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9:00 OFFICIAL OPENING OF CENTENNIAL IN TOWNS AND CITIES OF COUNTY.

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10:00 OFFICIAL OPENING OF DISPLAYS, Exhibits, and Activities at Saline County Fairground, Harrisburg. Secretary’s Office in Floral Hall open for registrations.

Afternoon—Sponsored by Rural Sociology Extension Bureau, University of Illinois, Miss Harriett Ellicott in charge.

2:30 WOOD CHOPPING CONTEST.

3:00 SQUARE DANCE BAND CONTEST.

3:15 SQUARE DANCE CALLING CONTEST.

3:30 HOG (OR HUSBAND) CALLING CONTEST, open to men and women.

4:00 SQUARE DANCE, open to all in attendance.

Prizes will be given for all events excepting the last one.

7:30 HISTORICAL PAGEANT SPECTACLE—“One Hundred Years of Progress,” at Fairgrounds.
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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24, 1947

9:00 Centennial Tour of Saline County.

The Committee on Tours, in collaboration with the Committee on Historic Sites, have planned a full day tour to places of historic interest in Saline County. The Committees have found it impossible to visit all sites marked in the one day allotted for the tour. Some eighty-four places have been marked but only about one-fourth of these places can be visited on the Tour. Those who wish may visit the other places in their leisure time on another day.

The Tour will start from the Public Square in Harrisburg at 9:00 o'clock, Friday, October 24th. Buses will be available for those who do not care to take their own automobiles, but reservations for bus space must be made by October 21 by phoning 109W, Harrisburg, the Centennial Office. A small charge will be made for bus transportation with which to defray the expense of the buses.

The entire Tour will travel about 60 miles, and it is hoped as many as can will use their own automobiles. The procession will be accompanied by a sound truck and a brief history given of each site visited. It is suggested that those going on the Tour wear clothing suitable for an outing, and it will be necessary for each to take his or her own lunch, as it will be impossible to purchase lunch at noon time. The lunch will be held at a suitable place near twelve, and time out taken from the Tour at that time.

A few of the high spots of the Tour which will be visited are: Goshen Road, John Rector's grave, Kaskaskia Trail, Coleman Brown blockhouse site, Haunted Hill, law office building of Robert and Eben Ingersoll at Raleigh, site of first Courthouse, the old tobacco barn at Galatia, the old Stone Fort, the Old Stone Face on Eagle Mountain, and sites such as the first coal mine, early gristmills, and others.

The Tour will leave promptly as scheduled, and will return to Harrisburg in plenty of time for the persons going to rest a while before the Pageant at the Fairgrounds that night at 7:30.

Anyone desiring information about the Tour may call John R. Murphy, Eldorado, Chairman of the Committee on Tours, or John Foster, Harrisburg, Chairman of the Committee on Historic Sites.

7:30 HISTORICAL PAGEANT SPECTACLE—“One Hundred Years of Progress,” at Fairgrounds.
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8:00 GRAND PARADE. Parade forms at Galatia, travels thence to Raleigh, through Eldorado, thence to Carrier Mills, thence North on Black Top road to State Route No. 13, thence to Harrisburg, reaching Harrisburg at 11:30 a. m. March of Labor will join parade at Popular and Granger Streets at this time, and the entire parade will then proceed to Saline County Fairgrounds.

1:30 AT FAIRGROUNDS.

Introduction of Aged Saline Countian Guests, and awarding of Prizes.

2:00 MUSIC BY UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS GLEE CLUB, under direction of Wilbur Hoel.

2:30 CENTENNIAL ADDRESS—Honorable Dwight H. Green, Governor of Illinois.

3:15 UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS GLEE CLUB.

3:30 SALINE COUNTY QUARTETTES, under direction of Prof. A. A. Moore.

4:00 CENTENNIAL WEDDING—Officiating Minister, the Reverend Robert Dawson, Saline County Centenarian Minister.

7:30 HISTORICAL PAGEANT SPECTACLE—“One Hundred Years of Progress.”

Afternoon events to be broadcast over WEBQ, Harrisburg.
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October 23, 24, and 25

In a spectacular opening amid fanfare of trumpets and the blare of martial music, Miss Freedom of Saline County, accompanied by her attendants and her court, watch as the youth of the Nation assemble to greet her and pay her homage. Through the avenue of flags, Miss Columbia, accompanied by her States’ escort and a Guard of Honor, the Boy Scouts and the Girl Scouts of America, assemble to meet Miss Freedom. Visitors from the West, from the East, from the North, and from the South gather as Bearers of Good Will. Our foreign visitors, members of the United Nations, gather to pay their respects. The colorful opening comes to a climax with attention focused on Old Glory honored by color guards. The Red, White, and Blue formations salute the flag during the pledge of allegiance. (A vested choir sings “America, the Beautiful.”)
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Episode I

INTO THE LIVES OF THE RED MEN

Tracing the historic thread back to the beginning, we are lost in a fathomless deep. Perhaps for countless centuries, council fires of powerful Indian tribes burned on the banks of the Saline as the victors displaced the vanquished as far back as Indian mythology. Only fringes of fact appear as islands in an unknown sea earlier than the year 1746, and it is therefore at that year we pause to tie the thread of history.

The region of Saline County was a favored spot of the Red Man. Its mild climate in the spring and fall, its fertile soil, its rivers and many small streams, its lowlands and its hills, its abundant wild life and the presence of salt springs on the eastern side, made the area especially attractive to migrating tribes. However, Saline County was actually the home of only two tribes: the Shawnee and the Piankashaws.

Strangely enough, during this period these remote Indian villages began to play a part in world affairs, as the great interior west of the Ohio took on a fascinating lure to England and to France as well as to colonies of Virginia and Pennsylvania. Undoubtedly, the Shawnee came under the influence of the French Jesuits, for in later conflict they were strongly allied with the French.

It was not until 1763, when France and England had exhausted their resources, that peace was concluded at Paris and England gained the whole of North America east of the Mississippi. And it was not until the smoke of the American Revolution had cleared away, and congress, by the famous Ordinance of 1787 provided for the government of this western land, that its rich valleys were open for settlement . . . migration of pioneers began. Among them were men hardened by war and privation, who knew what it meant to force civilization westward . . .

Episode II

SURVEYING PARTY

(John Rector Killed).

In 1800, the western portion of the Northwest Territory was organized into the Territory of Indiana. This comprised the states of Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, and Wisconsin. Vincennes was the capital, and William Henry Harrison, (later to be president), was the first governor.

We see the survey of the township lines in this part of the Northwest Territory. Indians are following cautiously and watching from ambush. While the surveyors are alert with their guns, they are no match for savage cunning. One arrow, swift and deadly, pierces John Rector through the heart.
As his companions prepare to bury him, they first make the observations necessary to give the technical description of the exact location of his grave for their records.

Rector Township in Saline County was named for John Rector.

**Episode III**

**BALLET OF THE WILDERNESS**

Upon arrival of the first white settlers, Saline County was an unbroken wilderness. The white man had not intruded upon its solitude. Through its verdant valleys, the river flowed silent and unceasing. Its fertile soil, its lowlands and its hills, its abundant wild life made it a favored spot for the early pioneers. Our Ballet portrays the spirits of this Wilderness.

