

From an Advertisement from 1959 Wagon Trails (Mooresville High School Yearbook)



Harvey Funeral Home (Late 1960s)





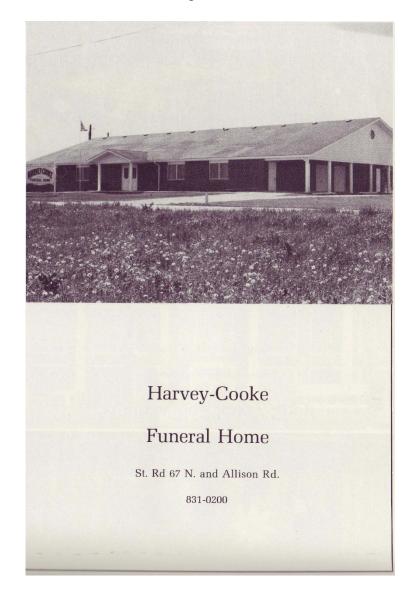
John Dillinger's body being unloaded at Harvey Funeral Home (July 1934)



John Dillinger's body at Harvey Funeral Home (July 25, 1934)



Advertisements from 1972-1973 (above) and 1973-1974 (below) Wagon Trails (Mooresville High School Yearbook)





Elmer Harvey established Mooresville's second funeral chapel in 1925 on the southeast corner of Washington and N. Indiana sts. The firm then had three major developments. Elmer moved the business in

Elmer moved the business in 1931 to a 16 room house at 5 E, Harrison st. Mooresville's expanded growth demanded larger quarters for the firm. The new location was also large enough to be used as residence for the Harvey family.

Second, Elmer's sons, Aldrich, who had already had his embalmer's license for 13 years, bought a partnership with his father in 1945. Father and son meant more growth, In 1949 both viewing room and chapel were added to the front of the house. Six years later Elmer Harvey retired, leaving sole operation to his son.

Aldrich managed the business alone for ll years until he began to look for a partner. Paul Cooke, a mortician in Logansport and Peru and graduate of I.U. School of Mortuary Science, joined Harvey's Funeral Service in 1965 and became a partner a year and a half later. Mr. and Mrs. Cooke and their two sons now occupy the residential section of the house. The house, built by Fred Likely's father in 1879, has a

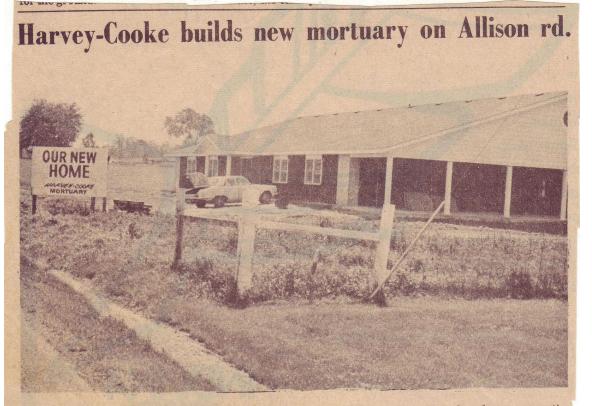
The house, built by Fred Likely's father in 1879, has a large casket-display room upstairs. Here too are facsimilies of massive protective vaults of concrete or steel with thick copper lining weighing 3,000 pounds and costing over \$1,000. Wood, fiberglass and metal caskets are available.

kets are available. Harvey provided the funeral service with a parking lot in 1959 by tearing down an old barn behind the house.

The firm has two ambulances, Ford station wagon and Cadillac, both air-conditioned and outfitted with complete emergency equipment.

Mrs. Leon Lewis, with Harvey's since 1955, is the chapel organist, John Carney is special assistant for the firm.

Above are Aldrich Harvey, seated, Paul Cooke, left, and John Carney. 125



Harvey-Cooke funeral home plans an August or September move to their new chapel on Allison road just east of Grace Missionary church.

The firm has been operating at

the corner of Harrison and Indiana streets for many years and will have a coffee lounge and additional parking at the new structure.

The colonial-style building will June 21-1973

have two chapels, a preparation room, lounge and office.

Aldrich Harvey and Paul Cooke are owners of the firm started by Aldrich's father, Friday Harvey.

Mooresville Times, June 21, 1973 (Above)

Mooresville Times, September 6, 1973 (Right)

New Mortuary To Greet Public

Harvey-Cooke has moved from their downtown Mooresville location into a new funeral home at State Road 67 north and Allison Road next to Grace Missionary Church.

Paul Cooke announced an open house this Saturday and Sunday afternoon and evening. Favors will be given to everyone with the public invited. Cooke asked that if anyone could not come either of these days they are welcome to come any time.

