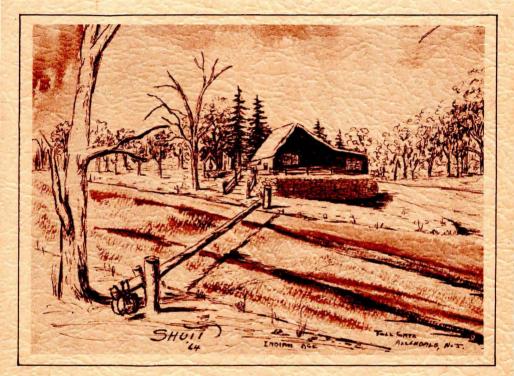
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ALLENDALE: the way we were



A collection of newspaper clippings and photographs from the decade during which the Borough of Allendale was incorporated. 1890-1900

A Souvenir of Allendale's 80th Birthday

ALLENDALE, NEW JERSEY

80TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS October 12, 1974

7:45.....Flag Raising Ceremony, Borough Hall 8:00....Borough Officials Morning Brunch 9:00....Parade Assembly, Crestwood Park 11:00....Official Ceremony, Crestwood Park 11:30.....Old Fashioned Country Fair, Crestwood

> The Bicentennial Committee would like to extend special thanks and appreciation to two of its member organizations: the Allendale Fire Department for sponsoring and organizing the parade, and the Junior Woman's Club for sponsoring the Old Fashioned Country Fair and the publication of the Allendale Historical Map.

> > 1974 Mayor and Council

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MAYOR

Robert E. Schenk

COUNCIL

F. W. Lankering A. J. Ward

- A. J. Hart
- J. Walsh
- R. E. Elschner
- W. A. Simpson

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the 80th Birthday of the Incorporation of the Borough of Allendale falls on October 16, 1974, and

WHEREAS, the United States of America will be celebrating its Bi-Centennial Birthday in 1976 with programs during the period 1974 through 1976, and

WHEREAS, various Borough organizations have joined together in an effort to provide an appropriate 80th Birthday Celebration on October 12, 1974, for the Borough of Allendale, and additional programs in honor of the 200th Birthday of the United States of America.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mayor Robert E. Schenk by the virtue of my office, do hereby proclaim

THE 12th DAY OF OCTOBER, 1974, TO BE THE OFFICIAL BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION DAY FOR THE BOROUGH OF ALLENDALE

AND

THE FIRST IN A SERIES OF EVENTS PLANNED FOR THE BOROUGH OF ALLENDALE IN HONOR OF THE AMERICAN BI-CENTENNIAL 1976

and urge all citizens to attend and participate in these celebrations.

IN WITNESS whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Borough of Allendale to be affixed, this 20th day of September, in the year of Our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy Four.

500 W. CRESCENT AVE. ALLENDALE, NJ 07401

J. E. Schenk

Robert E. Schenk Mayor Borough of Allendale

Dear Fellow Resident,

As the strength of our country has always resided in the individual and the local community, the national government decided that the best way to celebrate the Bicentennial was to let the local communities in the nation plan their own celebrations. Last spring the town council created the Allendale Bicentennial Committee to plan such a program for Allendale. The committee consists of a representative from each organization and member of the clergy in town.

Today we begin this celebration of liberty. It has three aspects: a celebration of the past by studying and preserving our heritage, a celebration of the present by song, dance, drama, and art, and a celebration of the future by setting community goals so that Allendale will be a better community in which to live.

Liberty is the right of each person to pursue his own goals provided that he does not interfere with the right of another to do so. The Spirit of '76 enhanced this in a set of ideals. It recognized that all men are equal under the law and have certain natural rights. These rights include the right to life, liberty and to pursue one's own happiness. It recognized that government should be the natural protector of these rights.

Throughout the history of our constitution from the first amendment to the last the rights of the individual have always been protected. We all realize that our system of government is not perfect but let us strive to make it so. This goal was set for us in the Preamble to the Constitution by our forefathers.