**Episode IV**

**WAR OF 1812**

Fear seemed always to be hanging over the heads of the early settlers. Fear from animals, fear from weather conditions, and fear of the Indians to whom the British were supplying guns and ammunition.

As threats of Indian depredations continued, Governor Edwards sent spies among the Indians, and learned that they were elated over their determination to carry on a desperate war against the frontiersmen. Edwards called upon the Governor of Kentucky to send a regiment of men to march to Kaskaskia and protect the settlers. Throughout 1811, English emissaries kept up their work of arousing the Indians and with the outbreak of the War of 1812, a system of blockhouses stretched from the Illinois River to Kaskaskia, thence to the Gallatin Salines, offering the only refuge for the harrassed settlers.

These were harrowing days on the frontier and men of this area brought their families to the Coleman Brown and other blockhouses in the Saline county area, which, although often under savage attack, were bravely defended by the territorial militia and companies of independent cavalry.

**Episode V**

**WAGONS WEST**

In 1840, there were few people in what is now Saline County. About 95 acres out of every 100 belonged to the government. On February 25, 1847, Governor Augustus C. French approved the act of legislature dividing the county of Gallatin in two parts, and the west 18 miles became Saline County.
named for the Saline River. This was added impetus for settlement and it was the beginning of that period of history when all America faced the Western star. Easterners, seeking to better their lots, looked to California and Oregon territory for fortune and high adventure, but there were many willing to settle for the fertile lands of Illinois. Over narrow wilderness trails, fording rivers and felling trees before them, caravans of frail, overloaded wagons found their way to the new county of Saline.

In Saline County, as elsewhere in the West, the pioneer farmers did not settle in villages. Each built his cabin in the midst of his farm near the most likely looking spring or other running water. The land was covered with timber of finest quality of hardwood. A clearing of five acres was sufficient to support an average family. The first task was to erect a log dwelling, then all effort was directed toward making a living in the little clearing. The fields were fertile, but the root-choked, heavy soil was hard to plow, hoe and harrow. There was the never-ending grubbing of stumps and roots.

The life of these first settlers was one of hardship and incessant toil. They left behind the schools, the churches and other civilizing influences, but life on the frontier gave men more than it took from them. It taught them to think and act for themselves. It made them frank, neighborly and hospitable. It gave them self-reliance, resourcefulness and a broader outlook upon life. It is not strange that it inspired some of the noblest impulses of the human heart and developed qualities we are proud to call “the American Way” of life.

**Episode VI**

**EARLY WORSHIP**

Before the construction of church buildings, the first settlers met in the cabin homes or out of doors. Services were conducted by traveling ministers or “circuit riders.” All sects met as one and services were a combination of church and picnic in as far as it was possible without breaking the Sabbath. Church provided social enjoyment as well as spiritual activities. People came from such distances that it was customary to bring dinner. It provided a break in the monotony of hard work and all religious services were widely attended. Saline County has the distinction of being the birthplace of one Christian denomination—the Social Brethren. The Reverend Robert Dawson is the oldest minister in point of service as well as age in the county, and while he did not participate in the organization of the Social Brethren denomination, he began preaching that faith soon after. As his age almost coincides with the age of Saline County—he celebrated his one hundredth birthday October 26, 1946, and has preached for over seventy-five—years—he has been accorded the title of “Saline County Centennial Churchman.” He is representative of the early men and women whose devotion to Christian ideals and teachings built the firm foundation upon which the great churches stand today, guardians of that same faith which was the FAITH OF OUR FATHERS.
Episode VII

EARLY SCHOOL

Regardless of difficulties these first settlers faced, one of the first things they determined upon was to supply school facilities for their children. Many of the men and women who migrated to Southern Illinois from Kentucky, Virginia, and the Carolinas were well educated, and it was through them that schools were started. In the spring of 1855, Doctor F. F. Johnson furnished a room in his home in which to teach school, and the following year he was engaged to teach the “free school” at Raleigh.

Doctor Johnson received $24 per month. The schoolhouse was a log structure about sixteen feet square, with a door in one end and a dirt chimney in the other. It had a wide fireplace and the two rows of seats had no backs. A window in one side of the house was made by hand, and filled with eight by ten inch window panes. A long seat, made of plank and having wooden legs, was placed directly under the window, and a desk made of the same material and of equal length served as a writing desk. All the firewood used was cut and carried from the forest nearby. Long before school started in the morning, Doctor Johnson would have a roaring fire ready. At times, it would be so cold that students took turns sitting by the fire.

Episode VIII A

MOVING THE COUNTY SEAT

Until 1857, Raleigh was the county seat, however, since it was located six miles from the northern boundary of the county, it caused some complaint from people living in the southern end. In 1852, these southern county settlers met at Liberty Church to discuss this problem.

Most of those attending the meeting were from the area near what now is Harrisburg, but they realized that there was no town in the central part of the county, and it was obvious that before the seat of county government could be moved southward from Raleigh, there must be some town to which to move it. After much discussion, it was voted to found the Town of Harrisburg, and John Pankey, James P. Yandall, John Cain, and James Harris donated five acres of land each upon which to lay out the new town site.

The site donated was named “Crusoe’s Island,” and on a part of the land, James Harris had operated a saw mill. Archibald Sloan was employed to lay out the new town of Harrisburg, and on May 28, 1853, Sloan surveyed the lots and blocks.

It was not until 1857 that the people of the county were to vote to move the County Seat to Harrisburg, and then followed several years of litigation before the removal was actually accomplished. Nevertheless, the people began to populate Harrisburg, and make it a thriving little village. Valentine Rathbone became one of the first when he moved his drug store from Raleigh to Harrisburg.
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**Episode VIII B**

**A CIVIL WAR WEDDING**

Then came the year 1860. Abraham Lincoln was elected president. South Carolina seceded from the Union! Mississippi . . . Florida . . . Alabama . . . Georgia . . . Louisiana . . . followed in rapid succession!

Fort Sumpter was fired upon! The final impact had come. There was WAR BETWEEN THE STATES. On April 15, 1861, President Lincoln called for 75,000 volunteers!

The outbreak of the Civil War found Saline County, like many other counties in Illinois, with a great amount of confusion. The use of slaves or indentured negro servants at the salt wells was not unknown. The area was farther south than the Mason-Dixon Line. Many of the early settlers came from Tennessee, the Carolinas and other states with southern leanings. It was only natural that the turmoil of the times should be felt more violently than farther north. However, patriotic leaders urged the men of Saline to answer the President’s call. Although it was a period when the ominous shadow of war loomed darkly ahead, social life was free and easy and weddings were gay affairs! (This scene depicts a wedding during this period.)

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**Episode IX**

**GAY 90’s**

Following the Civil War, the progress of the county was accelerated by two important developments. The completion of the St. Louis & South-eastern Railroad, in 1871, gave the county fifteen miles of railroad, and opened up St. Louis as a market for the county. And about this same period came substantial development of coal mining, destined to become the primary industry of the county. The social and economic impact of this change from agriculture to mining can not be over-estimated.

It was a period of great development, the period of the telephone, the bicycle and the “horseless carriage.” Ah, the Gay 90’s! Those were the days.

