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D-371 Owens, (Mr. & Mrs. Edward N.) Collection.

This collection contains two sets of mounted exhibit photos received by Mr. & Mrs Owens from the Yolo County Historical Society. The following information is from the label on the back of each photo. Please see Photo 10, Second Numbered Set, for the Owens Family information.

FIRST NUMBERED SET

(NOTE: NO PHOTO #2a OR #2b)

Photo 1: Camping Scene

Photo 2: JOHN G., Sr. & SUSAN (Crowder) BOWER HOME

(Rd. 98 bet. Rds. 15 & 16A)

John G. & Susan married when they came to Calif. in 1852 - second time for Mr. Bower to Calif.

Home probably built soon after.

Photo 2c: YOLO

George Scott went to the depot every morning early to get the fresh bread from Ann Arbor Bakery in Sacramento

Charles Hadley in back

East side of Front Street:

Borach's store with the Post Office in it (P.O. had been on west side)

Borach's warehouse

Jake Scott's barber shop (he was also the mail carrier)

Tamale Parlor - Prop. Durant

Photo 3: HENRY A. & CATHERINE (Hegelaw) CLAUSEN

(Rd. 11, bet. 93 & 94)

Henry A. Clausen came to San Francisco in 1855 where he worked as a carpenter and then went to the mines

1857 to Yolo County

1866 married Catherine Hegelan in the home that he was living in.

Home probably built early 1860's - now destroyed

Photo 4: GEORGE & ELIZABETH A. (Brook) GLASCOCK

(Bet. 14 & 15 & W. of Int. #5 W. of Rondo Station)

George Glascock was born in Virginia in 1814

Crossed the plains to Calif. in 1852 where he farmed and raised stock near Yolo

Married Elizabeth A. Brook in 1840

House is not standing

Photo 5: J.G. BROWN HOME (known later as the Glavin Place)

(Rd. 97 bet. Inter. #5 & 15)

Home built about 1870

Glavins moved there in 1902

Picture taken about 1903 - Mr. & Mrs. Glavin, Margarette Glavin (Poole) & Dan Glavin

Photo 6: WARREN W. & EUNICE HANNUM HOME

(Rd. 16)

Warren W. Hannum was born in Tenn. in 1828

To Missouri in 1847 and in 1850 overland to Calif. with ox teams settling in the gold country.

1854 to Yolo County

Was Deputy County Assessor in El Dorado & Yolo Counties

1857 married Eunice who died in 1866

1870 married Priscilla Hill

Land 3 mi. W. of Cacheville - sold his land in 1879 and rented land to farm.

Photo 7: ROBERT & SARAH HINES HOME

(Rd. 98, bet. 17 & 18 on west side of road at bend)

Robert Hines had a butcher shop in Cacheville

Home built in 1860's - torn down in 1957

William C. & Kate (Green) Hadley lived in the house - Mrs. Hadley was a daughter of Mrs. Hines

Present house occupied by Park Hadley (son)

Photo 8: WILLIAM L. & ELLA A. (Hadley) MANOR HOME

(Rd. 14 bet 96 & 97)

William L. Manor was born in Ohio in 1842

Came to Calif. where he worked in merchandising in San Francisco for 3 yrs.

1866 he came to Yolo County and settled 2 1/2 miles N. of Cacheville on 160 A. farm

1874 married Ella A. Hadley - Judge Hutton performed the ceremony

Housie destroyed

Photo 9: WILLIAM & EMMA (Curtis) McCULLOUGH HOME

(Rds. 19 & 95)

William was born in New York in 1846

1861 he joined the Infantry

1863 came to Calif. to regain his health - followed merchandising with his father when he returned to N.Y.

1868 he returned to Calif. & to Yolo County

1876 he married Emma Curtis who was born in Michigan in 1848

Home built about 1874 - burned in May 1946

Mattie (their only child) standing in yard with dog - later she married Frank Cook

Photo 10: PRAIRIE DISTRICT SCHOOL

(Rd. #12, W. of Interstate 5)

The first school house was built in 1855 of rough boards, covered with shakes, no ceiling 18 x 20 with a door in one end and a window in the other.