The firm was formerly located on Indiana Street, where it had been since 1925. Cooke has had the firm for the past eight years, changing the name from Harvey Funeral Home to Harvey-Cooke Funeral Home this past January.

Cooke pointed out that among the many features they have three large chapels and a lounge plus ample parking.





THE HARVEY-COOKE FUNERAL HOME in Mooresville, owned by Paul and Barbara Cooke, moved into this new building Wednesday. The new location is at Allison Road and State Road 67 north. Founded in 1925 by E. F. Harvey, the funeral home moved into the location at Indiana and Harrison streets in 1931. Aldridge Harvey joined his father in 1935 and became a partner in the firm in 1945. E. F. Harvey retired in 1954. Mr. and Mrs. Cooke, who are natives of

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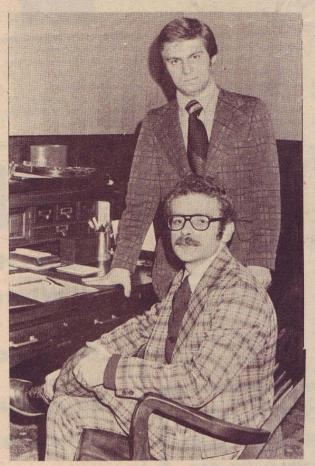
Logansport, purchased the business in 1965. They are the parents of two sons, Mark, who is in the service in Germany, and 11-year-old Chad, who is at home. The new facility is 104 ft. x 60 ft., and includes two large chapels, a display room which can be made into a third chapel and a lounge. The building is total electric and has central air conditioning. The parking lot will accommodate 150 cars.

Reporter \$ /3-75

Martinsville Reporter, August 3, 1973

Jen Harvey-Cooke home now Jones Family Mortuary

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Jerry Jones (seated above) and nephew Jeffrey Jones (standing) have purchased the Harvey-Cooke funeral home on Allison rd. The Jones familyowned corporation would like to thank many businessmen in Mooresville for their cooperation in their recent transfers.

Both Jerry and Jeff are 1970 graduates of Decatur Central high school and graduates of the Indiana College of Mortuary Science. They both are married and enjoy their horses which they have boarded near Mooresville.

Jerry is a vice-president of Marwood Optimist club and married to the former Anita White, a daughter of the Decatur school superintendent. He has worked at four funeral homes and served as office manager. He was president of Pi Sigma Eta fraternity while in school and lives at 22 E. High st.

Jeff is a former manager of an Indianapolis mortuary and married to Lori Jones, formerly of Plainfield. He attended Indiana State University and is a member of West Newton Masonic Lodge, Irvington Kiwanis and Marwood Optimist clubs. He will be moving to the home at the rear of the mortuary.

The family purchased the home from Paul Cooke who has purchased a home on E. Main st. The chapel was built two years ago after being moved from the Harrison and Indiana street location where it was founded by Friday Harvey and later operated by his son, Aldrich.

Both Jeff and Jerry are familiar with all types of for funeral customs denominations and fraternal organizations. They are members of the Mooresville Chamber of Commerce.

Mooresville Times, January 16, 1975

CHAPTER FOURTEEN York & Overton Store 20-18 South Indiana Street (1890s)

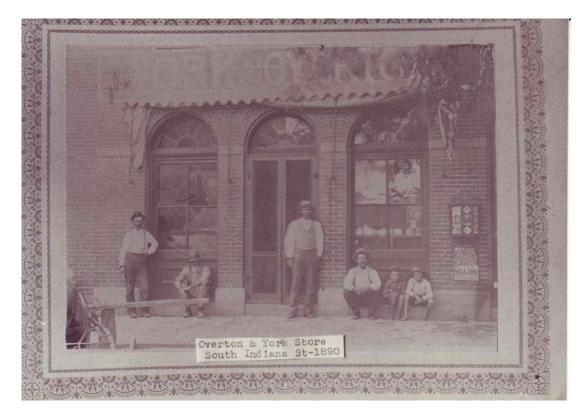


Figure 1. York & Overton store, 1890s, at 20-18 South Indiana Street.

In the 1890s the *York & Overton* store (see sign on building for order of names, contrary to the picture caption, in *Figure 1*) was located along South Indiana Street in downtown Mooresville. The exact address was not indicated on the photograph, however, but, upon closer inspection, the likely location was 20-18 South Indiana Street.

