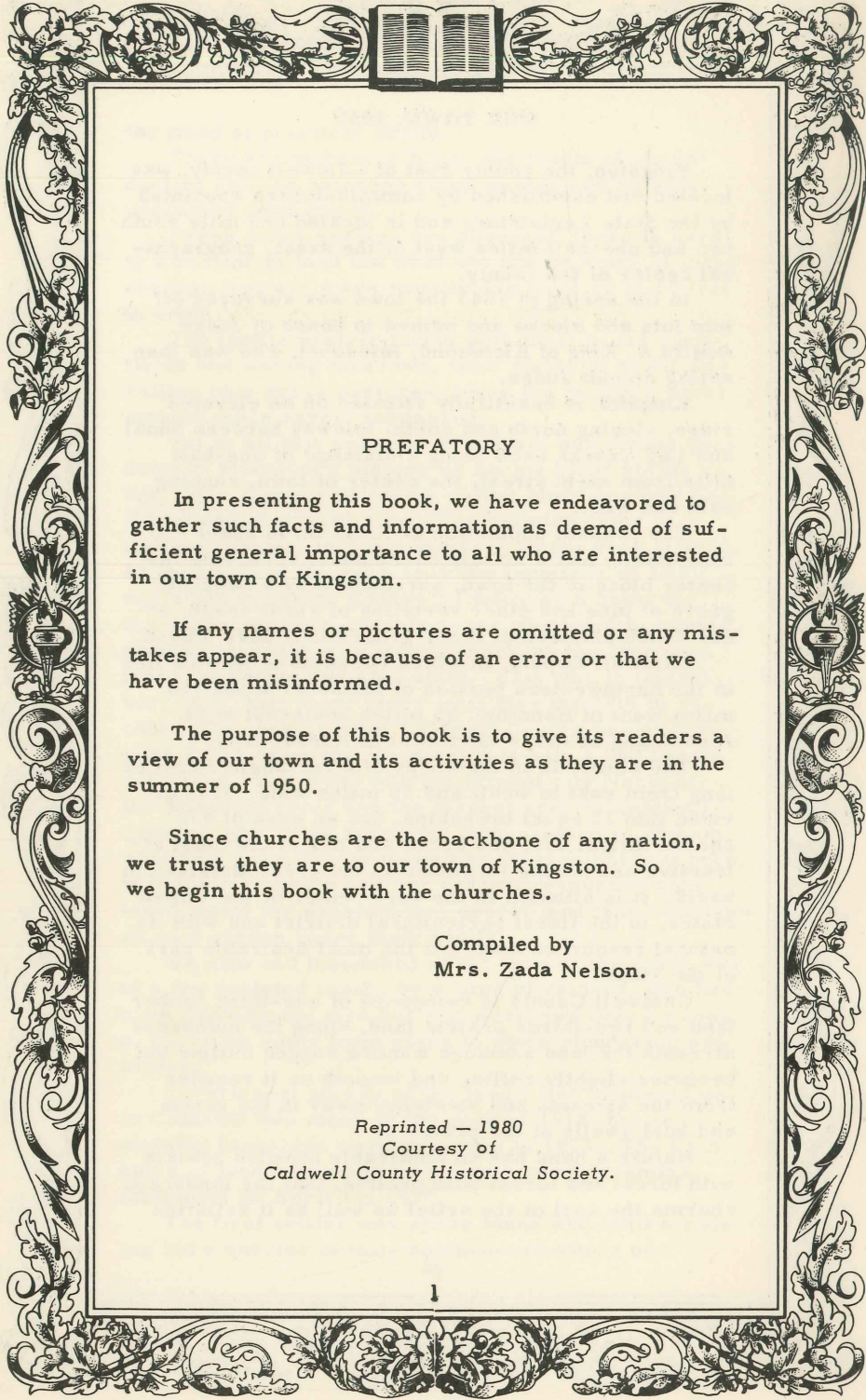




**KINGSTON'S  
MESSENGER**





PREFATORY

In presenting this book, we have endeavored to gather such facts and information as deemed of sufficient general importance to all who are interested in our town of Kingston.

If any names or pictures are omitted or any mistakes appear, it is because of an error or that we have been misinformed.

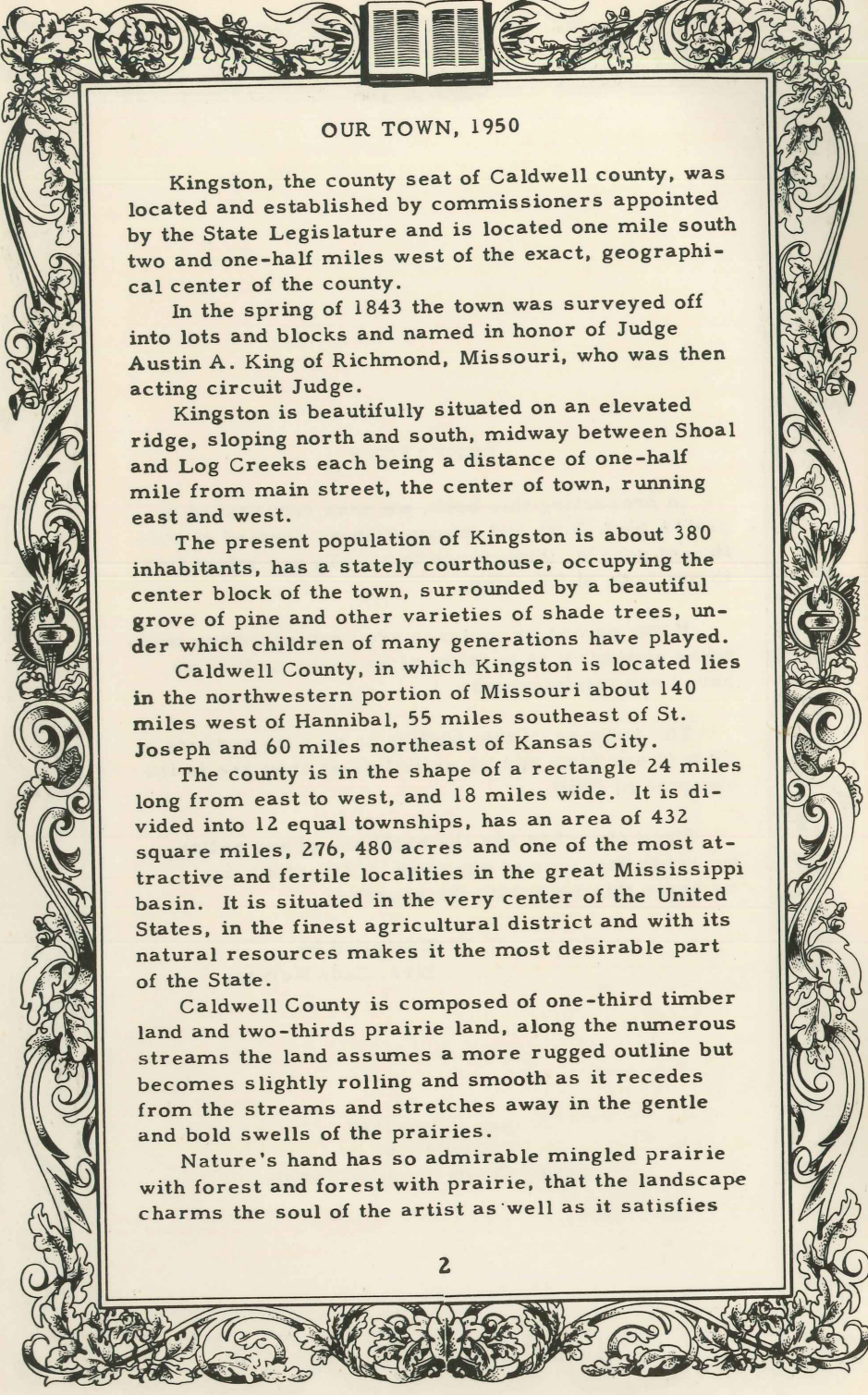
The purpose of this book is to give its readers a view of our town and its activities as they are in the summer of 1950.

