

CONVENTIONS-ENTERTAINMENT-RECREATION

From the early days the schools and churches have been the centers of community life. In the HISTORY OF DISTRICT # 4, Mr. Ramsey gives a vivid description of Spelling Bees, Literary Societies and Singing Schools, which were common practice in every school.

In a BROTHER'S TRIBUTE, by Gen. John Kennedy to his brother Andrew, he said, "As we went by the place where the little brick school house stood and at the old church yard, I could not help recalling the times of our early boyhood when the Singing Society of Professor Wesley Hunting and the Debating Society used to meet in the church and the school house."

The Misses Carrie and Eva Luke of Nashville, who like many other residents of Nashville, spent their early years in Elkton, recalled the Spelling Bees, Literary Societies and Singing School which they enjoyed at Elkton. In their Singing School, they used SOUTHERN HARMONY which consisted mostly of hymns. The notes were square in shape rather than the shape used now.

Two books used in the Singing School at Oakdale were written by C.E. Leslie of Chicago. They are entitled THE CROWN OF SONG & THE CYCLONE OF SONG. In one of the books AN OPEN LETTER TO THE SINGING TEACHERS OF AMERICA is included after a few pages of explanation. The music is written in three clefs: the Soprano and Alto, the Tenor, and the Bass Cleff.

In Mrs. Robert Smith's Scrap-book we found this program which was elaborately printed in a variety of type:

OAKDALE LITERARY SOCIETY Friday Evening, April 7, 1876

PROGRAMME

MUSIC	PRAYER	MUSIC
OPENING ADDRESS, . . . . .	. . . . .	John Kerr
ESSAY - Hope . . . . .	. . . . .	Lizzie Smith
DECLAMATION -The Precious Freight . . . . .	. . . . .	James W. Torrens
MUSIC		
DIALOGUE -Sense versus Sentiment,		
DEBATE, -Resolved, That the Influence of the United States is favorable to Morality, Affirmative, Chas. McElhanev, Jas. A. Todd		
		Negative-Robt. Kerr, R.G. McLean
MUSIC		
DECLAMATION-The Danger of the Spirit of Conquest, James Ramsey		
RECITATION? . . . . .	. . . . .	Lou McClurkin
ESSAY - Transition, . . . . .	. . . . .	L.C. Henderson
TABLEAU		
ORATION,		
	MUSIC	

DIALOGUE-Starting in Life,
 DECLAMATION- Government Frauds D.W.Wylie
 ESSAY- Sunny Thoughts for Clouded Hours, M.T.Ramsey
 RECITATION - How She Saved her Lover, Mattie Halloday

TABLEAU

MUSIC

DECLAMATION- A Thanksgiving Sermon, W.G.Adams
 DIALOGUE- The Census Taker,
 ORATION- To-day;or the Present, R.G.McLean
 MUSIC CENTENNIAL MEDLEY MUSIC

Organist, Miss Fannie Sorecher of Richview; Door Keepers:John W. Kelso,James Matson; Ushers;R.K.Torrens, George Ramsey;Ticket Agent, Dr. J.R.Keady.

In the Murray Scrap-book,we find the following clipping:
 Sept.1,1894--" A most plessant and entertaining sociable was held on Thursday evening at the U.P.Church,given in honor at the teachers and students about to depart for their respective fields of labor.

Teachers-- Anna Boyle,Tillie Boyle, Hessie Boyle,Tillie McCoanghie, Thomas McConaghie,John Miller,Anna McConnell,Jennie McConnell, Lillian East,and Anna Smith.

Students- James McConaghie,Braiden Finney,Frank Maxwell,James McConnell,and Maggie McConnell.

ENTERTAINMENT AT OAKDALE

June 1st Y.P .C.U. of the United Presbyterian Church in order to develop talent of its young people in the line of public speaking and at the same time provide novel and interesting entertainment,they selected nine members to participate in a declamation contest. Contestants were to be 15-21 years of age. A beautiful mandolin with green plush bag was awarded to the winner.

