



New Melle

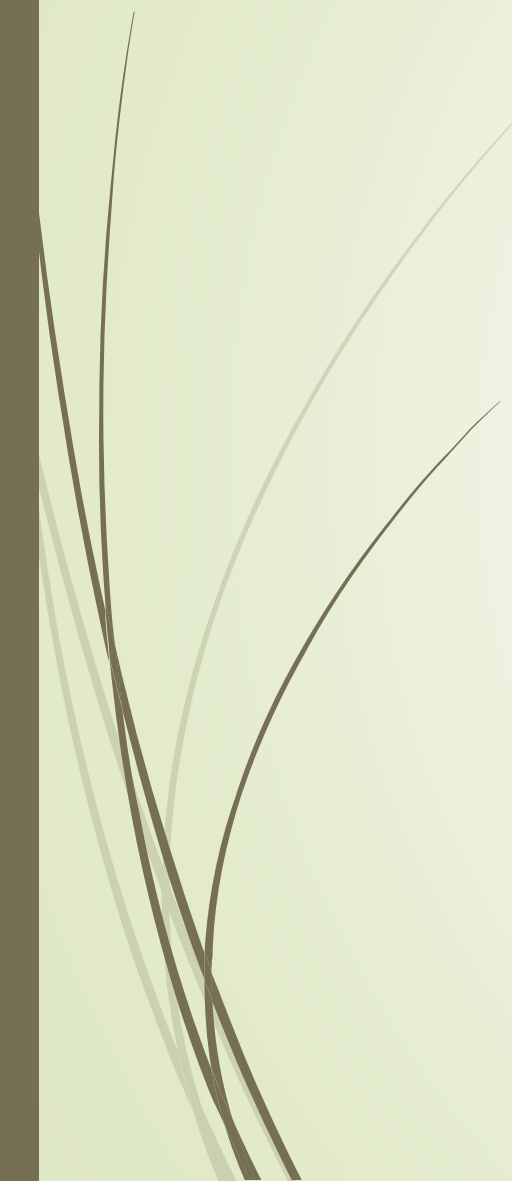
First 140 years

August 14, 2022





New Melle

- **1839** – generally recognized founding date
 - Nothing official happened
 - That is the time German settlers arrived and settled in the area.
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1849

- ▶ John Bunneman received Land Grant for 40 acres which includes New Melle
- ▶ **SE¹/₄SW¹/₄ Sec26 T46 R1E**
- ▶ **Doc# 14840**

Land Patent-

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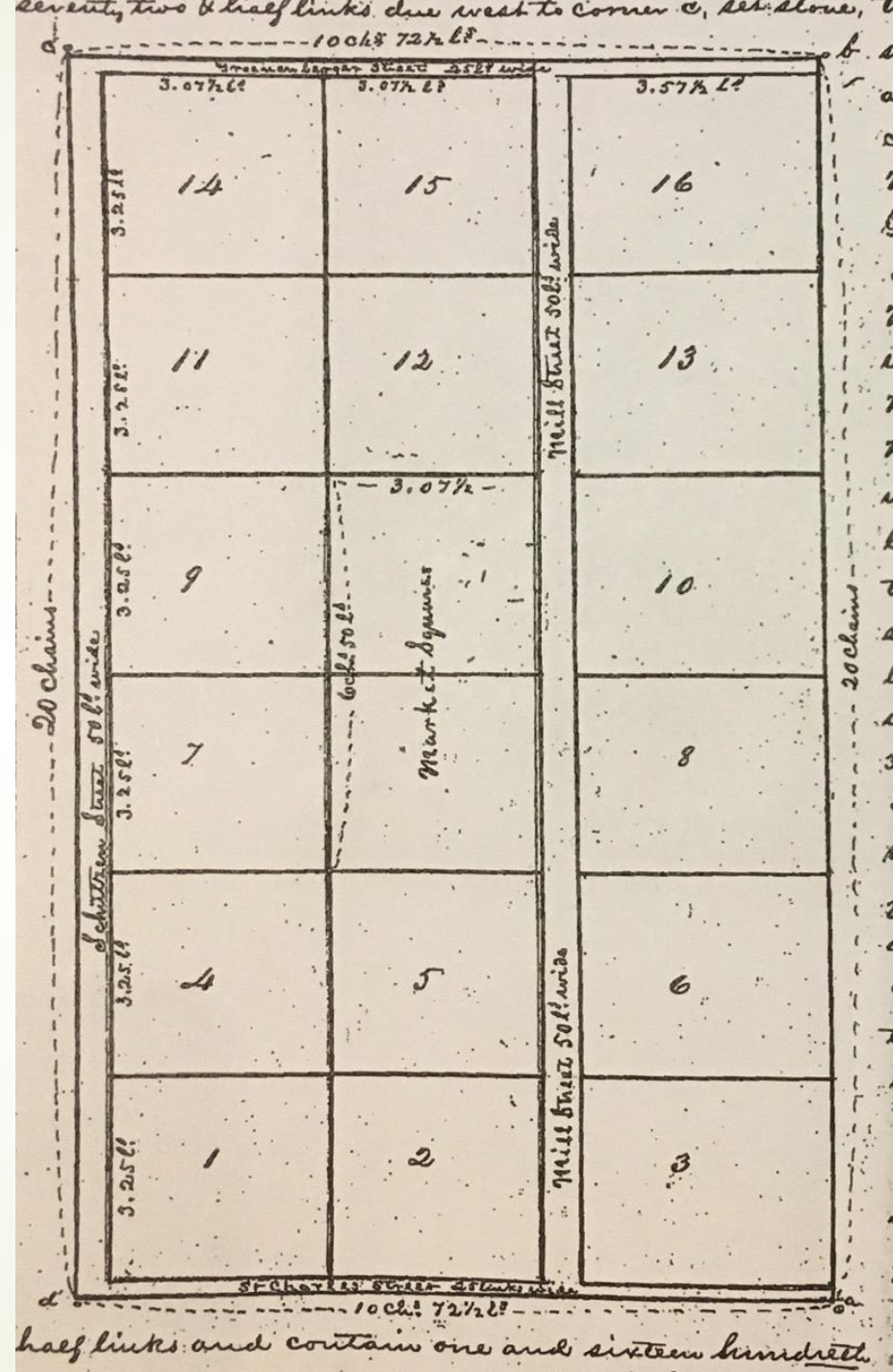
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John H. Bunneman Charles Haccius