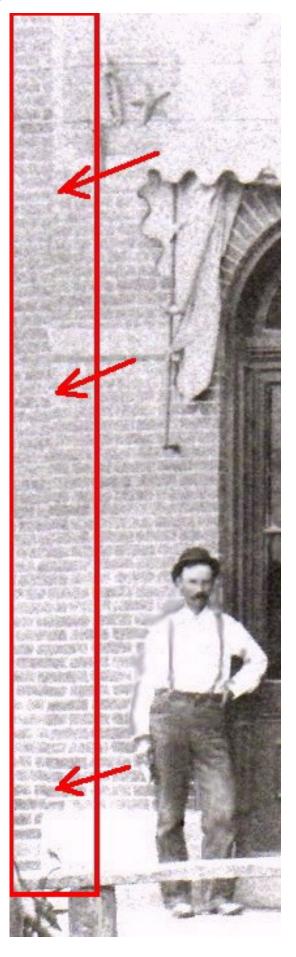


Figure 2. A. H. Sellars dry goods store, 1880s, at 20-18 South Indiana Street. Reprinted from Richardson, Clara S. History of Mooresville, 1824-1974 (Dickinson Printing Co., 1974), at p. 23.

During the 1880s A. H. Sellars operated a dry good store in this two-story building (at 20-18 South Indiana Street). As can be seen in the photograph (*Figure 2, above*) taken from the *Martinsville Daily Reporter*, Dec. 8, 1972, two of the three tall front windows, with the semicircular, sunrise-style windows on top, are visible, and the vertical indentation in the brick to the left of those windows plainly appears. This line can just be seen in the photo from page one (*see Figures 3A-3D*).

The two-story building at 20-18 South Indiana Street was constructed *circa* 1880, probably by A. H. Sellars. In the 1890s York & Overton apparently ran their combination grocery/dry goods/hardware store there. Advertisements from the *Mooresville Guide* in December, 1893 and January, 1894 discussed some of York & Overton's product lines (*see Figures 4A-4B*).

In 1900 J. H. Britton's "cash store" (*see Figure 5*) began selling groceries at this location. Britton ran the business here until his death in 1929.

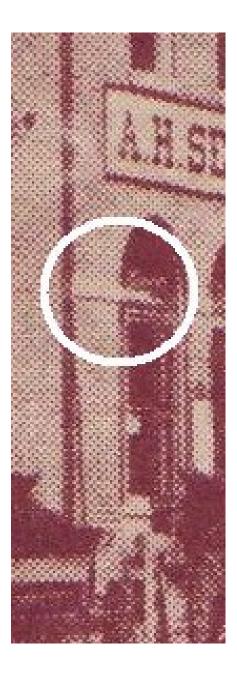


Figures 3A & 3B. Indentation showing the brick setback in the 1890 York & Overton store photo (left), which corresponds to the setback visible in the A. H. Sellars 1880s

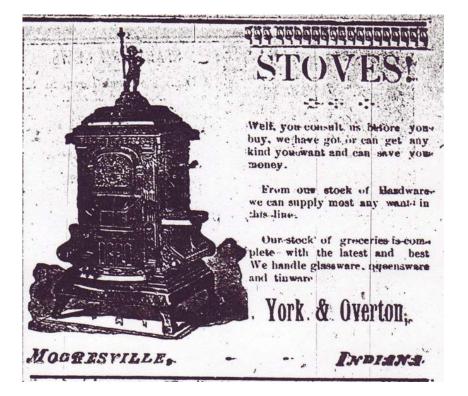
photo (below, right).



Figures 3C & 3D. Notice the concrete lentil running horizontally from the windows to the brick setback, which matches in both pictures



Holiciays are past. But we are still in business at the same place. We are prepared to turnish the public with everything in the Grocery line. Also Hardware, Stoves etc. N. B. Making and reparing tin. were a specialty. Give us a call. YORK & OVERTON. Figures 4A & 4B. Advertisements from the Mooresville Guide, Dec. 22, 1893, p. 4, and Jan. 5, 1894, p. 4, for York & Overton. Note that no address is given. In a small town like Mooresville in the 1890s, everyone knows where everybody does business. An address would have been considered an extravagant, superfluous advertising expense.



