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## PETTIS FAMILY WERE OLD SETTLERS HERE

FOR OVER HALF CENTURY

Held Number of Official Positions in Village; C. W. Pettis Early Deerfield Arrival

Strong characters frequently leave their memory, influence and work in a community for several generations. Such a man was Charles William Pettis, the "Judge Pettis" of Deerfield for over half a century. Born in Barrington, Center, Illinois, January 25, 1849, of American Revolutionary English, and "Penny-Penn" Dutch ancestry, his father was John Pettis of Old Saddle Bow Mountain, North Adams Massachusetts, and his mother was Susan Helen Suits of Wampsville, (between Syracuse and Oneida) New York. The name of the maternal family had been Van Stijts, in Holland, but the Van had been dropped in the process of Americanization. John Pettis and Susan Suits were married in the Dickinson tavern on Milwaukee avenue in what is now Irving Park, and the eighty-six year old brick building of generous Colonial proportions, is the oldest brick house still standing in Chicago. The oldest wooden house is the Bickerdyke house in the city. Mrs. Lucene Lowell, who was Clara Dickinson, now seventy-eight years of age, manages her own estate, and still maintains the big residence, with its quaint antique furniture, in spite of the encroachment of business houses and apartment buildings, which completely surround her irregularly shaped two acre tract, set upon a terraced elevation that simulates a safety island, in its isolation.

The two big parlors in the home that served for the living rooms of the family, except on the occasion of big dances, when they were thrown open to the guests, remain intact. The bar room is now a huge library, and the cabinet that once held fancy glass bottle of rye, whiskey, gin, peppermint, wine, etc. (some of the bottles Mrs. Lowell now retains as mementoes of a past hospitality) is now filled with books. The large fireplace still stands in the big kitchen, which is larger than some of the little apartments in a building that Arthur Dickinson has built across the street from the paternal estate, called the Portage Park apartments. The brick oven in the tavern was walled in when coal ranges took the place of fireplaces, for the huge chimney let down too much cold air into the room. The more modern heating arrangements left no place for sentiment in the retention of an artistic primitive fireplace, that many architects are copying in the building of large present day homes. However the fireplace in the library remains, and continues to send out a warm glow on cool October days.

The stone door step leading into this big room is worn deep with the steps of the travelers who have crossed it in over three quarters of a century. At the time that Chester Dickinson bought the tavern over eighty years ago (when he came from a large estate in Holyoke, Mass.) it had been occupied for 4 years by another innkeeper named Salisbury. Many large social affairs were held in the huge upper rooms that was a ball-room. When a big party was to be given the host came out from Chicago to make reservations, then word was sent to Chicago that no guests could be accommodated with sleeping quarters on that particular night. Each host brought his own musicians. Many sleigh rides parties stopped there.

The requirements of guests in those days were not as exacting as they are today, for rows of double beds were set up in the ball room, and it was necessary for two men to sleep in each bed. Frequently travelers who met as strangers the night of their arrival, left as firm friends the morning of their departure. A butler and two maids were kept for the living quarters, and two men in the bar room. This tavern was considered to be the best one this side of the Fox river. It has an oak frame with oak pins, and if the bricks should be blown off the frame would still remain. The house has resisted several tornadoes. The windows in the parlor are similar to the ones in Shakespeare's house in England with their wide window seats. "Barn after barn" was built to take care of the horses of the farmers who stopped there on their way to and from Chicago, also to put under shelter their loads of produce. One of the Snell toll gates was near the Dickinson tavern. The roads were made of wide heavy oak planks long enough to accommodate the broadest wagon, and the courtesy of the road permitted the man with the heavier load to occupy the plank road, if two wagons met, while the less heavily laden

## INTEREST MANIFEST IN P. T. A. MEETING

That the fathers as well as the mothers are interested in the Parent-Teacher association was evidenced by the large attendance at the October meeting held in the library on Friday evening.

A delightful patriotic pageant, "The Spirit of Old Glory" opened the program. It was presented by the pupils of the sixth grade under the direction of their teacher, Miss Leona Evans.

