ANNUAL GARAGE SALE, JUNE 6–7

Do you have the right stuff? We do! We asked for your garage sale donations in the last newsletter and can report that a great selection of merchandise has been gathered. Come see the treasures on

Friday, June 6, 8 AM – 6 PM         Saturday, June 7, 8 AM – 3 PM

The sale will be at the former RCA/Thompson plant at the corner of West Allen and South Patterson. Follow the signs to the big building with a pink stripe around it. See page 9 for a map to the site.

If you still have items to donate, bring them to the sale site between 10 AM and 2 PM BEFORE June 6. Remember: no clothing, no console TVs, no old computers, no old mattresses, and no non-working appliances. Call 332-2517 if you have questions.

Special thanks goes to the owners and staff at the former RCA/Thompson plant and to CFC, Inc. who helped us move large items. We also thank everyone who generously donated merchandise, the volunteers who worked at the sale site, and those who will come to shop at Bloomington’s biggest garage sale.

This is one of the Monroe County Historical Society’s largest annual fundraising events—bringing in about $10,000—see you there!

MONROE COUNTY’S 185TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION & ARTS & CRAFTS FAIR 2003

The Monroe County Historical Society is proud to host the 185th birthday celebration of Monroe County. The celebration, in conjunction with the Bloomington’s downtown parade and festivities, will be held on July 4, 2003 from 10 am to 6 pm at the MCHS Museum. The celebration will consist of an arts and crafts fair, music, fun and food (including cold drinks, barbeque, Mexican cuisine, and the Oliver Winery for free tasting). This year, the outside arts and crafts fair will include 40 booths. Local artists and crafts-people are encouraged to apply to this juried show. Booths will feature only products that are hand-made. One of the goals of this event is to heighten awareness of the various crafts and forms of creative expression.

We are also looking for volunteers to help throughout the day. So please call if you can help at any time during the day.

For an application or for more information please contact: Christy Deykes or Kari Price at the Museum at (812) 332-2517.
Schedule of Events

Regularly scheduled MCHS Museum meetings. All meetings and programs will be held at the History Center, unless otherwise stated.

General Board Meeting—2nd Thursday of the month, 4 pm
Executive Board Meeting—4th Wednesday of the month, 4 pm

June Programs

- June 6-7 Annual Fundraising Garage Sale
  Location is the former RCA/Thompson Plant, at the corner of W. Allen & S. Patterson (the building with the big pink strip around it.) Times are June 6th, 8 am-6 pm and June 7th, 8 am - 3 pm.
- June 11 It’s Time for Tea
  This event is to benefit the Farmer House renovation. Beginning at 1:00 at the Farmer House and ending at 4:00 pm at the Monroe County Historical Society for a Victorian Tea. Tickets are $15 per person. Contact the Farmer House to make reservations at 336-5597.
- June 21 Green Hill Cemetery Tour, Bedford
  Don’t miss this opportunity to discover one of the most incredible cemeteries in Indiana. Program starts at Green Hill entrance at 10 am.

July Programs

- July 4 Annual Monroe County Birthday Celebration
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- July 12 Harmony Cemetery Tour
  Discover another interesting local cemetery. Program starts at the Harmony Cemetery entrance at 10 am.

August Programs

- August 10 1940’s Style Show
  Let’s take a trip back in time…Join us at the Historical Society for a fashion show and review of styles of the 40’s, presented by Debby Jordan. The cost is $10.00 per person. There is limited space, so call to make reservations today.

Can you match these pictures with their corresponding programs?
New Officers and Trustees Elected at Annual Meeting

The Monroe County Historical Society's annual meeting was held April 9 at the Deckard Education Room. Those present elected the slate presented by the Nominating Committee. Officers for the year (April 2003-May 2004) are:

**President**
Glenda Murray

**Vice-President of Finance**
Larry Stephens

**Vice-President of Operations**
Rachel Peden McCarty

**Secretary**
Harlyne “Holly” Joy

**Associate Secretary**
Penelope Mathiesen

**Treasurer**
M. Phil Hathaway

**Genealogy Library Director**
Elizabeth Knapp

Retiring board members have all joined the Advisory Board. They are:

- Kitty Bukhart
- Kay Beth Harrell
- James Kryway
- Allison Lendman
- Katherine McFall
- Maxine Rhorer
- Carol Seaman
- Richard Stuart

We thank the retiring board members for their years of service and are grateful that they are all still involved in committees and volunteering. Welcome to the new members.

