

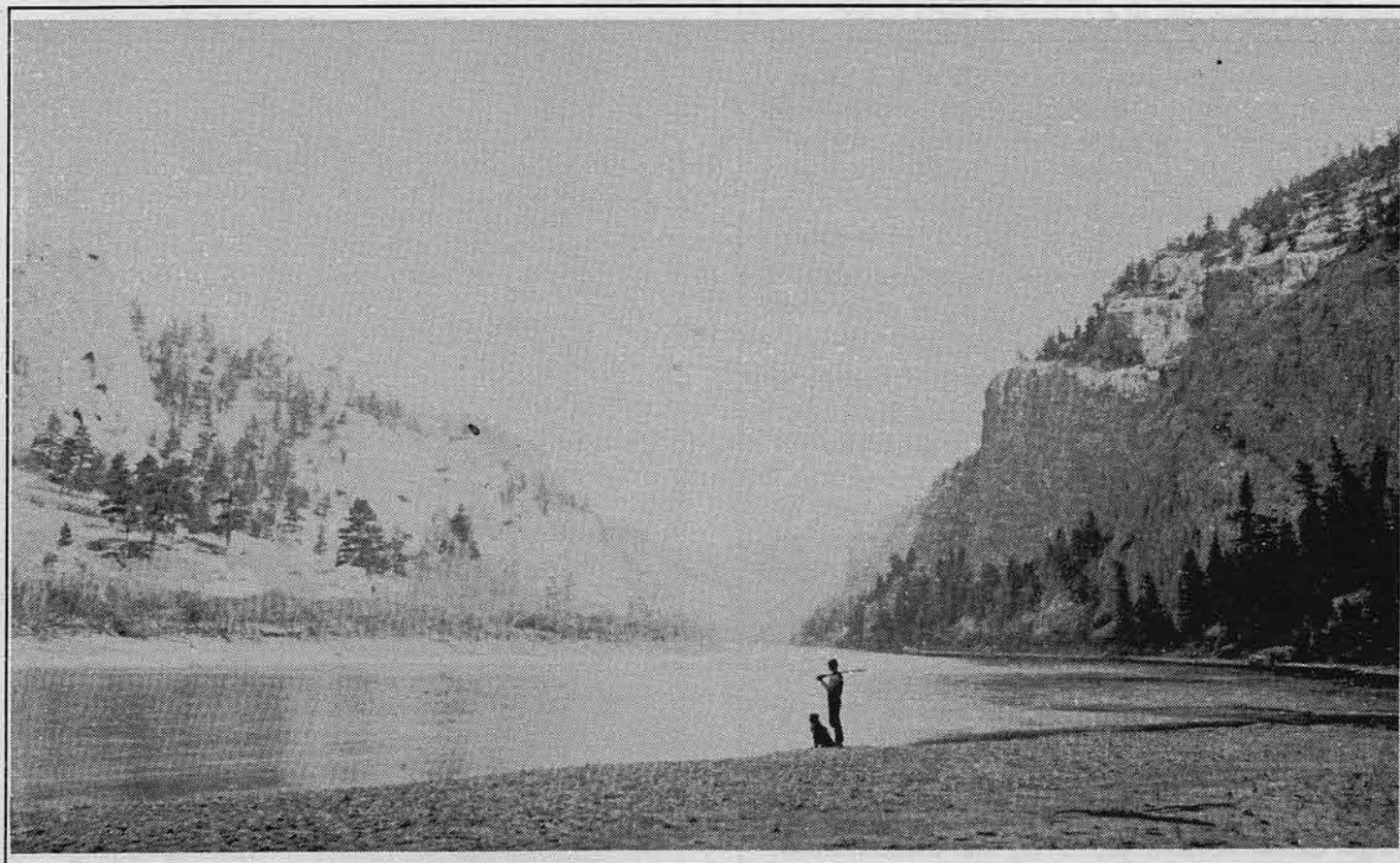
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Ralph DeCamp used study photos like sketches to aid him in his studio work. He sent this view to an artist friend writing on the back, "Have painted this several times and it makes a pleasing subject. The colors are simple and you might try it. The bushes on the river are autumn tinted, rocks are warm grey and the pines of course dark green in foreground." The view is of "The Gates of the Mountains" on the Missouri River, a favorite DeCamp subject. See story Pages 5-7.

Clay County Historical Society Collection

President's Report

By Paul Harris, President



This president's report is my swan song, and I suppose I could go on about all the progress made by Clay County Historical Society under my visionary leadership. It has been gratifying to be involved with an organization that is moving in so many positive directions, but I have written about all that before. Rather than boast about the improvements I've made in CCHS, I would rather reflect on the improvements CCHS has made in me.

One of the most gratifying consequences of my involvement with CCHS has been the opportunity to become more connected in a variety of ways to the ongoing history of Clay County. For me, local history is an integral component of my sense of place. It is about living more fully in my surroundings. Before, places and things were just there; now they have meaning. Where once I saw only surfaces, now I can look with depth of field. That new awareness has enriched my life.

At the heart of that awareness is a sense of continuity with the past. History isn't something that just gets recorded and shelved. It is all around us. As a professional historian, I have learned most of what I know about history from books, and without the understanding that comes from books, the history in places and things tends to be a compound of curiosities and nostalgia.

At the same time though, it is also important to encounter history not merely as dead stuff, but also as something alive.

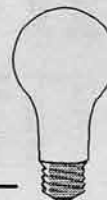
To live in continuity with the past is to hold in the back of one's mind a sense of the path we are on and how we got here. It is basic to our sense of direction, and losing it means, in some fundamental way, losing one's bearings. CCHS works at preserving that connectedness. Maybe we owe it to our ancestors. More important, we owe it to our children.