Following is the cast of characters: Columbus—Shirley Clark. Colonial Father—David Stryker. First Colonial Boy—Edwin Wood. Second Colonial Boy—Junior St. mons. Language Club Boy—Neil Browne. Second Language Club Boy—Robert Hatch. Language Club Girl—Elizabeth Howard.

Health Crusaders, Clean-Up Club—Eugene Gloden, Walter Tom, Irene Sanders, Evelyn Kent, Dorothy Vetter, Anita Mitchell, Mamie Tuma, Ida Sticken, Lillian Berg, Eleanor Bruggman, Catherine Cunningham, Virginia Reeb.

First Clean-Up Boy—Clifford Stanger. Second Clean-Up Boy—Robert Van Treuren. Third Clean-Up Boy—Duncan Reeds. First Boy Scout—Harold Huhn. Second Boy Scout—Robert Brunner. School Teacher—Marie Berg. Farmer—Wallace Gastfield. Minister—Robert Steinhaus. Spirit of the Flag—Jean Pettis.

Others who assisted Miss Evans in the production were Edgely Todd, an eighth grader who presided at the piano, Robert Brunner from the seventh grade who played well the role of the second boy scout and Miss Hill and the grammar school orchestra.

Following the children's program, Mr. Bates, principal of the school gave a very comprehensive talk on "The Boy Problem in the Home." He said most of the children who are considered as disciplinary problem children in school are more or less problem children in the home and he based his discussion on methods of governing children before they become of school age.

Every parent should be firm and the following rules laid down for punishment in school could very well be adopted by parents:

- 1—Never lose your head or temper.
- 2—Make up your mind beforehand exactly what you will and will not allow.
- 3—Make it perfectly clear what your standard is.
- 4—Always appear to take it for granted that you will get what you want.
- 5—Having said what you will do, do not change your mind if it can possibly be avoided.
- 6—Never let a boy off from kindness of heart.
- 7—Never threaten vaguely or indulge in general declamations.
- 8—Do not grumble or implore.
- 9—Do not always be nagging.
- 10—Never let a boy argue about his punishment. If he approaches you in the proper way, listen to what he has to say and make him see that you desire to be reasonable, but never embark upon an altercation, never punish in anger.

The government that teach ought to have the following qualities:

- 1—The discipline should be thoroughly in harmony with child-nature in general and suited to the age and development of the particular child in question.
- 2—It should appeal to the higher motives and to the higher motives alone.
- 3—It should develop kindness, helpfulness and sympathy.
- 4—It should never use weapons which would tend to lower the child's self-respect.

Mr. Bates concluded his talk by saying no one form of management is infallible or universal in application. The parent himself must take each child, each case and each remedy separately and study each and all before he prescribes from his moral medicine cabinet.

The customary count of the parents concluded the evening's program with the following results: Kindergarten 10, first 17, first A 2, second 11, third, 15, fourth 16, fifth 12, sixth 30, seventh 24, and eighth 15, which awarded the two dollar prize to the sixth grade.

Mr. William Geary, member of the board and president of the Deerfield public library, announced that a large number of very fine books had been purchased for the library and would arrive shortly. He also urged parents to visit the library on Wednesday afternoon or evening, or Saturday afternoon.

## MRS. E. HORENBERGER DIES IN CALIFORNIA

Old Deerfield Resident Passes Away Sunday; Funeral Held Today

Early Saturday morning word was received of the death of Mrs. Emilia Horenberger, which occurred Friday, Oct. 14, at the home her niece, Mrs. Leslie Booth, in Hollywood, Calif.

Mrs. Horenberger, who was 71 years old and had spent nearly a half century in Deerfield, during which time she made many warm friends, departed February 10, 1926 to spend her declining years with her niece in sunny California.

While Mrs. Horenberger had grown somewhat feeble in the last few years she was apparently in good health up to a month ago when she suffered a stroke of apoplexy.