If you were a young blade in the 90's you courted your best gal on a bicycle built for two—if you were a sporting fellow you raced daringly in the bicycle classies. You rushed into the street to see a horseless carriage speed by at the reckless speed of ten miles an hour, and you yelled “GET A HORSE!” when it stalled. (Let us take you to a ball concert in the park on Sunday Afternoon).

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**Episode X A**

**SINKING OF A COAL MINE**

When the first settlers came to the part of Illinois that is now Saline County, they found it covered with forests. Wood was the common fuel used by everyone for all purposes. There was no thought of the use of coal although many hillsides
showed the black outcroppings that gave unmistakable evidence of the presence of bituminous coal in considerable quantities.

There is no state record of coal in Saline County before 1880 but it is definitely known that there were at least two, and perhaps many more, small hillside slope mines in the county eighteen or twenty years before that time. The first coal mine opened in the county was one mile south of Harrisburg. It was opened by John Riben Norman who owned the farm upon which the mine was located. Members of the family claim this drift mine was opened as early as 1856. The second mine in the county was opened by David Ingram. It was also a slope mine. The first railroad shipping mine was opened in 1873 by General Green Berry Raum of Harrisburg, and Captain Vial of Vienna.

The first shaft mine opened in Saline County was called the “Blackhawk mine.” It was opened by John Davenport, William White, and John Barter at the present site of the Ford Brick and Tile company, Harrisburg. It was here that the first of many tragedies in the coal mines in the county occurred. Barter was struck on the head by a windlass and killed. (Our scene was the operation of an early shaft mine and the problems encountered in raising the coal from the depths of the earth).

Episode X B

FREEDOM’S HOLY LIGHT

In the years that followed, the mining industry brought great numbers of immigrants from the British Isles, Lithuania, Hungary, Austria, France, Belgium, and Italy, and brought new blood to this country—new blood that was rapidly assimilated into the social structure of this region. Let us take you to Hungary where there was much unrest among the common people. Due to the long hours of work demanded by the overseers, America offered them a new freedom giving new hope to escape oppression and class regimentation in the liberty of the new continent. (Our scene depicts a festival in progress.)

Episode XI

FREEDOM, A WAY OF LIFE

In World War II, Saline County represented a cross section of population, typical of the nation—a nation once more called upon to pay the price of Freedom in the blood of brave men. The ideals and devotion to duty of Saline County can be no better expressed than in the words of one of her sons—Captain Clyde Webb—who gave his life in the South Pacific: FREEDOM WILL ALWAYS GO TO THOSE WHO ARE WILLING TO FIGHT AND SUFFER FOR IT. IF WE AS A NATION ARE WILLING TO SUFFER, AND DIE, AND KILL FOR THAT FREEDOM, NOTHING WILL EVER TAKE IT AWAY FROM US . . .
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As Time has done these many years
Through storm and strife
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Where blood has had a part...

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"His companions prepared a rude coffin out of a white oak tree and interred the body. He was chief of Government civil engineers who was sent to survey lands in what was afterwards known (1812) as Gallatin county, being the 4th county of Illinois, of which Saline was afterwards formed.

"History says that Stephen Rector surveyed the county in 1807, so he must have been the successor of John Rector.

"Today J. S. Yeargin, W. A. McHaney, Charles Skaggs and lady, George Stephens and lady, Miss W. K. Burnett, Moses Johnson, A. W. Durham, Pleas Stiff and W. O. Warren, of Harrisburg; J. J. Jones, H. M. Webber, A. S. Clark, Jo Choisser, Wm. Choisser, George Boren, Royce Cline, W. S. Summers, of Eldorado, assembled at the place mentioned with instruments for the purpose of locating the grave and prepare for a monument in the near future. The place was unknown to any one except Wm. Clary who knew about the locality from a survey made about twelve years ago, and upon a re-survey he was found to be correct.

"The grave is located on the farm of Geo. Hudgins in a wheat field about a quarter of a mile from his residence, near an old cedar tree, marking the last resting spot of John Rector.

"After locating the spot a John Rector memorial association was formed, for the purpose of carrying forward a plan to erect a monument to perpetuate his memory. A. W. Durham was elected president, J. J. Jones, secretary, and Mrs. C. P. Skaggs, treasurer. County Surveyor McHaney was elected custodian of all records of said grave and monument to be built in the future. The monument is to be built by voluntary contributions. After this a table was spread on the green and a hearty repast was enjoyed by the new association, when all journeyed homeward, feeling that they had at least spent a pleasant sociable day and had arranged to perpetuate the memory of a brave man who faced the howling wilderness of savages and gave up this life in attempting to survey and civilize our county."
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SALINE COUNTY'S FIRST HUNDRED YEARS
Area Has Shown Consistent Progress in Agriculture, Mining and Small Industry; Basically Sound Citizens Have Lived Full Lives

By CURTIS G. SMALL
Editor The Daily Register, Harrisburg

Man is born, he lives and he dies. What he does individually while he lives is recorded as his biography and what he does collectively is recorded as history.

The land has a similarity to man. Its life span is immeasurably longer, and physically it is stationary, but it has a life, a period of development and, likely, a definite ending.

Saline county this year is recognizing a period of its life-its one hundredth year as a political sub-division of the great state of Illinois. Geographically, this sub-division is a rectangular area of land 18 miles east and west and 21 miles north and south, made up of 12 townships six miles square and three half townships six miles by three miles.

These township lines are for the purpose of land description, and in some instances mark also political boundaries while other political township boundaries follow natural lines such as streams or present or former roads.

During its 100 years Saline county has had a comparatively uneventful existence. It was never the scene of any major battle in the pioneer days nor in the Civil war; it has never sent a President to the White House nor a Governor to the state capital. It has produced few men or women who have gained more than state-wide prominence, but it has, through its years of existence, contributed its part to the industrial, agricultural and educational well-being of the nation.

CITIZENS LIVE FULL LIVES

Saline county's residents have lived normal but complete lives. They have cleared the land, tilled the soil and gone beneath it to bring forth coal-one of the county's principal mineral resources.

They have built their homes, their churches, their schools. They have reared their families, with some of their offspring going to other lands and places, some of them leaving the peaceful hills and valleys to fight in the wars, and some of them never returning.

They have built their communities, their villages, their cities. Some of these became more or less permanent, others prospered for a time, then were abandoned in favor of settlements which came to life as a result of new industries, proximity to railroads or, in the past several years, to hard roads.

Various political boundary changes brought Saline county into existence in 1847. Originally the county was a part of the Mississippi Valley area claimed by Spain, then by France through explorations of Joliet, Marquette and La Salle. This area was ceded to England at the close of the French and Indian war, taken for the U.S. colonies by George Rogers Clark in 1778, and made a part of Virginia, placed by a division into the Northwest Territory, then into Indiana territory in 1809 and finally into the Illinois territory. When Illinois was divided into counties, this area was first in St. Clair, then in Randolph county. Then in 1812 Gallatin county, containing Saline county, was cut from Randolph, and finally in 1847 Saline county as it now exists was given separate entity.