So this is where I get to say that it has been my pleasure to serve as board president. Maybe now you will believe me.

Do you have a story?

The Clay County Historical Society is always looking for contributors for its newsletter. If you have a story to tell, pictures to share or articles you have written that relate to county history, please submit them to the Clay County Historical Society Newsletter. If you are unsure about writing, perhaps we can sit down for an interview and publish that.

Send articles to Clay County Historical Society, PO Box 501, Moorhead MN 56561-0501 or call 299-5520. We look forward to hearing from you soon.



We have a new phone number!

Our new phone number is 299-5520. Our fax is 299-5525. Sorry if this change is an inconvenience, but it will save us money in the long run. Thanks for your patience.

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Volunteer opportunities at CCHS

"I am of the opinion that my life belongs to the community, and as long as I live, it is my privilege to do for it whatever I can. I want to be thoroughly used up when I die, for the harder I work, the more I live."

George Bernard Shaw on volunteering.



Are you a history buff or do you just 'like history'? How about antiques? Do you enjoy meeting people? Visiting? Reminiscing? We have just the right position for you.

Clay County Historical Society has some unique volunteer opportunities for

receptionists and/or docents. Hours are Saturday from 9 to 1 and 1- 5 p.m. and Sunday from 12 to 5 p.m. Duties include greeting guests and answering questions about the historical society and the exhibits on display.

Our current exhibit is "Stitches in Time: Clay County's Homemade Textiles." An interest in heirlooms and a love of talking about them would be a special plus for volunteers during this exhibit. Training will be provided.

There are other volunteer opportunities in collections, the research library, design and production of exhibits, education and social development (hosting previews, receptions, etc.).

The work is not physically demanding but a firm commitment of time is a pre-requisite for a position. If you or someone you know is interested in volunteering at the Clay County Museum call Margaret at 299-5520.

Hogan nominated for 1999 Golden Rule Award

A very special group of people were recognized at the Fargo Holiday Inn on April 13 at the JC Penny 1999 Golden Rule Award reception.

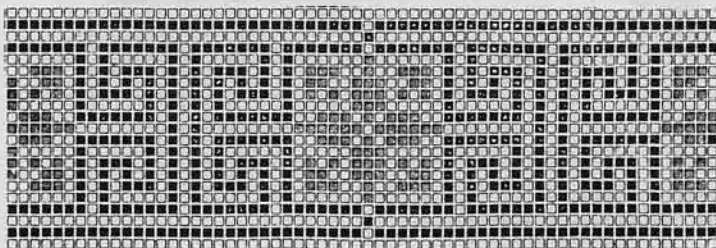
Irene Hogan, a CCHS volunteer was among 65 individuals and groups nominated for this year's honor. Hogan has been volunteering for CCHS projects for some years and was a very deserving candidate. The most recent assistance occurred following last summer's water main break flood when several thousand glass plate negatives were impacted. Hogan was among a group of eleven people who dropped everything to assist in this time sensitive disaster. Hogan stayed with the project through completion, taking time off only to fulfill previous volunteer commitments.



Other organizations that benefit from Hogan's volunteer efforts include Cultural Diversity Project, Moorhead Healthy Community, American Association of University Women, Women's Network of the Red River Valley and Trinity Lutheran Church.

Dorothy Dodds, retiring CCHS Board Member, was nominated for the Golden Rule Award by Moorhead Healthy Community and was one of 10 finalists. She volunteers for many other area non-profit and humanitarian organizations as well.

Hats off to Hogan and Dodds!!



Outreach Displays

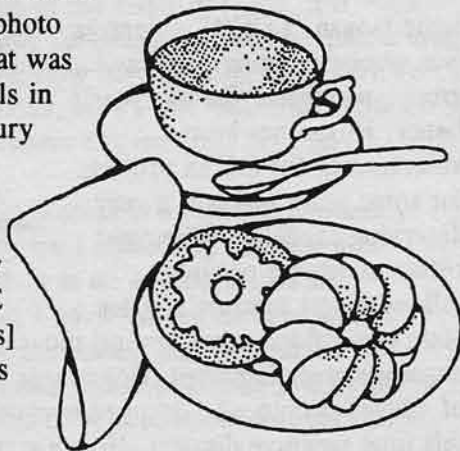
	Opens	Closes
Hitterdal Senior Center	Feb. 19	June
Ulen-Hitterdal High School	Feb. 19	June
Viking Manor, Ulen	Feb. 19	June
Hawley Public Library	Feb. 19	June
Glyndon Community Center	Mar. 1	June
Moorhead Public Library	Mar. 3	June
Barnesville Public Library	Feb. 22	June

[note: due to construction and moving of CCHS operations at the Heritage Hjemkomst Interpretive Center building, cases will change when time allows.]

The Hitterdal Senior Center opens **ROLLIN' ON THE RED** - a photo display highlighting steamboats on the Red River.

A CENTURY OF CYCLES opens at the Ulen-Hitterdal High School. This photo display looks at what was rollin' on two wheels in Clay County a century ago.

The Viking Manor in Ulen might enjoy **A CASE OF COKE** [display case, that is] featuring collectibles and fun facts about this popular soft drink.



The Hawley Public Library looks at over 125 years of medical history in Clay County in **YESTERDAY'S MEDICINE**.

Look, look. See, see! Have **FUN WITH DICK AND JANE** at the Glyndon Community Center.

The Moorhead Public Library is **CHOCOLATE CENTERED**. By the box or by the bar, this is a "sweet" display - and, just in time for Valentine's Day!