Mrs. Emilia LePetit Horenberger was born in Wheeling, Ill., May 25, 1856, where she spent her early life. In 1879 she married John Horenberger and they made their home in Deerfield on Deerfield avenue in the Charles Mau house, which at that time was next to the Duffy home. Later they built the brick house now owned by Miss Sadie Gallaway. They had two children Elmer and Harry. Elmer was born March 25, 1880 and died August 12, 1880. Harry was born July 5, 1885, and died July 20, 1896.

Following the death of Mr. Horenberger May 1, 1918, Mrs. Horenberger sold her home to the late James Gallaway and moved into an apartment on Waukegan road in which she lived about two years. Prior to her departure for Hollywood, Mrs. Horenberger had lived at the Carl Lange and Fred Horenberger homes.

Mrs. Horenberger was a faithful member of St. Paul's Evangelical church and an active member of the Ladies' Aid Society.

Funeral services will be held at St. Paul's Evangelical church at two o'clock Thursday afternoon and burial in Deerfield cemetery with the Rev. Piepenbrok officiating.

## FIRE DEPARTMENT CALLED OUT TWICE

Turner Home Destroyed Sunday; Slight Day; Slight Damage in Scavuzzo Building

The Deerfield Volunteer Fire department was summoned twice during the week.

Monday afternoon fire broke out in the basement of the Scavuzzo barber shop on Deerfield avenue, but was quickly extinguished and not much damage was done.

Fire completely destroyed the Turner home on Greenwood avenue, about 1:30 o'clock Sunday morning. Mr. Hastings, a neighbor, discovered the fire which had gained considerable headway and sent in the alarm. The fire was of unknown origin and it proved almost a complete loss to the family as it was only partially covered by insurance.

## FINANCIAL CAMPAIGN FOR BOY SCOUT FUND

On last Tuesday evening the committee in charge of the two Boy Scout troops of Deerfield met at the home of Mr. Jesse Strong and financial needs were discussed and in conjunction with the North Shore council it was decided to have a financial campaign from October 18 to 25. The committee, composed of about fifteen prominent citizens, will make a house to house canvass for funds. They are confident, as well as very sure, the Deerfield people will respond generously. Everyone is well acquainted with the Boy Scout movement which is endorsed and supported by the finest people in the land.

Many unsuccessful attempts have been made to raise money for the local boys which however did not discourage them and this time with a well organized committee they feel sure it will prove a huge success.

## DEERFIELD O. E. S. GIVES HALLOWEEN DANCE

An interesting affair scheduled for Saturday evening, Oct. 22, sponsored by the Deerfield O. E. S. is a Harvest and Halloween dance to be given in the Masonic temple. The guests are requested to appear in costume appropriate for the harvest and Halloween season and prizes will be awarded for the most attractive.

Card games will be arranged for those who do not care to dance and the makers of high scores will be awarded prizes. Refreshments will be served. A five piece orchestra will provide the music. Plan to attend.

## CAMP FIRE GIRLS TO HAVE COUNCIL FIRE

The Tatapoochin group of Camp Fire girls met at the school Tuesday for a brief business meeting.

It was decided to have a council fire some Saturday not far off. The parts were given out by the guardian, Mrs. Gunckel. A new secretary was elected. Plans were discussed for a play to be given in the winter.

## DEERFIELD LIBRARY RECEIVES MANY BOOKS

The Deerfield Public library is much pleased with the way their circulation is growing. New books are constantly being added.

Following is a list of the new books for adults which have been received this week:

"Julia," De la Roche; "Grandmothers," Westcott; "Canary Murder Case," Van Dine; "Aristocratic Miss Brewster," Lincoln; "Barberry Bush," K. Norris; "Lights Up," Grace Richmond; "Small Bachelor," Woodhouse; "Mother Knows Best," Ferber; "Smoky," Latimer; "Death Comes to the Archbishop," Cather.

As you no doubt know, the library of Deerfield has no established income, so we must depend on the generosity and good fellowship of the citizens to assist in its management.

Below is a list of ladies who are being asked to act as chaperone one afternoon a month at the library from 2 to 5 p. m. The date following name is the date selected for her to serve. If it is impossible for her to serve that date it would be appreciated greatly if she would arrange to send a substitute. If neither is possible kindly communicate or phone Mrs. Chester Wolf. If she does not write or phone to the contrary it will be assumed she has accepted.