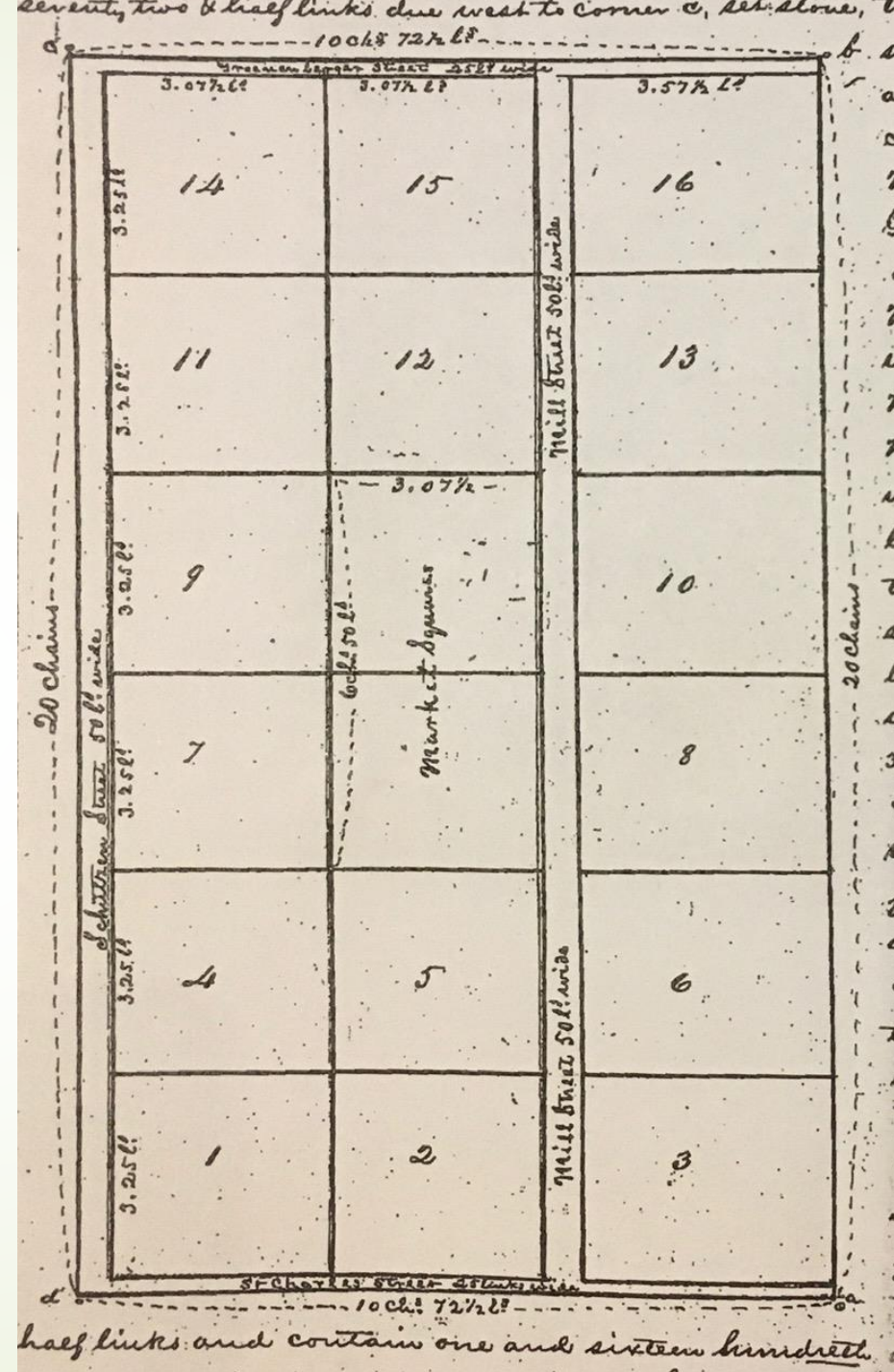
Aug 1850

- New Melle Map filed in St. Charles County Recorder of Deeds by Franz Heinrich Kamper
- Surveyed by Conrad Mallinkrodt



New Melle Plat 1850

- 20 acres total, Market Square in middle
- Streets: Mill, Schuetzen, St. Charles, Groenberger
- New Fire Hall in 16. Dan's in 10 North. Friedens in Lot 5. Mill in Lot 8





The day New Melle Plots filed, he sold lots to multiple people Aug 8, 1950

- Franz Heinrich Kamper and Mary Kamper sold:
 - Lot 1 to John H. Dierker
 - Lot 3 & 6 to John H. Schierbaum
 - Lot 16 Mollering
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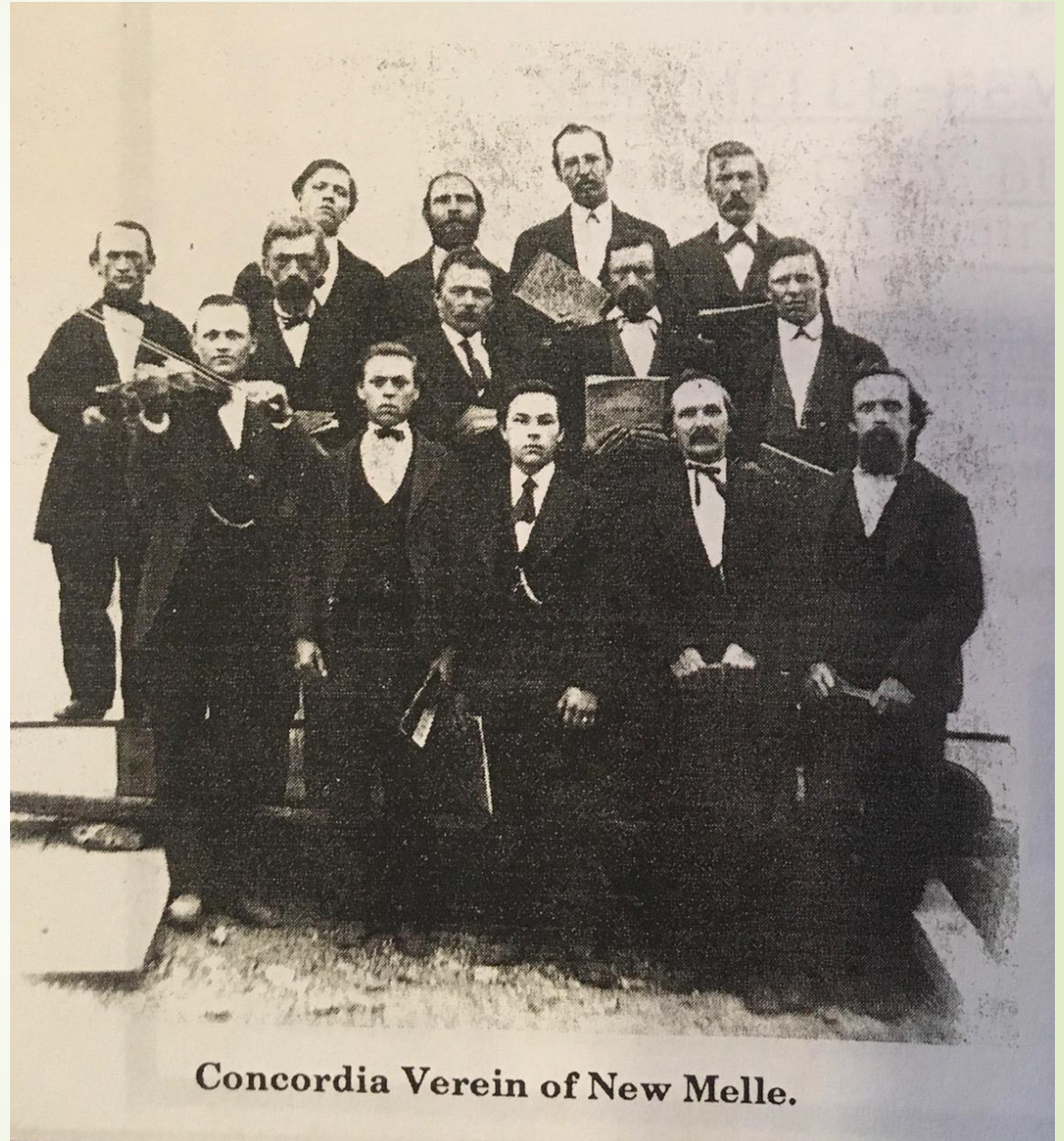


NEW MELLE – a perspective

- ▶ Published in **1874** by Robert A. Campbell's "Gazetteer of Missouri" p.488 "New Melle was settled by immigrants from Melle, Germany, and has **11 stores, two churches** (Lutheran and Methodist), **three schoolhouses, three wagon makers, two carpenters** and **two copper shops, one hotel, one flouing and sawmill combined, and one pork house**. New Melle ships **100,000 dozen eggs** annually"