As we begin our Bicentennial Celebration in Allendale today let all of us here rededicate ourselves to these ideals--to the Spirit of '76. Let us display our personal rededication by becoming active in and supporting Allendale's Bicentennial programs. In this way we can share together in this celebration of liberty.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Elsehner

ALLENDALE:

THE WAY WE WERE

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This little booklet is not meant to be a narrative history of Allendale; it is, instead, a collection of newspaper clippings and photographs from the decade during which the Borough of Allendale was incorporated. It has not been our wish to summarize the background and history of this community, but rather to present, without comment or explanation, excerpts from the newspapers of the period. The excerpts have been quoted exactly as they appeared in the "Allendale" columns of four newspapers published during the years 1890-1900, with no attempt being made to correct spelling or grammar, in the hope that the flavor of local news column journalism of the period might be retained.

We hope you will enjoy this peek into Allendale's past.

Pat Wardell, compiler

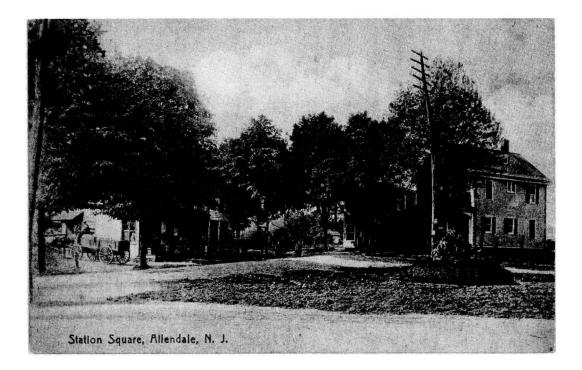
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Cover Illustration: Allendale's Toll Gate

by Dorothy Shuit

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Ad and Booster Committee for this Booklet: Florence Elschner, Chairman; Henny Megnin; Eileen Morley; Joan Pryor; Florence Schenk; Marie Walsh.



Station Square. Courtesy of Lee Memorial Library Local History Coll. (Donated by Violet W. Straussman) January 16, 1890

Major Van Tassel is annoyed by dogs. About all the curs in the neighborhood are on friendly terms with the Major's canine. Of course an assembly of dogs do not produce the most soothing sounds in the world. One evening lately the dogs treated the Major to a concert which included all the tones in the gamut from bassoprofundo to upper C. Sleep was impossible, and the Major seized his gun and emptied its contents into the crowd. It so happened that a neighbor's dog was the recipient, and he yielded up the ghost forthwith. The owner of the dead dog threatens to sue the Major for damages. If the Lyceum committee could make arrangements with the plaintiff and defendant, what a roaring free show a dog trial would make.

---Hackensack Republican

January 24, 1890

There is a new arrival in the household of Louis Rossner. Congratulations are in order, and Rossner looks to be the happiest man in town.

---Bergen County Democrat

January 31, 1890

Cornelius Quackenbush sued Mr. Van Tassel for shooting his dog. The case came up for trial before Squire Christie, on Saturday. The affair was settled by the defendant paying \$11.

---Bergen County Democrat

January 31, 1890

The party who wrote about the probabilities of a new hall here, in the Republican, must be a little off, for there is just about as much likelihood of a building being erected here of the sort he speaks of as that the World's Fair will locate on our meadow. Archer Hall fills the bill in every particular and can be procured for any respectable entertainment. We don't want any side shows in our Newport.

---Bergen County Democrat

May 2, 1890

O. H. P. Archer and family move to town next Wednesday. This is the earliest the Archer family have occupied their Summer home here in a number of years... ---Bergen County Democrat

May 2, 1890 Mr. J. M. Southwick and Miss Fannie Rowland were married last week at the bride's home, in Brooklyn. Mr. and Mrs. Southwick are now on an extended trip to Washington, D. C., and the South.

---Bergen County Democrat

May 16, 1890

The Orvil Building and Loan Association held a meeting in Archer Hall, on Monday evening; a large number were present and many shares were sold. At the last meeting the annual statement showed a profit of \$1 a share, which shows the flourishing condition of the association. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Pres., J. G. Esler; Vice Pres., Albert S. Zabriskie; Sec., David Pickens; Treas., E. E. Powell; Auditors, W. Thurston and W. H. Packer; Directors, H. O. Doty, G. W. Hatch, A. E. Ivers, S. Hopper, D. P. Davis and W. W. Packer.