COUNTY ILLINOIS' 99TH

Saline county is one of the youngest in the state, it being 99th in the 102 counties of Illinois. Kankakee, Douglas and Ford counties alone are "younger." The county was named for the Saline river which drains the area and which originally received its name from the salt or saline mines in the Gallatin county area.

The general progress of the county has coincided with that of other inland areas. When Saline county was cut from Gallatin county by an act of the Illinois legislature February 25, 1847, the area was no longer a frontier, as the pioneers were already moving beyond the Mississippi to the west.

For historical comparison, the year of Saline county's organization was the year Col. John Fremont had proclaimed the annexation of California to the United States; postage stamps were used for the first time that year; the Mormons founded Salt Lake City; Thomas A. Edison was born in Milan, Ohio; Alexander Graham Bell in Edinburgh; the rotary printing press was invented by Richard Hoe; chloroform was used for the first time in surgery; Abraham Lincoln entered the House of Representatives and Jeff Davis the Senate.

The residents largely earned their livelihood from the soil, from hunting and trapping, and from other natural resources, although there were the usual strictly local industries, shops and grist and saw mills.

COUNTY ESTABLISHED 1847

Following authorization of the division of Gallatin county by the legislature, an election was held in August, 1847, ratifying the division, and in the fall of 1847, county seats for the new counties were named and new public officers were elected.

County Commissioners met October 11, 1847, and designated the site later named Raleigh as the Saline county seat, courts were established, a new court house was built and the orderly process of government was put into effect. Raleigh was chosen over a proposed site approximately where Muddy is situated.

An act of the legislature in 1851 provided that the counties of Saline and Gallatin be rejoined under the name of Gallatin, but this was voted down by the electorate.

About that time there was agitation for a county seat of Saline county nearer the center of the county and, after years of litigation, the county seat was moved to Harrisburg in 1859. Harrisburg had not then been incorporated as a town, this being done in 1861.

Following the change in the location of the county seat, the only major change in county government procedure was the adoption of the township form of administrative government in 1890. Under this form of government, a supervisor is elected for each township to handle certain administrative details of the township proper and to serve as a
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13 SURVEYED TOWNSHIPS

The 13 surveyed townships of the county were used as the general basis of the new political townships and they have since maintained their original names of Tate, Long Branch, Rector, Galatia, Raleigh, East Eldorado, Brushy, Harrisburg, Cottage, Carrier Mills, Stonefort, Independence and Mountain.

As in the life of man, likewise in the life of Saline county there have been milestones marking the periods of development which have had more than ordinary influence on the lives of the residents.

Some of these have coincided with world and national developments, while others have been strictly local.

The county first emerged as an agricultural area, coal was discovered, came the Civil War, the reconstruction period, the development of the coal industry and the building of railroads for a long period, the increased use of electric power, modern developments including the automobile, the first world war, increased popularization of the automobile and the building of hard roads, the depression of the 1930’s and the second world war.

When John Wren and Hankerson Rude first “entered” land purchases from the government as early as 1814, the area was open largely to farming for personal purposes in the open areas, to hunting and trapping. The agricultural pursuits became one of the basic elements in the life of the county and there has been little change except in methods. The expanding population of the county was largely of an agricultural nature, and farming has been in a cycle, first of tilling the available soil, the period of clearing the land, drainage and heavier land utilization.

Tobacco, Cotton Grown

This resulted, during the years, in damaging the land’s reproductive ability, and in later years a replenishing of this has been necessary and has been carried out through soil conservation practices and through reforestation of areas which were farmed beyond redemption.

The county’s first agricultural products, in addition to the ordinary foods required by the residents, included tobacco and cotton. The cotton raising flourished during the Civil War period and considerable was exported. Tobacco was a money-making product but during the last half century, neither cotton nor tobacco has been raised extensively and at present are a rarity.
The population, showing a steady increase, had increased to a point where in the presidential election of 1860, there were 1,338 votes cast for president; and on this basis it might be assumed there were as many as 5,000 residents of the county.

Coal was found to be one of the principal minerals of the county early in its history, marking another milestone, and as early as 1854 a slope mine was sunk southeast of Harrisburg. The early mines, it is presumed, furnished fuel largely for heating and for limited use in local industries, and was hauled by wagons from the mines.

The coal industry was not developed to any extent, however, until after the Civil war, which in itself was another of the major milestones of the county.

The county, being close to the southern states' area, had considerable pro-slave tendencies, but the war brought adherence to the union cause and more than 1,200 men from this county were enlisted without resort to the draft.

Development of the coal industry in earnest followed for several decades after the Civil War.

**COAL INDUSTRY DEVELOPED**

The first shaft mine was known as the Newcastle mine and was sunk between Stonefort and Carrier Mills in 1873 or 1874. The first railroad, the Cairo & Vincennes, now the New York Central, had been completed in 1872 and these twin industrial developments grew together, with the coal industry expanding to a point where in 1905 it was necessary to rebuild and enlarge railroad facilities, all of which brought about the county's biggest industrial development.

The coal development continued on a large scale for many years, with numerous shaft mines being sunk, requiring additional miners and resulting in an increasing population for the county.

The shaft mines were most up-to-date for a period lasting for 20 years or more, when they began giving way to stripping operations and to more efficient slope operations.

It was during the hey-day of the coal mine operations that the Southern Illinois Railway & Power Co., interurban line, which connected Eldorado, Harrisburg, Carrier Mills and intermediate points, was constructed, along with the power generating station which is still in operation at Muddy.

The interurban line, first used August 30, 1913, carried miners from their residences along the line to the various mines, hauled freight which was brought into Eldorado by railroad from St. Louis and other points not connected

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with the Big Four railway, and knit the Saline county communities more closely, allowing the residents to attend the popular moving picture shows at Harrisburg and Eldorado and permitting many rural students to attend High schools.

The interurban line soon reached its boom days and gave way to the increasing automobile travel, which soon brought about improved highways, and in 1931 travel on the line was discontinued by the CIPS Company which had purchased the line and the power plant.

The normal pattern of cultural development was followed by Saline county. Local schools were built before the county was formed and they have continued progressive during the county’s century.

EDUCATIONAL INFLUENCES

District schools now dot the county, some are being consolidated to improve facilities for children, and there are now high schools at Galatia, Carrier Mills, Eldorado and Harrisburg, offering educational advantages unknown to early settlers. The service of Harry Taylor as principal of the Harrisburg High school for 50 years ending in 1946 was an acknowledged factor for good during the half century.

Typical of the cultural development of the county was the early establishment of newspapers and fraternal organizations.

Before the county seat was moved from Raleigh, the county’s first newspaper, the RALEIGH FLAG, was established, and through the courtesy of Mrs. L. E. Coffee, daughter of John F. Conover, Harrisburg’s first newspaperman, a copy of the FLAG of June 20, 1856, is in the files of THE DAILY REGISTER at Harrisburg.

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Early newspapers showed a tendency toward bitter partisan political practices, and devoted columns of space in reporting political activities and in editorializing on political matters.

POLITICAL TENDENCIES

Saline county’s political tendencies have varied. In 1860, Abraham Lincoln
received 100 votes in his race against Stephen A. Douglas for the presidency, with Douglas receiving 1,338. In 1864 Lincoln gained strength but still lost the county to McClellan 818 to 765. In 1868 General Grant received 2833 votes for president against 1913 for Seymour.

