

### INTERESTING HISTORY OF CAROLAN FAMILY

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carried home a sack of flour on her back. She can easily be pictured as a model for the statues of the Pioneer mother now being erected on the highway to the Pacific coast. She always took in the wayfarer and tramp and fed him. Even wandering groups of Indians sometimes received bounty at her hands. She died quite suddenly at the age of fifty-five years.

John Carolan started to work on the farm very young while Patrick Carolan, the father, retired from active labor and devoted his time to reading, study and politics. He held various offices in the township, and the records in Waukegan still bear evidences of his scholarly mind and penmanship. He died at the age of 62 and he and his wife are both buried in St. Patrick's cemetery at Everett, where a white marble shaft marks their resting place.

Mary Carolan married John Kehoe in 1879 and went to live in Waukegan, and to them were born seven children, four sons and three daughters all of whom are living. Thomas Kehoe is district manager for the Standard Oil Company in Portland, Oregon. John Kehoe and Moses Kehoe are druggists and own their own drug stores. Joseph Kehoe is private secretary to Samuel Insull, president of the Commonwealth Edison and Public Service Company.

Two daughters are married, Mrs. Thomas McGreal of Waukegan and Mrs. Matt Atkinson of Lake Bluff. Miss Loretta Kehoe teaches in the Waukegan public schools. Mr. Kehoe died in 1900. He was a famous barn builder and hundreds of barns still standing in Lake county are testimonials to his skill. Mrs. Kehoe lives in Waukegan and takes a keen interest in public and social work, does her own house work and is surprisingly active in physique and intellect for a woman of her advanced years. She has seventeen grandchildren.

Thos. Carolan left the farm about 1882 and went to Chicago where he worked for the U. S. Express Company for more than thirty-five years. He married Mary Bradley of Rondout, about 1898 and had one son, who died in infancy. Mrs. Carolan died about a year ago and Mr. Carolan divides his time between Chicago in summer, looking after his property in Chicago, and California in the winter. In Pasadena, there is quite a colony of former Deerfield people including, Bess Carolan (Moran) one of John Carolan's daughters, with whom he makes his home while out west. Mr. Thomas Carolan is now about 78 years old and one of the few remaining, from the second generation of early settlers. He is in good health and gets a great thrill out of life.

John Carolan married Elizabeth Margrady, of Chicago, in 1881. She was Chicago bred and knew little of farm life, being small of stature and not robust. One of the neighbors remarked, soon after her arrival in Deerfield, that all she could do was to cut butter with a hot knife, but it didn't take her long to show them. Educated in the Sacred Heart convent, in Chicago and a fine musician, she soon organized a choir in St. Patrick's church, in which she took an active part until a few years ago, when her daughters grew up into the choir, and at one time the Carolan family comprised the whole choir. Mrs. Carolan also was a fine needlewoman and set the fashion with the dresses and hats that came from her skillful hands. Not only for her own family, but for many of the neighbors. In those days when a death occurred, people couldn't rush off to Chicago on the next train and purchase suitable mourning millinery, so Mrs. Carolan was the stand by. Often sitting up most of the night making mourning bonnets and hats for several women in a family. She also was a good cook.

As we mentioned before the twelve children of John and Elizabeth Carolan first saw light of day in the old log house. They soon overflowed the premises and after several additions had been built, a large 14 room house was built about 25 years ago.

One son, Thomas died in infancy and John J. Carolan was killed in an accident on March 28, 1925, at the age of 30 years. It was a terrible shock to the family and community. Cut down in the flower of his youth, it was almost unbelievable. He left a young wife and two babies. His death was an especially hard blow to his brother William P. Carolan with whom he was a partner in the drainage business, and who continues to conduct the business. Wm. P. Carolan is married to Florence C. Pfister, and they reside in Highland Park, and Mrs. Elizabeth Carolan makes her home with them.

There are nine Carolan daughters. Something rather unusual to find so many girls in one family. Five of them were school teachers three, Margaret, Florence and Beatrice now living in Chicago and teaching there. Molly Carolan Pfister has four children and lives in Deerfield. Isabelle Carolan McCaffrey lives in Highland Park. She has 3 children, Frances Carolan Barrett living in Wheeling has one son. Grace Carolan Sullivan has one daughter and she and Agnes Carolan Tulley live in Chicago. Bess Carolan Moran lives in Pasadena, Calif., she has two children.

The Carolan family, true to their ancestors, took an active part in the social life of the community. Most of them graduated from the Deerfield Township High School. They were musicians and took a leading part in the amateur theatricals and entertainments in and around Deerfield and Everett. Bess, Beatrice, Florence, Grace and Margaret taught in the neighborhood in the Everett, Half Day, Highwood, North Chicago, and Wilnot schools.