Since churches are the backbone of any nation, we trust they are to our town of Kingston. So we begin this book with the churches.

Compiled by  
Mrs. Zada Nelson.

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## OUR TOWN, 1950

Kingston, the county seat of Caldwell county, was located and established by commissioners appointed by the State Legislature and is located one mile south two and one-half miles west of the exact, geographical center of the county.

In the spring of 1843 the town was surveyed off into lots and blocks and named in honor of Judge Austin A. King of Richmond, Missouri, who was then acting circuit Judge.

Kingston is beautifully situated on an elevated ridge, sloping north and south, midway between Shoal and Log Creeks each being a distance of one-half mile from main street, the center of town, running east and west.

The present population of Kingston is about 380 inhabitants, has a stately courthouse, occupying the center block of the town, surrounded by a beautiful grove of pine and other varieties of shade trees, under which children of many generations have played.

Caldwell County, in which Kingston is located lies in the northwestern portion of Missouri about 140 miles west of Hannibal, 55 miles southeast of St. Joseph and 60 miles northeast of Kansas City.

The county is in the shape of a rectangle 24 miles long from east to west, and 18 miles wide. It is divided into 12 equal townships, has an area of 432 square miles, 276, 480 acres and one of the most attractive and fertile localities in the great Mississippi basin. It is situated in the very center of the United States, in the finest agricultural district and with its natural resources makes it the most desirable part of the State.

Caldwell County is composed of one-third timber land and two-thirds prairie land, along the numerous streams the land assumes a more rugged outline but becomes slightly rolling and smooth as it recedes from the streams and stretches away in the gentle and bold swells of the prairies.

Nature's hand has so admirable mingled prairie with forest and forest with prairie, that the landscape charms the soul of the artist as well as it satisfies

the mind of practical utility.

There are no barren hills, nor tracts of unproductive soil, no extended stony wastes and no wide undrained dead levels.

Fresh water springs are abundant, there is hardly a section of land but what has one or more of these springs, and wells are usually dug from 12 to 50 feet in depth.

The fertile prairie farms with their broad corn-fields and waving meadows, their fields of wheat and rolling blue grass pastures, gives the county a rural magnificence rarely surpassed.

Yet in all this splendor of nature, our county goes down in Missouri's history as having blood stains on her soil. A group of people called Mormons who believed and practiced a peculiar religion came to Caldwell County in great numbers in the year of 1836. At the close of the year 1835 the Governor of Missouri had set aside Caldwell County as a home for this religious sect, trouble arose which led to bloodshed so an order was issued expelling the Mormons from the county and also state. This was in December, 1838, they were given until May the 10th to vacate. The population of Caldwell County was at that time 7,000, after the Mormons left only 1,000 people remained. Far West was the largest city North of the Missouri river and the largest ever in Caldwell County. Had these Mormons been allowed to remain, what Salt Lake City is today Far West might have been, with their ambition and our natural resources combined would far exceeded that desert land that blossomed as a garden under their hands.

We also had bloodshed at the time of the Civil War of a few isolated cases, by a band of raiders, who had been Confederate men but who were now only a group of guerillas going from place to place plundering and killing.

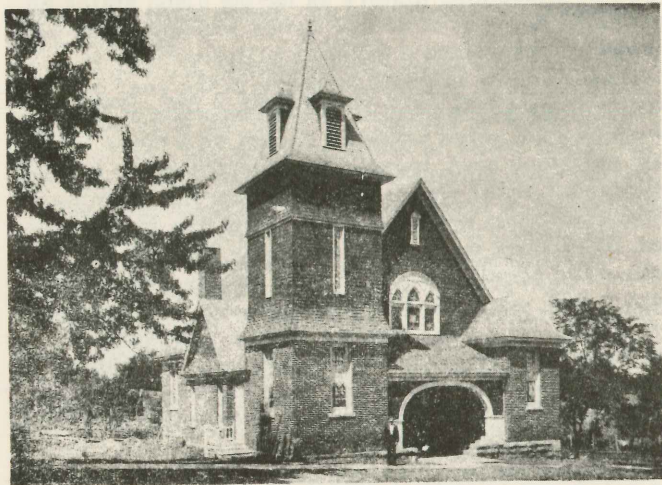
Government survey of the lower tier of townships in Caldwell was made in the year of 1818, the remaining townships were surveyed in 1823. The first entry of land was made by a man named Jeremiah McDonald on April 11, 1832.

The first settler was Jesse Mann who built a rude log hut a quarter of mile northeast of where our



present Courthouse now stands.

The first town was called Salem, located on Log Creek, one mile and half southeast of where Kingston is now, this town started with blacksmith shop, general store and a horse grinding mill and a few log houses, this was in 1833. Ten years later when Kingston was surveyed the few business places of Salem moved into Kingston and Salem went into decay.



#### SOUTHERN METHODIST

This lovely brick building was erected in the year 1905. The minister, Reverend Shilling seen in the picture gave his untiring efforts in seeing this building completed. It stood at the northwest corner of the square.

## The Churches

1950



#### CHRISTIAN CHURCH

This is the oldest building now standing in Kingston, was built in 1858. This also is the oldest church building in Caldwell County.



#### FEDERATED CHURCH





The Latter Day Saints Church



Residence of Mr. G. A. Puckett built of the material from the Presbyterian Church, in 1928.



Residence of Mr. Earl Cope, built of the material from the South Methodist Church in 1934.

## Church History

### CHRISTIAN CHURCH

The Southern Methodist people, in 1858 started building a church on the east side of town in dense timber. The building was not completed until after the close of the Civil War. A group of Christian people who had been meeting in homes and courthouse purchased the church from the Southern Methodists in 1865, at the cost of \$1,200. There were forty-nine members and the first pastor was Joseph T. Rice. Note the picture of this church on first page, how remarkably well preserved for a frame building standing almost 100 years and has been in use by the Christians continuously. Mrs. Zada Nelson is pastor.

### FEDERATED CHURCH

This church was built in the early '90's a block south of the square, now on highway 13. It is the third church to be built on the same location as two previously burned. In 1905 a room was added on the south, and in 1946 a kitchen was built on the east. Reverend Clifford Fisher is the pastor.

### SOUTHERN METHODIST

A lovely brick building was erected on the north-west corner of the square in the year of 1905 by the Southern Methodist people. This was a beautiful building on a desirable location. It closed in 1930 and four years later was sold to Mr. Earl Cope, who tore it down and built a residence two blocks west. The last pastor was Reverend Knight.

### LATTER DAY SAINTS

This church stands in the north part of town, was erected in the year 1893 and was closed in 1947. The last pastor was Reverend Earl Cravens.