LET'S HAVE COFFEE at the Barnesville Public Library. This display features a coffee grinder, coffee server, coffee pot, cups - and a little lunch.

Artifacts & Donors

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Donors include:

Moorhead: MSU Archaeology Dept., Moorhead
Central Lions/Lioness, Margaret
Callsen, Anne Geiszler, Donna
McMaster, (rural) North Buffalo
[Lutheran] Church
Barnesville: Joanne Ogren
Hawley: Clay-Wilkin Dairy Herd Improvement
Assn.
Lake Park: Jeff Kluck
Kimball, MN: John L. & Mary Lou Sworski
St. Paul MN: MN Dept. of Transportation
Fargo, ND: Nancy Krenelka, Eugene A. Lucy
Helena, MT: Montana Historical Society
Phoenix, AZ: George & Gail Humphrey
Lancaster, CA: Jerry E. Barbero
Torrance, CA: Chris Velline

Artifacts include: scrapbook, Moorhead Central Lionesses, banner and vest from Moorhead Central Lions Club; information from Montana Historical Society's exhibit on Ralph DeCamp including a timeline on DeCamp's Life and Works, photo-copies of nwsp article on DeCamp and the magazine *Montana the Magazine of Western History* Summer 1979 containing an article on DeCamp; (1) vol. Oakmound Church Centennial 1896-1996; (1) vol. North Buffalo [Lutheran] Church 1897-1997; records of the Clay-Wilkin Dairy Herd Improvement Assn. 1946-1965; book, *Archaeological Testing at the Historic Probstfield Farm*; (2) photo postcards: First Ave. South looking West, Moorhead, Minn. c. 1910 and Front Street, Moorhead, Minn. no date; book, (1) vol. *Western Directory* 1958; (1) color photocopy of photo print of 1927 Spring Prairie District #53 school students, all identified; (3) photos: horse-drawn bucket/ladder wagon at Holes residence, Home Coming Day July 21, 1919, Fargo, ND and horsedrawn ladder wagon, Fargo; book, (1) vol. *Ostrem and Hatleli Genealogies* by Chris Velline c. 1998; book, spiral bound, *Building on a Strong Foundation @1999*; air raid Warden armband, Civil Defense armband, First Aid Manual, Air Raid Warden handbook all for Minnesota used in Buel, MN; Ulen 75th Anniversary key chain 1886-1961 and four sm keys; (2) pair, child's stockings @65 years old with darned heels; 2) jewelers scales, wood w/glass & weights from Martinson's Jewelry; matchbook from Ockie's Place, 1304 - First Ave. N., Moorhead, MN, with an orange crush advert. [before 1978].

Moorhead artist featured in major exhibit in Helena

The following is an article received from the Montana Historical Society about Ralph DeCamp, a Montana artist who spent his early years in Moorhead. The Montana Historical Society has mounted a major exhibit of his life and work.



Few artists have ever matched Ralph E. DeCamp's ability to capture in detail the natural beauty of Montana. The artistic eye that would bring DeCamp fame in Big Sky country at the turn of the century, was first awakened along the Red River near Moorhead where he grew to manhood.

The Clay County Historical Society has assisted the Montana Historical Society in developing the Minnesota background of DeCamp for a major exhibition of his paintings and photographs in its museum in Helena. To fully understand DeCamp, who moved to Montana in 1886 at age 30, it is necessary to know the events and experiences that shaped his life, Montana Historical Society Curator of Collections Kirby Lambert said. "We greatly appreciate the help of Clay County Historical Society Archivist Mark Peihl in mounting this exhibit and our major magazine article that accompanies it, which now thoroughly covers DeCamp's early years," Lambert said. In addition to archival information on DeCamp, Peihl also provided five photographs for the exhibit taken by O.E. Flaten, a pioneer Moorhead photographer, on an 1885 trip he took with DeCamp to Yellowstone National Park sponsored by the Northern Pacific Railroad.

While DeCamp's better known Montana contemporary artists - Charles Russell, E.S. Paxson, and O.C. Seltzer- produced paintings that told magnificent stories of the West and Montana at the turn of the century, DeCamp devoted his energy to capturing the state's beauty in painted landscapes and photographs. The Montana Historical Society Museum exhibit is believed to be the first major DeCamp exhibit that includes both mediums he used to leave us his vision.

