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A new year has begun with new opportunities to make new friends, renew old friendships, welcome new family members, and plan family reunions. One can continue to research family history, but we all need to remember to document the present also. Interview an aunt, uncle, parent or grandchild and write a story. Another idea is to write a story about your workplace and co-workers. Write about your feelings and impressions, as well as the facts.

“The Central Anthology” written by William **Wittick** was written about his neighbors on South Central Avenue in Paris when he was a child during the 1870’s. A few facts may be a little off, but it gives a new slant to the people. Obituaries tend to give the facts not the impressions. See pages 3 and 4 of this newsletter for his stories.

Politics will be hard to avoid entirely this year. It has been stated that the nation is more divided than at any time since the Civil War. It is interesting to read William **Wittick**’s opinion of the political climate in the 1870’s when he was writing about Colonel **VanSellar** (see page 4). Then everyone knew how you voted and only men voted. Many times a man was described in his obituary as a lifelong Republican or Democrat.

I have heard the story of a man who would sell his vote to the highest bidder outside the polling place, then go in and vote. Reportedly he left the community soon after the election.

Remember to call during inclement weather -
we don’t ask our volunteers to venture out if the weather is bad.

Coming Events

Quarterly March Meeting

Monday, March 2, 2020, 7 P. M., at Edgar County Historical Complex meeting room. TOPIC: To be announced. Check Facebook page.

Meetings are open to everyone interested in family history.

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NEW LIBRARIAN WELCOMED

Catherin **Entrician** is now volunteering in the Edgar County Genealogy Library on Friday afternoons 12:30 to 4:00. Catherin was born and raised in Paris, and she graduated from Paris High School in 1967. After high school she lived in Chicago, California, Michigan, and Indiana before moving back to Paris this year. She has two daughters, nine grandchildren, and two great grandchildren. Her family names are **Entrician, Travioli, Layton, Bell, Hollis, Ruckman, and Black.**

THANK YOU JENNY BARKLEY

Jenny **Barkley** has been a loyal volunteer for the Edgar County Genealogy Society for 10 years. She has worked in the library, helped with workshops, and presented programs. She has finished family genealogy books for her mother, and father. Jenny will continue to serve on the Society Board. Her family includes the following:

Mother	Ruth Osbourne Anthony	1921-1993
Father	Leon Otis "Cookie" Holcomb	1922-1998
Maternal GM	Minta Ross	1883-1953
Maternal GF	William Brayman Anthony	1880-1963
Paternal GM	Nellie Estes Gorton	1884-1974
Paternal GF	Otis Holcomb	1890-1924

Note: All of these ancestors lived in Edgar County, Illinois.

Edgar County Genealogy Library



In the Edgar County Genealogy Library there is an interesting 12 page hand-written paper by William **Wittick** (29 Oct 1860 - 17 Aug 1962) titled "Central Avenue Anthology." The paper is not dated, but was probably written later in his life. He wrote about 15 families living on South Central Avenue in the time period of 1865 to 1877. It is filled with his remembrance of the parents, the children and the happenings during his childhood. The families are **Ten Broeck, Sale, Arbuckel, Frymine, Johnston, Schenck, Geohagen, Wittick, Hartley, Latshaw, VanSellar, Redmon-Johnson, Meyer, Wozencraft, and Sutherland.** In researching the names I was impressed by the number of men involved in politics. That fact led to the inclusion of the list of Paris mayors in this issue and the township officers of Paris in 1860. I will also include four of his stories.

"The **Witticks.**"

Next to the Baptist church lived the **Witticks**, the only German speaking family in the immediate neighborhood. John G. **Wittick**, Sr was a carriage blacksmith owning a shop on east Court Street. He was a musician, playing a violin in the small orchestra and alto horn in the brass band. The home was a small four room house in a large yard. It was much like a small farm in its operation with a cow, hogs, and chickens. There was much fruit, grapes, currants, and goose berries. In the early days there was soap and candle making, and the curing of meat. Three sons lived to old age, all becoming printers. John with a job printing office in Paris, George with a similar office in West Terre Haute with his residence in Terre Haute. After seven years as a printer, William became a fire insurance agent. He located in Peoria in 1896 after living eleven years in Minneapolis and Milwaukee. Two children died in infancy, Mary (died) when she was seven (of heart trouble, Louise (died) when she was 22 of typhoid fever.