#### PRESBYTERIAN

The Presbyterian Church in Kingston was organized May 15, 1884 and the same year bought the Congregational church building, a frame for \$750. There were seventeen charter members. This church stood in what now is our park at the southwest corner, Harold Shaffer's residence was the parsonage. It was sold to Mr. Puckett in the year 1928 who built his home in the north part of town of the material. Reverend W. E. Barksdale was the last pastor. He held this pastorate twenty-two years.

#### METHODIST (COLORED)

This church was built in the year of 1892 in the northeast part of town. Was closed in 1932. A high windstorm in April this year blew it down. The last pastor was Reverend Johnson.



CHRISTIAN CHURCH SUNDAY SCHOOL



Densil Henricks, who has been Superintendent of the Christian Sunday School for fourteen years, also supplies for any teacher who happens to be absent; is standing at the left, next Mrs. Franklin, Mrs. Ruby Farr, Mrs. Leeper, Mrs. Pate and Mrs. Nelson. All are teachers.





Federated Sunday School Adult Classes.



Federated Church Board and Sunday School Teachers and Officers. Mrs. Florence Sloan is Superintendent.



Federated Children's Classes.



Mrs. Ruby Farr's Sunday School Class. Mrs. Farr has been teacher of this class for twenty-three years.



Adult Class, Mrs. Franklin Teacher

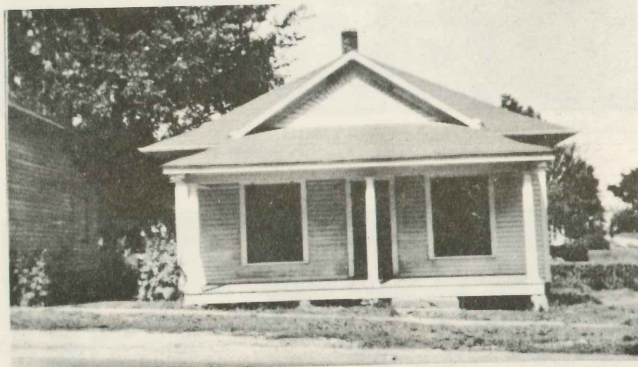


Ladies' Aid Group





This is the home of Mrs. Zada Nelson, minister of the Christian Church, is located just north of the courthouse.



This is the home of Reverend Clifford Fisher, wife and baby Susie. He is the minister of the Federated Church. This parsonage is located just west of the courthouse.



Lowell Dean Coshow, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Coshow is the youngest member of the Cradle Roll at the Christian Church and has spent most of his first four months of life in the State Clinic at the Missouri Methodist Hospital in St. Joseph for crippled children. His sister Ruby is holding him. Complete recovery is assured after many years in cast or braces.



Linda Dicne Houghton, youngest Cradle Roll member of the Federated Church, and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Houghton.



## Marriages

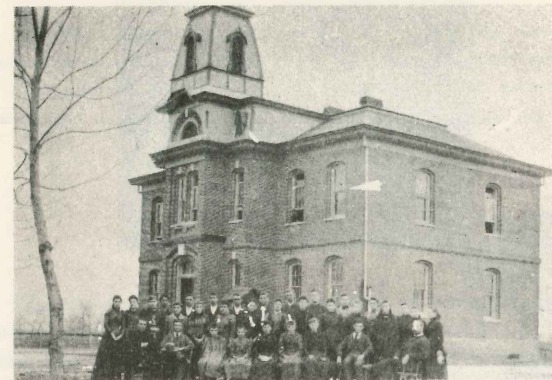


Wedding scene of Mr. and Mrs. Don L. Poorman, June the 15th, 1949, in the Christian Church. The attendants were nieces of the bride and a nephew. Mrs. Poorman was Miss Ruth Nelson before her marriage. This was the last wedding in the Christian Church.



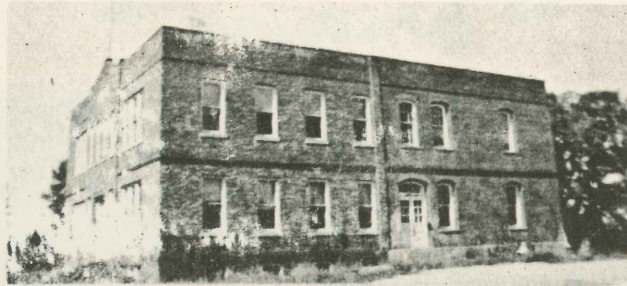
The last wedding in the Federated Church was that of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Griffin, who before her marriage, on December 18, 1949, was Miss Ruth Otto.

## SCHOOLS

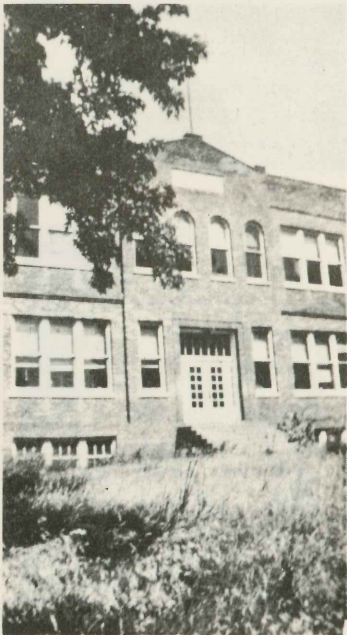


HIGH SCHOOL, 1891  
This Building Was Built In 1873





South side view of our modern school building, is up-to-date in many ways, although its history goes back many years for this is the same building as shown on opposite page. It was enlarged in the year 1922.



West or front view of schoolhouse, this building has been in continuous use since built in 1873. Men and women have gone from this school of learning into all walks of life. Kingston is justly proud of her great men going forth to serve.



The first school in the vicinity of Kingston was in an abandoned cabin on Long Creek, taught by a young Mormon lady, Miss Mary Ann Duty. This was in the year of 1838, a summer term.

The first schoolhouse was built in Kingston early in its history made of logs and as there were no glass for windows a log was left out on two sides about four feet up and greased paper was put over this opening. This was the only way they had of lighting a building. After this building was used a number of years it was replaced by a frame building the framework was hewed out by hand of oak, and this building still stands. It has been remodeled and made into a dwelling, owned by Mrs. Claude Clevenger. It stands where it has always stood, two blocks west of the present schoolhouse. Several of our oldest citizens remember going to school in this building. The above is a picture of the way it looks today. It was in use until the present schoolhouse was built in the year of 1873.





**MRS. ETHEL FORT**  
Superintendent



**GLENN SULLENGER**  
President Of School Board

**DIRECTORS OF SCHOOL BOARD IN 1950**

Glenn Sullenger  
Archie Deal  
Ray Myers

Russel Hill  
Robert Nelson  
Ervin Meredith

**TEACHERS**

Junior High, 7th, 8th.....Mrs. Ethel Fort  
Intermediate, 5th, 6th..... Mrs. Opal Eckleberry  
Elementary, 3rd, 4th..... Mrs. Bonnie Gay  
Primary, 1st, 2nd.....Mrs. Ruth Lotz  
Custodian.....George Shaffer



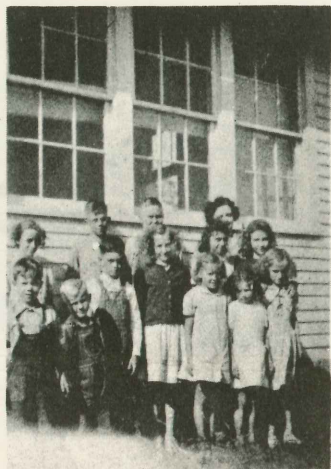
**Kingston's New School Bus.**  
Harold Shaffer, Driver



**Clarence Orr** owned and operated this bus for the  
Kingston School for thirteen years.



**OUR RURAL SCHOOLS**



**Hazel View Schoolhouse. Three miles southeast of Kingston.**



**Far West Schoolhouse. Five miles northwest of Kingston.**



**West Prairie Schoolhouse. Built in 1868. One and one-half miles north of Kingston.**



**Bonanza Schoolhouse. Five miles east of Kingston.**





**HOUGHTON SCHOOLHOUSE**  
Built In 1887.  
Two Miles West of Kingston.



**HOUGHTON CLUB**  
A group of women of the Houghton community meet once a month. This club was started seventeen years ago by the two women seated, Helen Cope and Ruth Hiskett.