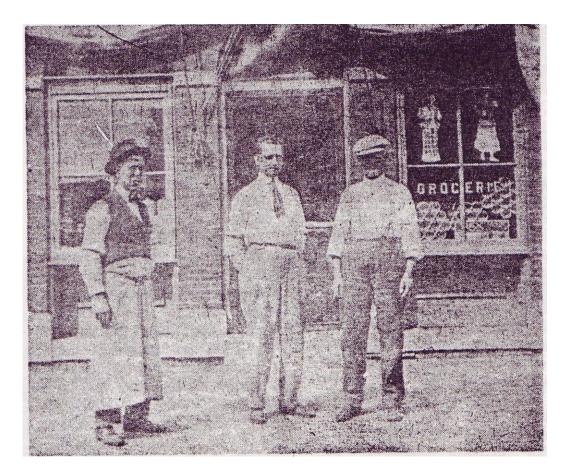


Figure 5. Britton's "cash store" grocery (1900-1929). J. H. Britton (right) stands with sonin-law Horace Hadley (center) and brother Robert Britton (left), who helped J. H. with the store. Horace ran Hadley's restaurant, which was located two buildings to the north in the Lindley Block (on the corner of Indiana and Main Streets). The Lindley Block was destroyed by fire on December 27, 1925. Photo excerpted from Hardin, Rebecca. Morgan County Scrapbook, Vol. 1 (Morgan County History & Genealogy Association, Inc., 1985, reprinted 1996), at p. 297.

After 1929, Walter Smitherman's Hatcheries occupied the building at 20-18 South Indiana Street. In 1950, Harold Copeland purchased the site. Copeland also owned the building next door (to the north) at 16 South Indiana Street, and he removed the interior walls separating the two structures and combined the space for his appliance business, which operated there until 1974 (*see Figure 6*). Thereafter, the building was converted into office space. When Copeland conducted business there, 16 South Indiana Street was a two-story structure; sometime between the late 1970s and 1985, the second story was removed (*compare Figures 6-7*).



Figure 6. Copeland Appliance Store (circa 1970) at 20-18-16 South Indiana Street.

20-18-16 South Indiana Street (May 2008)



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Figure 7 shows the 2008 appearance of 20-18-16 South Indiana Street. Notice that today's one-story building at 16 South Indiana Street was a two-story when Copeland Appliance Store was there between 1950-1974 (*see Figures 6-7*). Notice, too, the white star between the first and second stories of the building (left side, near the brick setback) (*see Figure 7A*) and compare that with the 1890 York & Overton photo (*see Figure 7B*).



Figures 7A & 7B. The current building (left) shows a white star in relation to the brick setback, concrete lentil, and window, which was changed during renovations when J. H. Britton owned his "cash store" (1900-1929). In the 1890 York & Overton photo (below, right), the star, brick setback, lentil, and window show the same positional relationship to one another.



CHAPTER FIFTEEN Northeast Corner Changes

In 1824, <u>Samuel Moore</u> constructed his general store on the northeast corner of the intersection of Indiana and Main Streets in downtown Mooresville. Let's see how that corner has changed over the years.

Situated on the northeast corner were the following:

- Samuel Moore's general store (1824-1869);
- First <u>I.O.O.F.</u> building (1869-1881);
- Second I.O.O.F. building (1881-1989);
- Paul Hadley <u>memorial park</u> (1990-2017);
- Mooresville <u>Bicentennial Park</u> (2017-)



Original Plat of Mooresville, Indiana (1824) (showing the northeast corner of Indiana and Main Streets) (Section B4, Lots 1-2 & 15-16) (Recorded February 21, 1825, Morgan County Recorder's Office)



After the fire (July 8, 1881) that destroyed the first I.O.O.F. building (photo by J. P. Calvert) (photo donated to Mooresville Public Library by <u>Ernest L. Hadley</u> [1891-1972])

after fire . corner of north east corner at Mooresville Sud, Ement I Hadly 1881

Back of 1881 photo

MPL Photograph Report

FILE NAME	IOOF Hall
ID	29
TITLE OR MAIN SUBJECT	IOOF Lodge Building after fire, N.E. corner of square in Mooresville, IN.
OTHER SUBJECT TERMS	
NAMES IDENTIFIED	
DATE	July, 1881
MEDIUM	Stereograph Format, Albumen Print
SIZE	4 x 7
PHOTOGRAPHER	Jarvis P. Calvert
COPY	
DUPLICATE PRINT	
NEGATIVE	
PRESERVATION NEEDS	
RESEARCH NOTES	IOOF (Independent Order of Odd Fellows) Lodge was destroyed by fire in July, 1881. Morgan County Lodge 211 was organized in 1859. The lodge was built in 1869. A new one was built before 1884. Note: Sign on west side H. P. Woodard Dry Goods.
SOURCE	Sources: Odd Fellows File; Morgan County Scrapbook Vol. II.

MPL photo report for 1881 picture



I.O.O.F. Morgan Lodge #211 members parade in front of the second I.O.O.F. building (circa 1885) (photo by J. P. Calvert)



Figure 1 "View from Church Tower Looking North," south side of east Main Street, e1885. Photo by J. P. Calvert. The gable front building third from the corner and just west of the building now occupied by Hession is said to be moved from this site to 155 W. Main St. Mitzi Forbes lives in the house today. (Today's date is 11/29/01.) Photo scanned by Joanne Raetz Stuttgen (349-1537). Source: *Mooresville Times*, 8 August 1974.