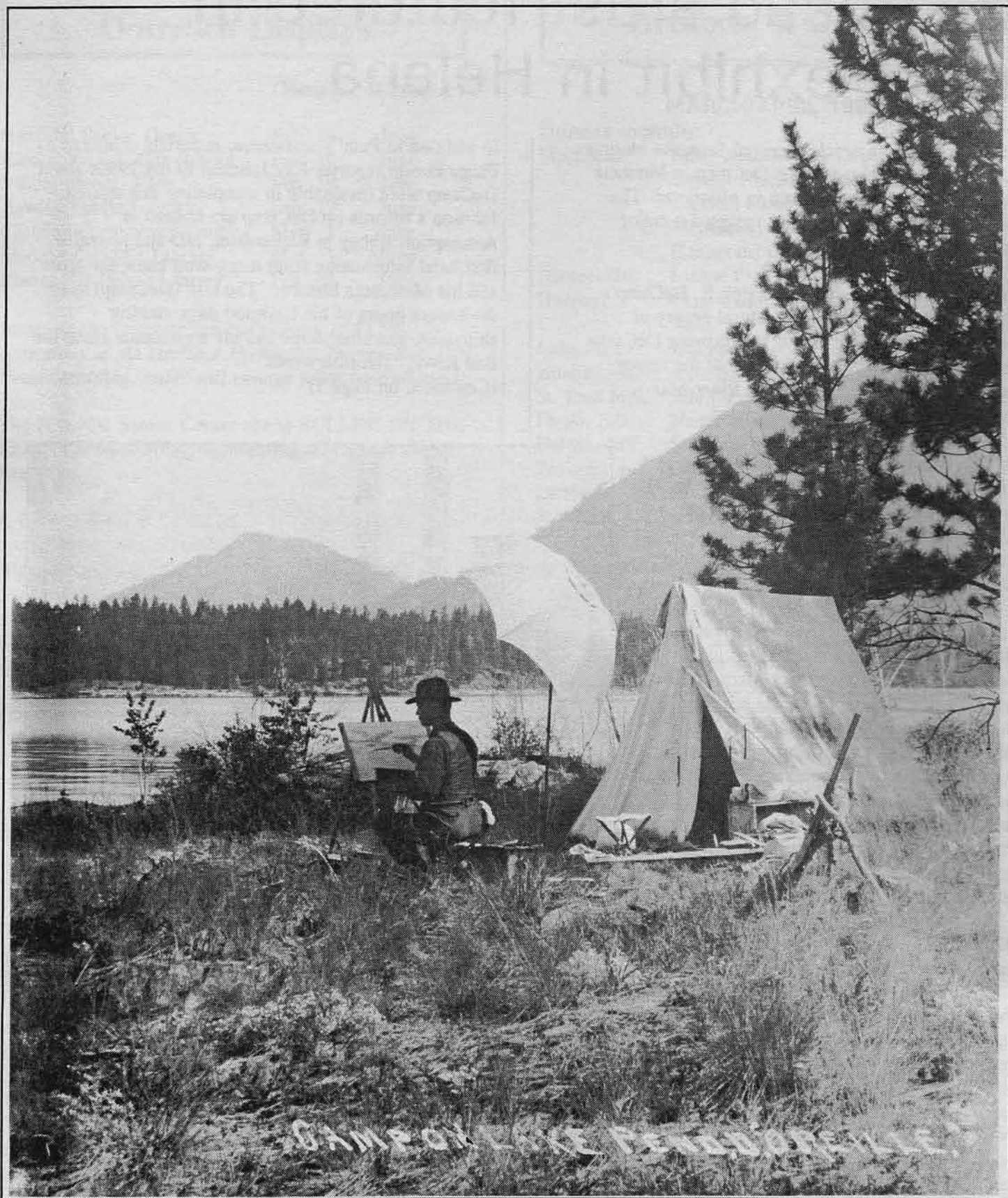
In addition to Peihl's assistance, materials compiled by Fargo Forum reporter Ray Johnson in the 1950s about DeCamp were invaluable in completing this exhibit. Johnson's records on DeCamp are housed at Assumption Abbey in Richardson, ND and provided first-hand information from many who knew the artist and his Minnesota history. "The boy (DeCamp) spent the leisure hours of his boyhood days visiting shipyards, machine shops and the steamboats along the Red River," Johnson wrote.

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Ralph E. DeCamp, November 6, 1933. Photo taken by photographer L.H. Jorud, Helena Montana. DeCamp died in 1936.

Photo courtesy of Montana Historical Society, Helena



Moorhead photographer O.E. Flaten took this picture of Ralph DeCamp painting a scene on Lake Pend D'Oreille in Idaho during their 1885 trip. DeCamp fell in love with the west on the journey and moved to Montana the next year.

Flaten/Wange Collection

Klingensmith inducted into Hall of Fame

Six Minnesota pioneers and notable aviation personalities were formally inducted into the Minnesota Aviation Hall of Fame at an awards banquet on April 17 at the Thunderbird Hotel in Bloomington. Florence Klingensmith, Clay County native, was the only woman inducted this year.

Mark Peihl, CCHS Archivist, who has researched and written extensively on Klingensmith, attended the ceremony on behalf of the Klingensmith family.

Klingensmith was a racer and barnstormer of the 1930s. She died in 1933 while competing in an air race. She is buried in Oakmound Cemetery, Moorhead.



Peihl displays the duplicate award that will hang in the CCHS Museum, courtesy of Minnesota Aviation Hall of Fame. The original is in the Minnesota Aviation Hall of Fame in Owatonna.

DeCamp (Continued from Page 5)

DeCamp's father, Horace, who was a contractor-builder and later a politician in Moorhead, built the first wooden frame building in the community. In 1933 when a section of wallpaper was removed from the DeCamp home, a "curious discovery" was made. "Decorators found painted on the plaster a Grecian maiden kneeling at a bench before a window. It was the work of Ralph DeCamp," Johnson wrote. Johnson quoted DeCamp's son, Renan, on his father's work. "My father was a true artist, which means he was a perfectionist. He would not let a picture go out of his hands unless he was fully satisfied with it," Renan said.

Water was a prominent feature of many DeCamp works, and he was especially fond of painting and photographing the segment of the Missouri River near Helena named "The Gates of the Mountains," by Meriwether Lewis of the Lewis and Clark Expedition. "When you learn about DeCamp and his early years of sketching and painting scenes along the Red River, it is clear that water and rivers were always a part of his life and work," Lambert said.

DeCamp's last visit to Moorhead was in 1935 when he stopped in on his old friend Benjamin Mackall, a Moorhead druggist. In 1936 DeCamp died and was buried in his adopted Montana next to his wife, Margaret Hilger, the daughter of Nicholas Hilger who

owned a ranch near the Gates of the Mountains.