From the President: A New Building Name and New Opportunities

At the March meeting of the board, the trustees voted to name the building **The Monroe County History Center**, to encompass the old Carnegie Library building, the new addition, and all the activities related to the Museum, the Genealogy Library, and the Museum Store. You’ll be seeing more publicity about this name change, but we wanted our members to be the first to know. We are still the Monroe County Historical Society, Inc. Now the building has a name as well, and we can invite people to attend programs, to participate in activities, to conduct research, to visit the Museum, and to shop in the Museum Store, all at The Monroe County History Center. We hope you will stop by soon to see the changes that have been occurring in the Museum, the Library, and the Store.

On a related note, this is the time of year we appoint Historical Society members and trustees to committees. We are also recruiting new volunteers to serve as docents and tour guides. Docents serve one three hour shift a month (10 a.m.-1 p.m. or 1-4 p.m., Tuesday-Saturday, or 1-4 p.m. on Sundays). If you would like more information on committees or on being a docent or tour guide, contact Kari Price, our director, at 332-2517. Like most volunteers organizations, we need volunteers to grow and thrive, so we invite you to get involved if you aren’t already—or tell a friend! Thanks.

*Glenda Murray*
President, Board of Trustees
Monroe County Historian Tells All

Ron Baldwin, who has served as Monroe County Historian for three years, spoke April 12 at the Monroe County History Center. The county historian position is appointed by the Indiana Historical Society, with input from the local county. Baldwin explained his duties, which include making local history available to the public. Baldwin noted that the web site, http://kiva.net/~mchm, makes his job much easier, since so much local history and genealogical information is available there. Another duty is to work toward preserving the history of the county, and he commended the Historical Society for its work in the genealogical library and museum, noting we have a strong organization, good processes and procedures, and such basics as climate control and acid-free containers for objects.

Looking at the big picture, Baldwin noted that only Indiana and New York have county historians. The Monroe County Commissioners have established a Historical Review Board, the only one in the state. He noted that he and Larry Stephens, vice-president of the MCHS, both serve on the board. The board has created the Monroe County History Register, which will protect houses and other structures from demolition. So far the Gosport Iron Bridge has been listed, and other owners have inquired about listing their properties. The board has jurisdiction in the unincorporated parts of the county but not in Bloomington, Ellettsville and Stinesville.

Monroe County has a number of organizations dedicated to history and historic preservation. One of the goals of the Historical Review Board is to create an email listserv to increase communication among the interested organizations.

Baldwin has held numerous offices in the Monroe County Historical Society, including two years as president.

New Genealogical Exhibit on the Showers Family  By Loretta Condra

Randi Richardson, a MCHS Genealogy Library volunteer, has completed an early Showers family history for the display case located in the hallway outside the Library. Using various Monroe County genealogical resources, the display is an excellent demonstration of research that might be compiled for any family that lived for a time in Monroe County. Some of the resources used in compiling the history were: tax records, obituaries, death records, mortgage records, court records, marriage records, deeds, census records, maps, and wills/probates. Most of the resources were found in the MCHS Genealogy Library.

In the MCHS Museum's Cook Gallery, it is possible to learn about the Showers Bros. Furniture Factory (1860s-1950s) and view examples of items produced by the local company. Now, with Randi's exhibit, you can learn about the Showers family from Pennsylvania who, after living in many places, finally settled in Monroe County about 1856. By the 1860s, their furniture business was established and came to be "one of the largest in the world."

Although some of the Showers Buildings have been torn down, in the 1990s a few were restored and are now used as business or governmental offices. The brick buildings are well known and easily recognizable because of their unique roofline. Randi has creatively worked this design into her exhibit. Don't miss this display during your next visit to the library or museum.

That's not all. Randi is also compiling a notebook of her research and will place it in the Genealogy Library, where the materials can be more easily read and copied if desired. The Library Committee wishes to express to Randi a sincere THANK YOU for the time and effort spent on this excellent exhibit.
Joint exhibitor’s table for Monroe County Historical Society and South Central Indiana Chapter of the Indiana Genealogical Society at IGS’s annual conference in Chesterton, Indiana, 5 April 2003.