NEW MELLE 1874

- ▶ Concordia Verein of New Melle incorporated



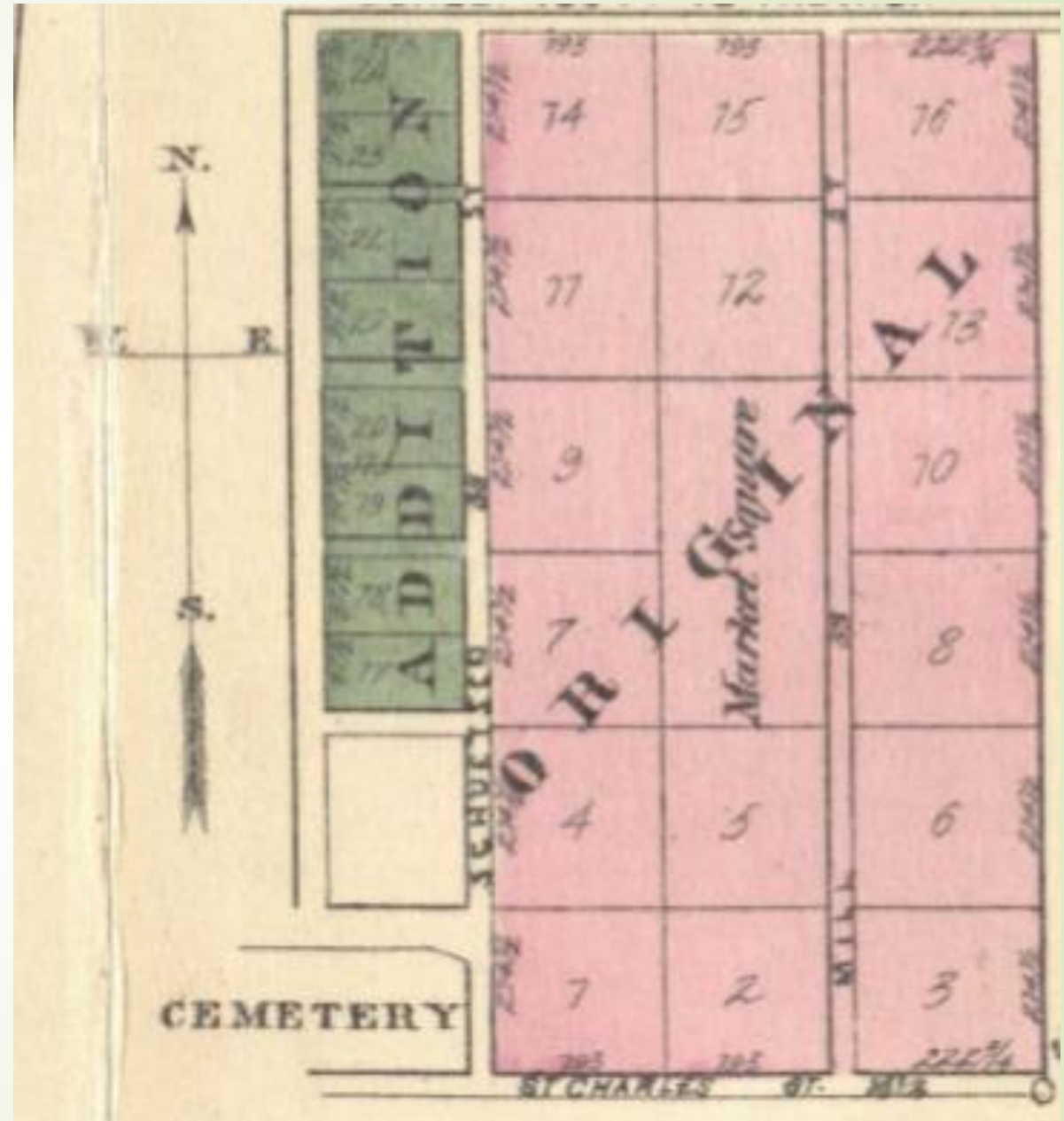
Concordia Verein of New Melle.

Concordia Verein of New Melle May 16 1874

- incorporated as a “body politic”. Purpose: Shall be a closer connection of all those that take an interest in art, education and sociable conversation, and that sections be formed inside the Verein for purpose of learning and practicing music, singing and other science . . .
- members: Male attaining the age of 16, no person excluded on account of religious vows. . .
- Meetings of the Verein shall **not** be held in a building which [is] a public drinking saloon . . .
- Any member who behaves himself unbecoming, or offends against public morality may be expelled, or fined up to \$10.

From 1875 Atlas

- Addition (Green) came after 1850

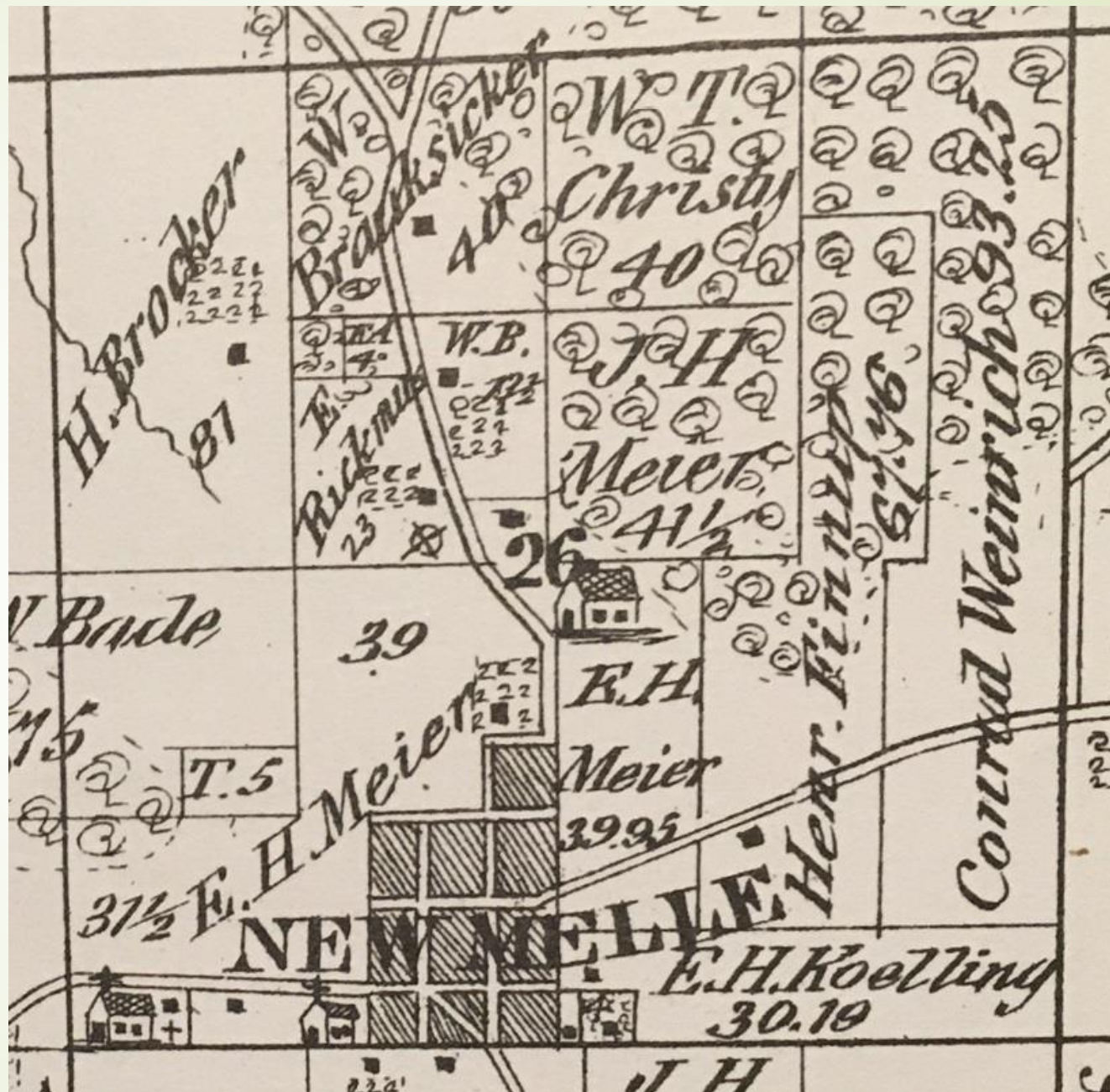




1875 Atlas - A list of those with residence in New Melle

- ▶ Koelling & Bro – General Store
- ▶ Kessler, John - Blacksmith
- ▶ Landwehr, - Stone & Brick Mason
- ▶ Leimbrack, F.H. – Gen. Str'e, Firm of Sudbrock & Co.
- ▶ Meier, E. H. – Store Kpr and Mill Owner
- ▶ Panhorst, J.H. – Merchant Tailor
- ▶ Rodatz, Otto – Saloon Keeper
- ▶ Renkit, Henry - Miller
- ▶ Robinson, John T. – Farmer
- ▶ Sprengel, Herman – Wine Grower
- ▶ Schlottman, Charles – Furniture Shop
- ▶ Siesennop, A.H. – Tailor
- ▶ Weinrich, Conrad - Wine Grower