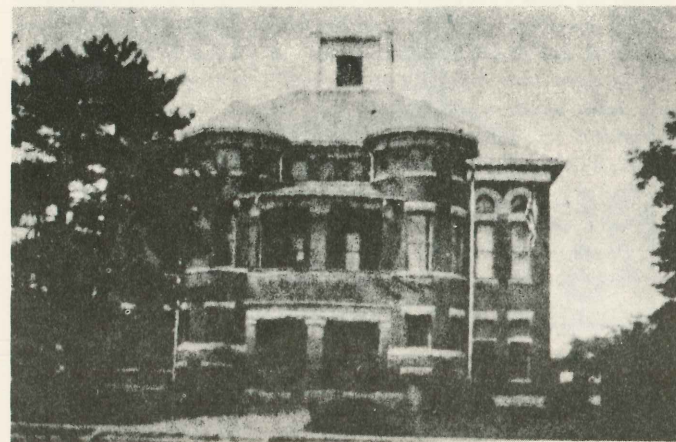


**CENTER PRAIRIE SCHOOL**  
Built in 1877. This picture was taken in 1891. John W. Johnston was the teacher. This is three miles northeast of Kingston.



COUNTY OFFICIALS

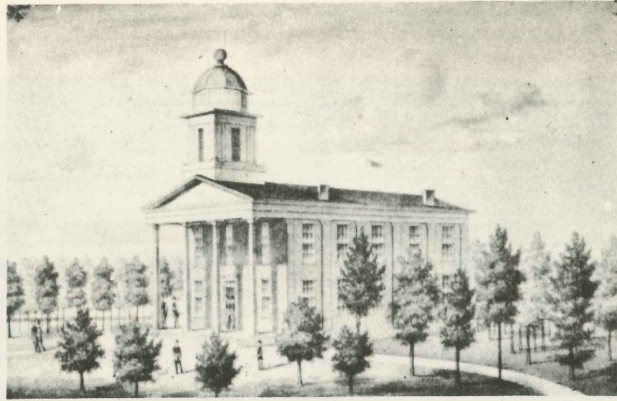
Member of Congress..... Honorable Phil Welch  
Representative ..... J. W. Moore  
Circuit Judge ..... James W. Davis  
Presiding Judge County Court..... A. J. Myers  
Judge of Eastern District..... Forrest Murray  
Judge Western District..... Arthur Manley  
Judge of Probate ..... A. B. Cleveland  
Clerk Circuit Court and Recorder of Deeds.....  
..... Bart C. Fulton  
Deputies ..... Dora Paustian, Rita Howell  
Clerk County Court..... L. O. Chadwick  
Deputy Clerk..... R. G. Geilker  
Prosecuting Attorney ..... O. J. Adams  
Sheriff ..... Earl E. Gregory  
Deputy Sheriff ..... W. B. Clevenger  
Deputy Sheriff..... Marian Bretz  
Treasurer ..... Raymond H. Cox  
Coroner..... Dr. C. H. Wilbur  
Public Administrator..... Perley Colvin  
County Superintendent of Schools.....  
..... Chester A. Lemery



CALDWELL COUNTY COURTHOUSE

This building was built in 1898, two years after the one on the opposite page burned. It is a large and commodious brick building, trimmed with Bedford stone with three stories and a basement. It is steam heated and a water system piped from a deep well. The dimensions are 70 feet by 100 feet. Was built at the cost of about \$30,000. This is the fourth courthouse to be built in Caldwell County, the first one was at Far West and was used until 1843. County officials and records were moved to Kingston, as it was approved being more centrally located.





This courthouse was built in 1862, burned in 1896, the first courthouse was built in 1843 and burned in 1860.

During the Civil War on the 19th of July, 1864, a mail coach was robbed, just south of Knoxville, that operated between Lexington and Hamilton. Mail was destroyed and the horses taken, this caused Major S. P. Cox of Davies County to dispatch a message that he was moving south with the militia of four hundred soldiers, requesting all available men to meet him near Bonzaza, as that was then the main road between Hamilton and Lexington. Lieutenant J. H. Snyder immediately started with all the men he could arm, leaving Kingston entirely defenseless. About 4:00 o'clock the next afternoon July the 20th, these raiders rode leisurely into Kingston. John Thrailkill and Chas. F. Taylor were Confederate men or had been in that service, but now had organized a company of three hundred men in Clay County and were determined to raid through northern Missouri. While they claimed to be Confederate troops they were in reality guerillas, going from place to place plundering and killing men belonging to the Militia. They halted in front of this courthouse. Pickets were put

out on all roads. Two men mounted the cupola of the courthouse to take down the flag of stars and stripes, when a young lady, Miss Olivia George ordered them not to touch the flag but they paid no attention to her except to compliment her on her spunk and tore it down and bore it away. All Union flags were torn from business places. Military papers were burned, vaults in the offices of circuits and county clerk as well as the sheriff were broken open, about \$8,000 in school money was taken also a general raiding of all food and liquor stores. Most of the few people left in Kingston had fled to a thicket of hazel brush just north of the courthouse. Before night they moved westward but were overtaken about eight miles west (after they had plundered Mirabile) by the militia, and here a battle ensued.





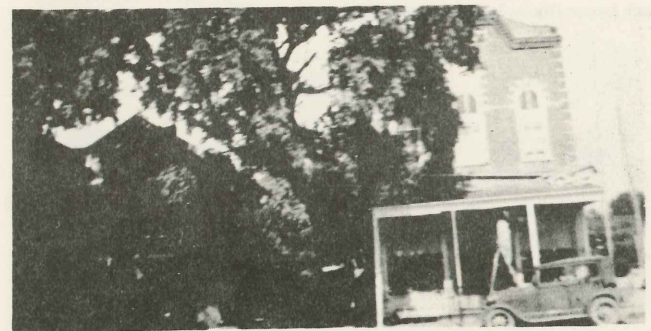
Main Street looking west, these neat buildings have been improved as needed and we are justly proud of our up-to-date looking street being operated by the following, The Kingston Bank, of which more is said on another page, Archie Deals grocery, Goby's Cafe, Harold Shaffer Market, O. J. Adams Law and Abstract office, Clarks Store, Funeral Chapel, W. O. Zook Abstract and Insurance, Ben Dunn Clothing store, Post Office, Gladys McBrayer Advertising Office and the Caldwell County Farm Bureau.



Main Street looking east, Sullenger Bros'. Hardware, Joe Kipps Repair Shop and Cawthons Garage.



Ray Myers Produce and Feed Store.



John Ross our painter, caught by camera, painting the porch ceiling of Mid's Drug Store, The Caldwell County News Office and S. J. Millett Law and Abstract Office in the old hotel building.





Stade Service Station and Cafe.