The county during the past many years has been generally considered Republican, but since 1922 at least one Democratic county officer has been in office after each election.

Saline county has had its periods of progress and its periods of recession, largely conforming to the pattern of the nation as a whole, and sometimes following a strictly local pattern. With the topographical structure running as low as 366 feet above sea level at Harrisburg, the area has suffered severely on occasions from floods in the Ohio river valley, the last two in 1913 and 1937 being the most severe.

A major portion of the county from its natural situation, was untouched, its sea level measurement running as high as 980 in the hilly regions.

At the end of its 100 years of existence, Saline county faces the future without any misgivings. It is a cohesive unit with incorporated areas of Harrisburg, Eldorado, Carrier Mills, Galatia, Raleigh and Stonewolf.

It has a network of hard roads and of smaller roads connecting a productive agricultural area. It still has a wealth of coal which continues in demand and which is being mined on a modern competitive scale.

It has scenic areas worthy of nationwide interest.

It has progressive schools, well-managed business establishments, hard-working church people, active civic, fraternal and veterans organizations and an ever increasing will to work for the common good of all.

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Thornton Furniture & Hardware, Stonefort—Operated since 1941 by Earl Thornton, Jr., and James Thornton—Complete home furnishings.

Turner’s Furniture Store—We buy, sell and exchange new and used furniture and stoves—200 East Poplar St., Harrisburg, Ill.

**Garages.**


Egyptian Motor Co., Inc., 112 N. Mill St., Harrisburg—Chrysler—Plymouth—30 Par Parts and Accessories, GMC Trucks, Case Farm Machinery, Sales and Service.

**Raleigh Named when Chosen for Saline’s First County Seat**

Raleigh, original county seat of Saline county, has great historical significance. It was there that direction of the survey of first highways in the county took place, the organization of civil courts, and the civilization of primitive and savage wilderness was accomplished.

It is a strange fact that a town vested with all of the authority that it could be given, when the separation of Saline from Gallatin county took place, should have wrested from it in five years, the officialdom of the county by Harrisburg, a town that had not yet been settled or named, when the county was organized.

Raleigh was favored for the county seat because there was a settlement there, a grist mill, a blockhouse and it was on the Shawneetown-Kaskaskia trail.

The post office there was established in 1823, when the settlement was known as Curan, and George McCreevy was the first postmaster. The name of the settlement was changed to Raleigh, Oct. 27th, 1847, when the town was platted by Archibald Sloan.

From the auction of town lots money was raised to build a frame structure which was the first court house and was erected by James M. Gaston, who had been appointed county clerk.

This building which cost $500 was replaced by a brick court house costing $5,500 in 1858, but court convened only once in the new court house. It was ultimately sold to the Raleigh Masonic Lodge, by which organization a new Lodge hall was dedicated in 1946.

Before erection of any court house at Raleigh, the court met in the residences of Andrew Musgrave and Mrs. Hannah A. Crawford. Mrs. Crawford also boarded the surveying party by which the town was platted. She received more prominent mention in the county’s archives than any other woman and only once was mention made of the name of Israel Crawford, who may have been her father, her husband or a son.

History says that the Raleigh lawyers all moved to Harrisburg when the county voted to move the county seat there because Harrisburg was more centrally located. Loss of the county seat turned Raleigh citizens to agricultural pursuits, which have continued to be the basic industry of the area.

In the 1870’s the building of the Illinois Central railroad to Raleigh and Eldorado, made Raleigh the closest place to board a train to St. Louis, and transportation via livery service kept up a lively traffic between the county seat and the county’s first settlement.

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RALEIGH NAMED WHEN CHOSEN FOR SALINE'S FIRST COUNTY SEAT

At present a park and airport development, a meat packing plant and a flourishing business district, neat cottages, a progressive education system and modern churches set the little city apart as a peaceful and good place in which to live.

Fred Dodd is president of the village board, and T. G. Teague is clerk. Other members are: James Rittenberry, Charley Gluseck, C. E. Bishop, M. H. Cravens, and Mack Webb. Incorporation took place in 1877.

Stonefort Named for Nearby Landmark

The town of Stonefort has the significant historical background of being so named because of the nearby historic landmark which was there when the first white settlers came into southern Illinois. A map on record in the Missouri state archives, shows that there was a fortification at Stonefort between 1500 and 1508, and the Chicago Historical Society has on record mention made in a survey in 1807 of the old Stone Fort in Saline county.

The present town, originally named Bolton, was surveyed in 1872 by James Russell at the request of J. V. Trammell, A. Vickers, B. S. Young and C. S. Blackman. The older village of Stonefort, a little to the southeast, was laid out in 1858, on land belonging to Jo Robinson and A. Vickers, and Jo Robinson had a cypress log house built there in 1831. Oscar Pinnell built a house there in 1858 and J. M. Joiner built the first frame two story house in 1850. Axel and Charles Nyberg opened the first store.

When the present New York Central lines were built, the town moved to its present location near the railroad. In 1943 its name was changed from Bolton to Stonefort. A. I. Kelly, one of its most thorough researchers, says that seven different flags have flown over old Stonefort.

It is the gateway to the orchard country and through its portals have come many of the prominent business people of Saline county from the hills of Pope, Johnson and Williamson counties.

W. R. Craig is its president, and James Thornton, clerk of the village board.

Village board members are: Melvin Parks, W. W. Felty, W. McSparin, H. N. Lewis, Dave Skyles, Dr. G. R. Brewer.

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**Garages, Cont’d.**

Exide Service, 38 S. Vine, Harrisburg, Ill., specializing in Studebaker service, front-end and brake adjustment, and radiator repair. Studebaker cars and trucks.

Compliments of C. W. Johnson, Eldorado, Ill.; Chrysler—Plymouth, and International Trucks.

Mitchell Bros. Garage, 830 Longley St., Phone 283, Dorrisville.

Centennial Greetings from Clyde O’Keefe, Carrier Mills, Ill.

Pierson & Rude, Automobile Service, Harrisburg, Ill.

Ward Renshaw’s Garage, General Auto Repairing, Eldorado, Ill.

Greetings to our many friends from Johnnie Smith’s Garage and Filling Station, Rt. 34, Galatia.

**Gas Companies.**


**General Merchandise – Retail.**

W. W. Felty’s General Store on U. S. 45 at Stonefort; Groceries, meats, dry goods, notions and men’s work clothes.

Wesley’s General Store on U. S. 45 at Stonefort; Operated by Wesley McSparin, owner, in business at same locality for 23 years; Tel. 37.

**Grocers–Retail.**

Beasley Brothers, Groceries and Meats, 1305 Jackson St., Eldorado, Ill., Louis and Rex Beasley, Props.

Burroughs’ Grocery, Quality food at lowest prices; Phone 337R1, 1002 S. Granger St., Harrisburg, Ill.

**Grocers–Retail, Cont’d.**

Dickerson’s Self Service Store, 900 Dewey Street, Eldorado, Ill., W. E. Dickerson, Owner and Proprietor.

Granger Street Market, 419 South Granger St., Harrisburg, Ill., Free Delivery, Phone 565W.