1875 Atlas

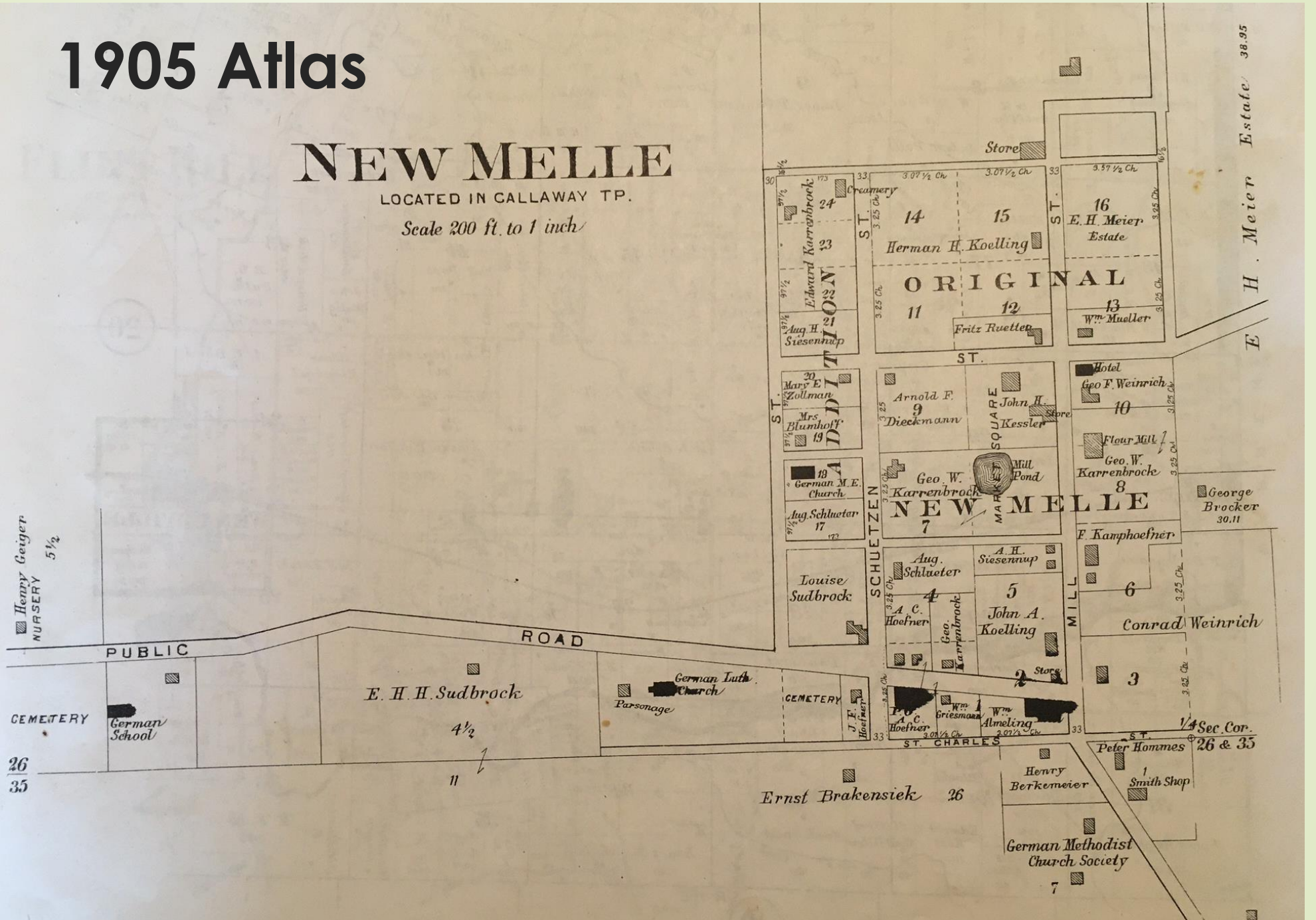


1905 Atlas

NEW MELLE

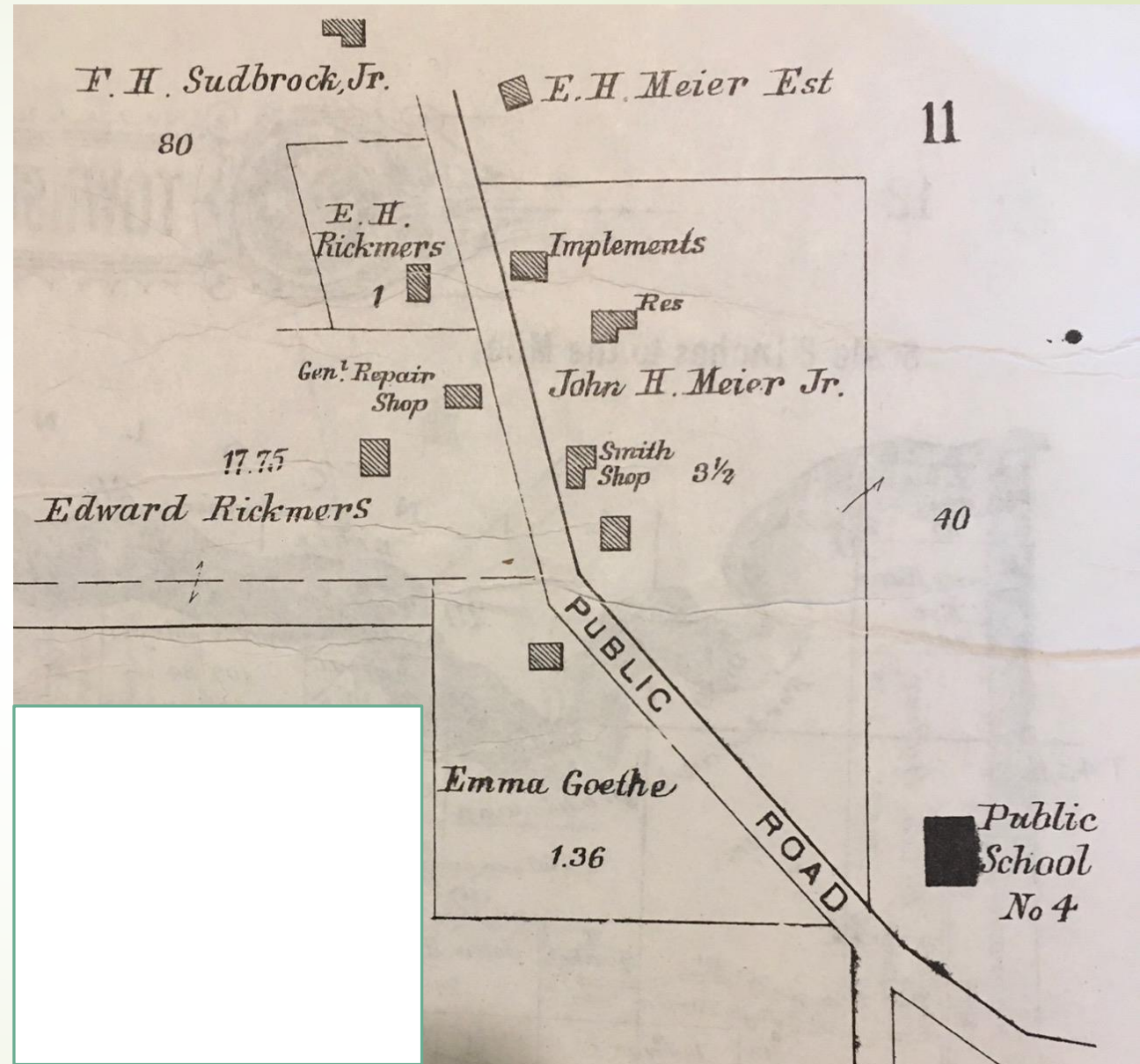
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Scale 200 ft. to 1 inch



1905 French Town New Melle

- ▶ **Public School**
- ▶ **John H. Meier J.** – smithshop, store, later garage
- ▶ **Rickmers** – Gunsmith, Tinner, jewelry repair



New Melle Improvement Assoc., 1907





Names of Town Board

- **Back I to r: Charles E. Meier, Merchant; Hy Theilmann, Blacksmith David Hommes blacksmith, George Broeker-Livery Operator & Driver of “the Hack” from New Melle to Wentzville; Henry Geiger; Jewelryman Ed Rickmers, & Julius Kessler**
- **Center I to r: Miller Carl Karrenbrock, Ed Rickmers Sr. Tinner and Gunsmith, Bill Miller, Herman Sudbrock with Pencil-Painter & Shoemaker, George Karrenbrock, Merchant A.C. Hoefner and Creamery Operator Eddie Karrenbrock**
- **Front Row: Gottleib Berg Saloon keeper, Ernst Kamphoefner Blacksmith, Dr. Oscar Muhm M.D. and Bill Willigman Harness Shop operator**