The exhibit at the Montana Museum across from the State Capitol in Helena will run through March 15 of 2000, and will include more than 50 paintings by DeCamp, more than 25 photos, and interpretive materials. "It is time that DeCamp receives the recognition that he so richly deserves for leaving us a rich artistic heritage of the scenic glory of Montana," Lambert said. DeCamp spent most of his life playing an important part in the cultural development of Montana and its Capitol City, but Minnesota was always a part of his vision. The Montana Society's major article on DeCamp including his Minnesota years is in the summer issue of its nationally award-winning Montana The Magazine of Western History, which can be ordered by calling 1-800-243-9900.

If anyone knows of DeCamp paintings or photography in Minnesota, Lambert encouraged them to contact the Montana Society. "They could also stop in if they come out to view the exhibit," he said.

Scouts build storage shelving for collections

Long delayed project finally a go.....

by Pam Burkhardt, Collections' Manager

Dan Motschenbacher's Eagle Scout project began back in 1997. Dan, a member of Troop 214, contacted us after hearing about our need for shelving. The shelving was meant for our Oversize Storage room located in the lowest level of the Hjemkomst Center. The project started with a number of meetings and phone calls in which our shelving requirements were discussed. Dan was responsible for designing the shelving, measuring the space, compiling a list of materials and organizing the work force. I gave them measurements of the furniture.

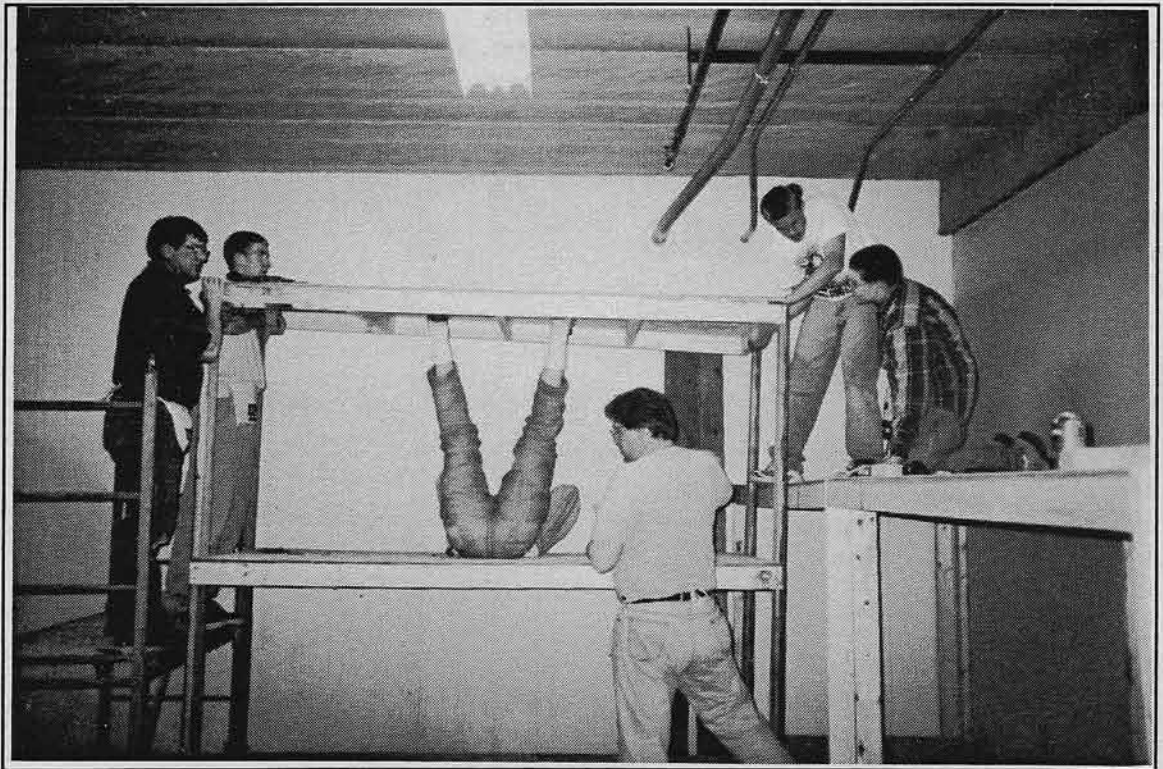
With opportunities presented by the new construction project, I decided to relocate Oversized Storage in the east end of the lower level in the new wing. Because we were vacating the lowest level of the building, we had to move the furniture. This decision required more calls and meetings plus a new set of measurements.

Fate, and bad luck, changed our plans on July 19 when a watermain break flooded the lower level with 16 inches of water. Of course, Oversized Storage was flooded, and the water damaged some of the plywood and two-by-fours we were planning to recycle. However, due to the **large number of unavoidable* water-carrying pipes** being installed in Work Storage (where my office was located on the south end of the old building), I decided to move the contents of Work Storage to the new wing and move the furniture

into Work Storage. There are fewer than 100 pieces of furniture in Oversized Storage and at least four to five thousand items in Work Storage. Now, a third set of measurements were taken. Meanwhile, Dan remained very understanding every time I changed locations.

One obstacle remained. After the contents of Work Storage were moved to the new wing (from the end of December and through the middle of January), Mark moved the Archives into the newly vacated space. He had to move temporarily while the old Archives were demolished and new HHIC offices constructed in their place. Once again the shelving project was on hold. At the end of March, Mark moved the Archives for the last time into the remodeled (old) HHIC offices which were now the new Archives. Finally, Dan's shelving project was a "go."

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USING HIS HEAD!! The crew finishes a three-shelf unit. [left to right] Steve Motschenbacher, Dan Motschenbacher, Erik Stromstad, Rick Abrahamson, Kevin Bjerke and Robert Abrahamson. Not pictured Tim Blaufuss. The two at the left are using our new (used) scaffold.