---Bergen County Democrat

July 31, 1890

The weather is delightful, one day of sunshine succeeds another with an ever present breeze to temper the atmosphere to a perfect degree. Our Newport is as usual full of life, and pleasure parties. Lennox avenue can be seen at its best now; we have three hotels on the avenue now, The Powell House, Lennox Hotel and Hotel Windsor; the latter conducted by Mrs. Asten is said to be one of the best in town. The Powell House is full of select New York people, and exceedingly well kept. The Lennox is doing fairly well and bids fair to rank with the best. Most conspicuous among the long train of vehicles which grace Lennox avenue are Mr. E. E. Powell driving his fast stepper "Alber-marle," Mr. Geo. B. Cook behind "Buckingham," and B. Coleman with his fine horse "Surefoot." There are at present about twenty new houses being erected here, and the appearance of our avenue and other drives evidences an increased interest.

---Hackensack Republican

July 31, 1890

It may not be generally known that we are soon to have a fine lake here (Lydecker Lake). The work has been rapidly done, and Mr. Lydecker states that the filling of the enclosure and stocking with young fish will be completed by October first. This lake will cover an area of about seven acres, and will be an ornament to our already beautiful town. Mr. Lydecker states that a party has already made application for ground and will erect a large hotel, to be known as the Lake Side House. Mr. Lydecker has the thanks of the people for his enterprise, and we anticipate having some fine fishing in the not far future.

---Hackensack Republican

August 7, 1890

Allendale promises to be very gay during the latter part of August and early September. Many visitors are expected and a round of entertainments is being arranged. Our three hotels are well filled, most of the guests having arranged to stay until Oct. 1. This place has certainly good claim to the title "The Newport of Bergen County."

---Hackensack Republican

July 1891

The contract for macadamizing the roads at Allendale and Hohokus as designated by the voters at the Spring election, has been awarded to the "Orvil Township Stone Crusher Co.," of which Andrew Esler is President, at 67 cents per lineal foot. The work is now in progress on the Allendale road.

---The Landscape

November 12, 1891

The upper part of the town is not going to be behindhand in improvements. Lamp posts are being put up, and when the hill is lighted, enquiring strangers will be informed that the village in the distance is Wilsontown.

---Hackensack Republican

February 11, 1892

The Improvement Association has recently named the streets. From the station to Saddle River becomes

Allendale avenue. From Charlie Merrill's to the Franklin turnpike to the old gate house is Lake avenue. From the station to Christopher's mill is Park avenue. The new street from Park avenue to Lydecker's mill is Brook street. From the Franklin turnpike to Park avenue is Orchard street. The old Franklin turnpike becomes Broadway. From Powell's to the Epiphany Chapel is Chapel place. Freetrade avenue is now Maple street. From Maple street to Broadway is Grove place and from Allendale avenue to Lake avenue is Summer street. The only street which retains its original name is Love lane which runs from the old Franklin turnpike to G. B. Smith's. For a few weeks the inhabitants will carry a directory in their pockets in order to locate their neighbors.

---Hackensack Republican

May 12, 1892

From the amount of labor that is being done by Mr. Appert on his Oniontown farm large results may be expected.

---Hackensack Republican

June 10, 1892

In the New York Sun of last Sunday F. L. F. inquired the altitude of Allendale, N.J. The altitude was given as about 350 feet above sea level.

---Bergen County Democrat

June 10, 1892

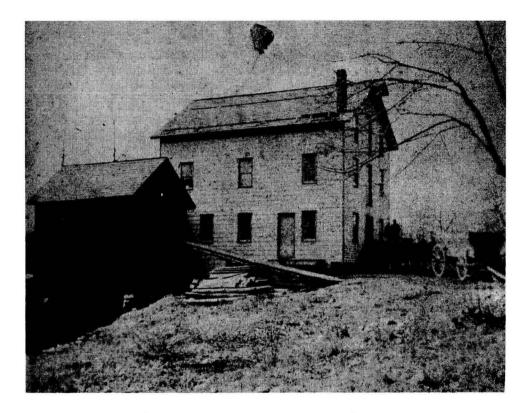
Mr. Adam Badeau, brother of Dr. Badeau, and the well-known author of General Grant's memoirs, has established himself at the Cable mansion, where he will pass the summer.