John D. Meier Jr. Blacksmith and Wagon Shop



Public Schools

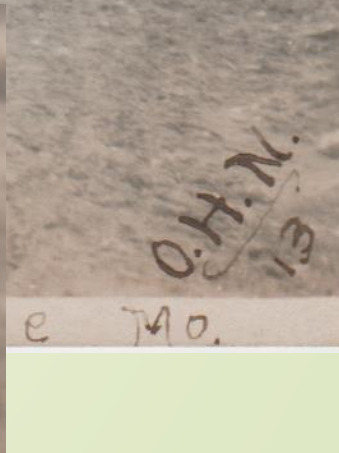
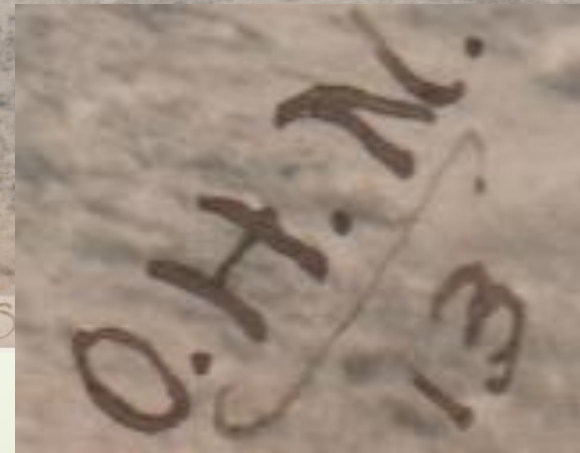
- 1860 New Melle School District established - first log building
- 1898 “Modern” Frame Building



New Melle School and Students, 1903

- Consolidation of Schools came 1949, and New Melle placed in Francis Howell School District

Mill Street looking south



Looking South on Mill Street

- ▶ **New Melle
Bank in back**



New Melle Bank

- East side of Mill street, where Dentist is now
- Left sign says Interest Paid on time deposit
- Emil Holt worked in this bank prior to Wentzville State Bank



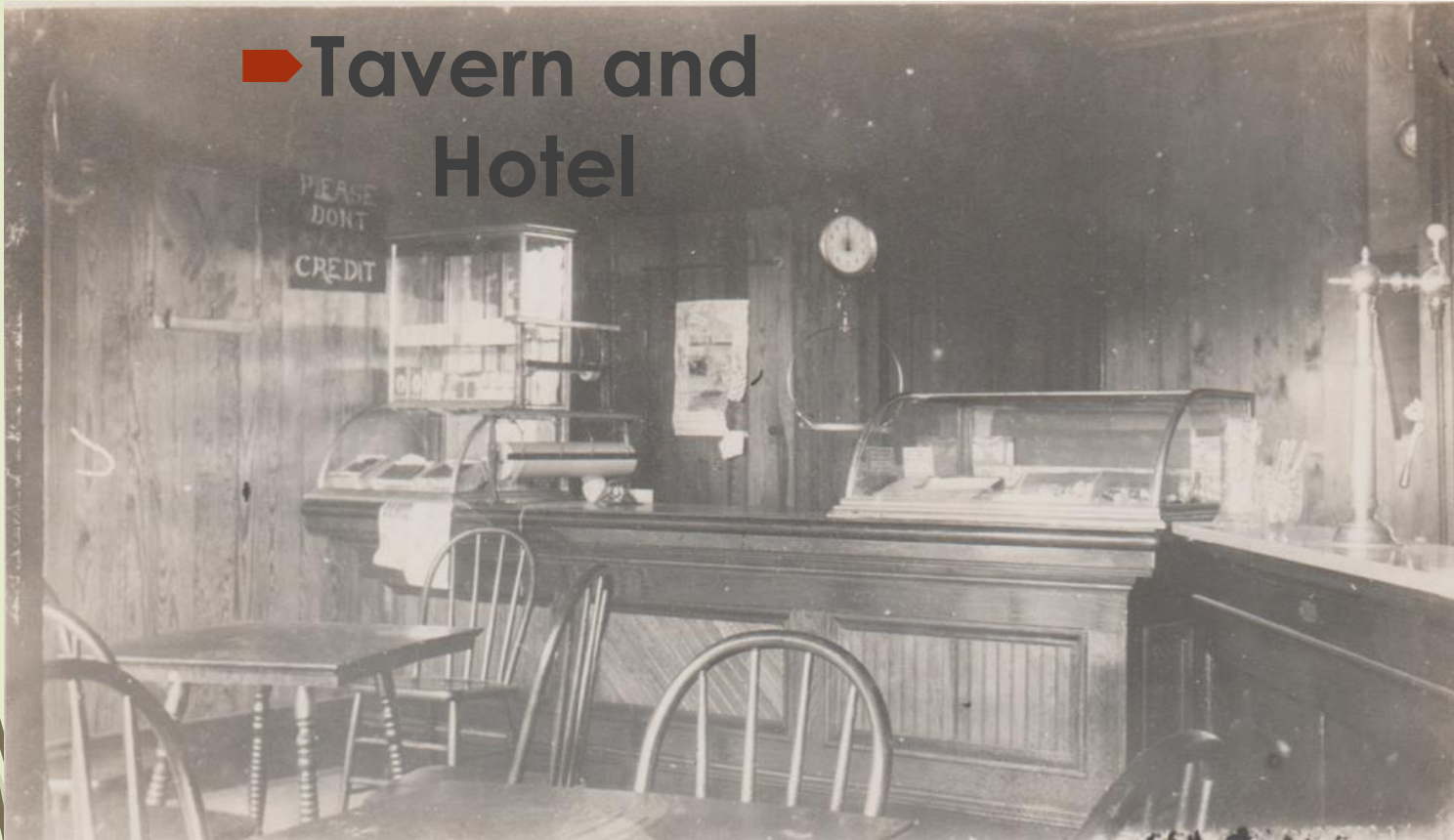
Muschany Funeral Home

- Came 1940s from TNT
- Later Pitman-Muschany Funeral Home
- Now apt building



North 1/2 of lot 10

➔ Tavern and Hotel



➔ Later Butcher Shop



Garage

- First built 1919 by Florence Joerling and Edwin Paul .
- First generator that supplied New Melle electricity to the streetlamps.
- Picture Edwin Giessman owned.
- Later was County Highway Shed



Kessler purchased Market Square 1874

- First Black smith. Tin & Wagon Shop
- Remodeled store 1889 Ernst Sudbrock main carpenter
- First Bell telephone call Dr. Muhm to Edward Holt's.



Changed to New Melle Mercantile in 1921 photo late 60s

- ▶ Post Office in New Melle Mercantile
- ▶ New Melle Mercantile 1921
- ▶ Later Cracker Barrel 1971
- ▶ Burnt 1977



Cultivating Corn behind Kessler's store or home.

- At age of two George's portrait placed on Kessler's Baking Powder
- His portrait stayed on the can for 25 years.



New Melle Girls

- ▶ In front of Kessler house, next to the store.
- ▶ Kathern Kessler lived in the house until 1951