Phillips 66 Station, operated by Harold DeWalt, next a repair shop and Leota Clevenger's Cafe and Grocery.



M. B. Estab Grocery and residence on east main.

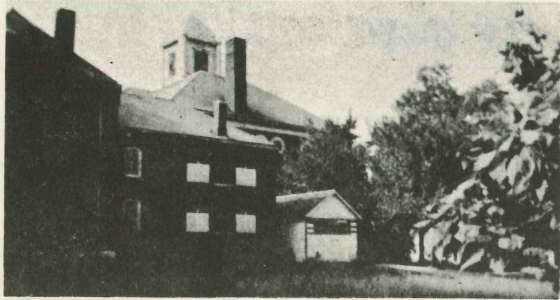


Arthur Sackett, delivers mail from Hamilton to Kingston twice a day each week day, and once each day on Sundays and holidays. He has been delivering the mail for eight years. He is standing by his car in front of the post office where Mrs. Ruby Farr is postmaster and has been for fourteen years. Mrs. Lottie Isenhart is her assistant. The first post office in Kingston was in the year 1845; the mail was brought by stagecoach from Lexington twice a week. Mr. John Guffy and Mr. Frank Parker are the route carriers.



Floyd Cawthon's Garage

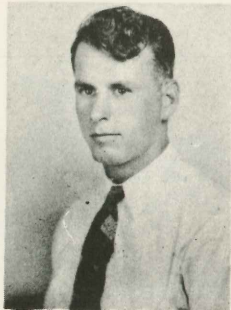




The first jail was built in 1869, and was a stone structure very substantial but a very dungeon in reality, the cells being low and dark and unsanitary. This gave way for the present jail and sheriff's residence which was built in the year 1890, at the cost of \$10,148.

The first and only execution took place in the jail at six o'clock the morning of September 21, 1908. The criminal was Albert Filley who had committed a triple murder of his family in his home. Sheriff Frank Parker had the gruesome task of springing the death trap, before a hundred spectators. Reverend W. E. Barksdale spent the last night with the condemned man.

Sheriff Gregory was elected to this office at the age of 24 years, being the youngest sheriff in the State of Missouri.



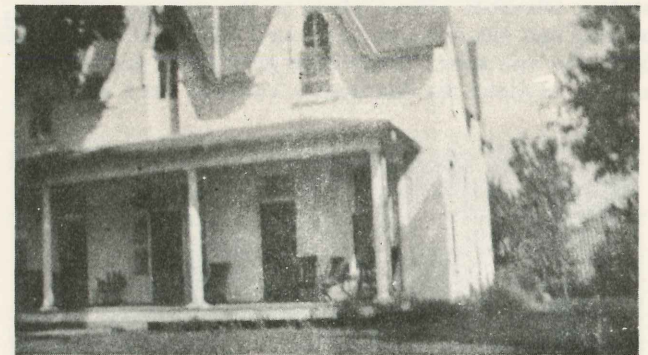
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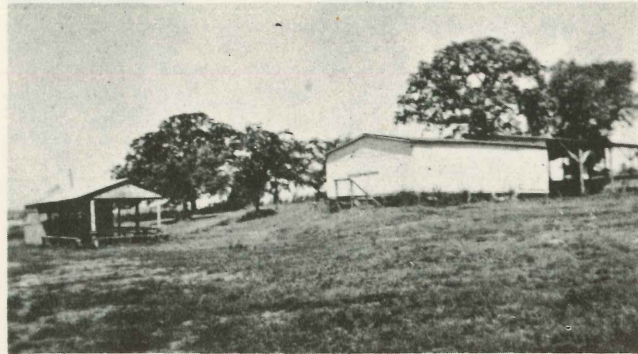


Caldwell County purchased a farm, four miles west of Kingston on April 22, 1873 at the cost of \$18.83 per acre, contained 218 acres and was occupied as a home for the poor from March the following year, until this year 1950 when it was sold to Frances Williams. Many superintendents have been in charge of this institution since it started. The first one was Valentine Eckelberry and the present one is Walter Weaver.

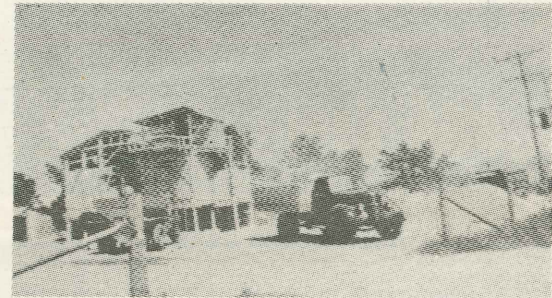


This was the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Otto. Was purchased by the County for our aged people after the county farm was sold. This is in the northwest part of Kingston.



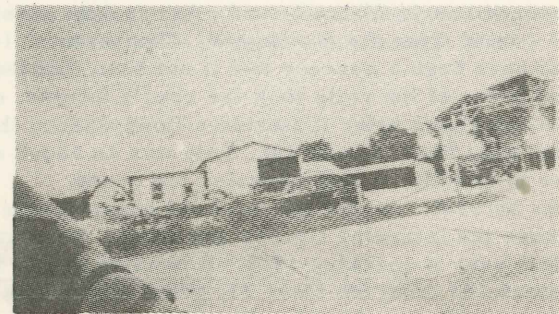


Two scenes of our Fox Hunt grounds. This is an annual meeting place of the hunt, 1/4 mile south of town on Highway No. 13; incorporated under the name of North Missouri Fox Hunters Association. In 1922 it was moved from the Watson Grove near Lawson, Missouri, to Kingston. In the Otto Walnut Grove, northeast of town; in 1946 the association purchased the present location and held its first hunt at the new location, second week in August with Floyd Cawthon, President. Dogs are entered from many states; valuable prizes given to the owners. Entertaining and educational programs draws large crowds from far and near. Busy men give their time and energy to make the fox hunt a success each year.



#### HOUGHTON STONE COMPANY

Houghton Stone Company, started in January, 1946, one-fourth mile south of town. This year the latest 1950 equipment was installed. It employs from twelve to twenty men, and is Kingston's only regular payroll. It produces agriculture limestone and crushed rock, not only for Caldwell County but adjoining counties. W. W. Thieman and A. L. Houghton are owners.



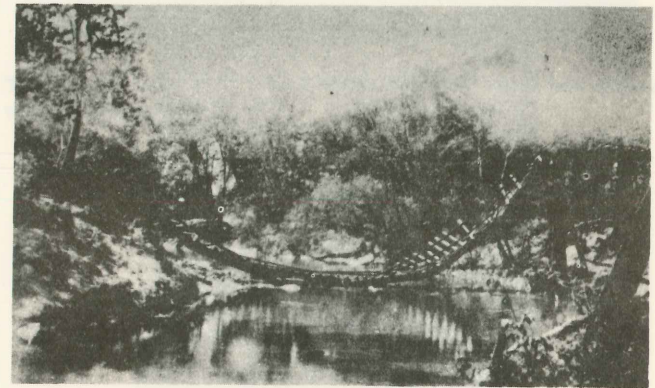




**KINGSTON'S DEPOT**

Here is the depot, as neat as a new depot could be. The man standing under the umbrella is Dr. Miller who operated a large hotel where Mr. Puckett's residence now stands. He has come to the depot to meet the "Drummers". This depot was located two blocks east and one block north of the courthouse. On December 5, 1890 as the first train steamed into Kingston a large crowd had gathered for a celebration, such excitement had never been before. Merchants closed their stores and the banker, John D. Cox, who had previously made a \$1,000 gift to the building of this railroad, drove the golden spike as a part of the celebration which lasted away into the night by our 700 population at that time. The train came from Hamilton and back twice a day. It backed into Kingston and went forward into Hamilton. The rolling stock consisted of a locomotive and one passenger coach, the rails and other freight cars were rented from the Burlington. The venture might have been a success had it not been that the rental price of the rails took the road's income, also just a few years after it started a flood washed the bridge over Shoal Creek out. This was an added expense to rebuild, it only operated ten years.