The **Arbuckels**

After the Sales family left Central Avenue the house was occupied for several years by the **Arbuckel** family, consisting of the parents and two sons. Their ages were about eighteen and fourteen. They had formerly lived in Marshall, Illinois. The father was a carpenter, making a specialty of stair building. The older son was employed for some time by the retail lumber firm of Redmon, Mullins and Logan. The younger son, named Joe, never went to school or to work in Paris. There was no compulsory school law in those days. He spent his time roaming the country, becoming a cunning thief, card shark, and fighter; thus he grew up in idleness. When he became about eighteen, he left Paris never to return for any length of time. After a few years the elder son became a professional gambler, also leaving Paris. Several years passed during which time the sons sent money to their parents to build a home on East Crawford street. This is evidence that there were often good impulses in the worse of men. It is not known by the writer of this sketch whether either of the sons was married.

Many years later when I was living in Minneapolis, I saw Joe for the last time. I was standing at the foot of the stairway leading to the office where I worked. It was about 7 P.M. I saw a man looking like a tramp approaching from the north in a rather slouching manner. He came up to me smiling saying, "You don't know me, do you?" In an instant I knew it was Joe **Arbuckel**, who might be planning a "touch". Instead after several minutes talk about Paris, he asked, "Did you see the paper this morning about that gambling house being forced to shut down? They refused to play longer." I had not read the paper, so he went on. "I was too much for 'em, hit 'em for \$1800." Reaching into a trouser pocket he pulled a roll of bills - three five hundred, three one hundreds. After a few more minutes about boyhood days, he went on his way and I never saw or heard of him again. He lived a desperate criminal life with never a day of honest labor, fearing neither the devil or man. My impression is that he probably lies in an unmarked grave somewhere in the west where he died as he had lived.

*Note: **Arbuckel** should probably be **Arbuckle**.*

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Taken from “Central Avenue Anthology” written by William Wittick

Colonel VanSellar

Colonel Henry **VanSellar**, a Republican lawyer, and by all odds considered the first citizen of Paris for many years. He purchased the property formerly occupied by the **Latshaws**, enlarged and improved the house and outbuildings, making a very attractive home. Col. **VanSellar** was tall, vigorous, friendly, with a brilliant mind. He was a natural leader having a large legal practice. He did not enter official public life though often mentioned as well qualified for high office. He volunteered and went with Sherman’s army to the sea, coming home a colonel. His friends were legion, loving children, being the highest ideal of a neighborly citizen. Having written that Col. **VanSellar** was a Republican lawyer, an explanation is necessary. Paris is in Edgar County, which adjoined Indiana and in the south adjoins Clark County, which is the northern border of the district famously known as Egypt. That’s where the people of northern Illinois went for corn when northern Illinois had a crop failure. The south part of Edgar County was heavily timbered and naturally attracted the early settlers, who mostly wholly came from Kentucky and Tennessee. They were Democrats before the war and continued to be so for several generations. The towns, and prairie lands were largely occupied by unionists, who became Republicans. People in the timbered districts were southern sympathizers having a strong organization of the “The Knights of the Golden Circle.” For many years there was a distinct cleavage of the two groups, at times became bitter long after the war ended.