Speakers:Raymond Kirkpatrick,Joseph Maxwell, May McQuilkin,Thomas Fulton,Richard Maxwell,Mamie Kirkpatrick,Lottie Smith,Lizzie McConaghie, Frank McQuilkin. The winner was May McQuilkin(Mrs.J.R.Hood)

Judges:Rev.J.A.Henderson of Sparta,Prof.Speer of Marissa,and Prof. W.H.McMillan of Sparta.

(Mr. Raymond Kirkpatrick,now(1969) survives,age 88 years.)

FOURTH OF JULY & MOONLIGHT PICNICS

In the early 1900's the men around town bought fire-crackers, sparklers,rockets,etc.and had a display of fire works down north of the Covenanter Church on the Fourth of July, Lon Hunter,the Borcherding boys were some named in connection with this activity.

Another summer entertainment about this time was a moon light picnic in the alley between Ken Auld and Stanley Coulter's homes. Japanese lanterns were strung across the alley,Elihu Logan made and sold ice-cream,there would be music and often it was sort of a political rally.

Mrs.Cinda Bramaier and Mrs. Elizabeth Klene reminded us of these activities.

A SALOON OF SHORT DURATION

It is reported that William Ayers sold whiskey by the gallon jug when he operated his store. It was used in those days as a medicine. One of the popular remedies for colds then was a mixture of whiskey, rock candy and glycerin.

You may think the "sit down strikes" are modern methods of protest but it was effectively used by some ladies in Oakdale in the late 1860's. Some one opened a saloon in an old house that stood on the site where Steve Musielak's home is located (1969)

Mrs. Beal, Mrs. Auld, Mrs. Ardrey, Mrs. Robert Smith and others took turns at sitting in front of his saloon from morning to night. As they sat, they rocked and knitted. The men were ashamed to pass the women to enter the saloon, so after a few weeks, the would be saloon keeper, closed his shop and moved out.

This was the only effort made to open a saloon in Oakdale. We hope it will never be tried again.

THE OAKDALE BAND

The following information about the Oakdale Band was furnished by Mr. Ray Kirkpatrick who played in the band. His father, James R. Kirkpatrick was organizer and conductor of the band.

About 1890, Oakdale had a band which continued for about fifteen years. This band was mainly a marching band and had eleven members most of the time. In summers they had concerts on Saturday nights at Oakdale, at the corner of Second and Lincoln Streets on Block 6. It could have been in the alley between the vacant house and the home of Thomas Rall. Different people played in the band through the years. Except in cold weather they practiced in the loft of the Smith Blacksmith Shop.

The names of the members of the earliest band were: Clarence Finney-alto horn; Dave Smith-alto horn; Wes Smith-alto horn; Dave Wylie-bass horn; Arthur McAfee-coronet; Jim McConaghie-coronet; Norman East-clarinet; James R. Kirkpatrick-coronet; Albert Kemps-tenor horn; Ed Bailey, Ed Borcharding and Will Coulter were also members.

The members of the band at a later date were: Ray Kirkpatrick-snare drum; Dick Kirkpatrick-tenor horn; Luther Kemps-bass horn; Will Kemps-tenor horn; Elsey Luney-alto horn; Golvin Luney-bass horn; Volans (Dick) Smith-alto horn; George Borcharding-coronet; Ed Rixman-alto horn; Elmer Brown-tenor horn; Jim McConnell-snare drum.

On special occasions, they would get others to join them, namely: Will McMillan-clarinet from Swanwick; and from Coulterville, George Beaver-coronet; Henry Bouas-bass horn; Jim Sanford-drum; Elihu Crawford-clarinet; and Elmer Beaver-bass horn. This band played at a big celebration in Nashville. On this occasion the Oakdale Band headed a big parade chosen in preference to a larger band from Mt. Vernon.

The Oakdale Band played at the celebrations in many of the surrounding towns and also at political rallies and picnics; such as at Hoyleton, Nashville, Addieville, Plum Hill, Elkton, Lively Grove, Coulterville, Swanwick, Winkle, Rice, Pilot Knob church picnic and for a three-day Old Soldiers' Reunion held at the Sparta Fair Grounds.