Compliments of Hauptmann’s Grocery, Church & McKinley Sts., Harrisburg, Ill., Phone 68; we deliver.

Hausser’s Food Store, Eldorado, Ill.; We pay cash and sell for cash—that’s why we sell cheaper.


H. & H. Market, Ed Chester, Staple and fresh vegetables and meats. We deliver; 308 S. Granger St., Harrisburg, Ill., Phone 97R1.

Hill’s Cut Rate Meat Market and Grocery; Fruits, vegetables, fresh meats, wholesale to consumers; one mile south on Route 45, Harrisburg, Ill.


Horning Grocery, 219 South Main St., has served Harrisburg for almost half a century.

Compliments Kroger Store No. 18, Eldorado, Illinois.


Leader Grocery—Nameth & Myrna, Props., Quality Groceries and Meats; Service and Satisfaction; phone 83; Eldorado, Ill.

C. F. McDowell Grocery, “The Little Red Onion”; let us deliver your groceries with our fleet of scooters; C. F. McDowell, Harrisburg, Ill.
Grocers—Retail, Cont’d.

R. A. Moore Grocery — Groceries and Fresh Meats — Birdseye Frosted Foods, Harrisburg, Ill.

1939— Pete’s Grocery Stores — 1947; No. 1, Phone 12R3; No. 2, Phone 77; Home KILLED Meats, Carrier Mills, Ill.

Reid’s Grocery, the complete food market, corner of Church and Jackson Sts., Harrisburg, Ill.; We Deliver; Personalized Service.

Trammel’s Grocery, Dorris Heights, Phone 435W, Quality Groceries and Meats, Mary Trammel.

Webb’s Groceries and Meats, U. S. 45, Eldorado, Illinois; plenty of parking space.

Wood Brothers, Groceries, Meats and Vegetables; Quality, Service and Economy; Phone 46; Free Parking Lot; corner Church and Vine, Harrisburg, Ill.


Grocers—Wholesale.


Hardware Stores.


Cox Hardware, Stoves, Paints, Seeds, Eldorado, Ill.

POLK’S HARDWARE

New stock, modern arrangement.

104 North Vine, Harrisburg

Phone 162-W

Chas S. Polk, Manager

Hardware Stores, Cont’d.

Seten Hardware Co., 113 N. Main St., Harrisburg, Ill., Phone 671R.

H. C. Stalions Hardware Co., Stonefort, Keen Kutter tools and cutlery, Perfection Stoves, Philco radios and refrigerators, Simmons paints, Mulcride roofing.

O. S. Young Hardware, Locust St., Oldest Hardware Store in Eldorado, Illinois, Clyde Young, Mgr.

Harness Shops.

Mitsdaffner Harness Shop, behind Post Office, Harrisburg, Ill., complete line of English and Western riding equipment, including bridles, bits, whips, crops, sheets and a complete repair shop.

Hatcheries.

Compliments of Carter’s Chickery, Eldorado, Ill.

Pyramid Hatchery, U. S. Approved Pyramid Quality Chicks, Betty Donham, Harrisburg, Ill.

Hospitals.

Compliments of Ferrell Hospital Clinic, R. V. Ferrell, M. D.; N. A. Thompson, M. D., Eldorado, Ill.

Hotels.

Commercial Hotel, 109 South Vine St., Harrisburg, Ill., Phone 796R, Maude L. Gaskins, Prop.

Hornig Hotel, 35 South Main—Harrisburg’s Finest—Harrisburg, Ill.

Saline Hotel, Saline County’s Leading Hotel, Bus Depot, Harrisburg, Ill.

Insurance.


Metropolitan Life Insurance Co., D. H. Hiller, Manager; William Zimmer, agent; Walter Muggle, agent; Charles Miley, agent, Harrisburg, Ill.

Harrisburg Laid Out As Town in Days of Civil War Crisis

The city of Harrisburg had its beginning in a time of turmoil, incorporation taking place when there was much agitation in the county and an acute state of crisis throughout the nation. Forces and developments which had become impossible to check were pushing the country with steadily increasing momentum toward the abyss of Civil War into which it finally lurched on April 14, 1861.

Purchase of the original townsite, consisting of the 20 acres between Gaskins and Elm and Jackson and Cherry streets, was authorized in 1852, following a meeting at Liberty Church, which was established in its present location southwest of Harrisburg in 1833.

In the following year several buildings were erected on what is now the public square and in the middle of this block the first court house was built in 1858. It was replaced by the present building in 1905 and to that building an addition was built.

W. A. McHancy, father of Mrs. Nelle Meyers and Mrs. C. F. McDowell of this city, was in the surveying party headed by Archibald Sloan which platted the town in 1853. J. O. Robinson became its first postmaster in 1856. By special charter the town was incorporated Feb. 21, 1861. The City Aldermanic form of government was adopted in 1889 and in 1915 the Commission form of government was adopted with O. M. Karraker as mayor. Its present population is 12,000 and its city officials are: Dr. H. J. Raley, mayor; Bluford Hetherington, Glenn Armistead, Earl Brannon and Earl Crab, commissioners.

An economic conditions made impractical the growing of cotton, tobacco and lumbering which pioneers found profitable, commercial mining, grain farming by crop rotation, dairying, reforestation, merchandising and manufacturing have occupied the people of this city.

Its school system has grown from the one room building erected in 1858 at the corner of Vine and Church streets, to the present eight building system which includes Dorrisville, and the township high school.

A radio station, WEBQ, operating since the early 1920’s and the daily newspaper, “The Daily Register,” city and suburban bus service, afford citizens great convenience and service. Churches convenient to all residential districts, and two theatres invite them during their hours of leisure.

Its churches include practically all denominations common to the area, and
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Insurance, Cont'd.

Harker Miley Insurance Agency, Mid-kiff Building, Harrisburg, Illinois.

Planned insurance protects your plan. Motsinger & Rose, Ins. Agents, 17½ S. Main St., Harrisburg, Ill.

For Sure Insurance and Abstracts of Title see Allen Murphy, 1030 Organ St., Eldorado, III., Phone 174.

Robertson, Crecelius & Ghent, Insurance and Bond Brokers, Rose Building, Phone 1000, Harrisburg, Ill.

Jewelry.

Edwards Jewelry Store, 7 S. Main, Harrisburg, Elgin Watches, Keepsake Rings.

W. A. Grant Jewelry Co., Harrisburg, III. Over 42 years in the jewelry business, same address.

Diamonds — Watches — Jewelry, Redfearn's Jewelry, Eldorado, for gifts.

For more than 90 years our family has been helping to build Saline county and we plan to continue for 90 years more. Remember folks, it's Winkleman's, Harrisburg, Ill.

Winnerman Jewelry Co., Harrisburg, Ill., home of Bulova watches, Hamilton watches, Elgin watches, 1847 silverware, Community silverware.

Loans.

Hubert Hawkins, Harrisburg, Ill., Loans up to $500.

Courtesy of Rude Loan Company, Eldorado, Illinois.

Sullivan Loan Co., Harrisburg, Ill., 10 W. Locust, Telephone 798W. Loans up to $500.

Lumber.