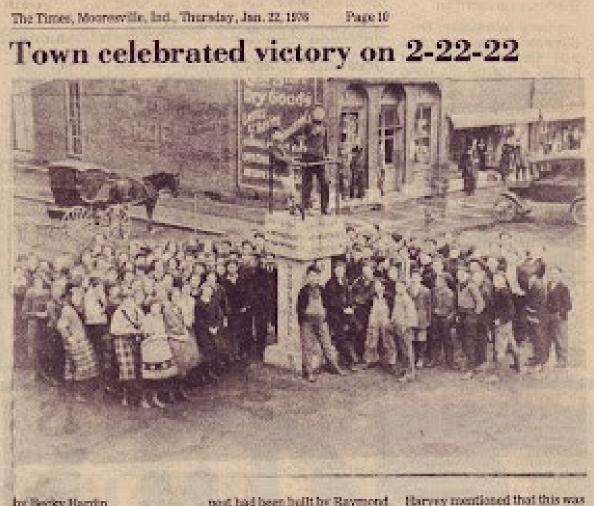
Second I.O.O.F. building is in the upper center of this photo (circa 1885) by J. P. Calvert



East Main Street (circa 1890) (Second I.O.O.F. building is at front left) (photo by J. P. Calvert)



Second I.O.O.F. building (July 18, 1920) (photo by Manley Brown)



by Becky Hardin

1922. February. 22. Mooresville heat Monrovia at. hasketball and the students were happy, they want to the center of team at Main and Indiana for a cheering session. Delbert Wilson and Pinhead (Merie) Harvey stood on the stient policeman. This wood

post had been built by Raymond. Sing-

Mrs. Clara Richardson has given this picture to the library. She thinks the horse in the background that is looking at the fun is the Sellars's "Old. Prince" who was in the 1924 parade pulling the vehicle that Agnes Kellum rode in. in last week's paper, Harold

a transition are between the herse and auto racks on Indiana. Notice the httphing rack on indiana st., and the auto on Mainst.

Pleas Mills is standing in his store which was at the present location of Warren Insurance agency.

2-22-22 celebration

(second I.O.O.F. building in background) from the Mooresville Times, January 22, 1976)

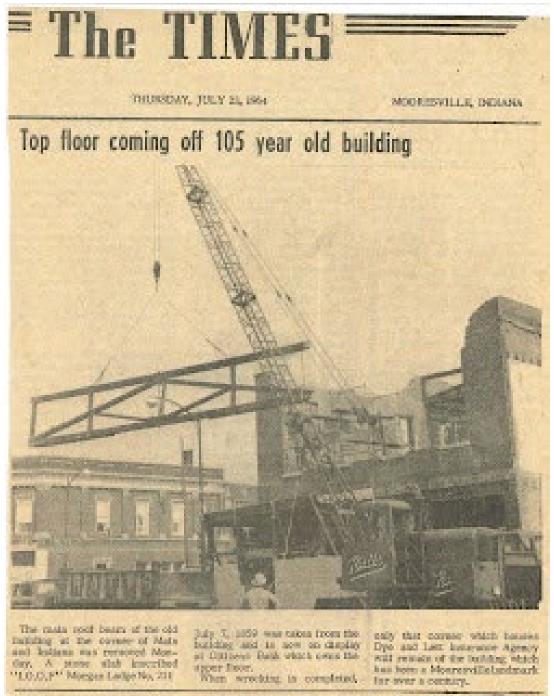


2-22-22 celebration (original photograph by Manley Brown)





Demolition of Hundley building (just east of the second I.O.O.F. building) (Mooresville Times, October 24, 1963)



Removal of top floor of second I.O.O.F. building (Mooresville Times, July 23, 1964)

The second I.O.O.F. building's demolition began in 1964, with the top floor being removed; the entire second floor was removed, leaving a first-floor "sliver" remaining, so that Citizens Bank could extend its new building's parking lot in 1965-66. The article headline (above) declares the Odd Fellows building to be 105 years old (in 1964), but that's mistaken. The second I.O.O.F. building (built 1881) was 83 years old in 1964. Even if the reporter had been dating to the first

I.O.O.F. building (built 1869, burned down in 1881), the age would only have been 95 years old. The reporter's error arose from the I.O.O.F. capstone (dated 1859), which was installed atop the first Odd Fellows building in 1869, and subsequently placed upon the second Odd Fellows building in 1881. The capstone commemorated the establishment of Mooresville's I.O.O.F. chapter (Morgan Lodge #211), which was founded on July 7, 1859. The capstone was being removed during the 1964 upper-story dismantlement, and the reporter had incorrectly assumed that the capstone's 1859 date corresponded with the building's age.