"Genie" News from Other Places

Vital Records Bill
With the help of members of the Indiana Genealogical Society and other genealogists from Indiana and around the country, House Bill 1540 failed to pass the Indiana House of Representatives by a vote of 43 to 50, with seven abstentions. One reason for proposing the bill was to prevent the use of birth certificates for purposes of identity theft. In a random sampling of 12 Indiana counties, however, IGS did not find any who would give out a copy of a birth certificate without seeing identification and proof of a direct interest. One county health department worker stated that it would not be possible to get an uncertified copy of a birth certificate anywhere in the state. The information gathered by IGS demonstrates that “birth records are already safeguarded, yet open to inspection by those with legitimate purposes.” IGS thanks everyone who helped defeat House Bill 1540 and “will continue to keep an eye on issues relating to vital records access.”


Historic Bridge Marketing Program
The Federal Highway Administration and the Indiana Department of Transportation have joined together to preserve Indiana’s fast-disappearing vintage bridges through the Historic Bridge Marketing Program, an on-line database of iron, stone, and concrete bridges that are facing future obsolescence or demolition. The intent is to locate groups who would be interested in either maintaining or relocating a bridge so that the resource is not lost. To view an index of the endangered bridges, go to the web site: http://www.state.in.us/dot/div/envassess/bridges. For more information about the Historic Bridge Marketing Program, contact Robert Dirks of the Federal Highway Administration at (317) 226-7492 or Janice Osadczuk of the Indiana Department of Transportation at (317) 232-5112.

(Excerpted from “Historic Bridge Marketing Program,” by Amy Walker, Preserving Indiana, Spring/Summer 2003.)

Web Sites for Illinois Research
Some worthwhile web sites mentioned in recent issues of Family Tree News Service (http://www.familytreemagazine.com/newsletter.asp):
- 1929 Illinois Roll of Honor Database. This database highlights the 1929 military honor roll of Illinois at: http://www.sos.state.il.us/departments/archives/honorroll.html

New and Renewed Members

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Contributor
Lee Ann Merry
Failure of the Worley Bank in Ellettsville, Indiana

By Randi Richardson

Frank E. Worley was born on 3 June 1838 in Richland Township, Monroe County, Indiana, the only child of Hiram and Margaret (Legg) Worley. He worked and studied hard. By 1858, at the age of 20, he went into the mercantile business with William Buchanan. A year later he became the sole owner of that business.

In the early 1870s, following the death of his father, Frank opened a private bank with $40,000 in capital. Soon afterward he married Laura Davis of Nashville, Tennessee, who has been said to be a niece to the Confederate President, Jefferson Davis. The Worleys were well respected in and around Ellettsville where they resided. People had confidence in Worley’s bank, and it prospered along with his personal estate. By the early 1880s, Frank owned much land and the finest home in Ellettsville. It was surrounded by a lovely fence of stone taken from one of Frank’s own quarries. Frank also owned fine horses, cattle imported from Europe, cashmere sheep, fowl, and carp.

Through the years, for one reason or another, there were several times when the bank almost ran out of money. At the last minute, however, Frank was always able to come up with the cash he needed to keep the doors open. Depositors never suspected a problem. Cashier Miller, who assisted Frank at the bank, was aware of these past troubles and realized that the bank always recovered without serious consequence. He was not, therefore, unusually concerned when the bank began to experience financial difficulty in the spring of 1893. He knew Frank was trying to borrow some money in order to bring the bank’s holdings more in line with deposits made. Unfortunately, however, Frank had recently met with some personal losses that had cost him several thousand dollars, and his situation was such that no one wanted to lend him money.

By late May, Miller knew the situation was extremely critical. At Frank’s instruction, however, he kept doing business as usual. On Saturday, May 27, bank customers made deposits of $385.55 that should have brought the bank’s total holdings to about $32,000. But when Miller arrived behind the teller’s cage on the following Monday, the total amount of cash on hand was only $501.07.