---Bergen County Democrat

July 22, 1892

There are more people in our "Newport of Bergen" this summer than any season in the past, and society has never been quite so gay. Many late comers have been turned away, for the hotels and boarding houses have been filled since the fourth....

---Bergen County Democrat



Lydecker's Mill, about 1890. (Site of Lake San Jacinto.) Courtesy of Mary McCook

July 22, 1892

A bicycle club ought to be formed. There is enough material in town to make a good one. Willard, Doty and Smith have made a number of long trips and are among the best of the riders. Dan Anthony has taken to the wheel this summer, and will soon be in the front ranks. Two of the oldest riders in town, who have ridden over nine years, are Dr. Archer and Will Merrill....

---Bergen County Democrat

September 29, 1892

Miss Patton's Boarding and Day School entered upon its seventh year on Wednesday of last week. The old pupils who have not yet finished the course of studies are nearly all back at their desks and there are more than enough new pupils to fill the places of those who graduated last year. The school is an excellent one and the Principal deserves both credit and encouragement.

---Ramsey Journal

November 1892

Walter Dewsnap has sold the place of Alfred Ackerman, Allendale, 6 acres, with buildings, to Gus Nadler, Confectioner, of Paterson for \$5,500.

---The Landscape

December 22, 1892

The Village Improvement Association held its annual meeting in Archer Hall on Monday evening, when the following officers were reelected:--

Albert L. Zabriskie, President George Cook, Vice President

David Pickens, Secretary

Wm. H. Mallinson, Treasurer

The following committee was appointed on entertainments:--Arthur De Z. Patton, John B. Barney, William W. Merrill, Garret H. Winter, Edward E. Powell. ---Ramsey Journal

December 22, 1892

Henry J. Mansfield was granted a license for the Allendale House, at last term of court, and our Prohibitionist friends are consequently very much exercised. The little tin sign, which reads, "Hinschliffe's Lager" appears to have taken all the charm and romance out of our pleasant little town and a number of good citizens have signified their intention of moving away in the spring. It is said that they will locate at Secaucus, that being the only village on the "picturesque Erie" unpolluted by a gin mill.

---Ramsey Journal

June 23, 1893

The new building for the post office will be finished about the first of next month. Mr. Van Blarcom will be postmaster.

---Bergen County Democrat

October 27, 1893

The marriage of Mr. H. S. Shearman and Miss Ida Graydon of Ridgewood is announced for the second week in November.

---Bergen County Democrat

December 15, 1893

Robberies continue. Saturday night thieves found fault with the condition of Mr. Mallinson's fowls: they had robbed the hennery and picked the fowls in front of the coop. Not content with the raid they wrote on the coop: "The next time we come have your fowls fatter."

---Bergen County Democrat

July 26, 1894

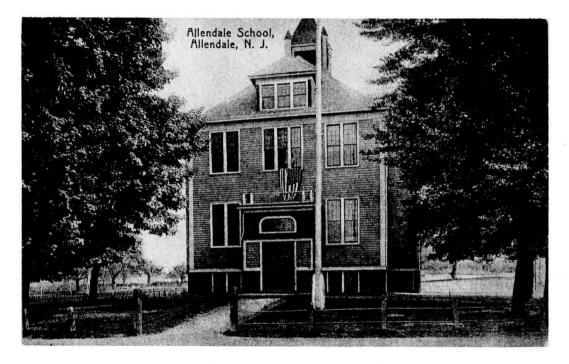
The huckleberry crop has been cornered by a couple of individuals, notwithstanding the fact that the whole community is fond of huckleberry pie.

---Hackensack Republican

August 31, 1894

The cider press has been started at Burtis' Mills. Mr. Burtis attained reputation last summer for good cider making and he will certainly give you satisfaction this year.

---Ramsey Journal



Allendale School (today's Borough Hall). Courtesy of Lee Memorial Library, Local History Coll. (Donated by Violet W. Straussman)

September 21, 1894

The borough craze is being agitated here and the proposed boundaries have been surveyed.