➤ **MILL POND**

➤ **Farm wagon used as dock**



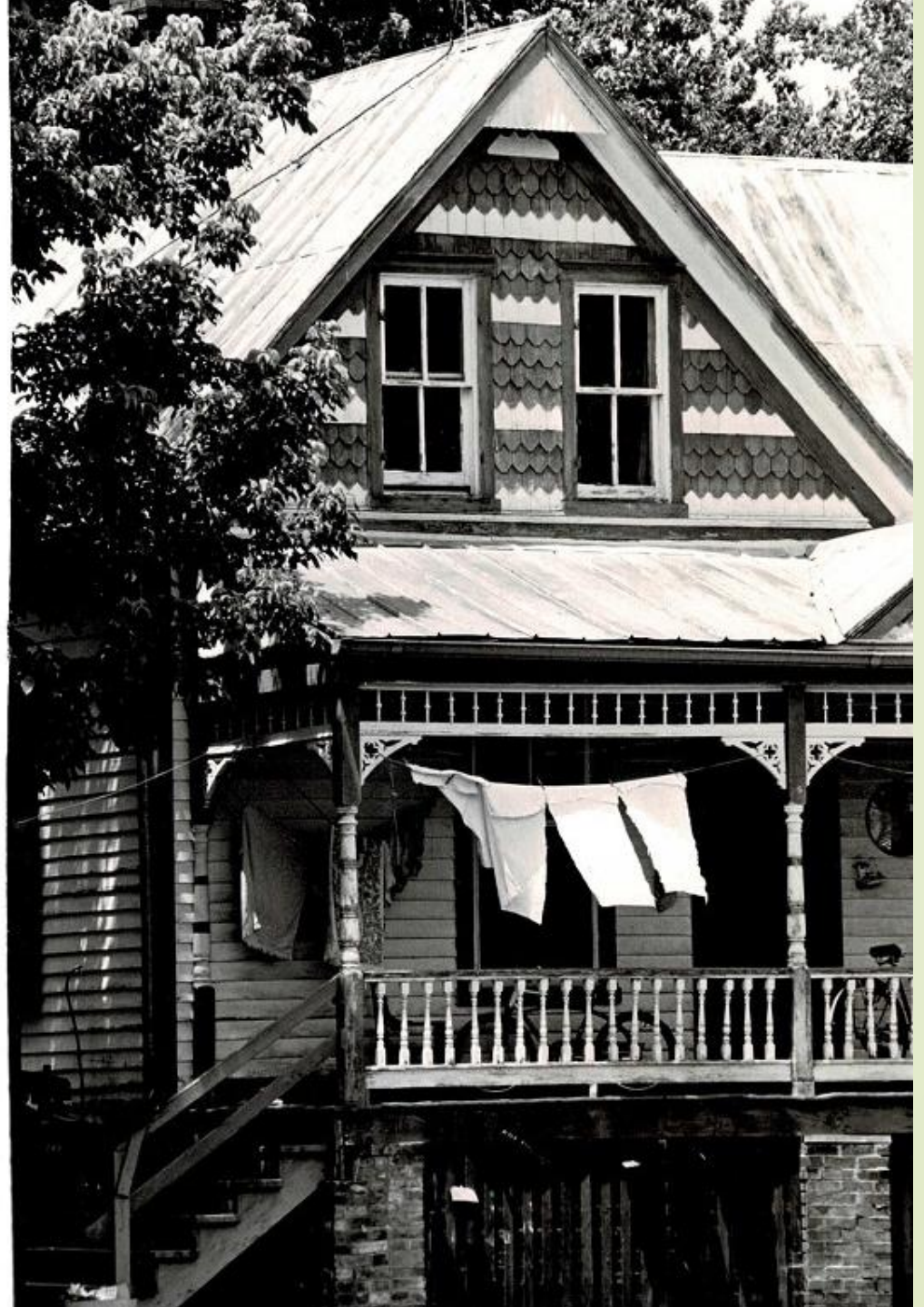
MILL POND



Mill Pond & Geo W Karrenbrock home
another view



House behind Mill Pond
Late 60s,
Karrenbrock house





Better Roads

St. Charles Cosmos Monitor Jan 25, 1911

- **George W. Karrenbrock of New Melle, says the engineers surveying for the proposed electric road from Kansas City to St. Louis arrived [New Melle] on last Friday from the Howell neighborhood and have been working around the town of New Melle since.**
- **Four engineers in the party . . .The people in that section of the county feel elated over the prospects of having the proposed road. The entire survey from Kansas vicinity has been made with the exceptions of St. Louis county. If the line is built on the survey being made it will not touch St. Charles and will cross the river near Weldon Spring station.**
- **Engineers report that the change from St. Charles to Weldon Spring has been passed on account of the lowlands between St. Charles and the northwestern part of the county, which is often overflowed. However, it is not yet settled which of the surveys will be used and that part will be settled later.**

The Mill on Right



Planned Publicity Photo: Harley Holt, the miller, was just appointed Deputy Sheriff, The State Highway Patrolman Hagen came, and this picture was taken.

Mill Owners powered by oxen, then steam, then electricity

- ▶ Mr. Schlottman or Straatman? and Wenke St. Charles Democrat 5/5/1869
- ▶ Henry Renkel
- ▶ Geo. Karrenbrock
- ▶ Emil and Oscar Holt purchased 1919
- ▶ Ed Panhorst
- ▶ Stanley Wolff
- ▶ Harley Holt sold 1951
- ▶ Mr. Fey
- ▶ James T Blair 1956 to 2009
- ▶ Straatman purchased 2009



MILL INVOICES 1887 & 1958

New Melle, St. Charles Co., Mo., *Apr 7 1887*

Messrs. Schatz & Schimmeler

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VOLKSFREUND PRINT.

W. B. Schatz flour 2500 1887

1 1/2

1 3/4

Delivery

Received

G.

HOLT MILLING CO.
WAYNE FEEDS & FERTILIZER

Phone BE. 2-4513

New Melle, Mo.

Customer's Order No. _____ Date *5-15-58* 195*8*

M *Lawrence B. Lischer*

Mill Calendars

E. H. PANHORST
 FLOUR, FEED AND MILL FEED
 FLAVO FLOUR OUR LEADING BRAND
 New-Melle, Missouri
 WE ALWAYS AIM TO PLEASE

1927 December 1927

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SEASON'S GREETINGS
 and very best wishes for a real merry Christmas and a happy New Year. Thanks for the business you have accorded us during the past year, and remember that we are always ready and willing to serve you well.

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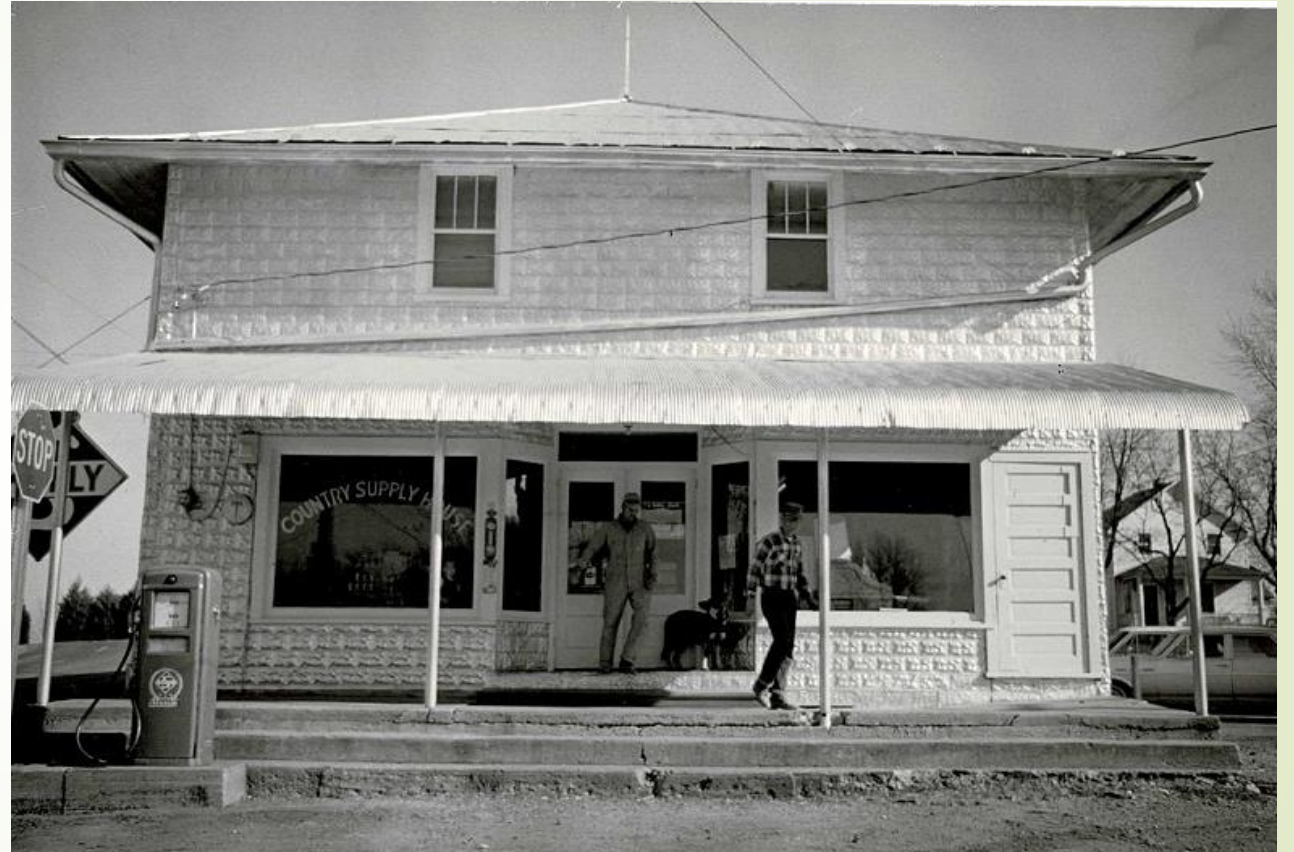
➔ Welge's Store . . . Liz's now



Olga
Welge

Paul & Joerling – Paul & Welge – Welge

- Built 1926 by Edwin Paul & Florence Joerling
- Trucking business in back
- Community/Dance Hall upstairs
- Liquor only downstairs in back
- Received the first Draft Beer in Town.