After the Odd Fellows capstone was removed in 1964, it was housed at Citizens Bank for a number of years. Some time later, it was kept at the Academy School Museum on North Monroe Street. Since 2017, the capstone has been part of a wall in Mooresville Bicentennial Park (on the site of the Odd Fellows buildings).



The Mooresville Redevelopment Commission restored the Odd Fellows plaque and placed it on the side wall in Bioentennial Park, where the original Odd Fellows building used to reside. Bicentennial Park is scheduled to be completed by Nov. 20. Photo courtesy of Chelsey Manns.

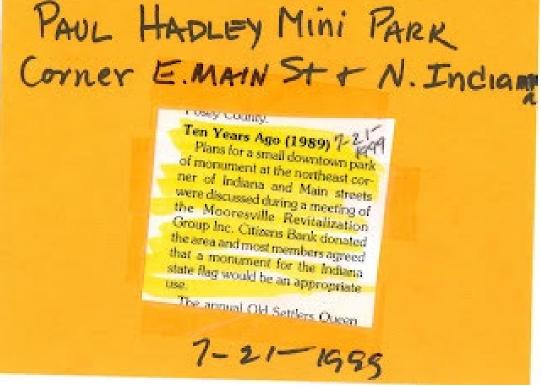
I.O.O.F. Capstone Mooresville-Decatur Times October 21, 2017



Last day of the second <u>I.O.O.F. remnant</u> (April, 1989) (photo by Jack Broyer)



Looking south toward East Main Street in downtown Mooresville. The building visible across the street was constructed in the 1890s by George W. Bass and was home to Citizens Bank from 1931 to 1966.



Planning Paul Hadley mini-park (1989) (Mooresville Times, July 21, 1999)



Janet (Griffin) Buckley sits atop the "founder's stone" in Paul Hadley mini-park during Mooresville's Victorian Christmas (December 3, 2011) (photo by William R. Buckley)

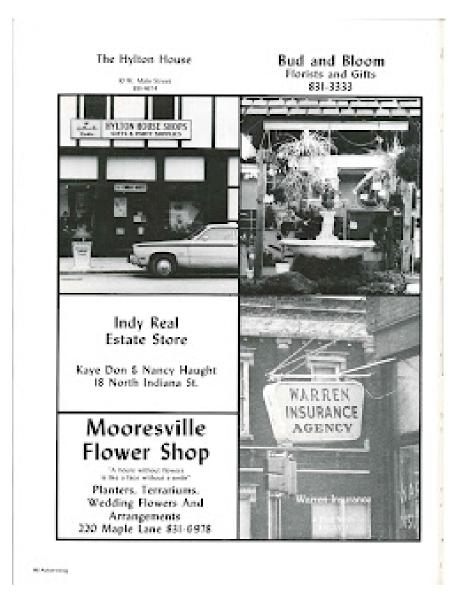


<u>State historical marker</u> commemorating Paul Hadley & the Indiana State Flag being unveiled (August 6, 2016) (photo by William R. Buckley)



Mooresville Bicentennial Park (December 5, 2017) (photo by William R. Buckley)

Here's an advertisement for Warren Insurance Agency that appeared in the 1980 Mooresville High School yearbook, *Wagon Trails* (page 146). Warren was the last business to be located in the first floor remnant of the second I.O.O.F. building, which was <u>demolished</u> in 1989.



CHAPTER ELEVEN Mooresville's First Police Car



Figure 1: Harold Kenworthy, in a photo taken Easter Sunday, 1956, stands in his driveway with the Mooresville Police Department's first patrol car, purchased in 1953.

On May 22, 1953, the Town of Mooresville purchased its first police car. The 1953 Ford Mainline was specially built for the Mooresville Police Department at a cost of \$1,800.00. The new patrol car exceeded 95 m.p.h. to take top honors at the Indiana Chiefs of Police State Convention held on June 29, 1953 at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway.



at a demonstration drive Monday held at the World-famed Speedway track. The Indianapolis city purchasing agent called Chief of Police Foley Shaw and asked that the police car be brought in and displayed before the state convention of Chiefs of Police.

The Mooresville car exceeded a speed of 95 miles per hour on the curved track and timed by radar. It was superior to other cars raced under like conditions. Chief Shaw made one run and bettered 90 miles an hour. Speedway's Chief of Police obtained the high speed in the demonstration.

Figure 2. Mooresville's police car tops speed trials at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway (*Mooresville Times*, July 2, 1953).

