Civil War Veterans Resting At Old Village Cemetery (Part 6)

With the beginning of the Civil War in 1861, and the possible dissolution of the Union, many men from Livingston County volunteered to serve. That spring, Capt. John Gilley recruited so many men from Livingston County, the Michigan 5th Infantry Regiment became known as the "Livingston Company." George W. Rose was among those from the Brighton area. He had come to Brighton Village and had a business as a tailor and draper. George, born 1828, and wife Oriella Paddock, born 1829, were both area immigrants from New York. The 1860 Census records them with two boys, George L. (born 1848 and noted as being deaf) and Henry Benjamin (born 1855), both born in Michigan. This indicates George and Oriella were in Michigan by 1848. Oriella's family moved to Michigan around 1836. She died in 1861.

1st Sgt. George W. Rose of Co. I, Michigan 5th, was promoted to 2nd Lt. of Co. I on May 28, 1862, and later to 1st Lt., Co. B July 22, 1862. He was Captain of Co. B when he was mortally wounded at the Battle of the Wilderness. He died in Washington, D.C. in May 1864. This left his two boys as orphans at seven and sixteen years of age.

Oriella's older sister Jane (born 1822) married Alanson P. Dickin-
son (born 1815), both from New York. Dickinson was a farmer in Brighton Township by 1837. He enlisted August 14, 1861, as 2nd Lt., commissioned into Co. I, Michigan 9th Infantry Regiment. The 9th left Detroit October 25, 1861, to join the Western Departments. Two days later, they "...reached Jeffersonville, Indiana, and the following day moved by steamboat to Salt River, KY" to winter quarters in Muldraugh's Hill.

There were 400 men sick with measles, etc., at one time. Nash-
villa, Tennessee, was the worst encampment. From April to July the regiment was in Murfreesboro, Tennessee. There, on July 13, 1862, Confederate Nathan Bedford Forrest, with 3500 cav-

Dry, took Dickinson and many others prisoner. About six weeks later on August 27, 1862, he was exchanged for Edmund Pendleton of the Louisiana 25th Regiment.

He resigned from the service January 16, 1863. He and Jane had assumed responsibility for sister Oriella and George Rose's two boys. The cemetery marker indicates Alanson died on Au-

August 27, 1878, aged 64. Jane also died in 1878 at 58 years.

Henry Benjamin Rose, one of George and Oriella's sons, was serving as one of the first Brighton Village Marshall in 1869. He was also on the Board of Trustees for the First Wesleyan Methodist Church at the time the church was built in 1874. Around 1878, Henry bought the Lanning Hotel built by Richard Lanning in 1873 (a block north of the Western house near the railroad) from Arthur Lanning, Richard's son. Arthur was Henry's brother-in-law. Where Henry, his brother George, or other family members are buried, has not been determined.

Compiled by Marianne Baur from: census records; From Settlement to City by Carol McMacken; 1880 History of Livingston County; Old Village Cemetery transcriptions by John and Janice Field and also by Bill Pless, research by George Allen. Corrections/additions requested. (810) 229-6402

Can You Help Us?

Do you know where Gove Automobile Dealership was located or have pictures? Let us know! Our contact info is on page 3.

Area Organization Events (Continued from Page 2)

Saline Area Historical Society
Visit sahsociety.org for details.

Oct 2: 11am-4pm
Harvesttime at Rentschler Farm Museum

Oct 9: 2pm
Presentation: The Model T Connection with Vern Campbell

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Points of Interest:

St. Paul's Episcopal Church
The history of St. Paul's Episcopal Church begins back to the early 1830's when the Rev. William A. Clark, D.D., Rector of the All Saints' Church of New York City, headed west into "the frontier" to the developing territory of Michigan. Being rather pleased with what he found, Dr. Clark purchased land in Brighton Township and moved his family here in 1837.

Jacinta Anspach Clark, his wife and mother of their nine children, also proved to be a capable homemaker. She capably performed the duties usually assigned to men of that day. (cont'd on page 2)

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Attention: Brighton Area Principals And Teachers

Welcome back to the classroom after your nonstop summer of planning new lessons and updating your education credentials. You may not be aware that a local one-room schoolhouse built in 1885 is awaiting your visit. This is a great opportunity to provide a unique and exciting educational setting to enrich your students' knowledge of how families lived and worked together in our communities.

The BAHS owns and operates the historic Lyon One-Room Schoolhouse in Brighton Township. This building has been fully restored and the interior setting is typical of 1890. The Lyon School is also barrier-free. Students will sit in antique desks complete with beautiful maple tops including an inkwell hole in the upper right corner, and seats that fold back out of the way.

Several local public and private schools have made annual excursions to the Lyon School for many years. Each teacher and their students typically spend one day at the rural school. Sessions are currently available for this fall and next spring. The costs for this program are minimal.

Several retired teachers have collaborated to create a curriculum, which meets education benchmarks required by the State of Michigan.

We invite your 2nd, 3rd and 4th grade teams to take advantage of the Lyon School Visitation Program, which begins this October. Please let us know when you can schedule your visit to the Lyon School during the fall or spring semesters. Your students will be engaged in education programs that bring an understanding of our local heritage. They will learn an appreciation of historical preservation and make connections to today's communities.

If you would like more information, please contact either of our retired educators who volunteer as the BAHS education liaisons:

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The Lyon Schoolhouse is located on Bono Road, between Pleasant Valley and Van Amberg Roads.
We are looking forward to hearing from you!

By Jim Vichich, BAHS President

Before a standing army can rule, the people must be disarmed; as they are in almost every kingdom of Europe. The supreme power in America cannot enforce unjust laws by the sword, because the whole body of the people are armed, and constitute a force superior to any band of regular troops that can be, on any pretense, raised in the United States.

Josh Webster (1758 - 1843)

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