

Greenville Local History Group Newsletter

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Ingalls Diary 1913-1919

The October 9th meeting saw about about a dozen "local historians" come out on a pleasant night. Fortunately, the OJ Simpson trial verdict was not that same night; that would have been a true test of loyalty!

Please note. To save postage, a duplicate copy of the Ingalls diary summary is not forthcoming if you have already have a copy. If a mistake has been made (if you have never received one), call Don at 634-2397.

In preliminary activity, Harriet reassured us she's still working on the Taylor diary. Ray and Marge gave a copy of the Pioneer's 100th anniversary (1856-1956) atlas. It's bad memory on my part as to who gave it, but also donated was a Kelsey's Bus Line schedule, a copy of which has been enlarged on the back, as well as a 1963 GOP Trumpeter which gives biographical information on the Republican candidates running for town office that year.

As you can guess, the program was the Ingalls diary. Don distributed a fourteen page "summary" of the years 1913-1919. Before trying to digest the summary's contents, Don showed about twenty slides of the Ingalls family. Slides included Joseph and Samantha Ingalls, Ransom and Adeline Ingalls (Truman's parents), Carrie Spalding Ingalls, several views of the Cheese Hill and Scrub Creek mill yards, a couple hay loads, a team of horses, Ken Ingalls, Keith Ingalls, Phil Ellis, Bud Ingalls, Stanley and Eleanor Ingalls, and a couple more of Stanley.

The we dove into the summary. Don reviewed the structure of the summary, the major difference from the first summary being a year-by-year review. The year 1913, which filled nearly four sides, was read aloud, with Don and Harriet alternating every few paragraphs. A question here and there, as well as explanations by Don or Harriet, were intermixed and consumed about a half hour.

Don picked out a few highlights of the next few years, emphasizing a three day auto trip in 1914, Cheese Hill logging and political campaigning in 1915, the death of horse Maud in 1916, World War I in 1917, and the influenza outbreak in 1918.

The mention of births, marriages and deaths in the diary were looked at, with a big share going to

the deaths. Maybe because of Halloween coming up, we seemed attracted to the horrible deaths.

Then we recited a few of Carrie's sayings, looked over the names of people mentioned in the diary, and finished with Don reading the final summary.

It seemed quite appropriate to have Leona Rundell, Claribel Gardner and Stephanie Ingalls in attendance, all three descending from Trum and Carrie.

We chatted another twenty minutes at program's end, and melted into the darkness of the early October night.

Reminders:

The last meeting of this year is November 13th, a share session.

Unless someone initiates an earlier meeting (as was done last year), our first meeting of 1996 will be the April meeting.

Joe Mangold is asking if anyone knows the whereabouts of Jerry Soukup (Lambs Corners) and John Kropack (Earlton, Grapeville) for his class' reunion

Please correct an error in the diary summary. On page seven (the front of the fourth sheet), second column, tenth line down, change "Warren" to "Gerald".

I gave a half hour presentation on Columbus weekend at the Ingalls reunion about the Ingalls diary.

Given a half hour (actually, I took 45 minutes), I stayed with the general ideas; as most of you know, I easily could have taken five hours.

Georgia Damino of Albany is transcribing the rest of the audiotaped interviews I've done. She says she would be willing to transcribe others' audiotapes. I'll bring in the transcriptions she's done for the Town of Greenville at next month's meeting. If you want more information sooner, give me a call.

Please try to sell a few calendars. Actually, I have about thirty calendars left in my possession, although Bryants and the Pharmacy have 100 and 75.



KELSEY'S BUS LINE

MIDDLEBURG TO CATSKILL

Bus Leaves Baker Hotel Eastern Standard Time—Middleburg, N. Y.

Leaves	TIME TABLE	Leaves	
Middleburg	7:45 A. M.	Catskill	2:40 P. M.
Franklington	7:55 A. M.	Cairo	2:55 P. M.
Livingstonville	8:00 A. M.	Freehold	3:10 P. M.
Preston Hollow	8:15 A. M.	East Durham	3:15 P. M.
Cooksburgh	8:20 A. M.	Oak Hill	3:30 P. M.
Durham	8:30 A. M.	Durham	3:40 P. M.
Oak Hill	8:40 A. M.	Cooksburgh	3:50 P. M.
East Durham	9:00 A. M.	Preston Hollow	4:00 P. M.
Freehold	9:10 A. M.	Livingstonville	4:20 P. M.
Cairo	9:30 A. M.	Franklington	4:30 P. M.
Catskill (arr)	9:50 A. M.	Middleburg (arr)	4:40 P. M.

Hudson River Day Line met at Catskill Point. Busses Connect With Important Trains at Catskill—N. Y. Central, 10:52 A. M.; W. S. R. R., 9:47 A. M. Meet N. Y. Central, 12:45 P. M.; W. S. R. R., 1:42 and 1:57 P. M. Bus meets trains and connects with New York Busses at Catskill. Leaves on arrival of Day Boat.

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