About 12 pupils - Mr. Hughes the first teacher

When a second house was built it bore the name of Prairie Seminary

In 1879 had a good building costing \$2,000 and well supplied and with 60 pupils

Still in existence in 1906 (O.E. Jacobs who gave the original picture graduated then)

Photo 11: ALICE (Nutting) SHAMP HOME

(Sacramento bet. 2nd & 3rd)

Photo 12: CRUICKSHANK HOME

(Rd. 14 bet. #113 & 98)

Built 1871

Photo 13: EDWARD & PERPETUA ST. LOUIS HOME

(Rd. 16 bet. 98 & 113 or K.L. Highway)

Edward came to Calif. with his parents in 1852 in a covered wagon settling on the banks of the Sacramento River where they set out strawberries in the sandy soil

Ranch called Rancho Rio Jesus Maria

Raised citrus, almonds, fruits & grapes

Charles Edward (son) purchased the ranch across the road in his youth with the proceeds from the sale of his newspaper, the YOLO INDEPENDENT

Presently the site is owned and occupied by Dan Glavin - the old brick home having been torn down.

Photo 14: W.W. & NETTIE (Bemmerly) VICKROY HOME

(Rd. 16, bet. 95 & 96)

Mrs. Vickory was the daughter of Michael & Henrietta Bemmerly

Picture shows Mr. & Mrs. Vickroy with Mrs. Vickroy holding their only daughter, Edith

Photo 15: JOHN & AGNES (Wimmer) BEMMERLY HOME

(Rd. 95)

John Bemmerly came to Calif. in 1852 from Germany and mined and later squatted on Knight's grant and later he and his neighbors gained a clear title to their home.

He had good crops and invested in more land.

Oct. 14, 1960 married Agnes Wimmer who came to Calif. in 1859 from Germany.

The house was built in the 1860's and has always been occupied by some

member of the family. It is in excellent condition and is occupied by Mr. & Mrs. Frederick B. Abele and family.

- Photo 15a: Farm Scene on the JOHN & AGNES (Wimmer) BEMMERLY RANCH (Rd. 95)
- Photo 15b: Harvesting Scene on the JOHN & AGNES BEMMERLY RANCH (Rd. 95)

Photo 16: GEORGE & WILMA WEISS HOME

(Rd. 97 near Rd. 15)

Built by Mr. & Mrs. J.N. Cannell who had lived in Yolo where Mr. Cannell owned the blacksmith shop.

The house is in excellent condition and occupied by Mr. & Mrs. George Weiss. Mr Weiss being the Cannell's son-in-law.

Photo 17: ANDREAS & AMELIA HERMINA (Lehman) RICHTER HOME

(Interstate 5 bet. 16 & 17)

Andreas Richter was born in 1826 in Germany and came to America in 1846, settling in Tenn.

Enlisted in the Mexcian War as a teamster

1849 to San Francisco and then to the mines where he had a pack train to supply the needs of the men.

Returned to Germany where he married Amelia Hermina Lehman

Returned to Calif. and bought 160 A. from Mr. Earl, 1 mile N. of Cacheville In the 1860's had a cabin with a dirt floor

This was a noted stage coach stop called "Smith Brother's Road House."

Built the home in the 1870's after a flood - rebuilt in 1954 by Mr. & Mrs. Robert R. Thompson & sons - Mrs. Thompson being a grand daughter. House in excellent condition

In the picture Herman Richter (son) is sitting on a bench near the fence and his Overland car is in the background

Photo 18: JOSEPH & EMMA (May) COOPER HOME

(Rd. 16A bet. 98 & 113)

Joseph Cooper was born in Missouri in 1849 (Cooper Co.)

To Yountville in 1870 where he had a mercantile store and where he married Emma May in 1877. Emma May was born in Yountville in 1856 and was the daughter of Judge & Mrs. John J. May

House was built in 1904 and is occupied by Mr. Emmett C. Cooper, son

Photo 19: LOUIS & MATTIE (Pace) CRAMER HOME

(Rd. 16A bet. 98 & 113)

Louis Cramer came across the plains to Calif. in 1852 and to Yolo Co. the following year.