Mrs. Worley, Frank’s wife, called at the bank quite soon after it opened to inquire about the status of her personal account. Miller advised her that her balance was $741.57. Mrs. Worley requested that amount in full. Miller gave Mrs. Worley all that he had. Then he went back to Frank’s office and asked him what he should do. After consulting with his attorney, Frank told Miller to close the doors. It was the bank’s last day of business.

At the time of the closing, the bank had about 120 depositors, some of whom had their life’s savings at the Worley Bank. Miller prepared a list of their names, along with the amount they were due, for the local newspaper, and the information was published on June 2. (The list follows this article. All amounts were rounded to the nearest dollar; amounts less than $100 were not noted.)

After the failure, the Worleys no longer inspired confidence. People were understandably hurt and angry, especially when they learned of Mrs. Worley’s last withdrawal. In response, the Worleys departed for Chicago, leaving their attorney to settle matters. Eventually, they returned to Ellettsville. Mrs. Worley was given the home in Ellettsville as part of her lawful due. And most of the other assets were liquidated so depositors could recover their losses.

Sometime after 1897 the Worleys moved to St. Louis, Missouri. The fine home in Ellettsville, along with the bank, fell into disrepair. Both are now gone, leaving the town with little reminder that the Worleys were ever there.

See the next page for a list of
List of Depositors in the Worley Bank, 1893
(Over $100)

J. P. Knighton, $280
C. H. Thomas, $280
Jacob Starnes
James D. Bates, $100
Frank W. May
J. C. Bates, $140
Benjamin Hansford, $235
S. B. Harris, $429
Fred Owens
John A. Reeves, $733
Charles Ritter, $120
George Starnes
William N. Matthews
Mary May, $120
Elijah May, $180
James H. Stanger
Homer Heady, $201
William Watson, $168
H. W. Grant (for town)
W. S. Kostenbader, $100
G. M. Rumpel, $226
James Frill, $150
Charles Heady, $175
Frank Berry
Forest Draper
Dora Summit
E. T. McCowen, $470
J. M. Harris, $400
John Grubb, $100
Jacob Grubb
Riley May, $150
Mary E. Allen, $1,200
John Grant
T. D. Heady
Thomas Heady, $101
Tabitha Chambers, $110
F. M. Stephenson, $235
George W. Fletcher, Treas.
Schools, $697
Matthew Brothers, $839
Charles Stimpson
H. T. Simmons & Co.
Thomas Bain, $139
W. C. Draper, $138
Sarah E. Matthews
Charles Grant
Frank P. Figg, $300
Mary A. Rawlins, $600
Myrtle Cowden, $300
Olive Harris
W. T. Harris, $230
Walter W. Harris, $183
Mary J. Moore, $236
John Shook, $1872
W. I. Owens, $100
Isaac Williams, $350
Thomas Reeves, $170
John R. Harris, $545

Looking for something to do this summer?
Check out the Store’s great Hoosier travel books.
- Paddle Indiana
- Traveling the Ohio River Scenic Route
- Off the Beaten Path
- Roadside Geology of Indiana
- Nature Walking in Southern Indiana
- Scenic Driving Indiana
- To name just a few!

Museum Store ... What’s New

- Nostalgic children’s toys, books and crafts
- Note Cards
- Monroe County Coverlet
- Clay City Pottery
- Local History and General Interest Books
- Genealogy Items
- Unique Gift Wrap
- Calendar Towels
- Armatale Metal Plate depicting Courthouse

REMEMBER all Society members receive a 10% discount

Not Sure What To Get?
Gift Certificates from the Museum Store make great and thoughtful gifts!
Midwestern Roots 2003

The Monroe County Historical Society will have a booth at the “Midwestern Roots 2003: Family History and Genealogy Conference” to be held on July 11 and 12 at the Indianapolis Marriott East. Sponsored by the Indiana Historical Society and the Indiana Genealogical Society, the event will include pre-conference activities (July 10), conference sessions, hands-on computer labs, and evening lectures. On-site vendors will offer a variety of items of interest to genealogists. Brochures are available in the Genealogy Library, or go to: http://www.indianahistory.org/midwestroots or call (800) 447-1830.