The Carolan home was the center of amusement for the country round even when they lived in the "old house," when they were about the only people who had a hardwood floor in their kitchen and a piano in the "front room." A crowd would descend on them on Saturday night, move the kitchen range out into the yard and dance all the old-fashioned dances till the wee sma' hours. The music being furnished by John and Charlie Horenberger or the Hinterbergs, who with their fiddles sawed out such tunes as "Turkey in the straw" "Irish Washerwoman" "Little Brown Jug," etc.

It is only fit that we close this chronicle with a tribute to John Carolan. He was a man of unusual character and personality, and his influence was felt and known for miles around. He held the office of Commissioner of Highways for nearly forty years and many of the splendid roads in West Deerfield Township bear testimony of his ability as a road builder. When the new state road, Waukegan Road, was to be built through Deerfield, and further north, he was the man, who suggested to the surveyors and engineers the idea of building a new road on the west side of the R. R. North of Deerfield, known as Sack's crossing, to Everett, a distance of about 3 1/2 miles, thus avoiding two dangerous railroad crossings and several curves. This plan was followed out by the engineers and speaks for itself today. If the town ever considers a name for that particular stretch of road, it should in all sincerity be called Carolan Road or Drive, as a monument to John Carolan.

Mr. Carolan passed away in his 75th year after a short illness, and rests in St. Patrick's cemetery. He was a democrat spelled, with both a capital and small letter, and stuck to his own convictions even, when it sometimes caused enmities. But his was such a character that he could not abide anything that smacked of dishonesty or underhandedness, and he did not hesitate to say so. But he had many warm and sincere friendships and his funeral was a confirmation of this fact. Some old neighbors coming more than two hundred miles. The Reverend Thos Quinn

eulogized him and an old friend, extending condolences to the family, described him as a true type of Irish gentleman and scholar.

Although Patrick Carolan the founder of this family had several brothers who were supposed to have come to the United States. The family never were able to trace any of them. The name is a rather rare and interesting one.

Margaret F. Carolan traced the genealogy of the family in a history of Ireland and found that the name was of Spanish origin. To quote the history it reads thus, "When the Spanish Armada was wrecked off the coast of England and Ireland in 1488, many of the ship wrecked Spanish sailors found comfort and solace in the homes of the Irish people. The black hair, and the black eyes shining in many an Irish face, bear proof of this. And many names such as deValera, who was the first President of the Irish Republic, Costello, and Carolan are undoubtedly of Spanish origin."

Patrick Carolan traced his ancestry back to O'Carolan, the famous Irish bard.

#### WILL OF LATE TOWN CLERK SCHUMANN FILED

Will of the late Town Clerk, William A. Schumann, North Chicago, has been admitted to probate by Judge Martin C. Decker in probate court. All property of the estimated value of \$10,000 real estate and \$10,000 personal given to wife, Katherine M. Schumann. Letters testamentary issued to Katherine M. Schumann. Bond of \$20,000.

Other proceedings of the court of interest here are reported as follows: Bertha E. Walker, Lake Forest, final report approved. Estate closed.

Edmund Russell Dawson, minor, Lake Forest, first report and account approved.

Fanny Day Farwell, Lake Forest, final report approved, estate closed.

Robert H. McElwee, Lake Forest, executors authorized to sell certain assets.

Thomas H. Cowles, Lake Forest, claim of Continental & Commercial bank allowed for \$95,359.70.

Lawrence R. Dawson, minor, Lake Forest, first report and account approved.

Thomas H. Cowles, Lake Forest, Claims of Alfred Cowles allowed for \$3,774.86.

Constantine Pappadimitrakopolos recently filed papers in the courts at Newark, N. J., seeking citizenship. We suggest that the court have him change his surname to "piline" for the sake of brevity.

#### DEERFIELD GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

New pupils in Deerfield Grammar School this week are: William Larsen, Kindergarten, Clyde Schoonover, 1B and Oliver Burns, 1A.

As a part of the health program each child in Deerfield Grammar School is weighed once every two months and his weight is recorded and compared with the weight for a normal child of his age. Parents may ascertain from the room teacher, just how any particular child rates.

The following children in Room 1B have gone to the dentist this year: Sylvia Johnson, Ralph Willens, James Kilcoyne, Elva Bollie, Billie Steiner, Harold Mae, John Willens, Richard Paulson, James Olendorf, Betty Krause, Lorryne Plagge.

Mrs. F. Stanger, Mrs. C. Freidlund, Mrs. J. Smith, Miss I. Knaak, Mrs. J. Meyers, Mrs. Wm. Galloway, Mrs. E. Frost, Mrs. C. Huhn, Mrs. A. Deck and Miss Wilson visited the school this week.