Scout Project (Continued from Page 8)

Plans called for six two-shelf units and three three-shelf units as well as four platforms equipped with six heavy-duty castors each. These rolling pallets make the space more efficient. The need for cross bracing on the vertical units was eliminated by interconnecting them. New lumber was purchased for this project, however, a number of two-by-sixes left over from a 1987 exhibit were used.

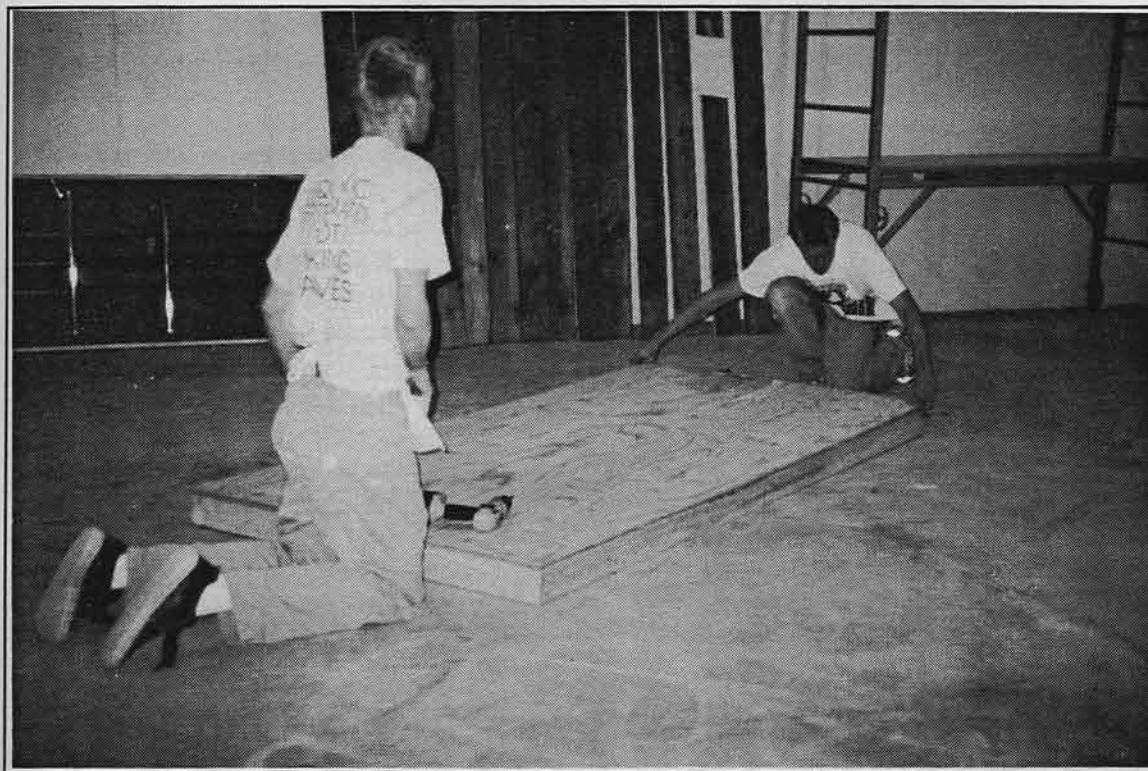
Dan and Dan's father Steve spent two evenings, April 8 and 9, pre-cutting lumber for the workers. Steve brought his own table saw. CCHS provided a few tools. However, several cordless, electric screwdrivers were rented so each worker would have one. Finally, one shelf was built as a model for the workers.

The big day dawned Saturday, April 10 when the work party assembled. In addition to Dan and Steve Motschenbacher, Rick Abrahamson worked with his son Robert. Other Troop 214 workers were Tim Blaufuss and Erik Stromstad. More help came from Dan's cousin Kevin Bjerke. The screaming sound of screws being forced into wood was deafening as the

shelves were mass-produced by the seven workers. Pizza was the lunch of choice.** After lunch, the units were assembled into vertical shelving. The last four shelves had castors added to make the pallets. The work over, two of the boys swept the floor and stacked the remaining lumber. The scouts had arrived in a room full of building materials and left behind 25 storage opportunities and one very happy (and relieved) Collections' Manager.

What's next? After the furniture is moved onto its new shelving, the salvageable lumber from the old storage room will be saved to construct individual, wheeled carts for awkward or heavy items of furniture. Any lumber left after that will be made into a storage unit for framed items.

- * The architect said he tried to reroute some of them. Really.
- ** The pizza lasted as long as it took to read that sentence.



Dan Motschenbacher (foreground) and his cousin Kevin Bjerke position the plywood to make one shelf. This process was repeated twenty-four times. A detailed drawing is taped to one of the two-by-sixes in the background.

Terminology of early death records

The following terms were compiled by Susan M. Hughes and published by the Center for Archival Collections of Bowling Green State University in its newsletter *Archival Chronical* 11:[2] (August 1992).

In a recent article Archivist Mark Peihl examined early death records in Clay County. These records

allow researchers a glimpse into the risks and hazards experienced by the early settlers. Fortunately, many of these hazards no longer exist, and what was once a common cause of death is not so familiar today. Terms used in early records have been replaced with more specific medical terminology. Here is a brief description of various terms used in late nineteenth and early twentieth century records.

Addison's Disease: Anemic condition caused by kidney disease.

Apoplexy: Stroke. The term dates back to the time of Hippocrates.

Bright's Disease: Another form of kidney disease, covering many of the terms in use today. In its acute form, it is called *nephritis*.