Indiana Genealogical Society Conference
Penelope Mathiesen represented the Monroe County Historical Society at the Indiana Genealogical Society’s Conference, held on 5 April 2003 in Chesterton, Indiana. She and Michael Maben, IGS’s South Central Chapter Director, shared an exhibitor’s table, which displayed brochures and publications from MCHS along with materials promoting next year’s conference, to be held at the Bloomington Convention Center on 3 April 2004.

New Volunteers, New Duties

The Genealogy Library welcomes new volunteers Karel Gilbertson and Cathi Lynch. Karel works on special projects and Cathi assists with cataloging books. Thanks for your willingness to help!

Elizabeth Knapp was installed as the new Library Director at the Monroe County Historical Society’s annual meeting on 9 April 2003. Loretta Condra, the Past Library Director, will continue to work on special projects. The library is fortunate indeed to have the valuable services of such dedicated volunteers.

If you have an interest in helping out while learning more about the inner workings of the Genealogy Library, please contact Liz or Loretta.

Cemetery Grant

The Indiana Genealogical Society has awarded a $500 Genealogy Grant for Cemetery Preservation to the Monroe County Historical Society. The grant application was prepared by Larry Stephens, Chair of the Cemetery Committee, with assistance from Kari Price, Executive Director.

Genealogy Query

I am seeking information on William Temple/s, b. 1842, Polk Twp., Monroe County, Indiana. He was the son of Andrew Jackson and Mary A. “Polly” (Eads) Temple/s. Apparently he was in the Civil War and mustered out at Indianapolis, Indiana, 17 July 1863, from Company G, 112th Infantry Regiment Indiana. Contact: Mobie McCammon, 3716 W. Maple Leaf Drive, Bloomington, IN 47403; mlmccamm@bluemarble.net.

Local History Query

If you can provide information on the first natural or manufactured gas line in Bloomington, including the name of the company, please contact the Genealogy Library at: monroehistsoc@hotmail.com.
Dear Genie:

I am searching for the maiden name of my ancestor, Mary A., who married Samuel Butcher in Monroe County. That name appears on an 1891 supplemental marriage record for Fieldon Sexton and Lydia Cardwell, the daughter of Samuel and Mary A. Butcher. Unfortunately, however, it is not very legible. Various indices indicate the name was Morgan, but how can I be sure?

Answer:

Corroborating evidence! All information should be corroborated with evidence from original records as opposed to compiled records, abstracts, or indices. For example, you might find Mary’s maiden name on a funeral record, a death record, an obituary, her father’s family will or probate record, the supplemental marriage records of her children, her own marriage license, or the obituaries of her alleged siblings. After reviewing all available sources, a determination should be based upon the quality of the evidence and not the preponderance of evidence.

If you have a question for ASK GENIE, you may send it to: Ask Genie, Attention: MCHS Genealogy Library, 202 E. Sixth Street, Bloomington, IN 47408, or monroehistsoc@hotmail.com. Please keep in mind that space does not permit a response to every question or lengthy research.
In the last quarter of the nineteenth century, Ellettsville boasted one of the finest residences in Monroe County, built by F. E. Worley, then regarded as one of the wealthiest citizens of southern Indiana. He operated a private bank on the same property, located just across Jack’s Defeat Creek from the town of Ellettsville. A distinctive feature of the Worley buildings was their construction from brick, rather than local limestone, although the latter was used for architectural accents. The rise and fall of the Worley family’s fortunes can be traced through county histories and clippings from local newspapers. Frank M. Hohenberger photographed the mansion in 1927, after it was no longer owned by the Worleys, but with its stately qualities still very much in evidence.

Francis E. Worley had grown up on the property, which included several hundred acres of rolling hills, flat meadows, and stone deposits, in a frame house built by his parents, Hiram and Margaret Worley. The elder Worley was a Bloomington businessman who purchased the Ellettsville property and settled there with his family. The son, Frank, left to attend college but soon returned and went into business. His parents died within seven months of each other. In 1873, after the estate was settled, he started a bank in a brick building constructed on his property. On 20 May 1875, he married Laura Davis of Nashville, Tennessee, whom he had met during a visit to French Lick, Indiana.