OAKDALE HARVEST HOME PICNIC

The Oakdale picnic started about 1893 and was held annually until 1946 or for about 53 years.

The picnic was held in August in the day time. Large crowds attended the picnics. It was considered as a time to come home for a trip in order to see all the old friends at the picnic.

The afternoon was given over to a program of music, political speeches, a ball game, visiting with old friends for the older people, while the younger generation visited the concessions and enjoyed the ice-cream and lunch stands. Usually some one brought in a load of water melons for sale just north of the stands.

About three years before the electric high-line was brought in, a gasoline powered generator was used to furnish lights in order to continue the picnic into the night. In 1930 power for lights was furnished by the high-line.

For many years the picnic was held in "Carson's Grove" a nice wooded area northwest of the Lumber Yard, west of the railroad tracks. The last few years it was held on the Base-ball Field. After the Oakdale Soft Ball Association was organized, the picnic was dropped.

Dec. 1917

RED CROSS

Clipping from Nashville
Journal

\$ 1123.75 War Savings Stamps sold during the three weeks by E.F. Reuter of this place. We suggest that you join in the drive and help out.

The wagon with Red Cross members visited Elkton Monday evening. The following is a report: The Red Cross of the Oakdale branch, has secured over a hundred new members in the Christmas campaign. The total enrollemt for Oakdale is now about 350.

Nov. 14, 1918

The Oakdale Red Cross Unit with some 280 members has completed 8 or 10 sweaters, 8 or 10 pairs of wristlets and 8 or 10-16 inch mufflers, with 20 pairs of wristlets, 20 mufflers, and 30 sweaters well along towards completion. So it is easy to see that while getting members, which is always commendable, we have been knitting a good average. We intend to have 500 members by Decoration Day.

PROGRAM

For the twenty-fifth annual Sabbath School Convention of Washington County, to be held in Oakdale 5th and 6th, 1897

Thursday, August 5, A.M.

Our first need-Nearness to God-Service of Prayer, led by Rev. W.A. Chamebrs
Conference of County and Township Officers, led by District President, E.E. Exter.

- (A) Our need in the County Work, 10 min. D.M. Crow, Ashley
- (b) Our need in the Township Work, 20 min. John Paul, Nashville
- Miss Ada Geiger, Ashley; and J.E. Haun, Hoyleton.
- Open Conference for 15 minutes.
- How to meet these needs, District President
- Appointment of committees and assignment of delegates.

Afternoon-1:30 o'clock

Devotional-Prayer for S.S. Teachers, Rev. Nisbet, Nashville

The Teacher's Hour:

- (a) Home preparation of the lesson, Rev. Bovard, Nashville
- (b) How to secure class cooperation, J.P. Courtney, Nashville
- (c) Our lesson half-hour in the class, C. Buhrmester, Nashville
- (d) Class visitation, why? When? How? Rev. Adams, Ashley

The Primary Hour,

- (a) Principles and methods of primary teaching, Rev. Cole, Richview
- (b) How to secure co-operation of mother, Mrs. E.W. Bowles, Nolting
- (c) Value of individual records, Miss Wheelis, Nashville
- Normal Lesson on S.S. management, State Worker, W.C. Pearce
- Week day's for the S.S., Rev. Johnson, Nashville

Evening -7:30 o'clock

Song Service, led by Rev. J.A. Henderson, Sparta
The training of children, Rev. Dr. Herdman, Lebanon
Address by State Worker, W.C. Pearce

Friday Aug. 6th, 9:00 A.M.

Devotional-Prayer for better work in our county, Rev. French
Report of County Officers, President, Secretary, and Treasurer
The present need in our work, State Worker
Normal S.S. Institutes, Why? When? How? E.E. Exter, Belleville
Election of officers.

Afternoon-1:30 o'clock

Devotional-Prayer for S.S. Officers, A.T. Kennedy, Oakdale
The Superintendent's Hour,

- (a) S.S. Possibilities, Rev. Rhine, Nashville
- (b) How to secure efficient teachers, Frank Kelsey, DuBois
- Normal Drills and how to use them, R.A. McAuley, Oakdale
- The Home Department Plan, H. Fox, Elkton

The Loyal Army Pan, E.E. Exter, Belleville
 Normal Lessons, Rev. W.W. Williams, St. Louis
 Closing Words from Many Workers.