As an evidence that the road did considerable business the following figures are given. This was the last year it operated 1901. It handled in car lots, livestock 183, coal 69, flour 11, grain 13 and miscellaneous 20 cars, besides 971,623 pounds of through freight less than car lots to say nothing of its many passengers. The first depot agent was Mr. Aurthur Haines.



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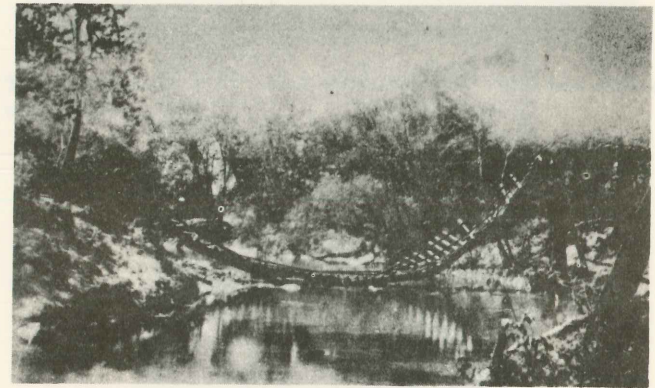




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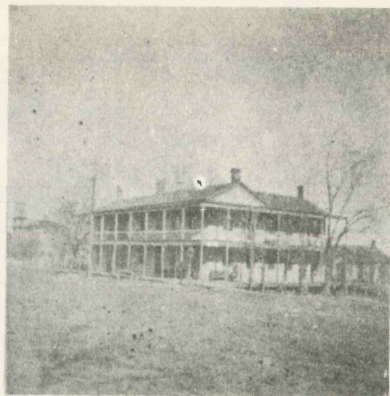
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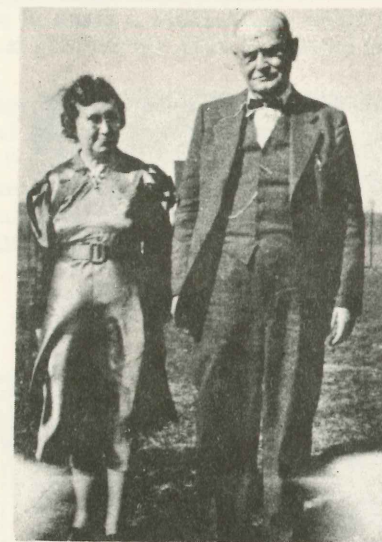


#### MILLER HOTEL

This hotel stood on the corner northeast of the courthouse. It had a lower and upper porch. Many summer nights a band would play from the upper porch as they entertained the town.



The residence of Dr. and Mrs. Shouse, also his office was in the home.



Dr. Shouse was born in 1868. He graduated from medical school in 1898, and came to Kingston the same year, opened an office as physician and surgeon and served this community nearly fifty years. He died in 1949 after a long and useful life. He married a Kingston girl, Miss Alice Duston, in 1902 who survives him and lives in Liberty, Missouri.

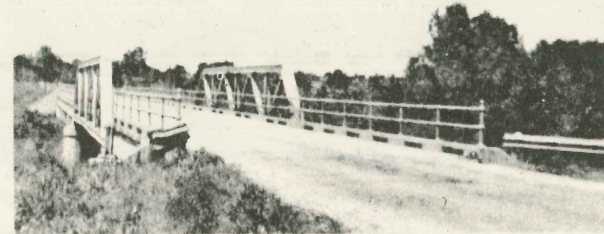




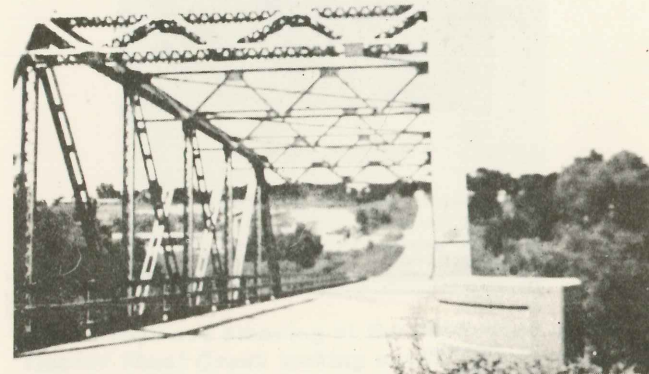
**This was the residence of Dr. Gartside, now the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jess Butts. We welcome farmers like these who restore a piece of property to its original beauty or even surpassing it.**



**Dr. Gartside's office, but is now owned and used by the Middle States Utilities Company of Missouri, telephone exchange. Mrs. Pauline Swaithes in charge. Mrs. Pauline Harper and Mrs. Maude Corbett, assistants.**



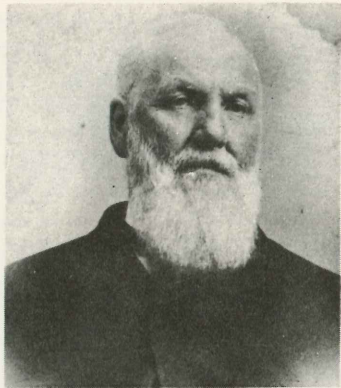
**This bridge is one-half mile north on Highway No. 13, over Shoal Creek. Is 200 feet west of the old bridge, and is well above flood stage. The bridge below is one-half mile south, over Log Creek. Both of these substantially built bridges are of stone, cement and steel, built by the State of Missouri in 1929.**







This was the residence of Dr. T. W. Johnson, who came to Kingston in 1865 and practiced medicine until a short time before his death in 1914. His office was in his home. Two of his children live in the home place, Mr. James Johnson and Mrs. Jennie Isenhart. This house is the second one Dr. Johnson built as the first one burned. It stood a few feet south of the present one.



Dr. T. W. Johnson.

Doctors who at one time practiced in Kingston:

Dr. C. K. Jones  
Dr. C. H. Smythe  
Dr. Shouse  
Dr. Neth  
Dr. Nefth  
Dr. Gartside  
Dr. Johnson  
Dr. Johns  
Dr. Fraund



This is the old steel bridge, over Shoal Creek, note the water running over the floor of the bridge in the time of a flood. Many times Kingston would be without the mail until some daring youths ventured across to meet the mail carrier from Hamilton. This was dangerous as swift currents flowed across the road bed in many places, this scene is taken at the south end of the bridge.



These boys are standing at the north edge of the flooded Shoal Creek looking south. Same scene as above.

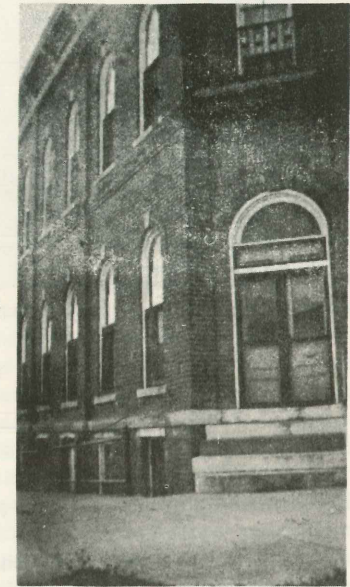




#### A SCENE IN THE PARK

The Baptist people of Hamilton were holding a revival meeting in this tent when this picture was taken.