Mrs. Wm. A. Carmon, Oct. 8; Mrs. Bruce Blaine, Oct. 12; Mrs. W. W. Geary, Oct. 15; Mrs. Frank F. Burdoughs, Oct. 19; Mrs. Carl E. Friedland, Oct. 22; Mrs. G. Clouse, Oct. 26; Mrs. Loretta M. Heman, Oct. 29; Mrs. W. J. Desmond, Nov. 2; Mrs. R. L. Johnson, Nov. 5; Mrs. Eugene Ender, Nov. 9; Mrs. R. R. Knaak, Nov. 12; Mrs. M. A. Frantz, Nov. 16; Mrs. Arthur Merner, Nov. 19; Mrs. C. W. Getty, Nov. 23; Mrs. Carl E. Olson, Nov. 26; Mrs. Seth M. Gooder, Nov. 30; Mrs. Ed. H. Selig, Dec. 3; Mrs. Clarence Huhn, Dec. 7; Mrs. Ross Sherman, Dec. 10; Mrs. Geo. D. Richards, Dec. 14; Mrs. Julia Smith, Dec. 17; Mrs. Sam Rokenbach, Dec. 21; Mrs. Thilo H. Toll, Dec. 24; Mrs. Jas.

## VALUE OF VISITING DAYS AT HIGH SCHOOL

The visiting days for parents of students in Deerfield-Shields high school is planned to bring the parents to school in order that they may see some of the problems that confront their children, and to be in a better position to understand the conditions that face their children in attending a modern, large high school.

The parents of the freshmen will go to school with their children and attend classes with them.

The other classes are given a holiday upon this occasion. School instead of beginning at 8:30 o'clock in the morning will commence at two o'clock in the afternoon, so that the luncheon period comes at about the time of the father home. This gives the fathers an opportunity to spend the latter part of the day at school which occurs after the evening meal, and also gives the parents a chance to eat in the school cafeteria with their children.

No special program is put on in school on this day. The regular routine takes place in order that parents may see the school as it is ordinarily.

The absence of the upper classes makes it possible to use the larger class rooms on these occasions, and although the rooms are crowded with parents and children, the contact is delightful for parents and teachers.

At the close of the day the parents go to the auditorium for assembly where the principal talks on some subject related to school life.

This program will be repeated later on for the parents of the children in the upper classes.

New Trier high school has this same plan and also has a Parents' Day when the parents go to school and the children stay at home. On this occasion as before, the school be-

gins at two o'clock in afternoon and runs into the evening. The periods are shortened one half hour each. At this time the teacher takes the opportunity to discuss the curriculum, especially in connection with home study. Parents of new students are encouraged to ask questions and discuss any problems that they may have in their mip's with respect to that particular class or subject. This is a fruitful experience for both parents and teachers.

## MANY TO ATTEND CONVENTION OCT. 27

The Lake county convention of the Royal Neighbor camps of America will be held in the Masonic temple on Sheridan road, Waukegan, Thursday, Oct. 27. An interesting program has been arranged for the day and there will be three sessions, one in the morning, starting at 10:30; an afternoon session at 1:30; and the evening one at 7:30.

This date is the regular meeting night of the local camp and in order to allow as many members as possible to attend the convention the meeting will be dispensed with. Mrs. Henry Jurend, oracle, is very anxious to have a large representation from Deerfield.

Many who are planning to attend will take the bus to Highland Park and the North Shore Line to Waukegan. For those who intend to be at the morning session it will be necessary to take the 8:45 bus.

## WHO WANT COPIES OF DEERFIELD HISTORY

In order to ascertain how many copies of the History of Deerfield will be desired by the people living in and outside of Deerfield, will any wishing one or more copies please write his or her name and address on a post card and send it to the chairman of the history committee, Bruce Blaine, Deerfield, Ill., at once.

Deerfield Post of the American Legion will publish the book free.



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