Lewis Bernreuter, Co. Pres.
 Eliza McAuley, Co. Sec.

The citizens of Oakdale are making arrangements to entertain all who attend this convention, and everyone interested should attend. The C. & C. will sell tickets at one and one-third fare on the certificate plan. The following are the local committees:

Entertainment--Dr. Hays, chairman; Miss Maggie Smith, James Hood, James McConnell and Miss Tillie Boyle
 Reception: A.T. Kennedy, chairman; Rev. J.C. French, R.A. McAuley, Miss Lottie Edgar and Miss Lena Coulter

This program was found in the Murray Scrap-book, now owned by Mrs. Harold Auld. Mrs. Auld also furnished the following programs.

PROGRAM

W.C.T.U. SILVER MEDAL CONTEST in the U.P. CHURCH AT OAKDALE, ILLINOIS

FRIDAY EVENING, APRIL 22, 1910, 7:45

Prayer				
Song,	.	.	.	"There Will Dawn a Golden Morrow"
Florence Klene,	.	.	.	"Mary Elizabeth"
Quartet	.	.	.	"Ring the Bells"
Lloyd Torrens	.	.	.	"Christian Leaders"
French McClay,	.	.	.	"The Coming Temperance Man"
Song	.	.	.	"Out for Prohibition"
Kenneth Luney	.	.	.	"In the Kegs"
Charles Smith	.	.	.	"A Temperance Story"
Merwin Williamson,	.	.	.	"When I'm a Man"
Duet,	.	.	.	"Mother's Voice"
Charles Kaufman,	.	.	.	"Write it Everywhere"
Ralph Hunter	.	.	.	"He Never Blamed the Booze"
Quartet,	.	.	.	"The Home that Used to Be"
Grace Torrens,	.	.	.	"How a Little Girl Emptied a Jug"
Quartet,	.	.	.	"The Cause Speeds On"
Leola Murphy,	.	.	.	"The Sisters on a Strike"
Quartet,	.	.	.	"Battle Song"
Decision of the Judges,				
Quartet,	.	.	.	"Drink no the Tempting Wine"
ADMISSION			10¢	CHILDREN FREE

WASHINGTON COUNTY TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION
Oakdale High School Saturday, Feb. 25, 1928

PROGRAM

- 9:30 Opening Exercises Direction of Miss Elma McClurkin
9:50 "The Teaching of Patriotism in the Public Schools" Miss Mary Parlier
10:10 "Relation of Grade School to the High School" Thomas Boczkiewicz
10:20 "The Teacher's Relation to the Community"
 (a) From the Teacher's Viewpoint Stanley Robinson
 (b) From the Board of Director's Viewpoint Miss Margaret Smith
 (c) From the Patron's Viewpoint Mrs. Will Carson
11:30 Some Problems of the County Superintendent-T.E. Allen

NOON

- 1:15 Music Miss Elma McClurkin
1:30 "The School's Work in Making Citizens" C. Crouse
2:10 "Teaching of Civics" Earl Brake
2:30 Intermission
2:40 Singing Direction Miss McClurkin
2:50 "Spelling in the Rural School" Miss Elizabeth Rohde
3:10 "Trials and Experiences of a Rural Teacher" Miss Fern Carson
4:00 Adjournment

As the years passed, times changed and with it community interests changed too. As more and more young people left home for a week or more at a time to attend high school and the young adults went to more distant cities and were gone until Thanksgiving or maybe until Christmas, the Spelling Bees, Literary Societies and Singing Schools disappeared as community activities. However vestiges remained. Spelling Matches or Arithmetic Matches on Friday afternoon became popular in the classroom. THE GOLD-EN BOOK OF FAVORITE SONGS became the accepted text for classroom singing in the afternoon.