In 1876, Worley had his parents’ house moved elsewhere on the property and built a mansion for his bride. The house, constructed of brick with stone trim and a forty-foot tower in the center front, cost $30,000.00 and took more than a year to complete. The main entrance was through the portico in the base of the tower. Stone blocks on the walls to the left and right of the entrance bore the names of the architect (Joseph Marshall of Indianapolis) and stone mason (Thomas McIntosh of Greencastle). There was a wide porch across the front of the house and down one side to the conservatory. The center hall was ten feet wide and about fifteen high with elaborate stucco decorations of a rectangular pattern. The rooms were large and well-lighted. The stairs to the second floor were of a fine design. From the second floor, in the tower, a narrow circular staircase turned twice on itself as it rose to the third-floor ballroom and into the peak of the tower. The bedrooms featured large closets and built-in wash stands.

The Worleys established the first large dairy in the area and supplied butter to leading hotels, including the Palmer House in Chicago. Mrs. Worley acted as secretary of the State Dairy Association for many years and counted Mrs. Potter Palmer among her friends. The Worleys entertained prominent citizens from across the nation in their palatial brick mansion. In addition to hosting the rich and famous, Laura Worley was a gracious hostess to Ellettsville’s children, who came to attend parties in the spacious ballroom. The entertainment included candy, fruit, and stereopticon slides. Many years later, Ellettsville residents still recalled her parties.

After the bank failed in the panic of 1893, the Worleys lost most of their property and eventually traded the house and bank for St. Louis flats. In the years that followed, the buildings had many owners and uses before they were demolished. The bank went first. The mansion, however, did not disappear.
The Worley Mansion continued from page 10

without a fight. The story can be traced in the pages of the *Ellettsville Journal*. "Mass Meeting" (20 July 1939) announced a scheduled gathering to discuss saving the Worley Mansion. The article described the endorsement of State Senator Oscar Cravens, the potential benefits to the community, and the history of the house. "Committee Named" (27 July 1939) heralded the formation of an executive committee and the scheduling of a planning meeting. "Citizens Map Plans" (3 August 1939) reported that officers and committees had been named and the present owners of the house were to be contacted. "Greatest Opportunity" (also 3 August 1939) extolled the benefits of preserving the house. "Worley State Park" (21 September 1939) trumpeted the advantages to be gained from elevating the property beyond the status of a local attraction. Then came a long period of silence, broken by the stark headline, "Famous Landmark Is Being Razed" (9 May 1940). Efforts to save the building had failed.

A proposal that the State of Indiana purchase and restore the house had gained the approval of Lieutenant Governor Henry F. Schricker and other state officials in the fall of 1939, but it required authorization by the General Assembly, which would not meet until January of 1941. In the meantime, it proved impossible to raise local funds (restoring the house would have cost more than purchasing the property), and the owner was anxious to proceed with his plans for the property. "Passing of a Landmark" (16 May 1940) editorialized on the loss to the community represented by the razing of the "Worley brick," as it was known locally. The owner had already torn down the tower; he intended to complete the job and use the salvaged materials to construct a modern house. The *Ellettsville Journal*’s "Year in Review" section (4 July 1940) reduced the saga to a brief item: "Worley Shrine Razed."

Today, the west-bound segment of reconstructed State Road 46 skirts the lower slope of the former Worley property, now an Ellettsville housing addition. Nothing remains except a stone post—perhaps one of the gateposts that marked the entrance to the grounds of the long-vanished mansion.

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You are invited to attend the program.

**It’s Time for Tea**

Wednesday, June 11th from 1—4 pm

This event is to benefit the Farmer House Renovation. From 1—1:45 pm, there will be an open house at the Farmer House. From 2:15—4 pm a Victorian Tea will be held at the Monroe Co. Historical Society. The Society also has a special clothing accessories exhibit. Additional parking behind Woodburn House and the 1st Presb. Church. Tickets are $15 per person. To make reservations, please contact the Farmer House at 336-5597.

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1940’s Style Show

Join us at the Historical Society on August 10th for a fashion show and review of styles of the 1940’s. Program presented by Debby Jordan. The cost is $10.00 per person. Space is limited, so call today.

Image from one of the numerous paper doll books carried by the Museum Store.
As most of you know, your membership expiration date appears on this newsletter’s label. Please check it now………

Your membership dues are the keys to the Society’s success. All membership income goes toward operating expenses and is a vital part of our budgeted income.

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202 East Sixth Street
Bloomington, IN  47408

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