Bob **Bishop**, as unusually brilliant man famous for his dignity and broadcloth clothing worn in count, was the leading Democratic lawyer. He wasn’t the only whiskey drinker. As the division of northern and southern sympathizers became more pronounced it extended to every phase of life in Edgar County. There was a Republican newspaper, the Beacon, and the Gazette, which was Democratic. The First National Bank was Republican. The Edgar County National Bank was Democratic. Narrow partisans carried their feelings so far that they would not enter a store owned by the member of the other side. It was frequently heard “I would rather vote for the devil than a democrat or vice versa. For many years the political parties were nearly equal in strength. I think the Republicans were ahead most of the time. The majorities were generally about 200 either way. There were some sharp practices handling the paper vote. One thing was certain, there was no stay at home voters. Men were carried to the polling place even if they were on their way to the undertakers. Party managers almost knew how every man in the county would vote. The organizations were perfect. It was not wise for a prominent merchant to let it be known that he had changed his vote. The Australian ballot has removed many of the evils of those days; and three of four generations of time have healed those old bitter sores.

Note: The Australian Ballot was a secret ballot. It was adopted in Australia and New Zealand in 1859, but not until the 1890’s in the United States. The Australian ballots were uniform and printed by the government. Each person secretly voted by checking a box, and turned the ballot in to be counted. Before that each person wrote out the name that they wished to vote for or the Party printed a slate and you ask for the party ballot to turn in for your vote.

The Sales

One the west side of the street, there lived in a small frame house for several years a family with the name of **Sale**. Their story is soon told. One extremely hot day Bobby **Sale**, an only child about twelve years of age, was jumping trains in the railway yard when he fell and a leg was cut off. He was well known as a very attractive young fellow. It was a tragic accident arousing the sympathy of the whole town. Every effort was made to save his life, but to no avail. There were no hospitals in those early days in a small town. The shock was too severe. He died within twenty-four hours.

Note: Mr. T. C. W. Sale was a lawyer and in township politics. His second wife, Rebecca Pattison Sale, was the mother of Bobby and a sister to Mrs. Sarah Ann Pattison VanSellar, who lived down the street on S. Central avenue. The Sale family later moved to North Central. Robbie Sale died 28 June 1871 at age 6 years, 10 months, 7 days.

MAYORS AND CLERKS OF PARIS, ILLINOIS

From June 29, 1849 to 1990’s

	Mayor	Clerk
1849	M. M. Dill	S. T. Newlon
1850	J. Mayo	James Steele
1851	James Steele	C. B. Steele
1852	Samuel Graham	J. W. Blackburn
1853	Wm. Gordon	J. W. Blackburn
1854	Jonathon Young	W. H. H. McArty

1855	L. Munsell	J. G. Lawrence
1856-57	A. B. Austin	J. G. Lawrence
1858	George W Rives	Edward Wolcott
1859	G. W. Rives	George Hodge
1860	Walter Booth	W. A. Wozencraft
1861-62	Walter Booth	Otis Brown
1863	M. M. Dill	Otis Brown
1864	Jonathan Mayo	J. M. Sheets
1865	H. Tanner	Otis Brown
1866	George W. Rives	H. VanSellar
1867	James A. Eads	J. T. Douglas
1868	H. Tanner	H. S. Tanner
1869	H. VanSellar	W. L. Foulke
1870	A. Y. Trogdon	W. L. Foulke
1871	W. A. Wozencraft	H. S. Tanner
1872	R. R. Sutherland	Charles P. Hitch
1873-74	W. A. Wozencraft	Joseph W. Payne
1875-76	S. P. Link	Joseph W. Payne
1877-78	Walter Booth	Joseph W. Payne
1879	A. B. Powell	Joseph W. Payne
1880	H. J. Ball	Joseph W. Payne
1881-82	D. B. Elliott	Joseph W. Payne
1883-84	W. A. Wozencraft	H. S. Shaw
1885-86	Zachary T. Baum	C. B. Holding
1887-88	Jacob M. Bell	A. H. Geohagen
1889-90	W. R. Swinford	A. H. Geohagen
1891-92	W. R. Swinford	C. H. Hodge
1893-94	Jacob M. Bell	C. H. Hodge
1895-96	W. O. Pinnell	C. H. Hodge
1897-98	David D. Huston	C. H. Hodge
1899-1900	Zachary T. Baum	C. H. Hodge
1901-04	Zachary T. Baum	W. B. Logan
1905-08	Dr. T. C. McCord	W. B. Logan
1909-10	Thomas J. Trogdon	W. B. Logan
1911-14	Fred Baber	Howard A. Archer
1915-22	W. H. Hoff	Allen Brubaker
1923-26	M. L. Ritenhouse	F. L. McCord
1927-34	Perry Huston	F. L. McCord
1935-38	Fred Feutz	F. L. McCord
1939-46	George Bridgman	F. L. McCord
1947-50	B. O. Luttrell	F. L. McCord
1951-54	George Bridgman (died in office) Horace Lawler (appointed)	F. L. McCord
1955-58	T. J. Trogdon, Jr	L. Leon Foltz
1959-62	Jack DeWitt	L. Leon Foltz (resigned)
1963-66	William Quinn	Frances Clearwater (appointed)
1967-74	William R. Quinn	Frances N. Clearwater
1975-78	Steven I. Thompson	Frances N. Clearwater
1979-82	Joe Pasero	Frances N. Clearwater
1983-98	Frank Clinton	