Married Mattie Pace - Oct. 24, 1871 - who had come to Calif. in 1869 on one of the first trains

House was built in the early 1870's and is in excellent condition and is occupied by Mr. & Mrs. Louis Cramer. Mr. Cramer being a grandson

The picture shows the sons and daughters with their horses.

Photo 20: D.P. & JEANETTE E. (Hines) DIGGS HOME

(#113 or K.L. Highway at end of Rd. 16A)

David Pitts Diggs crossed the plains in 1849 with ox teams

He drove team for Sutter at Coloma

July 4, 1849 he mad a flag from colored shirts - the stars were oak leaves

1850 to Yolo Co. - there were only three settlers on Cache Creek

1853 appointed County Assessor

Married Jeanette E. Hines born in Missouri and at 13 came across the plains

Her father died of cholera on the way - arrived 1850 & settled at Madison

Home owned by Robert Wirth, a relative and who rents it out

Photo 21: D.B. & LUCY (Laugenour) WOODS

(Rd. 17 bet. 100 & 101)

Home built in 1896 on the Thomas F. Laugenour land

House has been torn down

Picture taken in 1907

Photo 22: THOMAS F. & BELLE (Burton) LAUGENOUR HOME

(Rd. 17, bet. 100 & 101)

Thomas Franklin Laugenour was born in 1827 in South Carolina

1847 to Indiana and then to Missouri

1850 across the plains to Calif.

1850 Mr. Laugenour and Mr. Studebaker were in Hangtown (Placerville) at the same time. Mr. Laugenour was driving mule team and Mr. Studebaker was making wheelbarrows for the miners

1852 to Yolo Co. where he bought 160 A. to which much was added

Was one of the best judges of stock in the county

1864 married Isabella (Belle) Burton who was born in Missouri and came to Calif. at age 15 with her parent in 1859

Ranch was called "Oak Leaf Ranch"

The house was built about 1875 and burned June 1, 1918

Photo 23: JOHN D. & ELIZABETH n (Schaumloeffel) RICHIE

(Rds. 17 & 95A)

John Dietrich Richie was born in 1819 in Prussia

He came to America in 1844 - was a navigator and officer on Atlantic liners

1850 to Calif. via the Isthmus

Spent 3 years in the mines and made \$6,000 so bought stock in Humbolt Valley but the money was stolen.

1854 came to Yolo Co. with 19 head of cattle & 3 horses (all broken down)

1855 bought the farm 2 1/2 m. west of Cacheville which is still owned by the family

1862 raised sheep

1873 married Elziabeth Schaumloeffel

1885 bought 10 A. in Woodland and after Mr. Richie died Mrs. Richie donated the site for the Lutheran Church

House is still standing and in good condition

Picture of it is in the Smithsonian Institute, Washington, D.C.

Photo 24: CHARLES R. & EMILY (Bacon) HOPPIN

(Rd. 95A, bet. 17 & 17A)

Charles Rossiter Hoppin was born in New York in 1829 coming to Calif. in 1849 across the plains. He worked in the mines where he was successful.

1850 he came to Yolo Co. and with his brother, John, bought one-fourth of the old Spanish Rancho Rio de Jesus Maria.

In company with others he built the first irrigation ditch, thus utilizing the water of Cache Creek.

1874 married Emily Bacon who was born in Niles, Michigan and educated at Mt. Holyoke Seminary. She was President of the California Federation of Women's Clubs in 1915 but before her term of office was hardly started she passed away.

The house was built 1881 but torn down in 1939.

In the picture are the children and Mrs. Hoppin and the Murphy children.

Photo 25: CLOVER SCHOOL

(Rd. 19 bet. 91B & 92C)

1901 Harriet Hoppin (later Mrs. August Kergel) was the teacher

Photo 26: WALTER & AMANDA J. (Lowe) MILLSAP HOME

(Rd. 96B bet. 17 & 18)

Walter Millsap was born in Missouri n 1833

1850 came overland to Calif. with herd of cattle which he sold in Hangtown (Placerville) and went to mining

1852 he bought his ranch west of Cacheville

1856 married Amanda J. Lowe who was a native of Kentucky

The present home was built in 1872.