Schools prepared programs for the parents and community on special days, as Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Easter. Box suppers with a program became common practice in the early 1900's. Many a young man has had to pay dearly to eat a lunch with his 'best girl' if anyone betrayed the fancy wrapping on her box. Cake-walks and auction sale of cakes or boxes of cookies have replaced the "fancy box lunch". Many badly needed school supplies have been obtained for the schools through the efforts of teacher and pupils.

Shortly after World War I for several years the young people of the community sponsored A Lyceum Course each winter. Very fine talent was brought into the community. Season tickets were sold for five or six entertainments. A Troop of Swedish Bell Ringers gave an outstanding program. Hamlin Garlan also gave a lecture

entitled SHAKE THE BARREL. Years later I heard him give the same lecture at the Madison County Teacher's Institute.

OAKDALE SOFT BALL PARK ASSOCIATION, INC.

After the Oakdale boys came home from World War II, they organized a softball team and played in the Nashville Softball League for two seasons.

They leased a piece of ground from Mr J. Ren McClay and made a ball diamond with flood lights and started to play on this diamond in July 1947. They bought a public address system in 1948 and the ball games are announced.

In 1950 the Softball Association bought six acres of land where the Ball Park is located today. This was financed by donations from people of the community, a benefit supper held each spring, a chicken and fish fry held at the park each July, and from the sale of soda, candy, and other confections at the games.

The chicken fry has been held annually since 1948. The ball park has always been well supported by the community both financially and in attendance.

Usually there are games at the park five nights a week from the latter part of May until the first part of September. They have a children's night for all of grade school age, a team each for boys and girls; and for several years they have had a slow pitch league with a team from Oakdale and three other surrounding communities.

A soda house was built in 1951 and later two additional shelters and a deep well were made. There was some additional improvement made at the park almost every year since it started.

Many men of the community have cooperated serving faithfully on the five-man board of directors assisted by their wives.

WASHINGTON COUNTY HOME BUREAU

The Washington County Home Bureau was organized Oct. 1, 1947, at the Nashville Evangelical Parish Hall, in Nashville, Illinois.

The Object of the organization is to promote the development of homemaking to the end that every home may be economically sound, mechanically convenient, physically healthy, morally wholesome, mentally stimulating, artistically satisfying, socially responsible, spiritually inspiring, founded upon mutual affection and respect.

The executive officers and directors were:

President	Mrs. George Dueker
Vice-Pres.	Mrs. Robert Schleifer
Secretary	Mrs. Ann Lyons
Treasurer	Mrs. Arthur Schaeffer
Directors:	Mrs. Charles Hogshead
	Mrs. Rose Mary Morange
	Mrs. Ray Garlich
	Mrs. Oliver Hoffman
	Mrs. Phillip Heggemeier

The Charter Members for the Oakdale Township were:

Mrs. Walter Elliott	Mrs. Clara Wehmeyer
Mrs. Lyle Torrens	Mrs. Arthur Schaeffer
Mrs. Arthur Shubert	Mrs. Arthur K. Shubert
Mrs. Charles Rezba	Mrs. Mildred Reuter
Mrs. D.L. Rohde, Jr.	Mrs. Viola Neill
Mrs. Ruby Markham	Mrs. Herman Mazander
Mrs. T.E. McLean	Mrs. Martha Luczaj
Mrs. Guy Kroener	Mrs. John C. Klene
Mrs. Otto Koch	Mrs. A.J. Gambill
Mrs. Blanche Guthrie	Mrs. Madge Guthrie
Mrs. Norman Frieman	Mrs. Stanley Coulter
Mrs. Isabelle Cunningham	Mrs. Theodore Brown
Mrs. W.K. Auld	Mrs. Harold Auld
Mrs. Jane Auld	Mrs. Jennie Stevenson
Mrs. Pearl Auld	Mrs. Florence Boyle
Miss Elizabeth Rohde	Mrs. Ralph Baker
Mrs. Lora Taft	Miss Belle Carson
Mrs. Mary B. Hoff	Mrs. Floyd Patton

The organization is now known as the WASHINGTON COUNTY HOME ECONOMICS EXTENSION PROGRAM. It is jointly sponsored by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, University of Illinois and the Washington County Cooperation. The Washington County Home Economics Extension Council, a representative body, plans the county activities in cooperation with the Home Adviser for the county.