Note: This information was supplied by the City of Paris office.

From *History of the Presbyterian Church in the State of Illinois*, Volume I, by A. T. **Norton**, W. S. **Bryan**, Publisher, 1879, pages 211 -212.

John C. **Campbell** was born Dec. 27, 1802, in Blount County, Tennessee. He was of Scotch descent, the son of Presbyterian parents. He was educated at Maryville College, Tenn., from whence he graduated in 1829; in Sept of the same year, he was licensed, and in the autumn of 1830, was ordained. In 1830, he removed with his wife to Edgar county, Ill., and had under his charge the New Providence and New Hope churches, situated ten miles apart, where he remained twenty-five years. During this time he preached to the New Providence with the exception of about four years, when he was engaged in preaching, one year each, to the churches at Charleston, Grandview, and Paris, Ill., one-half the time, and one year he was traveling as a Sabbath school agent while he preached occasionally at various other points. As a result of his labors many were gathered into the church. In 1857, he removed with his family to Cerro Gordo, Piatt county, Ill., where he remained until his death, Dec. 31, 1862. He preached alternately to the church at Cerro Gordo, and at a point eight miles north. He was married in 1830 to Sibby **Ewing**, who resided near Maryville, Tenn. She was born April 26, 1809, and was the daughter of strict Presbyterian parents. Their oldest child, Wm. A., was born in 1832, Martha in 1834, Harriet N. in 1839, Jennie E. in 1842, Maggie M. in 1844, and Claiborne Y. in 1847. They were all gathered into the church in early life. The three oldest and the youngest have long since passed away.

*Note: The New Providence Presbyterian Church was established by several families, who had come to the Sugar Creek area from Maryville, Blount County, Tennessee. There is still a New Providence Church in Maryville, TN, today. One family was the **Ewings**, who were probably cousins to Sibby **Ewing**, the wife of John C. **Campbell**.*

From *The Prairie Beacon*, Paris, IL, April 6, 1860, page 2

	Paris Township—Official
	FOR SUPERVISOR
Thomas C. W. Sale	270
John TenBrook	257 -13
	FOR ACESSOR
John c. Wallace	270
O'Neil Morris	261 -9
	FOR COLLECTOR
George Hoge	283
Barna Becker	240 -43
	FOR TOWNSHIP CLERK
Andrew T. Megner	269
James H. Roberts	258 -11
	FOR ROAD COMMISSIONERS—3 ELECTED
William B. Griffith	282
Patrick Whelan	281
Hyalip A. Conkey	273
George W. Redman	247
John Arthur	249
James L. Vance	259
	FOR OVERSEER OF THE POOR
Alanson Baldwin (no opposition)	487

A year ago, the other party beat us on the Collector, by a majority of sixty votes, Now we have elected the entire Republican ticket, and yet the *Blade* claims this Township for **Douglas**, next Fall. Perhaps, neighbors, you should wait awhile, and see how he runs at the Charleston Convention before you transfer to him this Township, without the permission of the Republicans.