Carditis (myocarditis): Inflammation of the heart wall; also covers many of the terms used today in reference to the heart.

Catarrh (catarrhal bronchitis): Inflammatory affection of a mucous membrane, especially the nose and air passages. This term was widely used in period advertisements for cold remedies.

Chorea (St. Vitus' Dance): Used to identify any nervous disease.

Consumption (phthisis pulmonalia): Tuberculosis, "Consumption" was commonly used in the days when there was no effective treatment of the disease which was characterized by a gradual wasting away of the body.

Diphtheria: An infectious disease which could be spread by infected milk. It occurred mostly in autumn and winter and claimed predominantly children as victims. The term is still in use today, but the disease itself was much more

common in the days before vaccination.

Dropsy (anasarca): Referred to a swelling, whether general or localized, such as *ascites*, which was dropsy of the abdomen.

Enteritis: Inflammation of the intestines, could also take the form of enteric fever (*typhoid*).

Grave's Disease: Disorder of the thyroid gland. This term is still in use today.

Inanition: Most commonly found in reference to infants and the elderly. It signified death from the inability to assimilate food, probably caused by illness or, in the case of infants, premature birth.

La Grippe: Another term which enjoyed widespread use in medicinal advertisements, is known today as the flu.

Lues: Syphilis.

Marasmus: Progressive emaciation. In infants, it was associated with feeding problems.

Milksick: One of the few causes of death not found to some extent today; was not actually a disease, but a form of poisoning. Cows could ingest the leaves of the white snakeroot plant and pass along its toxin in their milk.

Neurasthenia: Neurotic condition characterized by worry, disturbances of digestion and circulation, and attributed to emotional conflict and feelings of inferiority.

Pott's Disease: Degeneration of the vertebrae, often resulting in a curvature of the spine.

Quinsy (quincy): Severe attack of tonsillitis which resulted in an abscess near the tonsils.

Septicemia: Blood poisoning; often resulted in death in the days prior to antibiotics.

Summer Complaint: Euphemism for dysentery. It was known as such because of its high incidence in summer. Along with *cholera infantum*, it was highly infectious and was usually the result of environmental conditions.

Typhoid (typhoid fever): Often caused by unsanitary water conditions and contaminated food or milk. Flies could carry the disease and contaminate food supplies. It was more common in the swampy areas where shallow wells could become contaminated.

Searching for abandoned cemeteries...

By Mark Peihl

CCHS needs your help in identifying abandoned cemeteries and isolated burials in Clay County. Over the years we've received several phone calls and letters from citizens concerned about the upkeep of seemingly forgotten burial sites. Recently we received a letter from Minnesota State Senator Janet Johnson of North Branch. Senator Johnson is working on legislation to deal with cemeteries that no longer have any formal organization responsible for their upkeep. The Senator says the state has no comprehensive list of abandoned burial places. Such a list would be helpful in weighing the various management options. She has requested our assistance in locating such places in Clay County. In turn, we're asking for the public's help.

We do have some information. In the early 1980s the Red River Valley Genealogical Society of Fargo surveyed Clay County for burial places. They sent volunteers to record information on headstones and in church and cemetery records and to locate graveyards. They reported their findings in a series of indexed volumes (which RRVGS still has for sale). They found 51 recognized cemeteries and 32 individual graves in 17 isolated sites. The following are lists of those recognized cemeteries, isolated burials and their locations. If you know whether any of these places are not being kept up by any official board or organization please let us know at 299-5520. Also, tell us if the information we have here is incorrect. Likewise, if you know of

any old graveyards or isolated burials not listed here, we would like to hear from you.

Recognized Cemeteries (they may also be known by various other local names):

West Ulen Cemetery, NE 1/4 sec. 32, Ulen Twp.
Calvary Cemetery, NE 1/4 sec. 28, Ulen Twp.
Bethlehem Lutheran Cemetery, NE 1/4 sec. 28, Ulen

Twp.

Sliper Cemetery, NE 1/4 sec. 28, Ulen Twp.

Keene Cemetery, SE 1/4 sec. 10, Keene Twp.

Felton Cemetery, SW 1/4 sec. 10, Felton Twp.

Georgetown Cemetery, 3/4 mile west of the Catholic Church, Georgetown village.

Old Kirkebo Lutheran Cemetery, SW 1/4 sec. 11, Georgetown Twp.

Old Methodist Cemetery, NW 1/4 sec. 14, Georgetown Twp.

North Buffalo Memorial Gardens, SE 1/4 sec. 15, Kragnes Twp.

Fridhem-Swedish ELC Cemetery, NE 1/4 sec. 1, Oakport Twp.

Oakmound Congregational Cemetery, NW 1/4 sec. 32, Kragnes Twp.

Scandia Cemetery, SE 1/4 sec. 19, Flowing Twp.

Dale Cemetery, NE 1/4 sec. 27, Highland Grove Twp.

Dale Covenant Cemetery, NW 1/4 sec. 4, Eglon Twp.

Highland Grove ALC Cemetery, SW 1/4 sec. 11, Highland Grove Twp.



Grave of Albert Muncy, located in road ditch 1/2 mile east of Rollag. Albert's grave is rather untypical of many isolated grave sites in Clay County. It is marked and the neighboring farm family looks after it. More typical are the nearby unmarked graves of Mary Carr and her daughter Carrie. Three-year-old Albert Wandered away from his family's Skree Township farm in 1885 and got lost in tall grass. Neighbors found his body a few days later.