The Barnes Lumber Co. in Harrisburg started as a sawmill operation in 1899. Since 1904 it has retained a complete line of lumber and building materials.

Greetings from the Galatia Lumber Co., established in 1887. Pioneers in the lumber business. We are happy to serve our many friends and customers.


Machine Shops.


Meat Dealers—Wholesale.

Smith Packing Co., Home of Banner Brands Hams and Bacon, Phone 382, 1500 S. Granger St., Harrisburg, Ill.

Milling.

Compliments of Galatia Milling Co., Galatia, III.

Mirrors.

Venetian Mirror and Glass Co.—Manufacturers of Mirrors, Jobbers of Glass, Eldorado, Illinois.

Monuments.

Ozment Monument Works—Monuments of Character—202 E. Poplar St., Harrisburg, Ill.

News Dealers.

Compliments of Bank News Stand. Mrs. Stella McClure, Harrisburg, Ill.
Galatia’s 1836 Plat Oldest in County

Galatia, the oldest town in Saline county, was established in 1836, and one of its residents, who came to Illinois in 1823 was David Upchurch, who became the Judge of the first County Court in Saline county. Mr. Upchurch and his wife operated an inn at Galatia. Survey of the town at the request of David Upchurch and William I. Gatewood was by Benjamin Thomas of Gallatin county in 1882. J. Choisser, Dr. H. R. Pierce and Moses P. McGehee were its first merchants.

Like Raleigh it was a tobacco growing area, and older citizens remember three large curing barns and the shipping of a million and a half pounds of tobacco, mostly to foreign markets. At least one barn used for tobacco curing may be seen at Galatia now. Mining began at Galatia early and the largest deep mine in the county, Peabody 47, is just a short distance from Galatia.

A disastrous fire in 1946 destroyed a section of the business district of this city of which G. L. Moser is mayor. Dedication of a new Masonic Lodge Hall there took place last year.

Other members of the town board are: Rex Adams, Howard Malone, Jim Odle, Lewis Hall and John Barton.

Agriculture and the lumber industry occupy most of the citizens not connected with the mining industry.

Wasson Near Early Indian Burial Mound

As a place of human habitation Wasson community has early historic significance. This village about half way between Harrisburg and Eldorado on the New York Central lines is adjacent to the Beaver Pond indian burial mound.

Soon after the separation of Saline county from Gallatin there were settlers there and their settlement was first known as Rathbone Station, presumably after the railroad was built, and later Dooley’s Station.

It became “Wasson” when C. M. Wasson of Harrisburg, in 1906 together with John T. and George Gaskins, Harrisburg and Col. C. H. Burnett, Eldorado, sank Wasson mine. “Company houses” were built to accommodate the workers and a store and church were erected. The mine at Wasson is the only one in Saline county which was sunk by Saline county people and still in operation. Loran A. Wasson, Harrisburg, son of the founder, is head of the Wasson Coal company.

It is the home at present of the Rev. Robert Dawson, Social Brethren minister, who is 100 years of age and will perform a wedding ceremony at the Saline County Centennial.

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**News Dealers, Cont’d.**

Carrier Mills News Stand, West Oak St., Carrier Mills, Operated by Kenneth Hart. Agency for metropolitan newspapers and magazines.

**Newspapers.**


**Oils.**

Minerva Oil Co., Fluorspar Producers, Meyers Bldg., Eldorado, Ill., Phone 190, Mine at Cave-in-Rock, J. H. Stein mesh, General Manager, Gill Montgomery, Supt., S. J. Kelly, Purchasing Agent.

Pankey Oil Company, F. F. Pankey, Phone 51R2, Carrier Mills, Petroleum Products, Bottled Gas, Bottled Gas Ranges. See us for complete installation on the Ultra Modern Cooking Device.

**Optometrists.**

Dr. Quentin C. Wilson, Optometrist, Eldorado, Illinois.

**Paint and Wallpaper.**


Clifford Stricklin Paint & Wallpaper Store, Smith-Aslop Paint, Imperial washable wallpaper, Venetian blinds, window shades. Phone 151. 108 N. Vine St., Harrisburg, Ill.

**Photographers.**

We make photographs out of our studio at any time or place, including weddings, commercial work or funerals. C. Grindle, Metcalf Studio, Harrisburg, Ill.

Photographer to Southern Illinois for over a third of a century—J. R. Metcalf, MPH, new camera room, 18 South Mill St., Harrisburg, Ill.

**Physicians & Surgeons, (M. D.).**

Dr. W. J. Blackard, Physician and Surgeon, Harrisburg Hospital.

**Physicians & Surgeons, (M. D.), Cont’d.**

Compliments of John Elder Choisser, M. D., Eldorado, Illinois.


Compliments of Dr. N. A. Herrmann, Clinic Bldg., Harrisburg, Ill.


Compliments of Dr. G. R. Johnson, Clinic Bldg., Harrisburg, Ill.

Dr. G. E. Kachele, Physician and Surgeon, Phone 5, Carrier Mills.

Compliments of Dr. Thomas R. Skaggs, Skaggs Building, Harrisburg, Ill.

Neva Skelton, M. D., Nu-Way Building, Eldorado, Illinois, Office Phone 85, Residence Phone 320.

H. A. Utter, Physician and Surgeon, Carrier Mills, Phone 86R3.

**Plumbers.**

Bob Douthitt, Plumbing and Heating, Fixtures and Supplies, Water Systems and Water Softeners, Telephone 345, Eldorado, Ill.

LeTempt Plumbing Co., The Old Reliable. When needing anything in plumbing or heating, come and see us; 127 S. Granger, Harrisburg, Ill., Phone 402.

Sutton’s Plumbing, Plumbing and Heating, Pumps and Stokers, “What We Do, We Do Well,” Eldorado, Ill.

**Political.**

Greetings to Saline county on its Centennial. The Democratic Party has been an important factor in the life of Saline county for the past 100 years and will continue active in behalf of good government. SALINE COUNTY DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL COMMITTEE, Harry Erion, Chairman.

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Muddy Once Known As Robinson’s Ford

The present village of Muddy, then known as Robinson’s Ford, was better known as a settlement than Harrisburg when Gallatin county was partitioned and the western section of it became Saline county. In fact the present site of the city of Harrisburg was referred to as “Cruse’s Island” until 1832.

As much as “Muddy” fitted the name of the present village when No. 12 mine was sunk there in the early 1900’s, Muddy has ranked as high in educational standards as any school district in Illinois for many years.

Revenue from the taxes paid by the coal company when the mine was in operation, from the railroad and from the large power plant of the Central Illinois Public Service Co., erected about 1913, enabled the district to afford the best in teaching ability.

A large foreign population supported a Catholic church there in the early days of the village, and settling on farms adjacent to the village were several Italian families whose vineyards supply grapes to this area during the annual harvest in September and October.

The two largest and best patronized night clubs in the area, Foster’s and the Venice club, are located at Muddy, and its post office, which is about four by six feet in size, is one of the world’s smallest.