ELKTON COMMUNITY CLUB

The Elkton Community Club was organized about the year 1954. A Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer were elected by the group. No fee is charged to become a member but at each meeting a small collection is taken.

The club meets the fourth Wednesday of each month. Meetings are held at the homes of the members. At the beginning of the year the program for the year is arranged, with each member selecting the month she wishes to entertain.

The Chairman calls the meeting to order, followed by Bible reading, prayer and group singing. Roll is called by the Secretary, each member responding according to the plan for the month.

Next a short business session is held in which the secretary's report is read and approved. Any old or new business is put before the group and voted on.

A short recreation period, planned by the hostess follows. Games are played with a prize given to the winners. The hostess also gives a door prize to the person drawing the paper marked "Gift" from a box as it is passed around.

The members each have a Secret Sister for the year. At each meeting the Secret Sister gift box is opened and the gifts, secretly placed in the box before the meeting, are given to those having a birthday or wedding anniversary during the month.

The rest of the afternoon is spent working on the present project. Quilts have been pieced and quilted as gifts to different Nursing Homes. We have also made pillow-cases and knee robes. Some scrap-books and stuffed toys are made for children.

Money is used from the treasury in purchasing needed materials for any of the projects the Club decides to do.

In case of a death in the community, food is prepared and served by the club members to the family. In case of some unexpected disaster befalling some home, whether a member of the Club or not, any assistance the club can render at this time is always taken care of by them.

In the month of August, a family picnic supper takes the place of the regular meeting. This is held on the lawn of the home of some member. After enjoying the delicious food brought in the well filled baskets, games and visiting fill the evening.

During the Christmas holidays, a party is held at the home of a member. The chairman opens this meeting with the Christmas story. Christmas carols are sung and a short program follows. At this time we find out who our Secret Sister has been. Someone, dressed as Santa passes out the gifts from under the tree. At the close of the meeting, names are drawn for next year's Secret Sister.

At the beginning of 1969, the following are members: Mollie Rezba, Leona Shubert, Frances Karg, Kate Shubert, Marjorie Patton, Evelyn Kohring, Dozena Mayer, Barbara Kroener, Meta Mazander, Pauline Schuessler, Eileen Helbig, Delores Karg, Anna Reinhardt and Mary Lou Rezba. Officers for 1969 are:

Chairman- Barbara Kroener	Secretary- Marjorie Patton
Vice-Chairman- Pauline Schuessler	Treasurer- Kate Shubert

ELKTON AND OAKDALE

L.R.H.

It is often said that Elkton is much older than Oakdale so I have tried to gather some facts about the two towns. Several things I have found do not give dates so this is not so complete as I would like.

Elkton was surveyed in 1837 but Oakdale was not surveyed until 1867. The WASHINGTON COUNTY HISTORY states that Wm. Rountree settled in Sec. 16 in 1818 and that Wm. Ayers settled in what is now the surveyed town of Oakdale in 1823. I do not know who settles first in the town of Elkton.

I cannot find the population of either town when surveyed. The Census of 1870 gives the population of Elkton as 160 and Oakdale 116. I do not know the highest population of either town.

The WASHINGTON COUNTY HISTORY of 1879 states that Elkton had 3 general stores, a post office, 2 blacksmith shops, 1 hotel, 2 doctors and 2 churches.

In the same year Oakdale had 2 stores, a post office, 2 blacksmith shops, 1 shoe maker, 3 doctors, 1 flour mill and 2 churches.

Some claim that after the railroad was built through Oakdale it began to grow some in the following years while Elkton declined.

— C.C. —

Thus after over a century of living in this small section of this earth, we find two small centers of population which had good locations for growth in the days of stage-coach and trails. As the means of transportation changed and we had nothing to attract industry, our people went where the work and market places were.

Both communities can be justly proud of the many fine citizens who have gone out from our midst and helped in many ways to shape the growth and destiny of our country. I hesitate to try to name them for I know I will miss many who should be named, I can only plead ignorance.