---Bergen County Democrat

November 16, 1894

Allendale became a borough on Thursday last. As soon as an election of officers is held chairman Wilson of the Hohokus Township Committee will be deprived of his office....The borough election will be held Dec. 4th. The primary to nominate will be held next week, and a citizens ticket will be made.

---Ramsey Journal

November 22, 1894

Borough of Allendale. Notice of Election. Notice is hereby given that an election will be held in and for the Borough of Allendale, in the county of Bergen, at Archer Hall, Allendale, in said county, within said Borough on Tuesday, December fourth, eighteen hundred and ninety-four, between the hours of six o'clock in the morning and seven o'clock in the evening, for the purpose of electing a Mayor, two Councilmen to serve one year, two Councilmen to serve for two years, two Councilmen to serve for three years, a Chosen Freeholder, a Collector, an Assessor, and three Commissioners of Appeals, and to vote for such appropriations as may be authorized by law.

Witness our hands this 17th day of November, 1894. John R. Achenbach, Township Clerk for the Township of Orvil.

Thos. Post, Township Clerk for the Township of Franklin. Wm. J. Thurston, Township Clerk for the Township of

Hohokus.

---Hackensack Republican

December 7, 1894

After an exciting election last Tuesday [the] borough of Allendale elected its citizens' ticket which is as follows: Mayor, Peter D. Rapelje; Councilmen, one year, George Hatch, Cornelius Quackenbush; two years, H. O. Doty, Walter Dewsnap; three years, Charles L. Parigot and Edward E. Burtis; Assessor, John Youmans; Collector, Garret G. Smith; Freeholder, Wm. Wilson; Commissioners of Appeals, Chas. W. Stocker, Albert L. Zabriskie and Ryerson Eckerson [Ackerson]. One hundred dollars was appropriated for borough purposes. ---Ramsey Journal December 14, 1894 On Tuesday evening the following Board of Education was elected: Wm. Tallman, C. A. Quackenbush, J. B. Willard, S. Van Blarcom, D. P. Davis, R. L. Nimmo, H. J. Appert. D. C. Cooper, S. Van Houten.

---Bergen County Democrat

April 26, 1895

Dr. Abraham Lydecker, formerly a resident of Ramsey, lately living in Ohio, will open a drug store in Jas. Linkroum's new building near the depot.

---Ramsey Journal

June 7, 1895

J. Linkroum has opened an ice cream saloon in the lower part of the new hall.

---Ramsey Journal

June 7, 1895

The building of a new school house equally as good as that in Waldwick is in prospect....

---Ramsey Journal

June 7, 1895

Mr. F. H. Storms has opened a livery stable in Mr. Yeoman's barn. Beside the carriages that he has for hire, he has a baggage express wagon which meets every train, making it convenient for summer boarders to get their trunks to and from the station.

---Ramsey Journal

March 5, 1896 There are in Allendale borough 67 dwelling houses; 135 families...

---Hackensack Republican

April 24, 1896

Plans for the new school will be decided on this week. Size of building will be about 50 x 60 feet, two stories high, two rooms on each floor, about



Allendale School and Students, 1897.

Courtesy of Ella M. Appert

24 x 30 feet each. There are to be separate entrances and cloak rooms for the boys and girls. --Ramsey Journal

May 15, 1896

Smith and Henion are about to apply for the contract to sprinkle the borough streets. Their new improved cart is much superior to the old style affair. ---Bergen County Democrat

May 15, 1896

At the last council meeting Mayor Rapelje nominated Stephen Z. Hemion to fill the vacancy on the board. The councilmen failed to confirm, and some of them have stated that the only man that they would confirm was J. J. Vanderbeck.

---Bergen County Democrat

June 19, 1896

Stephen Van Blarcom is awarded the contract for building the new school house. Glad he got it. He built the Archer M. E. Church, Mr. Legg's house, the parsonage, and several other fine buildings. The plans give a favorable showing of the new \$5,000 enterprise.