Miss Vivian Haggie is assisting Miss Lidgerwood in Grade 2A and B. Miss Haggie is doing this work as part of her cadet training from Northwestern university.

"When a bit of sunshine hits you, After passing of a cloud, When a fit of laughter gets you, And your spine is feeling proud— Don't forget to up and fling it At a soul that's feeling blue, For the minute that you sling it, It's a boomerang to you." —Cap't Jack Crawford.

#### FAIL TO AGREE UPON HIGHWAY PETITION

About 25 interested residents of Zion and Winthrop Harbor met Friday evening at the Winthrop Harbor village hall to take up the question of the wording of a petition to be circulated regarding the location of State Highway No. 173.

After more than an hour of heated discussion, the group broke up without any compromise being reached. It is believed that another meeting will be held this week.

#### WAUKEGAN MAY GET NEW POST OFFICE

Budget Measure Includes Appropriation of \$335,000 for Site Purchase

The formality of passing the \$335,000 for the proposed new Waukegan postoffice has not yet been

complied with plans will be rushed shortly, it is believed, in gaining a site for the government building. The passage of the budget measure will take place this session of congress, Congressman Carl Chindblom assures.

The government and the school board, it is expected, will enter into negotiations which will probably result in the taking over of the Central school site for the new postoffice and federal office building. This is considered the most logical site and the government has its eye on it.

An up-to-date automobile manufacturer is one who can make two cylinders grow where one blossomed before.

A noted English scientist says that man is going eventually to evolve into a toothless race. Then what is going to become of all these bright young men who are taking up dentistry?

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## A word of explanation and an apology

SO GREAT was the response to the first announcement of our Annual February Footwear Sale, that many of our popular lines for this event were sold out, within the first few days, leaving so little selection that it was necessary to cancel our scheduled sale advertising.

Not to disappoint the many who still desire to take advantage of this well-known February selling, we are offering a discount on all regular lines in the store. Selections are excellent—but, we are obliged to limit the time to Saturday, the eighteenth, instead of February 29, in anticipation of continued demand.

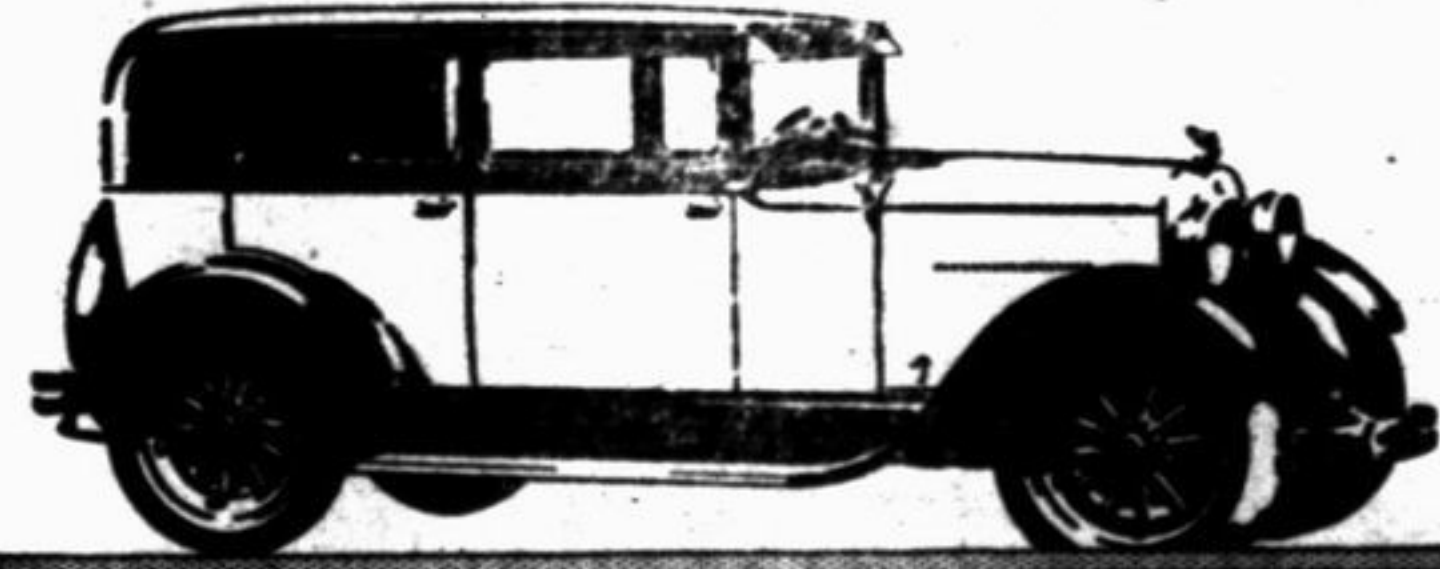
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