From both communities have gone many teachers, farmers, merchants and people of many walks of life. Many ministers and missionaries have gone out who have been named in the church histories. Rev. Edward Eigenrauch was a minister in the Evangelical Reformed Church. From Elkton has gone Gen. John Kennedy, from Oakdale Maj. Gen. Russell Maxwell and Gen. Norman Ramsey.

From Elkton went State Representatives James Rountree and Charles Luke also Judge Enloe Vernor and Attorney Vilas Vernor. From Elkton went Dr. Roscoe Vernor. From Oakdale went Dr. Walter Spoenneman, a physician and Dr. Carl Spoenneman, a dentist to St. Louis. From Elkton went Dr. William C. Kennedy to practice medicine in New York City. From Oakdale went Dr. Elmoe McClay, Dr. William Robinson and Dr. Stanley Robinson. Dr. Thomas McConnaghie stayed at Oakdale, for which all were thankful. From Oakdale went the Misses Lydia and Mattie Spoenneman who were trained nurses, practicing in St. Louis and elsewhere. Miss Elizabeth McConnaghie was also a trained nurse in St. Louis many years. Dr. LeRoy Kleinschmidt is practicing dentistry in St. Louis County.

THOSE WHO SERVED IN WORLD WAR I LIVING IN OAKDALE TOWNSHIP

*Atchison, John C.	Henderson, James
Auld, Kennedy	Kaufman, Danny
Brammeier, Charles	Klingenberg, Emil
Brammeier, John F.	Klingenberg, Theodore
Brammeier, Paul	Kroener, Albert
Carson, J. Elwyn	Kroener, Henry
Carson, Floyd	Kroener, Herman
Carson, Roy M.	Kroener, Otto
Carson, Williard	Lehman, Herman
Cunningham, William	McClay, Floyd
Dahncke, Cecil	McClay, Lawrence
Dintelman, Charles	McClay, Oscar
Dintelman, Earl	Mazander, Herman
Dintelman, John	Petrashak, Frank
Duguid, Ebenezer	Petrashak, William
Duguid, Katherine	Rezba, Charles
Duguid, Mattie (Cherry)	Schaeffer, Arthur
Elliott, William	Schaeffer, Harry
Fox, Blanchard	Shubert, Arthur
Frieman, George	Snyder, Wyman
Mazander, Charles	Torrens, Lloyd
	Mazander, Joseph R.

THOSE WHO SERVED IN WORLD WAR II WITH OAKDALE ADDRESSES

Auld, John	Albers, Ardell
Auld, Charles	Auld, William
Brammeier, Chalmers	Brammeier, Donald
Brammeier, Noel	Buess, Lawrence
Brammeyer, Clarence	Brammeyer, Elroy
Bathon, Norbert	Coates, Denton
Coates, Henry	Campbell, Roy
Campbell, Harold	Carr, Raymond
* Craig, Robert	Carrick, Robert
Carle, Roy	Dintelman, Kenneth
Eigenrauch, Melvin	Eigenrauch, Rudolph
Fox, Wilbur	Fox, Harold
Fuqua, Arsen	Fuqua, John
Frieman, Hershel	Greten, Edward
Greten, Anthony	Giles, Kenneth
Hammond, Howard	Hammond, Earl
Hammond, Wallace	Hudspeth, Edward
Huff, Howard	Huff, Elmer
Huff, Robert	Hoff, Clarence
Helbig, Delio	Helbig, Franklin
Ibendahl, Calvin	Kroener, Lee
Kreener, Holland	Korbel, Joseph, Jr.
Kroener, David	Kirkpatrick, Kemps
Kirkpatrick, Richard	Koenig, Albert
Koenig, William	Klingenberg, Arnold
Klingenberg, Earl	Katchum, Albert
Kreher, Carrol	Ketchum, Albert
Luczaj, Raymond	Luczaj, Edwin
Lake, Alphonse	Lake, Norbert
Luecheheld, Arthur	Lehr, Norbert