---Ramsey Journal

September 18, 1896

Mr. Mallinson has one of the best equipped cider presses in Bergen county. A load of apples is driven up to the mill, shoveled into a chute, from which they fall in buckets attached to an endless chain, which carries them up to the grater. After being reduced to pulp they descend through a telescopic tube to the press where they are rapidly formed in layers. Layer after layer is put up and then the press is swung around to the screws. This is also run by steam and has three speeds, which run the press down in a few moments. A steam pump then takes the juice to a tank above, where it is strained, and from there runs in the barrels in your wagon by means of a hose. In less than half an hour a load of apples is converted into cider and is on your wagon and ready to take home ---Ramsey Journal



Allendale Avenue.

Courtesy of Lee Memorial Library, Local History Collection (Donated by Violet W. Straussman) October 9, 1896

The Allendale Fife and Drum Corps went to Paterson on Wednesday night to take part in the Republican parade.

---Ramsey Journal

October 15, 1896

A high wind on Saturday is always followed by a depleted attendance at church on Sunday. Church services are a common occurrence, but chestnuts drop only in October.

---Hackensack Republican

November 13, 1896

Mr. Appert bought the old school building for \$65. He intends to make a store house for onions of it. ---Ramsey Journal

December 10, 1896

The formal opening of the new schoolhouse will take place on Friday evening, Dec. 18th, at 8 o'clock. There will be an entertainment given by the school children and the proceeds are to be used for furnishing the school.

---Hackensack Republican

July 1, 1897

The Fourth will be celebrated in an appropriate manner by our patriotic citizens. Tommy Brown has a large box of fireworks which he will set off in the evening, near his store....

---Hackensack Republican

July 30, 1897

Chas. Simon is a local character of interest, inasmuch as he was serving as dispatch bearer for Col. Reno at the battle of the Little Big Horn where Custer made his last stand. He enlisted in 1871 in the 7th U. S. Cavalry and was honorably discharged in '75. At that battle he was badly wounded in the forehead by an arrow.

---Bergen County Democrat



Class Picture, Allendale School, 1898.

Courtesy of Ethel Borger

August 27, 1897 Preparations are under way for the erection of another fine house on the turnpike. Stephen Van Houten is the owner....

---Bergen County Democrat

August 27, 1897

Dr. Badeau and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Abbott, and Mr. and Mrs. Blackmore have returned from their Alaska trip....

---Bergen County Democrat

March 4, 1898

What became of the lamps that used to throw out their light on Allendale? By what authority were they sold? Who bought them? Who paid for them? What? Who? Somebody has waked up after a long sleep....At the election for borough officers next week, the people ought to carefully consider which of the candidates will be willing to work for having the streets lighted at night. This is not a question of politics, but a vital point in the growth of the Borough. Let us have light.

---Ramsey Journal

April 15, 1898

Wally Gasparini has opened a boot and shoe repair shop near the depot.

---Ramsey Journal

October 7, 1898

Allendale, Oct. 3, 1898. Editor of Journal: Dear Sir:--I wish to correct a mistake that was published in your paper of Sept. 30th. The strawride that was given from Allendale on Sept. 29th and 30th, and which consisted of the following young people, the Hon. John Winans, Miss Annie Mallinson, Prof. Geo. Nimmo, Miss Myra Ackerman, Dr. Muired Christopher, Miss Ada Mallinson, Sir William Ackerman, Miss Mamie Winters, Cherter Mallinson, D. D., Miss May Dulcy, Major Gen. Wm. P. Asten, Jr. and Miss Katherine Linthiceum, did not go to Hackensack as stated, nor did Appert's team convey them. They did, however, manage to get as far as Paterson and Mr. Dan Van Blarcom had



Archer Memorial Methodist Church Courtesy of John Cebak (Photo taken by Samuel Brower)



Archer Church Interior Courtesy of John Cebak (Photo taken by Samuel Brower)



Smith-Van Blarcom House; stood on site of Hillside School. Courtesy of Peter G. Koole



Allendale Railroad Station, about 1905. Courtesy of John Cebak (Photo by Samuel Brower) the honor of furnishing the team.

Trusting you will rectify this mistake in your next publication, I am very truly yours.

W. P. Asten, Jr.

---Ramsey Journal

October 7, 1898

Our noble Mayor, George Cook, says he don't want a renomination, although his friends (and they are legion), are inclined to force the honor upon him. Mr. Brainerd's name has also been mentioned in connection with the nomination for mayor.