We have many uses of our park, varieties of entertainment are continually using this ground, such as shows, circus, revival meetings, or tourists in-transit camp awhile under the many shade trees. Welcome are they to come and rest awhile in our park.



The Kingston Bank opened its doors for service August 6, 1947 with Earl Crawford, cashier and managing officer. Cramer Clark, president; Albert Otto, vice-president; W. V. McNary, vice-president; Dorothy Isenhart, bookkeeper; J. P. Jones, secretary.



Much of the success of the new bank was due to the untiring effort given by its cashier Mr. Earl Crawford, his death July 11th was a shock to the entire community, a loss felt by all.

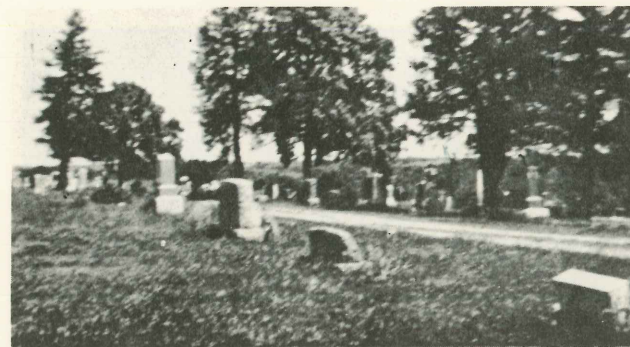




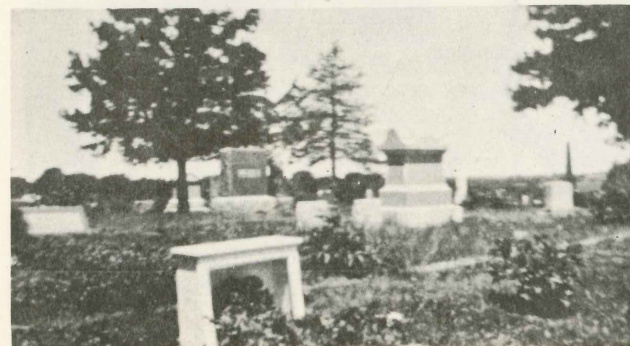
Mr. and Mrs. Cramer Clark standing by an open grave, just ready to lower the casket at the close of a burial in Kingston's cemetery. Mr. and Mrs. Clark are both Funeral Directors, own and operate two funeral homes, one in Kingston and the other in Cowgill. Both homes are fully equipped with a preparatory room, casket room, and a beautiful chapel. These good people are very busy, if it's death or sickness, among our rich or poor far or near they answer the call, they keep two ambulances and one funeral coach. The Clarks have lived in Kingston twenty-one years operating their business themselves, at times they have a funeral to direct at the same hour in different towns.



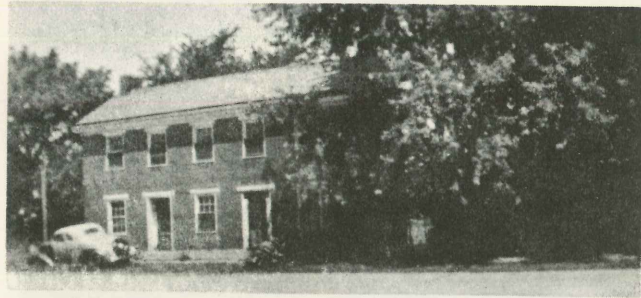
Two Kingston sisters, Mrs. Ruby Farr and Miss Metta Cruikshank, who have lived here for twenty-five years bring comfort to the bereaved with their talented voices, not only here but the county over wherever their service is needed whether it be a funeral or a church service or a wedding these sisters serve in a beautiful way, their community.



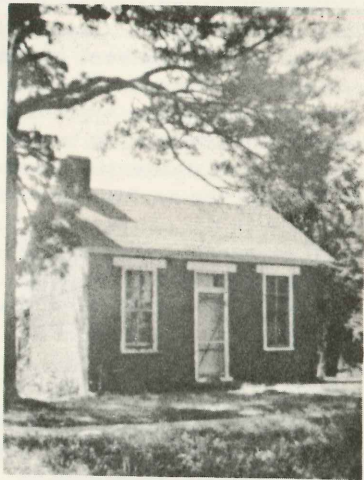
The Kingston cemetery is an old one. No exact date can be given of the first grave, no record can be found earlier than 1865. We suppose the courthouse being destroyed by fire, in 1860 burned the deeds. There is a tombstone marked 1858 so we know they were using this cemetery before that. In 1865 the cemetery consisted of only one acre of land and this was on the west slope in the center of our present graveyard, a group of men were appointed by the town to enlarge the already too full burial grounds, so another acre was added, this extended east. The strip of ground through the center where there are not many tombstones is the old part and is full of bodies even if not marked. From this time on there were acres added as needed until the present plot is twelve acres. The city of our dead is many times larger than our living.





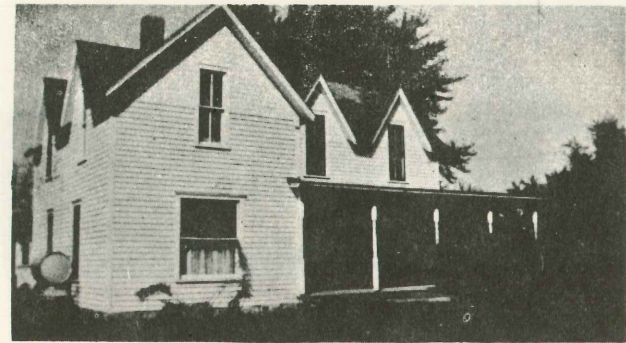


These two old brick houses stands just one and two blocks west of the courthouse square. These structures were built before the Civil War. Mrs. Lewellen and Mrs. Love live here.

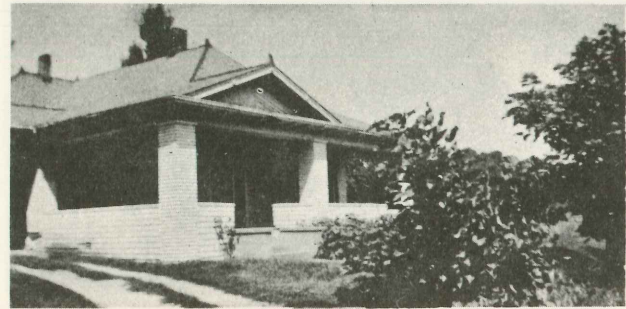


Mrs. Viola Yoakum

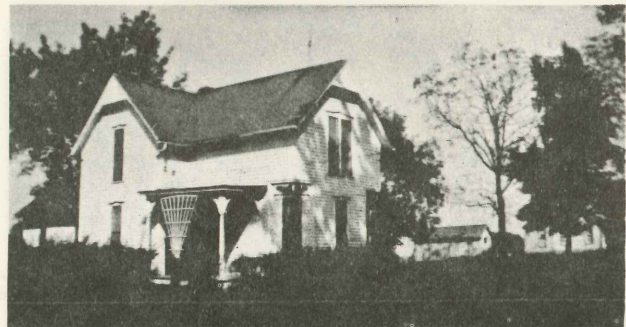
Kingston is the smallest county seat town in north-west Missouri, yet the town has certain charm and appeal that has attracted many people. Our homes are picturesque, old, intermingled with the new. There are 115 houses and of these 54 have only two or less occupancy.