From *The Prairie Beacon*, Paris, IL, April 6, 1860, page 2

	ELBRIDGE TOWNSHIP—Official
	SUPERVISOR
Christian Landis	143
John Vaught	116
	CLERK
Ethelbert Edwards	139
John Wynans	121
	ASSESSOR
W. R. Fuquay	140
William E. Art	119

COLLECTOR

J. T. **Pearman** 141
 P. **Yeargin** 118

COMMISSIONERS OF HIGHWAY

Cyrus **Mapes** 137
 F. M. **Brown** 137
 Solomon **Davis** 136
 Firman **James** 119
 A. C. **Ewing** 118
 Thornton **Beaty** 122

OVERSEER OF THE POOR

Henry **Ferrell** 158
 Nathan **Maddock** 118
 A. B. **Ray** 3

From *The Prairie Beacon*, Paris, Edgar County, IL, Friday, March 16, 1860, page 2
 Republican Township Meeting

At a meeting of the Republicans of Paris Township, held at Booth's Hall on Saturday the 17th instant, for the purpose of nominating candidates for Township offices for the ensuing year, the following persons were nominated, to wit:

- Thomas C. W. **Sale**, for supervisor
- John D. **Wallace**, Assessor
- George **Hoge**, Collector
- A. T. **Magner**, Clerk
- Col. **Baldwin**, Overseer of the Poor
- H. A. **Conkey**, Road Commissioner
- W. B. **Griffith**, Road Commissioners
- Patrick **Whelan**, Road Commissioner

The following persons were appointed as delegates from this Township to the County Convention of the 7th of April—for the purpose of electing delegates to the State Convention to be held at Decatur on the 9th of May next:

W. P. **Dole**, J. D. **Wallace**, W. B. **Webster**, W. B. **Griffith**, Chas. **Hubbard**, Walter **Booth**, I. **Munsell**, Samuel **Graham**, and T. C. W. **Sale**.

F. M. **Blair**, Chairman
 G. W. **Rives**, Secretary
 Paris, Ills., March 17th, 1860

From *The Paris Daily Beacon*, Paris, IL, Friday, June 13, 1902, page 8

ELIJAH SANDERS DEAD

Was aged eight-one Years

The demise of Elijah **Sanders**, a pioneer resident of Elbridge township, occurred Tuesday at his home two and one-half miles west of Sandford, IN, being consequent to protracted illness. Mr. **Sanders** was stricken with paralysis about a year ago and thought recovering in some measure from the effects of the stroke a gradual decline was thereafter, and for several weeks past, the end has been almost daily expected. The funeral of Mr. **Sanders** was conducted on Wednesday from his late residence, Rev. J. G. **Vicars** officiating. Interment was made in the Guyman cemetery, near Sandford.

The funeral was remarkable from the fact that it is attended by nearly 200 of the direct descendants of the deceased, who was married four times and was the father of eighteen children, fifteen of whom are living. Among them are G. A. **Sanders**, formerly court house engineer, and E. H. **Sanders**, highway commissioner of Stratton township. Among the grandchildren of the deceased are Jess, Mert, and James **Sanders**, of this city. Mr. **Sanders** was in every respect an upright man and a good citizen, his death being widely mourned throughout Elbridge township where most of his life was spent. He was a little over 81 years old.

From *The Paris Beacon*, Paris, Edgar County, Illinois, March 2, 1883, page 1

On last Tuesday evening Mrs. **Swigert**, of Grandview township, visited her father, Mr. Hugh **Barr** not returning home in reasonable time, search was made, resulting in finding her dead at the roadside the following morning. The cause of her death has not yet been ascertained.