Melvin Millsap (Walter's son & father of Arleen (Mrs. John Wiesner) & Mildred (Mrs. John Hansen) was the first child born in the new home in 1873

The original picture was taken Aug. 1887.

Upstairs - Cassander & Melvin

In the yard - L. to R.:

Gertrude, Wirt, Rufus, Walter (Father), Albert Millsap Delbert McNair (Grandson) and Amanda Millsap (Mother)

SECOND NUMBERED SET

(NOTE: NO PHOTO # 6 OR #14)

Photo 1: MAIN STREET, YOLO, CALIFORNIA - about 1908

(Main Street on a 1897 map was called Front Street)

House on the right is J.A. HUTTON's home - built 1854 (SW cor. Main & Washington)

- 1852 Hutton became a partner with Wm. Hammock in Cochran's place of business
- 1853 put up the fifth building at the Crossing & started in the mercantile line. Employed Mr. Abram Griffith (store later a Chinese wash house)
- 1854 6th building erected a two story house the lower floor a grocery store and a saloon. The upper floor used by the Masonic Lodge which received its dispensation Jan. 1855. Later the lower floor may have been a school room. It is thought that this building was later sold to Judge Hutton for \$150. (an item in a Cash Book belonging to Yolo Lodge #81, F. & A.M.) and moved across the street to join on to his home. In later years it was known that a raised platform was all around the room the room in the north wing.

The house is still standing after having been occupied by many families (Giguiere, V. Glavin, Parrish) and is now in fair condition.

1855 - Yolo Postoffice at Cochran's crossing & J.A. Hutton was postmaster until 1861

1863 - Judge - 2nd time in 1871

Butcher Shop - operated by Joe Giguiere (later by Karl & M.R. Giguiere, Vincent Glavin, Ted Parrish & Victor Bunch). Is not used now.

Nutting's Candy Store & Post Office

Knight's Hotel (detail picture later)

At the end of Main Street NEW PROCESS FLOURING MILL owned by Samuel N. Mering

Steam was used for power for grinding grain

Mill was still standing in 1916 but for many years had not been running Mr. Mering was born 1824 in Frederick Co., Maryland - 1852 across plains to Calif.

1861 married Miss N. Nutting of Richmond, Indiana

Supervisor of 5th District for 11 years.

People from near and far brought their grain to be ground. One man came from Vacaville which was a three day trip.

Photo 2: KNIGHT HOTEL, YOLO

(Front & Sacramento Strs.)

In the 1860's Mr. & Mrs. W.C. Campbell operated a hotel in Yolo and might have been this hotel which was operated by Leonard S. Knight between 1880 and 1892 and then his wife, Mary Knight operate it until 1901

1907 Enoch (Babe) Knight operated it.

Later Leonard & Mary Knight's daughter, Vernie Newton & husband operated it until 1916 when they traded it to Frank Werner for an El Dorado County farm.

Large dining room downstairs & 17 rooms upstairs.

Demolished in 1918.

Picture showing family: (courtesy - Ivy Knight)

Leonard Knight - white shirt

Mary knight - white dress (on balcony)

Daughters, Vinnie & Vernie in front of Mrs. Knight

Leonard Knight on right of Mrs. Knight

Mrytle Armstrong - niece at far right - daughter of Elizabeth Knight Rehmke

Photo 3: CACHEVILLE SCHOOL

(2nd St. between Clay & railroad on west side)

1850's - School just out of Cacheville on Virginia Ranch (S. of town)

1856 - Building brought around Horn by John G. Parish & George Tyler & used first as a residence & then converted into a school house. It was the first school building in Cacheville, being in later years a woodshed.

The second school was the building that had been used as a courthouse in early 1860's.

1874 - Two story structure 30x56' with a 25' ell. Second story used by Masonic Lodge

Miss Gertrude Swain (Mrs. F.S. Freeman) was the first teacher. Cost \$6,000.

1980 - burned

Rebuilt but burned again Jan. 7, 1946

Rebuilt a one story school with Masonic Lodge building its own building on Front St.

