	11/10/1903	4639	026N - 010E	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	34
WALSH, OLIVER	4/30/1880	1143	028N - 002E	SW $\frac{1}{4}$	8

Names	Date	Doc #	Twp - Rng	Aliquots	Sec. #
WALSH, THOMAS L	4/10/1882	1331	030N - 003E	N½NE¼	2
				NE¼NW¼	2
WANTA, FELIX	7/27/1915	03490	026N - 009E	N½NW¼	4
WARREN, DORA, WARREN, CHARLES	6/10/1879	1111	026N - 002E	NE¼NW¼	10
WEIGAND, FRANK P	6/25/1889	2296	029N - 003E	W½NE¼	36
WEISHAAR, ELISABETH	10/23/1901	4192	026N - 008E	W½SW¼	34
				SE¼SW¼	34
WEISHAAR, EMIL	6/11/1895	3357	027N - 009E	Lot/Trct 10	18
WELLS, HENRY	5/1/1878	964	029N - 002E	SW¼	8
WENZ, GEORGE	3/23/1892	2860	030N - 010E	SW¼NW¼	14
				N½SW¼	14
				SW¼SW¼	14
WENZEL, LUDWIG	2/1/1873	217	029N - 008E	NE¼NW¼	28
WERNER, ANDREW	7/27/1897	3645	027N - 006E	S½NE¼	20
WERNER, WILHELM	3/7/1892	2801	029N - 006E	NE¼NE¼	5
WESCOTT, ARTAMUS	12/30/1885	1958	027N - 003E	N½NE¼	6
WESELY, JOHN	5/9/1885	1876	027N - 003E	NW¼SW¼	4
WESTPHAL, CARL	3/23/1892	2880	027N - 009E	Lot/Trct 5	30
				Lot/Trct 6	30
				Lot/Trct 8	30
WHEATON, ROBERT J	2/20/1883	1458	026N - 006E	W½SW¼	36
WHEELER, HIRAM W	1/30/1875	464	028N - 002E	SW¼	4
WHITE, HENRY	1/5/1876	754	029N - 008E	W½NE¼	1
WHITE, NATHANIEL J	1/30/1875	498	028N - 002E	NE¼	18
WHITE, NELSON	2/20/1883	1455	029N - 002E	S½NE¼	36
				S½NW¼	36
WICKER, JAMES D	10/1/1880	1250	028N - 002E	N½SE¼	30
WICKER, JOSEPH W	10/1/1880	1249	028N - 002E	S½SE¼	30
WICKER, WILLIAM H	5/15/1876	804	028N - 002E	E½NW¼	32
				SW¼NW¼	32
				SW¼NE¼	32
WILDE, AUGUST	2/10/1871	12	029N - 006E	NW¼	18
WILDE, WILLIAM	2/1/1873	14	029N - 005E	E½SW¼	14
				E½NW¼	23

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*Meetings of the Marshfield Area Genealogy Group are again regularly being held at 6:30 p.m. on the second Wednesday of each month at the Everett Roehl Marshfield Public Library upstairs in the Felker Family Genealogy and Local History Room, except July (month of our family picnic). If you wish to join us virtually for our speaker presentations, pre-register for the link on the Everett Roehl Marshfield Public Library's website.*

We're on the Web

<http://www.marshfieldgenealogy.com>

and look for us on 

## WELCOME BACK TO THE LIBRARY

Please note that we are planning to meet in-library!!

### Upcoming Virtual & In-person MAGG Meetings/ Family History Talks

*All up-coming Family History talks will be in person and sometimes available virtually. We will meet in the Everett Roehl Marshfield Public Library, Felker Genealogy & Local History Room, at 6:30 pm, unless otherwise noted. If you wish to join us virtually, pre-register for the link on the Everett Roehl Marshfield Public Library's website.*

July 13 (Wed.) **MAGG's Annual Picnic**, this year, will be at Columbia Park. Feel free to come anytime after 6:00 p.m., but we will start eating at 6:30 p.m. This will be an in-person only event. After eating, stay and continue visiting with other members or wonder over to the Everett Roehl Marshfield Public Library to listen to the Marshfield Civic Band.

August 18 (Thur.) Program: **"Clark County History Website"** presented by Stan Schwarze. This program will be an in person and virtual presentation starting at 6:30 p.m. Watch the library's website for virtual registration information.

September 8 (Thurs.) A combined MAGG & Spoken History Presentation, **"Etched in Stone"**, see description below.

September 14 (Wed.) **MAGG Meeting/Show and Tell** (details to follow in the next MAGG newsletter.)

### Upcoming Virtual & In-Person Spoken History Talks

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July 14 (Thurs.) Program: **"Wisconsin in the Civil War."**  
Presenter: Local college student and Civil War enthusiast, Tim Kraus, will discuss the Civil War and how it relates to Marshfield. The talk focuses mostly on the 2nd Wisconsin Regiment and other famous Wisconsin Regiments. In-person event in the Felker Family Genealogy Room at the Everett Roehl Marshfield Public Library.  
[Facebook Event](#) | [Zoom Registration](#)

August 11 (Thurs.) Program: **"A History of the World's Largest Round Barn."**  
Join Don Felhofer, grandson of Frank Felhofer, the original designer and builder of the barn, and Bob Lewerenz, who designed concrete replacement plans for restoration work ahead of the barn's centennial celebration, as they share history of the building and past care. In person in the Felker Family Genealogy and Local History Room at the Everett Roehl Marshfield Public Library.

September 8 (Thurs.) Program: **"Etched in Stone: Understanding the Symbols Used on Old Gravestones."** Dennis Jacobs, Library Association from the Brown County Library, will explain the meaning behind that symbol along with the many other engravings used on old headstones. In-person event at the Everett Roehl Marshfield Public Library.