From *The Paris Beacon*, Paris, Edgar County, Illinois, March 9, 1883, page 1

Foul Murder

A further investigation into the mysterious death of Mrs. Hanna **Swigert**, near Grandview, this county, on last Tuesday week, announcement of which was made in last week's *Beacon*, has brought the following facts:

Mrs. **Swigert**, on Tuesday, the 27th day of February, had been visiting her father, Mr. Hugh **Barr**, about three-fourths of a mile distant from her own home. About 4 o'clock in the evening she started for home, as her mother states, in apparently good health. She was not missed till about sunset when her husband made inquiries regarding her at her father's residence. Search was at once instituted and continued through the entire night without success. Early on Wednesday morning a little brother of the deceased, found the body away from the road in a stream of shallow water with hands and feet crossed and face downward, without any evidence of a struggle. An inquest was held by Squire **Beatty**, and a post mortem examination was made Drs. **Mosley** and **Bixby**, which resulted in a verdict that the deceased came to her death for some unknown cause.

Not satisfied, it was determined to hold a second post mortem examination, which was made last Tuesday, in the presence of the coroner, by Drs. **Obetz** and **Hays**, of this city, which revealed the fact that Mrs. **Swigert's** jaw had been dislocated by a downward blow with a bludgeon, the marks of which were visible of the surface, and that death had ensued by strangulation, which might have been done by placing the hands over the mouth, or otherwise, and was afterward carried to the place where found.

Enough evidence was obtained to warrant the arrest of the husband of the deceased, which was subsequently done by officer John **Logan** and placed in the county jail to await further trial which will probably not take place until the circuit court convenes. **Logan** is on the trail.

The deceased was about 17 years of age and had been married about five months, the cause alleged for the mysterious disposition of her life. She had not an enemy.

*Note: Hannab J **Barr Swigert**, who died 27 Feb 1883, age 17 y, 19 d, is buried in the Barr-Johnson Cemetery, Grandview Twp., Edgar County, IL. She is buried under the name Hannab **Barr**.*

From *The Paris Beacon*, Paris, Edgar County, IL, Friday, June 1, 1883, page 5

FERRELL

Elder **McCullough** has closed his meetings at Elbridge, and gone home.

Mrs. J. B. **Kerrick** and Mrs. **Foreman** were visiting Mr. Aaron **Hood**, Sunday.

Mr. **Holleys** folks visited Mr. **Cockcroft** Sunday.

Quite a number of gypsies were encamped at Sugar Creek, Sunday, and they were visited by a number of young folks from Ferrell and Elbridge for the purpose of having their fortunes told.

Miss Susie **Ferrell** visited her sister, Mrs. James **Marley**, at Marley, Sunday.

C. L. **Holley** and J. D. **Jordan** went to Paris on business Saturday.

The Ferrell mill is a success under the management of C. D. **Downs**, with Ed **Ewing** as miller.

Note: The gypsies camped near Sugar Creek north of the Lower Terre Haute Road about 2 miles from the State Line.

From *The Paris Daily Beacon*, Paris, IL, Friday December 20, 1907, page 3

DOUBLE WEDDING OCCURS AT HUME

Hume, IL, Dec. 19.—Last night at 7 o'clock at the country home of the brides' mother, Mrs. G. W. **Devers**, four miles south of Hume, occurred the double wedding of Miss Dona Ellen **Devers** to Mr. C. C. **Roller** and Miss Lula Belle **Devers** to Mr. E. H. **Roller**, Rev. C. M. **Caseley**, pastor of the M. E. church officiating. The brides are the youngest daughters of the late George W. **Devers**, and are beautiful and refined young ladies. The Messrs. **Roller** came to this county from Ohio about fourteen years ago, their father dying before leaving their native state, and since coming here they have made a home for their mother and now own a comfortable farm south of town, and are exemplary young men.

Two sisters of the brides are already married and it is a strange coincidence, these two older sisters married brothers, Will and J. A **Yenawine**, both living in neighborhood. The oldest of these, Miss Addie **Devers** was married to Will **Yenawine**, fourteen years ago and Miss Maude **Devers** was married to J. A. **Yenawine** three years ago. The newly married couples will make their time for the present in the same house, on their farm, which is the fruit of their labor.

The wedding guests included a sister and a brother of the grooms from Newark, OH. Congratulations are most heartily extended by their numerous friends.

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