Photo 4: ABRAM & MARY (Raush) GRIFFITH Home

(south part of Yolo)

Abram Griffith born 1822 in England

1844 came to New York & 1849 to California via Panama

To Cacheville where he worked for Mr. Cochran & also did some mining in the north

Mr. Cochran left for Australia so Mr. Griffith joined Mr. Hammack in management of "hotel" - then with Mr. Hutton & finally bought other stores 1854 married Mary Raush

Home built in 1886 after the original home was burned in Sept. 1885

Built on an Indian burying ground - found bones & one Indian in a sitting position with hole in top of skull, the brains had been removed and Indian money put in.

Presently owned by Mr. & Mrs. Hugo Maassen - family members in foreground.

Picture courtesy of Mr. & Mrs. Maassen

Photo 5: GEORGE & MARGARET I. (Campbell) WHERRY HOME

(N. side of Washington St. bet. 2nd & R.R.)

George F. Wherry born 1839 in Plymouth, Michigan

1859 to Calif. via Panama

General blacksmithing in Cacheville for 7 years

When Northern R.R. complete in 1877 the Yolo Grange had a warehouse which was profitable until shipment of grain from Madison cut in so sold to Wherry in 1878 for \$2,8000. Had cost \$5,066. Had farmed before this.

Postmaster

1864 married Margaret I. Campbell

House build in 1870's - Picture taken Oct. 19, 1893 - House now demolished 1876 bought mercantile business from A. Griffith

Picture courtesy of Totabelle Jenks whose mother, Mamie Woodard is pictured.

Photo 5a: RAILROAD

1869 - Track laid from Vallejo to Sacramento - a day's trip over unballasted rails
Early 1870's - road built from Woodland to Marysville. Started by N.D.Ridewout-costly because of so many trestles over overflow lands. In winter could not be used as trestles were insecure. Taken over by Southern Pacific - profit to original owners.

Early 19760's - Road from Elmira (Solano Co.) thru Vaca & Pleasant Valleys to Winters and along foothills to head of Capay Valley in western Yolo. Landowners had to furnish money & equipment.

1877 - Road built to north - Northern Railroad

Photo 7: ASA & E.J. (Moore) PETTIT HOME

(Bet. railroad & Interstate #5)

Asa Pettit born 1827 in Miami County, Ohio

Age 9 to Indiana for 12 years - Wisconsin & to California overland

1854 to Cacheville

Blacksmith - extensive manufacture & repair shop employing a number of workman as wagon makers & blacksmiths.

Owned 38 acres of land o outskirts of town

Dec. 10, 1863 married Miss E.J. Moore in Cacheville

3 sons - Albert, Mark & Asa Floyd

House still standing & occupied by Kenneth Matlick

Photo 8: MARY'S CHAPEL and CEMETRY -

2 miles N. of Yolo - S.W. corner of roads 15 & 98

The present white frame steepled chapel and previous chapels have served local residents of several Protestant faiths during the past century. History refers to the first faith as being Presbyterian. It is said that is was named in honor of Mary Cross Pockman who crossed the plains in 1852. Mrs. Elizabeth Pockman donated the land (no actual record) and much of the money to construct a small chapel in the '50's from which funerals were conducted. In recent years a wedding was performed here and a meeting of the Yolo County Historical Society when a flagpole was dedicated and flags presented to the Cemetery Assoc.

In 1898 the chapel burned and in 1899 the foundation was laid and the present chapel built in 1900. Many citizens of the community donated time and money among them being Mrs. Mary Morris, Mrs. Emma Laugenour and William Hatcher.

The chapel is one of the few remaining with an accompanying cemetery and is unique in that it is the only rural cemetery which has continued in operation from the early days in Yolo County down to the present. It is a simple yet dignified structure with a bell tower and cathedral windows of stained glass and in good condition.

In 1866 Jefferson B. and James M. Pockman deeded a portion of land adjoining the chapel heretofore known as the Presbyterian Church to the Trustee's of Mary's Cemetery.