CHAPTER TWELVE

The Interurban Railway

The interurban railway system regularly served Mooresville from 1902 to 1930, traveling the 30.33 miles between Indianapolis and Martinsville. Individual electric railway cars would make up to 15 daily roundtrips. There were 27 stops and 11 stations between Martinsville and Indianapolis. Mooresville's station, located on East Harrison Street, was a small, yellowish-tan structure converted from Earl Marine's great-grandfather's house.

Commuters enjoyed traveling the interurban railway to work or school, or to shop or attend social events. The electric trains were quiet, smooth-riding, and fast. The trains reached speeds up to 60 MPH—faster than automobile traffic of the time.

Between 1902 and 1911 the Indianapolis & Martinsville Rapid Transit Company owned the line and powerhouse once situated at the west end of Harrison Street, where Miller's Merry Manor is currently located. This became known as the Martinsville T.H.I.&E. (Terre Haute, Indianapolis & Eastern) Traction Company "trolley line." Investors came and went over its lifetime, but the quality and dependability of the service never wavered. The T.H.I.&E. interurban made its final run on October 30, 1931.

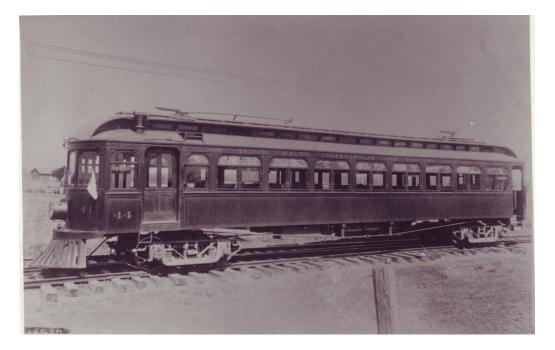


Photo Caption: Car 44 of the T.H.I.&E. Traction Co. Interurban Railway carried 50-64 passengers. The engine's four motors could reach speeds up to 60 MPH, but it could stop relatively quickly with its eight sets of automatic air brakes (one set per wheel). *Courtesy of the Mooresville Public Library, Indiana Room Photograph Collection (Donated by Rebecca Hardin).*

CHAPTER EIGHTEEN

Mooresville Newspapers

Since its founding in 1824, Mooresville, Indiana has had several local newspapers, including:

- The Mooresville Chronicle (1846-1849);
- The *Mooresville Enterprise* (originally named the *Vindicator*) (1869/1870-1874);
- The Mooresville Herald (1874-1880);
- The Mooresville Monitor (1880-1889; 1915-1917);
- The *Mooresville Guide* (1889-1905);
- The Mooresville Times (later, Mooresville-Decatur Times) (1905-present).

In 1846, Mooresville's first newspaper, *The Chronicle*, was founded by Thomas J. Worth. Four years later, Worth moved the paper to Martinsville, renaming it the *Morgan County Gazette*.

The *Mooresville Vindicator* was established in 1869 or 1870 by Lang & Weil. Three weeks after it began publishing, Lang & Weil sold the paper to E. H. Dorland and Benjamin Dakin, who retitled it *The Enterprise*. In 1871, *The Enterprise* was purchased by P. T. Macy and edited by James H. Burke and A. W. Macy. Charles S. McNichols bought the paper in 1873 or 1874, naming Riggs McNichols editor. Upon McNichols' failure to make payments, P. T. Macy repossessed the paper in 1874, reinstating Burke as editor, and renaming it *The Herald*. Macy sold *The Herald* to Burke, who resold it to E. F. Tennant in 1877. A stock company purchased it in 1880, retitling it *The Monitor*, and then reselling it promptly to A. W. Macy around 1881, who then almost immediately resold it W. A. Hunt that same year. Levi E. Ballard served as editor during the 1880s. O. H. Mundy bought the business in 1889, changing its name to *The Guide*.

Ballard bought *The Guide* from Mundy around 1893, selling it to W. H. Sage in 1894. On January 16, 1905, *The Guide* became *The Times*, with that title being retained for most of the 20th century. Today, the paper is called *The Mooresville-Decatur Times*.

The second *Monitor* was published between 1915-1917 by J. H. Stephenson, competing with *The Times* for a brief period.

The Times changing ownership is best represented by bullet points:

- W. H. Sage (The Guide, 1894-1905; The Times, 1905-1929);
 - T. Jeff Wright (partner) (1905-1906);
 - Fay Jackson (shareholder) (1917);
- S. L. Walls (1929-1930);
- C. C. Davis & G. H. Davis (1930);
- R. B. Pickard (1930);
- Everett Moore & Margaret S. Moore (1933-1937);
- James L. Richardson (1937-1946)
- Richard R. Dodd (1946-1948);
- Hahn-Bennett Company (Mr. & Mrs. Phil Bennett & Miss Marjorie Hahn) (1948-1953);
- S. M. Johnson & R. M. Johnson (1953-1954), with their daughter, Helen J. Lilly, as editor;
- Robert F. Adams & Margaret R. Adams (1954-1970);
- The Reporter Publishing Company (Martinsville), which became the Reporter-Times Corporation (1970-*fl*. 1980).

