

HISTORY  
—OF—  
WARRICK, SPENCER  
—AND—  
PERRY COUNTIES,  
INDIANA,

FROM THE EARLIEST TIME TO THE PRESENT; TOGETHER WITH INTERESTING  
BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES, REMINISCENCES, NOTES, ETC.

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Richard Thurman. Other early members were T. L. Tinsley, C. T. Nelson, L. C. Parker, George Worsley, N. A. Straube, H. C. Anderson, John Hiley, Wilson Ray, W. W. Gaines, S. D. Moore, A. J. Stephens, W. M. Jones, John S. Jolly, T. J. Cutler, J. M. Anderson, William Harter, G. G. Niblack, J. F. Townsend, Frederick McKasson, John W. Lamar, Harmon Verhoeff, J. W. Lanman, W. M. Taylor. Rev. I. N. Thompson, J. H. Crow, N. E. Boring, James Collins, D. L. Wyman and L. A. Niblack. These were all prior to 1860. The lodge continued to thrive and is at present in a fairly prosperous condition. It has a two-storied frame building on Main Street, and meets in the upper story. The building is worth about \$1,000. The lodge property is valued at \$3,000. The present membership is 35. The present officers are S. W. Lamping, W. M.; L. C. Parker, S. W.; J. C. Finch, J. W.; George Worsley, Treasurer; George Wandell, Secretary; G. A. Worsley, S. D.; Thomas Moss, J. D.; E. W. Moss, Tyler.

Grandview Lodge, No. 300, I. O. O. F., was organized February 8, 1868, by C. Pfeifer, of Rockport, D. D. G. M., with the following charter members; C. S. Finch, Francis Boyce, J. M. Hicks, A. B. Belleville, F. M. Thurman, E. Verlander, John Walner and Henry Kroeger. The charter bears date November 21, 1867. The first officers were Henry Kroeger, N. G.; F. Boyce, V. G.; J. M. Hicks, Secretary; R. F. Webb, Treasurer. The lodge has been fairly prosperous. It owns the second story of the brick Baptist Church, which building was erected in 1870. The lodge property is valued at \$1,600. The present membership is about 40. The present officers are J. T. White, N. G.; J. F. Newman, V. G.; F. D. McKasson, Secretary; W. H. Dugas, Treasurer. Among the early members were Job Hatfield, S. F. Webb, Charles Brosier, S. F. Anderson, William Smith, G. W. Dawson, James Trumper, F. Mason, W. H. Gudgen, James Vickers, Wesley Hatfield, M. Leyendecker, John Biedenkopf, W. T. Ray, H. J. Schoenfeld and others. December 21, 1871, Grace Lodge, No. 73, Daughters of Rebekah, was organized with about 40 members, but after prospering for several years was abandoned.

C. C. Mason Post, No. 235, G. A. R., was organized in September, 1883, the charter bearing date September 7, 1883. The charter members are John H. Boyd, G. B. Kellams, A. C. Williams, W. J. Lang, Thomas L. Hagan, Lemuel Silverthorn, G. T. Gordon, H. F. Wood, J. J. Stuteville, Thomas Dodd, J. H. Rickett, M. D. Graig, C. R. Moody, Amos Armstrong, P. T. Doyle, N. M. Bennett, C. W. Lamar, C. W. Miller, J. H. Stites, G. Weibe, Charles Cox, J. T. Camp, J. W. Craig, John Yekel, James Crist, and J. T. White. The lodge was named for

Captain Mason, who was shot in ambush while on an expedition with a few men. He was made a Major just before his death. The first officers of the lodge were James T. Camp, C.; A. C. Williams, V. C.; L. Silverthorn, J. V.; C. W. Lamar, Adjutant; Charles Cox, Q. M.; G. T. Gordon, Chaplain; J. T. White, Surgeon; James Craig, O. of D.; John Boyd, O. of G.; J. G. Stuteville, Q. M. S. The lodge is now in a thriving condition, and meets on the east side of Main Street. The present officers are A. C. Williams, C.; G. T. Mead, S. V. C.; R. B. Wheatley, J. V. C.; G. M. Belville, Adjutant; W. J. Lang, Q. M.; G. T. Gordon, Chaplain; C. W. Lamar, Q. M. S.; S. W. Lamping, S. M.; ~~William~~ Stites, O. of G.; C. W. Miller, O. of D.; J. T. White, Surgeon; T. L. Hagan, J. G.

The present business of the town is as follows: Finch & Gage, S. W. Lamping, and G. T. Gordon & Co., dry goods; W. H. Forsythe, C. W. Lamar, Finch & Gage, and J. G. Nelson, groceries; A. Tonini, hardware; James Vickers and A. Tonini, furniture; George Worsley and C. B. Anderson, drugs; W. H. Anderson and Gustavus Bleichroth, confectionery; William Herron, saddlery; Mrs. A. Mason, millinery; M. Sidwell, jewelry; G. W. Billingsley, photographer; William Smith and William Reinstidt, shoe shops; R. B. Wheatley and A. C. Williams, blacksmiths; F. D. McKasson and E. B. Verlander, wagon-makers; William Cadick, & Son, grist-mill; J. H. Meyer & Son, spoke factory; J. H. Rothert, tobacco merchant; Near House, Reiff House; W. E. Knight, editor of *Grandview Monitor*; Chris. Kramer, butcher; L. C. Parker & Co. and C. Meuser, grain buyers; M. F. Underhill, brick kilns; James Williams, barber; John E. Tremper, cooper; James T. Camp, dentist; Methodist, Episcopal, Baptist, English Lutheran, United Brethren and Colored Baptist Churches; Masons, Odd Fellows, and G. A. R.; J. T. White, D. M. Hammond and George Worsley, doctors; Job Hatfield, James G. Nelson and James W. Finch, lawyers.

*The Press.*—The first newspaper established in Grandview, was a Republican sheet, called the *Grandview Weekly News*, owned, managed and edited by O'Neill & Finnegan. It was first issued in the spring of 1860, and was conducted about eighteen months. Mr. O'Neill left in the autumn of 1860, and James Finnegan continued the paper alone until July or August 1861, when he enlisted in the army, and the *News* was permanently abandoned. It was a lively, spirited sheet. The town was then without a paper until May 24, 1867, when a small three-columned folio about 13x18 inches, neutral in politics, subscription price \$1 made its appearance under the editorship and ownership of Tinsley & Stoops—Thomas L. Tinsley and L. M. Stoops. They continued issuing the paper until January, 1869, when it passed to M. E. Lawrence and W.