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Cemeterys (Continued from Page 11)

East Salem Cemetery, Village of Hitterdal, sec. 4,
Highland Grove Twp.
West Salem Cemetery, Village of Hitterdal, sec. 5,
Highland Grove Twp.
Spring Prairie Township Cemetery, NW 1/4 sec. 24,
Spring Prairie Twp.
Lysne Cemetery, SW 1/4 sec. 4, Cromwell Twp.
Concordia Lutheran Church Cemetery, NE 1/4 sec. 7,
Moland Twp.
"Leif Erickson" Cemetery, SE 1/4 sec. 7,
Moland Twp.
Hawley Cemetery, west edge of City of Hawley,
sec. 2, Hawley Twp.
Riverside Cemetery (Glyndon), SW 1/4 sec. 35,
Moland Twp.
Silver Lake Cemetery, SE 1/4 sec. 22, Hawley Twp.
Hegland Cemetery, SW 1/4 sec. 20, Eglon Twp.
Old Hegland Cemetery, SE 1/4 sec. 23, Eglon Twp.
Solem Cemetery, SE 1/4 sec. 22, Eglon Twp.
Yankee Cemetery, SW 1/4 sec. 23, Parke Twp.
Bethany Cemetery, SW 1/4 sec. 25, Parke Twp.
Park Lutheran Cemetery, SW 1/4 sec. 12, Parke Twp.
Grong Lutheran Cemetery, Village of Rollag, east side
of Highway 32.
Rollag Lutheran Cemetery, Village of Rollag, west
side of Highway 32.
Mindrum Church Cemetery, SW 1/4 sec. 27,
Skree Twp.
Zion Lutheran Cemetery, NE 1/4 sec. 16, Skree Twp.
Gran Lutheran Cemetery, SW 1/4 sec. 36, Skree Twp.
Elkton Cemetery, SE 1/4 sec. 26, Elkton Twp.
Elmwood Cemetery, NW 1/4 sec. 10, Elmwood Twp.
Sabin Trinity Lutheran Cemetery, NW 1/4 sec. 16,
Elmwood Twp.
Moorhead Memorial Gardens, NW 1/4 sec. 8,
Kurtz Twp.
Holy Cross Mission, location unknown,
maybe in E 1/2 sec. 19, Kurtz Twp.
Hoff Lutheran Cemetery, SW 1/4 sec. 9,
Holy Cross Twp.
Clara Lutheran Cemetery, SW 1/4 sec. 17,
Holy Cross Twp.
Comstock Lutheran Cemetery, NE 1/4 sec. 28,
Holy Cross Twp.
Evergreen Cemetery, City of Moorhead.
Prairie Home Cemetery, City of Moorhead.
Riverside Cemetery, City of Moorhead.
St. Joseph's Catholic Cemetery, City of Moorhead.
Assumption and St. Mary's Cemetery,
City of Barnesville.
Barnesville City Cemetery, City of Barnesville.

Rosemont Cemetery, City of Barnesville.
Old Norwegian Cemetery, SE 1/4 sec. 17,
Humboldt Twp.
Aspelund Church Cemetery, SE 1/4 sec. 16,
Tansem Twp.
The Red River Genealogical Society was able to find
information about the following isolated burials:

Cromwell Township
NW 1/4 sec. 8, 2 infant twins Leif and Tina Sems,
May 1895.
NW 1/4 sec. 22, 2 infant twins, family name Schultz,
1890s.

Eglon Township
somewhere in sec. 6, Father and Mother of Jack
Burns, no date.
somewhere in sec. 27, son of Mr. and Mrs. Halvor
Solem, no date.

Elkton Township
sec. 20, Jessie Taylor Lamb (1879), 2 daughters
(no dates) and Elizabeth Lamb, Jan. 1887.
sec. 8, 3 children of Charles and Elizabeth Lamb,
no dates

Elmwood Township
SE 1/4 sec. 34, Thomas Thompson, 1883.

Moland township
somewhere in sec. 35, Norman Bassett (1900)
and 2 granddaughters, no date.

Parke Township
NE 1/4 sec. 27, Albert Muncy (1885), Mary Parker
Carr and daughter Carrie Carr, no dates.
NE 1/4 sec. 26, Rosa Rosensteil and daughter
Rosalena, early 1870s.
SE 1/4 sec. 28, Anders Peterson, Dec. 1876.
SE 1/4 sec. 6, infant child of Henry Smith, 1880s.

Riverton Township
SE 1/4 sec. 5, 2 infant children of Alva and Julia
Grant, 1893, 1899.
SE 1/4 sec. 14, 2 boys, family name Heldt,
1887, 1888.
somewhere in sec. 22, "Grandpa" Knutson, no date.

Spring Prairie Township
SE 1/4 sec. 26, Nina Quam, 1890.

Tansem Township
NE 1/4 sec. 4, Ole Erickson, 1872.



CCHS Board Members pictured at the Annual Meeting on May 13 are front row (l to r): Joyce Haug of Hawley, Helen Rudie of Moorhead, Lee Kolle of Borup, Marjorie Aakre of Moorhead, Donna Voxland of Moorhead; back row (l to r) Marion Gee of Moorhead, Merlyn Valan of Moorhead, Galen Vaa of Moorhead, Norman Roos of Hawley and Kenneth Fox of Hawley.

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What about thread?

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Retiring CCHS Board Members (l to r) Arnie Ellingson, Dorothy Dodds and Paul Harris were honored May 13 at the Annual Meeting. Dodds and Harris both served as officers. Ellingson is recently retired from the HHIC Board and served as their representative to the CCHS Board.

CCHS Memberships - New and Renewals

March/April, 1999

CCHS extends a very special thank you to the following individuals who have renewed their membership for another year.

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