---Ramsey Journal

March 31, 1899

At the school meeting held last week the following gentlemen were elected trustees: Stephen Van Houten, C. W. Stocker, Wm. C. Tallman, J. E. Van Horn. \$1,350 was voted for school purposes.

---Ramsey Journal

April 7, 1899 "Hop" Youmans says there are 89 spinsters in the Borough, and "Hop" ought to know.

---Ramsey Journal

July 1899

Principal John J. Ackerman has been engaged by the Allendale school for another year at an increase of \$50, or \$750 per annum. Mr. A. is one of the best and most experienced teachers in the county.

---The Landscape

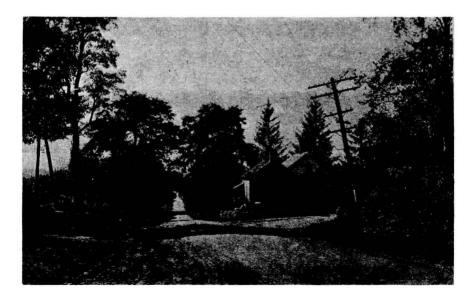
July 21, 1899

Saturday, August 5th promises to be a gala day for Allendale. Particularly so for the younger generation, for their elders will, on that day, at the cry of "play ball," file into the "diamond," ready to do or die. Following are the players on the two teams:

ALLENDALE HUCKLEBERRIES: R. L. Nimmo, Left Field; Mr. Cunningham, Right Field; Jacob P. Beaver, Short Stop; Dr. Pittis, 3rd Base; Frank L. Drummond, 2nd Base; S. J. Van Blarcom, 1st Base; J. W. Spring, Pitch-er; S. T. Van Houten, Catcher.



Allendale Baseball Team, about 1900. Courtesy of Roland Steele



Toll Gate House.

Courtesy of Lee Memorial Library Local History Collection (Donated by Violet W. Straussman) CRIMSON RAMBLERS: Percy Doty, Left Field; Theodore Smith, Right Field; William Dewsnap, Centre Field; F. A. Willard, Short Stop; Edgar Hubbard, 3rd Base; Charles Dewsnap, 2nd Base; George Parigot, 1st Base; J. B. Willard, Pitcher; Frank S. Merrill, Catcher. Game to be called at 3:30 p.m. sharp. Very few, if

Game to be called at 3:30 p.m. sharp. Very few, if any, of the teams have ever played ball, but this will matter very little. We also understand that ex-Mayor Rapelje is to umpire the game. It will be the plain duty of every citizen in Allendale to witness this game, and furthermore the editor of the JOURNAL will be on hand with his camera, so that the efforts of our noble citizens can go down in history.

---Ramsey Journal

September 29, 1899

Mrs. Storms at the old gate house disposed of her household goods at auction on Wednesday. A number of buyers were present and the auctioneer saw that everything brought a fair price.

---Ramsey Journal

And a preview of the new century ...

January 19, 1900

Grocer John Winter has invested in a bike and is training for the next six days race in New York City. ---Ramsey Journal

June 29, 1900

The graduates of the public school are Bertha Mallinson, Edna Storms, Arthur Appert, Willie Yeomans, Archer Asten, Bertie Smith and Fred Willard. This is the largest number that ever graduated at once from our school.

---Ramsey Journal

June 29, 1900

Allendale Baseball Club will play the Vigilant Field Club this Saturday. At a recent meeting it was voted to accept the invitation of the pastor of the M. E. Church to attend service next Sunday evening. The association is composed of about 70 men, styled the Allendale Athletic Association....

---Ramsey Journal

September 7, 1900

The Labor Day games of the Allendale Athletic Association were held as promised, and a big crowd was on hand to see them...The 100 yard dash was won by George Nimmo; time, 11 seconds. The boys' 100 yard dash was won by Master Fullerton. The apple race was won by Harold Ackerson and the 3-legged race by Nat McCready and George Nimmo. The greased pig caused the fun and there were four entries. After the pig had run around the square he made a bee line for the woods and was caught in the bushes by Nimmo. The best running broad jump was 17 feet 4 inches.