Arle Welge purchased Joerlings part in 1930 & Edwin Paul's part in 1950; 1970 sold to Kenny and Adele Bruns ; 1976 sold to Ruth Nolkemper, 1996 sold to Liz Hollaway

Welge' Store

➔ Side View



Welge's Store Inside

- ➔ Note the wall
- ➔ On right is Alfred Welge



Kamphoefner & Auping Blacksmith and Wagon Shop 1907



A. Auping & Son Wagon Makers

→ 1909

NEW MELLE, MO. Dec 6th 1909

Mr. John Nadler Sr.
New Melle

IN ACCOUNT WITH

A. AUPING & SON
WAGON MAKERS.

1908				1909			
August	6	To	Put in 1 Boxen		\$0.25		
1909 Aug	13	"	1 Set New Felloes ^{5.00} & 9 Spokes ^{1.80}		7.30		
"	"	"	2 Bolsters with Standarts & 1 Sand Bar ^{2.50}		3.50		
"	"	"	Put on Shimbles & Boxen		1.50		
"	"	"	1 Neck yoke & Brake Blocks ^{2.50}		.65		
"	"	"	New Wagon Bed		10.00		
"	"	"	Painting		5.00		
"	"	"	Box by Lumber				\$2.00
Oct	1	"	" 1 bu Rye	allowed by Charles P. Justice Court for \$ 25.20 in 5 th class against John Nadler's Estate			1.00
					28.20		

A. Auping & Son Paid Nov 17th 1909

Frieden's Church

- Purchased Store and Home from John and Laura Koelling 1904
- A store was converted to church 1905
- House was parsonage



Almeling Hotel

- Later residence for Oscar and Harley Holt – sold 1951
- Now the home of Anderson family



Hoefner's Store



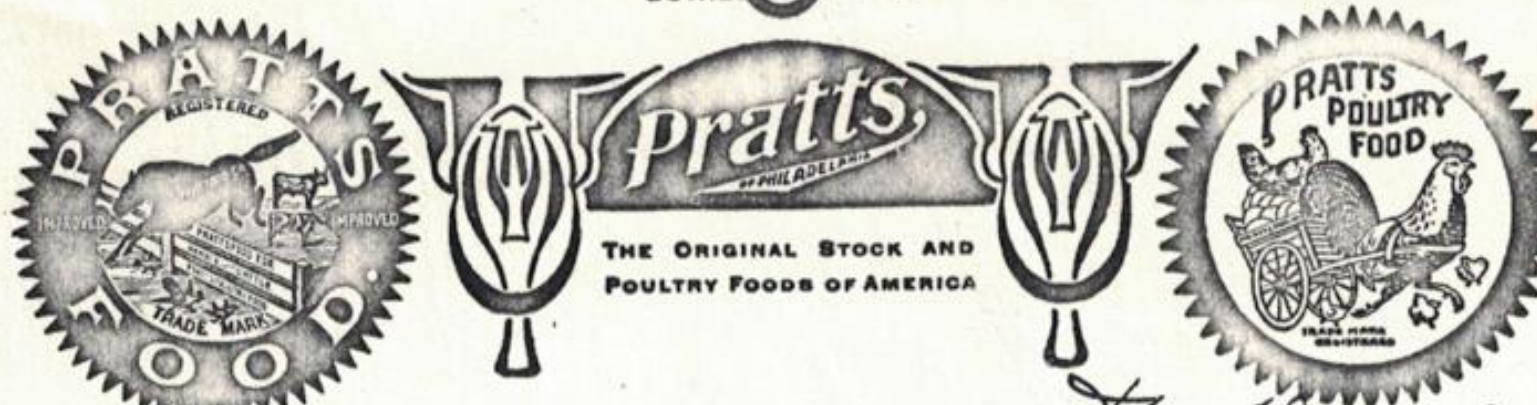
At A.C. Hoefner Store



A.C. HOEFNER INVOICE

- ➔ Estab 1872 – previously run by Fredrick Leimbrock
- ➔ Pratts Animal Food
- ➔ Veterinary Remedies

ESTABLISHED 1872




ORDER PRATTS ANIMAL AND POULTRY FOODS AND VETERINARY REMEDIES

NEW MELLE, Mo., *Dec 28 - 1909*

Mr. John Hasler

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General Merchandise and Implements, Farm Machinery

If you keep your  open
YOU WILL SEE IT PAYS TO TRADE WITH

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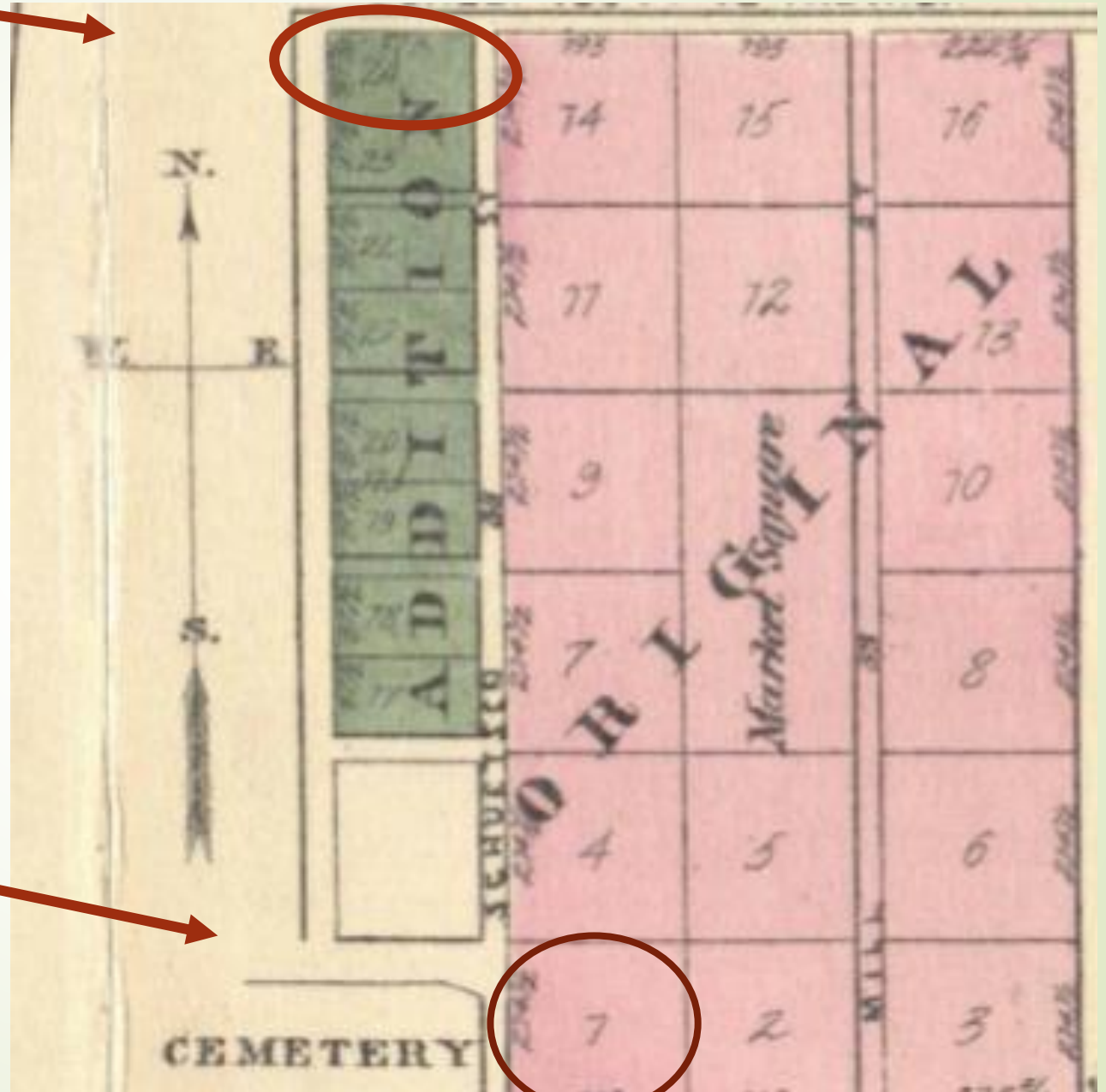
A. C. Hoefner Home

- Across from store
- Bricks from Staulhuth Brick Factory NW of St. Paul Lutheran Park.