Mrs. Q. T. Jones



Mr. W. O. Zook



Mrs. Maude Corbett

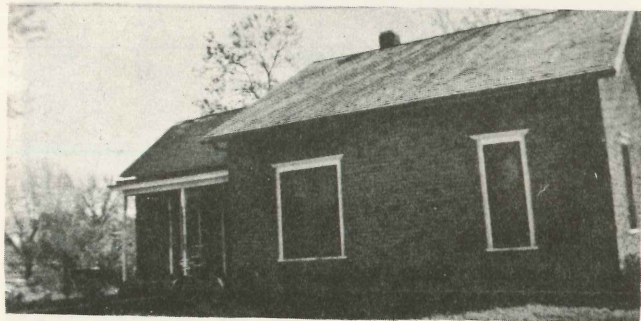




G. A. Puckett property, occupied by Miss Dora Paustian.



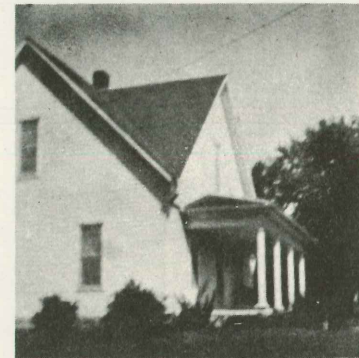
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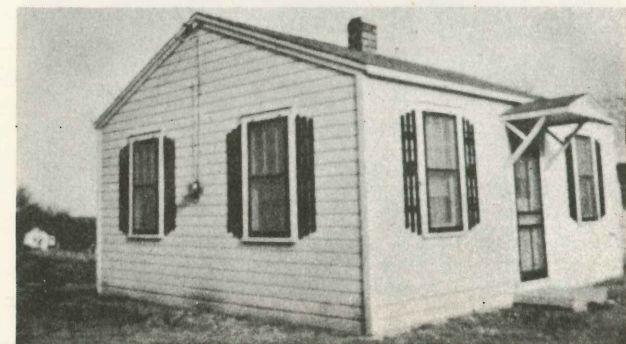
This was built by the Presbyterians for a parsonage. Is now owned by Harold Shaffer.



Raymond Cox—County Treasurer.  
Home in West Kingston.



A. V. Leeper



Newest house in Kingston built  
by Mont Esteb. (Below)



In Memoriam

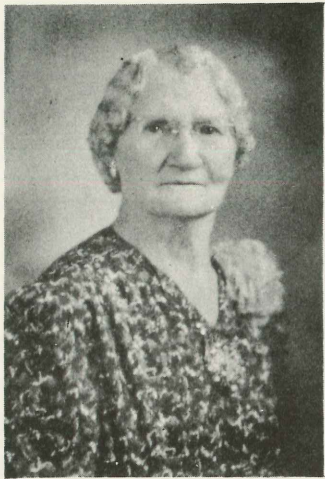


Dr. James Gartside and a patient, Fred Heiser in the doctor's office.

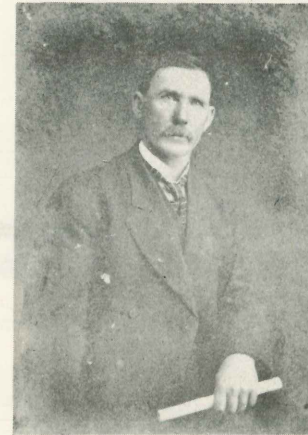


Mrs. John Hartley.





**Charlotte Bethel**



**John P. Hankins. Treasurer of Caldwell County.**



**Ben Jones**





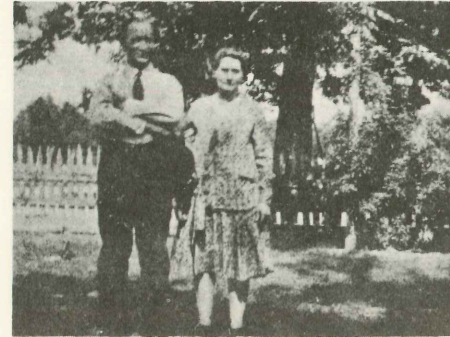
**Miss Julia Johnston**



**Mrs. F. Cruikshank**



**Bert Grigsby, a Kingston merchant for twenty years.**

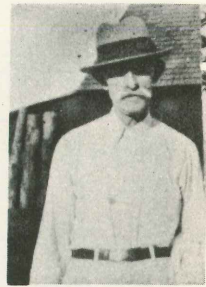


**Frank Otto**



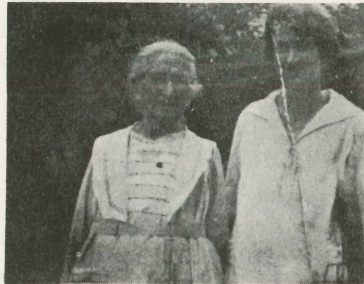
**B. O. Love; abstractor 30 years; probate judge 12 years.**



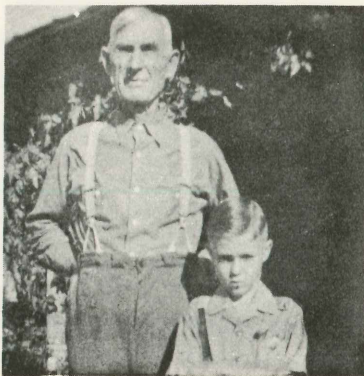


Claude Clevenger, a barber for 28 years in Kingston.

Will Palmer, lifetime resident of Kingston. Mason by trade.



Mrs. Grisby and daughter Eva Hill

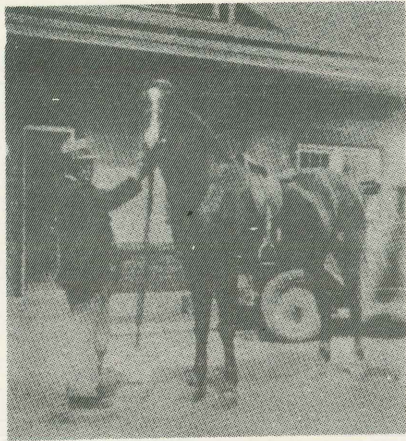


Will Fraizer, mayor for many years.



Mrs. Lola Otto and sister, Mrs. Vada Otto.





Sam Sloan. A dealer in horses and mules.



Bill Smith

## Court House Officials

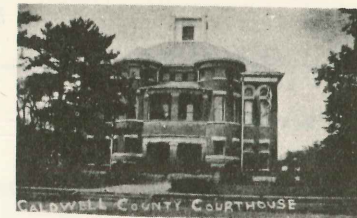
Raymond H. Cox - County Treasurer,  
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Magistrate Courts

W. O. Zook - Clerk of Court

F. W. Hart, Associate County Agent

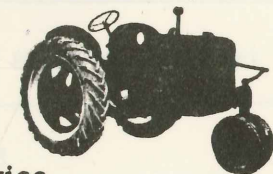
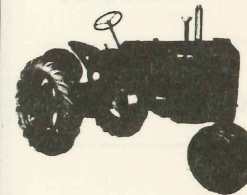
Bart. C. Fulton - Circuit Clerk and Officio  
Recorder of Deeds



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