---Ramsey Journal

December 14, 1900

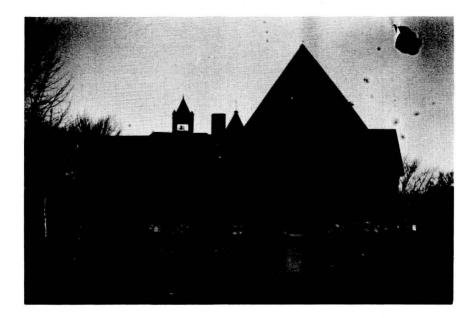
Surveyors have been busy during the past week in the interest of a gas company. First electric lights, then gas, then trolley and then complete happiness. ---Ramsey Journal

December 14, 1900

The few very cold nights brought joy to the hearts of the boys by providing skating. Wednesday Burtis' pond had about 3 inches of black ice and afforded fine skating to a large number after school hours. ---Ramsey Journal

December 14, 1900

The Allendale public library that was opened last week is a movement towards making the borough a desirable place for residence. The library is in charge of Mrs. E. W. Spring and Mrs. Wallace E. Carver. The state has already sent a large case of books from the "traveling library." After these are read they are sent to some other town and a fresh supply sent here. The women in charge of this new work hope to make it a good library in time....Responsible parties residing outside of the borough can take books on payment of 25 cents per year in addition to the regular charge of two cents per week for each book. ---Ramsey Journal



Church of the Epiphany Courtesy of John Cebak (Photo taken by Samuel Brower)



Allendale Meat Market Courtesy of John Cebak (Photo taken by Samuel Brower)

MAYORS OF THE BOROUGH OF ALLENDALE

| Peter D. Rapelje | 1899, 1902, 1907, 1911 | 1900 1903, | 1904, 1909 | 1905 |
|---|---------------------------------|----------------|---------------|------|
| Gustave Nadler1914, | 1915, | 1916, | 1917, | 1918 |
| 0. 0. Clark | | 1923, | 1924 | |
| J. Parnell Thomas | 1928, | 1929, 1933, | | |
| Kenneth V. Fisher1935, | 1936, | 1937, | 1938 | |
| Louis A. Keidel1939, Lyman Ceely1943, | 1944 | 1941, | 1942 | |
| J. George Christopher1945, Frederick J. Burnett1947, | 1948, | 1949, | 1950 | |
| L. R. Johnson | | 1955, | 1956 | |
| Albert O. Scafuro | 1958 | | | |
| Robert I. Newman1959, 1963, | | 1961, 1965, | | |
| Joseph F. Waldorf1967, Herbert Lange1969 | 1968 | | | |
| Albert J. Merz, Jr | 1970, | 1971, | 1972 | |
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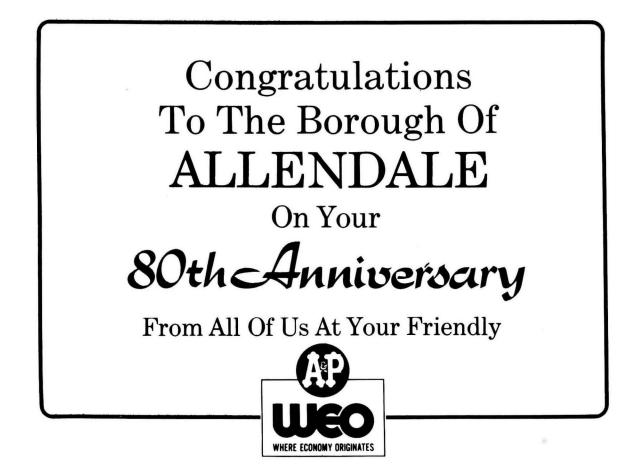
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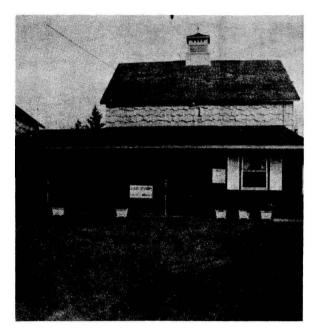
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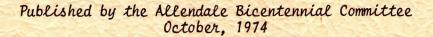
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