Location
Creamery

Location
Hoefner's
Store



Creamery – Owned by Ed Karrenbrock



- ▶ John Schemmer was a long-time employee

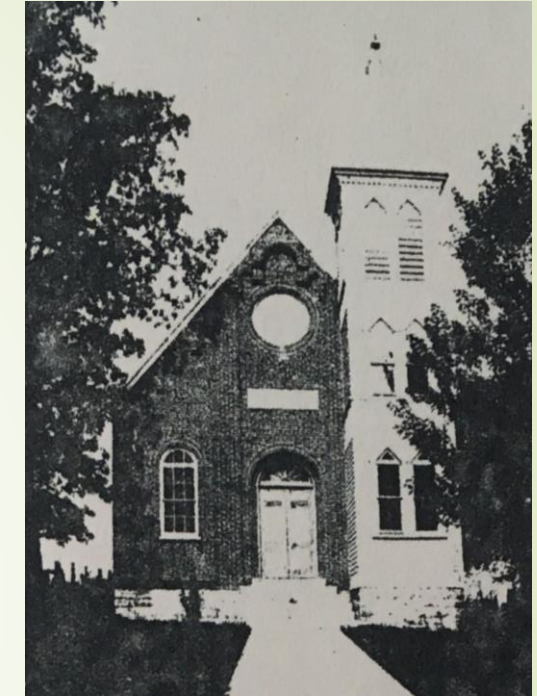
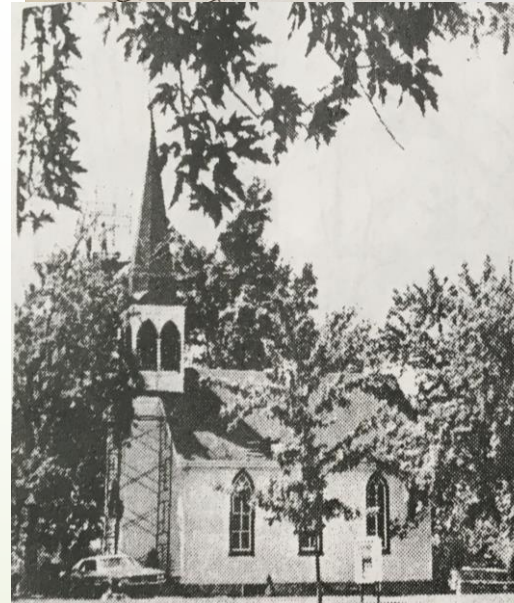
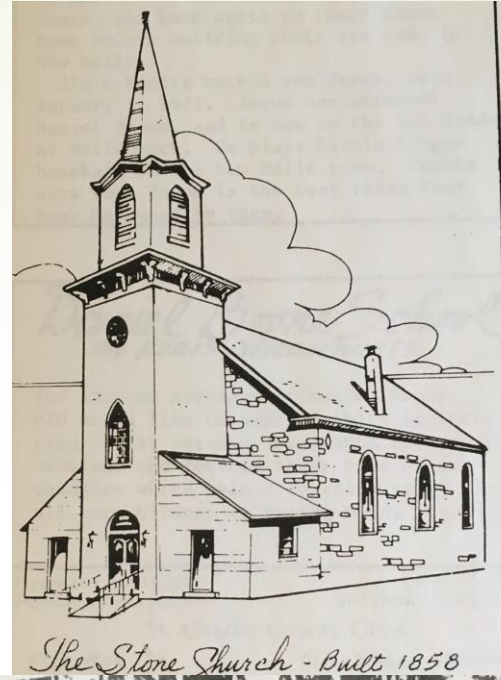
The lights at home of Ed Karrenbrock, the owner of the Creamery

- People drove miles to see the Christmas lights.
- Peace on Earth
Good Will to Men.



Churches

- St. Paul's Lutheran 1844, German school soon after, stone church built 1858
- Methodist 1869, brick church built 1878
- Evangelical Friedens 1904, church built from remodeled store 1905
- Immaculate Heart of Mary purchased property 1943, building dedicated 1945
- Baptist used Methodist Church starting early 60's then later moved east of town





Church News in Wentzville Union

- ▶ June 13, 1919 The Lutheran Church of New Melle, will have their annual picnic on Sunday June the 15th, in Lutheran Park. The New Melle Band will furnish music, and refreshments of all kinds will be served.
- ▶ April 23, 1920 . . . The Ladies Gospel Team of Central Wesleyan College . . . Come to New Melle May 2 ... good music inspiring messages. . . 10:30am & 7:30pm at New Melle Methodist Episcopal Church
- ▶ March 3, 1922 New Melle: The pie social given by the Ladies Aid Society was a success: the social part as well as the financial part. . . Patriotic songs were sung and Mr. A.C. Hoefner made an address, his subject being "George Washington," as it was Washington's birthday, it was very appropriate.

New Melle Band 1919



Schools

- German schools soon after Churches formed
 - Lutheran school - by main Lutheran Cemetery until 1919
 - Methodist school- South of town
- Lutheran School Dedication 1919
 - Wentzville Union May 2nd 1919 On Easter Monday the Lutheran congregation dedicated its new school building, many from Wentzville and other neighboring congregation taking part. The congregation now has a modern and very friendly school. [Next to church]



Results from New Melle School meeting

➤ Wentzville Union April 7, 1922

- An eight months school term was voted on – one opposing vote and it was in favor of 9 months. Financially the school district is in good shape,
- New Melle should have at least a two-year high school. The first-year high school taught at present is not accredited but nevertheless it is doing a great deal of good as all pupils stood the test examinations and were promoted to second year high in the accredited high schools.
- Some pupils of this district are attending Howell High School this year. Why not make arrangement for an accredited 2-year high school [New Melle]?

Schools continued

- Daniel Boone School
 - 1952 Anna L., the widow of former Merchant Charles F.E. Meier & their daughters Francis Meier & Helena Work donated 16 acres for the school
 - 1955 Dedication – four classrooms, auditorium, office, a sickroom, kitchen and washroom facilities. Enrollment was 191 pupils.
 - Early long time teachers - Mary Cunningham & Ralph Dumbell.



Community Organization

- 1946 **New Melle Recreation Association**, Ground leased from Lutheran Church and ball field developed and lights installed.
- 1950 name changed to **New Melle Booster's Club**.
- April 1952 committee appointed to proceed with incorporation of the club "**New Melle Community Club**". 1953 voted to open membership to Women.
- 1953 2-day festival and parade organized, and it continues today.
- 1953 assumed sponsorship of a New Melle Fire Department and started the campaign for funds with a donation of \$850. 1954 Fire hall built, and first fire engine purchased. Both financed entirely through donations.
- 1956 receives \$500 Award from Missouri Edison – they use that money to build addition onto the Fire Hall to house a telephone system for the community.



Community Organization cont.

- 1956 started Khoury League ball. 1966 purchased current property where land and ball fields located.
- 1979 New Melle Village Incorporated.
- 1981 sponsored the first New Melle Passion Play & have donated building ever since.

1977 first Antique Car & Threshing in Lutheran Park

1978 Commerce Bank opens in New Melle

1979 Fire District organized, and Taxes provide funds

Newspapers



- Complete paper copy of New Melle's "The Reporter" is in the Kamphoefner House 1984 - 94
- Now on www.Boone-Duden.com— in Store – Each year separated = Download **Free to You.** **Enter your** Name and email. Go thru checkout but no credit card need.

William & Adelia Fuerman Home



Entering into New Melle Late 60s



Ed Rickmer Sr's



John D. Meier Jr Home



Emma Gothe Home? Built 1889



School House



McElheny Home



Charles E. Meier Family Home



New Melle Fire Dept



Kessler Home



Conrad Weinrich Home



Almeling Hotel



The Hat Shop “Miliner”



Lutheran Church School



Auping Home





**Hope you enjoyed this
little bit of New Melle
History!**

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