Magill, Harold	McLean, Thomas
McLean, Bruce	McLean, Elmer
* McClay, Howard	McClay, Wilmer
McClay, Carl	McClay, Russell
McConnell, Myrl	McConnell, Raymond
McCloy, Martin	Mazander, Chesley
Mazander, Linville	Mazander, Raymond
Musielak, Vincent	Musielak, Leo
Moeller, Alvin	Moeller, Estelle (Piper)
Moeller, Clarence	Moeller, George
Neill, Clemens	Piper, Robert
Piper, Otis	Porter, Robert
Piper, John	Patton, Lawrence
Patton, Lloyd	Rezba, Chester
Rezba, Willis	Rezba, Hazel (Stitety)
Rezba, Lillian (Collier)	Robinson, William
Rezba, Helen (Rorshey)	Rohlfing, Charles
Shubert, Oliver	Shubert, Lawrence
* Shubert, Elmer	Shubert, Arthur
Shubert, Wade	Shubert, William
Soeteber, Carl	Soeteber, Lyle
Schaeffer, William	Schaeffer, Steve
Sterns, Albert	Sterns, Carol
Sterns, William	Spence, Milton
Schmersahl, Ramond	Schmersahl, Edmond
Spurgeon, Jake	Spurgeon, John
Schoenherr, Aloysius	Thompson, Glenn
Thompson, James	Taft, Dwight
* Taft, Dale	Tweady, Armen
Taft, Nelson	* Torrens, Curtis
Torrens, Finley	Wienstroer, Jerome
Wienstroer, Joe	Williams, Amos
Wisely, Charles	Wenneman, Herman
Wehmeyer, Edward	Wieneski, Chesley

John C. Atcheson was wounded in action in France and spent some time in the hospital. He was sent back to the front and was killed soon afterward. He was Washington County's first casualty. The American Legion Post of Nashville is named in his honor. William Elliott died with flu in a camp in Mooseheart, Ill.

Pilot Curtis Torrens, United States Army, born April 17, 1916, died over Foster Field, Texas July 20, 1942. He was Washington County's first casualty in World War II.

Elmer Shubert was killed in action on Leyte, November 1944. He was the first county boy killed on Leyte.

Dale Taft was killed July 8, 1944.

S/Sgt. James McClay, born July 19, 1914, died in action in the Battle of the Bulge in Germany December 19, 1944.

Robert Craig was missing in France in February 1945.

AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS OF OAKDALE TWP. FOR THE YEAR 1877

Bu. of corn	29,000	gal. of molasses	2432
bu. of wheat	50,851	acres of pasture	886
bu. of oats	25,404	sheep killed by dogs	43
bu. of rye	80	lb. of wool	1385
bu. of Irish potatoes		lb. of butter	5211
	2949	no. of fat cattle sold	30
bu. of sweet potatoes	75	no. of fat hogs sold	97
bu. of apples	3,755	no. of sheep sold	15
bu. of peaches	720	no. of hogs & pigs died of	
lb. of tobacco	45	cholera	898
tons of hay	313		

ASSESSMENT OF PRINCIPLE ARTICLES OF PERSONAL PROPERTY 1878

article	no.	cash value	article	no.	cash value
horses	290	\$ 10,190	steam engine	6	\$ 730
cattle	451	5,057	Fire and burglar		
mules	191	3185	proof safes	2	4
sheep	437	440	watches & clocks	128	152
hogs	288	292	carriages & wagons	143	2,302
			sewing & knitting		
			machines	79	837
			piano-fortes	1	25
			melodeons & organs	8	250
			merchandise on hand		2,045
			material & mfg. articles		250

ASSESSMENT OF REAL ESTATE FOR YEAR 1878

Acres of improved land	11,765	Value	\$133,833
Acres of unimproved land	11,717	Value	29,203
Improved town lots	78	Value	12,345
Unimproved town lots	286	Value	2,400

COMPARISON OF GROWTH

	1920	1930	1940	1950	1960
Oakdale Twp.	820	717	720	563	473
Nashville	2209	2243	2418	2442	2801
Washington Co.	18035	16297	15807	14428	13764