Harco Named for Mine Developers

Harco post office was established Nov. 21, 1917, shortly after the sinking of the mine there, operated in recent years by the Peabody Coal Co., and known as Peabody Mine No. 47. Thomas Hoffman was its first postmaster. Its name was derived from the first and the last two letters of the name of the company developing the coal mine there, the Harrisburg Colliery Co., which was organized by J. M. Kilmer, Chicago, Ed Qualkenbush, D. K. Seten and O. D. Norman, Harrisburg. D. K. Seten was a grocer and O. D. Norman, his brother-in-law, was the husband of Mrs. Hattie Norman and the father of Mrs. Mary Lindsay, of Harrisburg.

Its present population is near 300, but in the 1920’s the population was about 1200, and the village, which was never incorporated supported two drug stores, three groceries, two general stores and a feed mill. The Weber interests of the Bank of Galatia, operated a bank there until the end of that decade.

Slightly southwest of Harco is a Shawnee Indian burial mound.

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Political, Cont’d.

Best wishes for Saline County Centennial and compliments of W. O. Verhines, Vienna, Ill., Representative, 51st Senatorial District.

Compliments of W. B. Westbrook, State Representative, 51st District.

Compliments of John David Upchurch, Mayor of the City of Eldorado.

Printers.


Radio Service.

Compliments of Robson Radio and Electric Service, 206 E. Poplar St., Harrisburg, Ill.

Refrigeration.


Restaurants.

Boyd’s Cafe, Stonefort, Operated by Eva Boyd and Minnie Boyd. A friendly place to meet and eat.

DeLux Sandwich Shop & Grill, Plate Lunches, Steaks, Sandwiches, Chicken, 17 West Elm.

Gem Cafe, Carrier Mills, Ill., Established in 1935 and operated by Mrs. Oscar Kingery. Open 6 a. m. till 12 midnight.

Greer’s Cafe—A good place to eat on U. S. 45 at Stonefort. Operated by J. H. Greer.

Holloway’s Cafe, Harrisburg, Ill., Saline County’s Oldest Restaurant—Serving good food since 1911. We have served over two million hamburgers to date. Essie and Eddie Holloway.

Compliments Johnson’s Cafe, Eldorado, Illinois.

Murt’s Cafe, Harrisburg, Ill. Home cooked food, steaks, fried chicken and home made pies. Open seven days a week, 422 S. Granger St.

Restaurants, Cont’d.

Everybody eats at Nick’s—The Talk of the Town—Harrisburg, Ill.

Pete’s Cafe, Carrier Mills, Operated by Mr. and Mrs. Harry Williams, West Main Street’s favorite restaurant and fountain.


Turn in at Turner’s Cafe—Tell in at Turner’s Cafe—M. W. Turner, Harrisburg, Ill.

Shoe Repair Service.

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Vineyard Shoe Service, 27 years service, our motto is “Service and Quality.” 19 S. Main, 10 West Poplar, Harrisburg, Ill.

Shoe Stores.

Compliments of Arensman’s, Harrisburg, Ill.

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Nationally known brands of shoes for men, women, children. Hosiery and specialties.

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Saline County Tin Shop, 1715 Locust St., Eldorado, Illinois. Furnaces, Stokers and Oil Burners. C. R. Harbison, Owner.

Stain Tin Shop, 17 West Church St., Harrisburg, Ill.—"Better living with better heating."

**Trucking.**

Orval J. Dean, 713 North Main St., Harrisburg, Ill.

**Upholsterers.**


**Variety Stores.**

"Time marches on." We are proud of our county's past and we are vitally interested in its future. J. H. Jones Variety Store, Carrier Mills, Ill.

**Water Companies.**

Compliments of Eldorado Water Company.

**Women's Apparel.**

If It's New, Dotty Has It! Exclusive yet inexpensive apparel for Junior Miss and Matron in Harrisburg and Marion, Ill.


Mae's Dress Shop, Eldorado, Ill., Phone 165.

Myrons—where the finest names in quality fashions are found.

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**Eldorado is Favored**

Eldorado, whose mayor, John David Upchurch is a great great grandson of the first County Judge of Saline county, David Upchurch of Galatia, is one of Saline county's most favored cities as to location and natural resources.

There are three steam railroads, and five state highways radiating in five directions from Eldorado, the influence of which has caused a gradual transfer of many businesses to the prominent intersection of U. S. Highway 45, and State Route 142, giving the town a most pleasing appearance to auto traffic.

The location of the town is high and dry. A large trading area is supplied by its stores and business houses. A bus service from Eldorado to Carrier Mills, has had its headquarters at Eldorado, since discontinuance of the old interurban line which operated from 1913 to 1931.

Promotion of a public library by the Eldorado Woman's club, and the functioning of service clubs, fraternal and social organizations, stimulate many beneficial projects and services.

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**Saline County Has Grown!**

For the first 100 years, Saline County has grown from nothing to a prosperous industrial and agricultural area of more than 40,000 people.

The growth has been steady, consistent and sound.

We look forward to another favorable period. Those of us now living will not live to see all of it, but we can participate as long as our allotted span and can build soundly for the future generations.

We are pleased to have had a part in Saline County's development and growth.

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By Good Location

Commissioners of the town are Gilbert Barton, Carl D. Johnson, Lee Skaggs, and Carroll Baldwin.

Its founders were Samuel Elder and William Reed. Incorporation was in 1870, 12 years after the town was platted on May 24, 1858. Nathaniel Burnett was the first postmaster, named on Dec. 3, 1858. The name of Burnett has been as prominent as that of the Elders, Upchurches and the Reeds in Eldorado's interesting history.


This town of 5,000 inhabitants, has numerous Protestant churches, a Catholic church and the only parochial school in the county. The public school system is an excellent one and there are three theatres providing public entertainment.
COMPLIMENTS OF

District No. 12
United Mine Workers of America

WALTER J. JAMES
Secretary-Treasurer

HUGH WHITE
President

JOHN R. RIPPON
Vice President

The Union that champions THE WELFARE AND RETIREMENT FUND to provide financial security for coal miners and their dependents.

Present death benefits, $1,000.00, and monthly benefit payments to aged and disabled miners.
LOCAL UNION NO. 35, UNITED MINE WORKERS OF AMERICA, RESPECTFULLY DEDICATE THIS PAGE TO THE MEMORY OF BROTHER MEMBERS OF LOCAL NO. 35 WHO LOST THEIR LIVES WHILE WORKING AT HARCO MINE OPERATED BY THE PEABODY COAL CO., AND KNOWN AS MINE NO. 47 SINCE 1927

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John Clarida, Dec. 6

1941
Bishop Hatcher, Jan. 13

1942
McCoy Cobb
Harold Smith
Orval Dougherty
Roy Donaldson
Charles Pemberton
John Fletcher
Bill Strange
Harold Holden

1943
Noble McKinney, April 20
O. J. Pyle, July 21
Iber Malone, Dec. 1

1944
William Mee, May 29
Herman Mullinix, June 13
Lee Rogers, June 21
Griff Crain, Sept. 8
Irl Smith, Oct. 18

1945
William G. Bond, April 24
Dennis Fleet Stricklin, Nov. 28

1946
Dee Furlong, March 28
Dave Hubbs, March 28
Earl Gregory, June 19
Oscar Mitchell, July 1
Charles Ford Tapp, July 22

1947
Arnold (Daddy) Gordon, Feb. 3
Lewis Gheradine, July 16
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