From the engravings on the tombstones it is known that 27 children and 13 adults were buried between 1857 & 1866. Since then there are over 1100 graves with legible markers

Photo 9: DAVID N. & ELLA L. (Flournoy) HERSHEY HOME

(Rd. 95, bet. 13 & 14)

David N. Hershey born in Washington County, Maryland - Age 23 to Missouri for 12 years

1853 crossed plains with Wm. S. Flournoy - had cattle - also brought destitute families found on the way. Settled where he built his home - buying claims of squatters & fought the Knight Grant in court

1860 built a hotel at Knights landing with Mr. Glascock - bad investment - \$17,000

Land cheap so bought from time to time. By end of century had over 12, 000 acres

1873 married Ella L. Flournoy whose father came across the plains with Hershey in 1853

1879 elected as 1st member from Yolo County to the Legislature under the new constitution

Home demolished

Photo 10: WILLIAM S. & C.A. FLOURNOY HOME

(Rd. 14, bet. 95 & 96) (nr. Ronda Station on R.R.)

William S. Flournoy born in Virginia

Home built 1873

1906 Ivor & Annie (Edwards) Owens rented ranch & lived there (Edward N. Owens' parents)

1908 Doli Owens & Mile Fisher married there

(Picture - Ivor Owens with son, Robert & Annie Owens on porch

Home demolished)

Photo 11: MICHAEL & HENRIETTA (Seltenheim) BEMMERLY HOME

(Rd. 97 bet. Rds. 13 & 14)

Michael came to California in 1852 from Germany having been born in 1826

Farmed and raised sheep

Home built in early 1860's

1863 married Henrietta Seltenheim who came to California with brother in 1862 via Nicaragua route

Home presently owned by Mrs. Paul Reiff & Sons

Photo 12: GEORGE & SARAH ANN (Stocks) SHARPNACK HOME

(Rd. 14 bet. 97 & 98)

George Sharpnack was born in Penn. in 1828

1850 he crossed the plains to Calif.

1852 he came to Yolo County and bought 160 A.

1859 he married Sarah Ann Stocks of Illinois

House in now destroyed

Photo 13: BUCHANAN SCHOOL (N.W. corner Rd. 15 & #113 (K.L. Highway)

Built 1857 - Demolished

Picture taken in 1891 shows:

Front row: Second row:

Garfield Cook Frank Cook Teacher

George Eustis Lindsay Morris Kate Morris (Richter)
Anna May Cook Rodney Ely Jennie Morris (Morris)

Beauregard Rackerby Emma Eustis (hat)

Will Morris

Aristide on mule Hanson Nimmo

Building was burned in 1895 by two boys - their reasons - "They didn't like the teacher". There were several knot holes in the 1x12" board flooring; there were no waste baskets and waste papers were poked through the knot holes for years, so that starting a fire was easy. Mr. C.E. Dingle (for whom Dingle School in Woodland was named) had his first teaching experience in this little school house.

Photo 15: THEODORE & CHARLOTTE (Rusch) WEYAND HOME

(Cor. Rd. 97 & 13 or 85)

Theodore Weyand was born in Germany in 1820

1845 he came to New York and to Calif. in 1850 where he worked in the mines Then to Sacramento where he bought the Illinois Hotel

1851 to Yolo County where he bought land 5 miles E. of Blacks (Zamora)-160 A.

1858 had the Prairie Postoffice and was Postmaster until 1877 when the postoffice was moved to Blacks when the railroad was completed

He did wine making and farmed.

1850 Married Charlotte Rusch

Photo 16: GEORGE W. & MARY (Bemmerly) WOODARD HOME

(Rd. 17 bet. 96 & 97)

George W. Woodard was born in Vermont in 1830

1849 he married Laura Bryant in Michigan - she passed away in 1857

1854 they came to Calif. via the Panama Isthmus

1857 he built a hotel in Cacheville

1859 he bought 160 A. west of Cacheville - was \$3,000 in debt

1879 - owned 1,353 acres of land

1857 he married Anna Mary Bemmerly

Mr. Woodard raised fine horses of Morman stock - "Don Juan" was one of his famous race horses.

The house in not standing.

Photo without #: RESIDENCE OF GEO. F. WHERRY YOLO, YOLO CO., CAL.