Top players for *The Times* during the 1970s included:

- Wilber Kendall, president (1970-1977);
- Robert S. Kendall, president (1977- fl. 1980);
- Mark C. Kendall, publisher (1977- *fl*. 1980);
- Robert Adams, shareholder & editor (1970-1971);
- Randy Haymaker, editor (1971-*fl*. 1980).

Forgotten among the published Mooresville histories was another newspaper, the *Mooresville Midget*, published during the early 1900s until 1917 by local photographer Jarvis P. Calvert.



The Mooresville Times offices at 23 East Main Street in downtown Mooresville as it looked in the early 1970s

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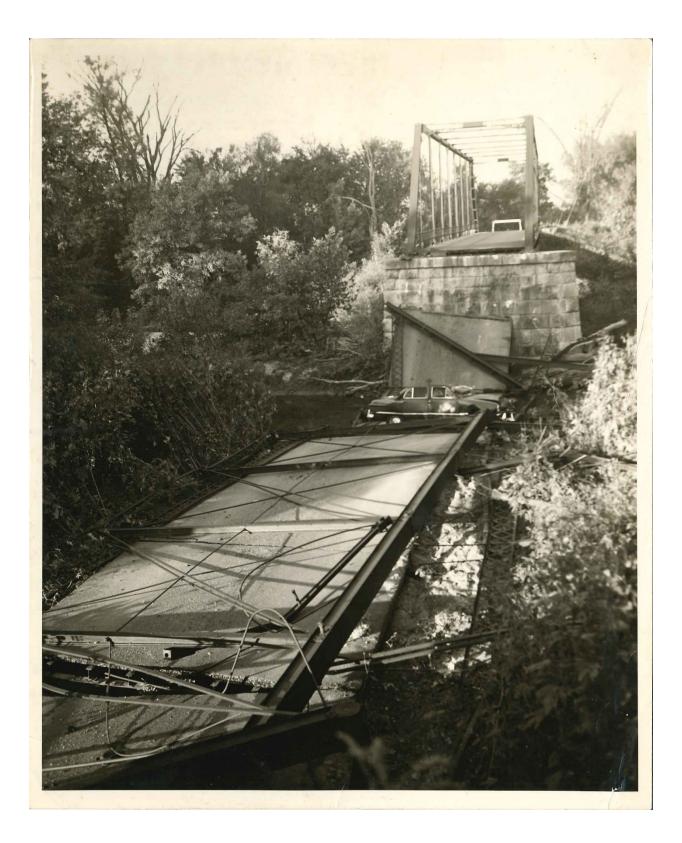
PART THREE:

Around Town Historical Treasures

TOP: Mooresville High School (1914) when it was located on North Monroe Street, just east of the Academy school building, and northeast of where Newby Memorial Elementary School is now situated.

BOTTOM: The Greencastle Road Bridge, which crossed the West Fork of White Lick Creek just west of Mooresville, after it collapsed on September 28, 1956.





CHAPTER NINETEEN Town Views Around Mooresville



Main Street, looking east across the Indiana Street Intersection (1880s/1890s) (1) North Side [LEFT]: I.O.O.F. Building (near left); (2) South Side [RIGHT]: G.W. Bass Drugstore (near right); A.W. Conduitt Co. next to Bass Drugstore (east); L.C. Smith Restaurant and Masonic Hall across alley from Bass Drugstore. (Photo by J. P. Calvert)



Main Street looking east from the Intersection with Indiana Street (*circa* 1902). (1) North Side [LEFT]: Pace Thompson (man in tie & hat) stands outside his dry goods store; Hundley Bargain Store is the second building from the end, which was torn down in 1966 and replaced by a parking lot; further east is the Post Office and Rusie Furniture Store and Undertaking. (2) South Side [RIGHT] (from closest structure, going eastward): G.W. Bass Drugstore; Burch Grocery; George Keller's Hardware Store; G.R. Scruggs Dry Goods Store. (Photographer Unknown)



North Side of East Main Street, *between* 1909 (when Sam Wade built the brick post office, third building from left) and 1917 (when Sam Wade built another brick building at 24 E. Main St., which housed his plumbing business) (Photo by J. P. Calvert). Since the 1917 Wade building is absent in this photo, the "29" beneath the name on the right cannot be the year the photo was taken.