

present, including delegations from Indianapolis, Tipton, Kokomo, Peru and other cities and towns of Central Indiana. The orator of the day was Governor Conrad Baker, who took for his subject "Our National Union." Among Governor Baker's remarks were these words, "We meet together to-day for the double purpose of dedicating as sacred to the memory of heroic patriots, living and dead, the beautiful monument before us, erected by the patriotic liberality of Hamilton County, and to celebrate the anniversary of the dedication of our fathers of the Temple of American Liberty and Independence. The beautiful monument in whose presence we stand, attests the fact that the county authorities and people of Hamilton County know how to appreciate the struggle through which the nation has recently passed, and how to estimate the gallant services of their own citizens who took so distinguished a part in the grand struggle."

Colonel James B. Black, Major John D. Evans and Captain Theodore W. McCoy, also made addresses appropriate to the hallowed occasion.

Mr. E. M. Jackson, the sculptor, presented the monument to the people of Hamilton County. James O'Brien on behalf of the Board of Commissioners also made a short presentation address. Colonel William Garver spoke on behalf of the people of the county and John Pontious then closed the ceremonies with the following dedicatory remarks:

"The monument having been presented and accepted, in the name of my country and in behalf of the citizens of Hamilton County, I do solemnly dedicate this monument to the memory of the brave defenders of our Union, who enlisted from Hamilton county under the glorious banner of our Republic and imperiled their lives in defense of the principles of liberty and happiness of the people of the Union. May we ever revere and cherish their memories in our hearts and emulate their many virtues."

The monument was not the first erected nor dedicated in the state, but it was the first erected by a county and dedicated as far as we have been able to ascertain.¹

In 1901 the Women's Relief Corp erected in Crownland Cemetery a monument dedicated to the "Unknown Soldier" of the Civil War. This monument is located in the plot that the cemetery had set aside for the burial of civil war veterans.

For many years on the southeast and northwest corners of the Court House lawn were Civil War canon with a pyramid of round canon ball. During World War II these were removed. The whereabouts of one of them is unknown and the other was placed in the Civil War veterans plot at Crownland Cemetery where it remains to-day.

CEMETERIES¹

Accompanying is a map showing the location of the cemeteries in Hamilton County, Indiana. These cemeteries are numbered on the map to correspond with the following:

1. Aroma. Four Civil War veterans are buried in the Aroma Cemetery.
2. Family burial plot located near Aroma in White River Township. The name is unknown to the writer and no Civil War veterans were found buried here.
3. Buscher Cemetery in White River Township is in bad physical condition. No Civil War veterans were found buried here.
4. Bethlehem E.U.B. Church Cemetery located in White River Township. Four Civil War veterans are buried in this cemetery.
5. Grubbs or Colip Cemetery. Located north and a little west of Strawtown. Two Civil War veterans are buried here. The name may be incorrect but was used because of the family name of the owner of the land about the time this cemetery was started. Not located on a road and is completely overgrown with woodland growth.
6. Carey Cemetery in White River Township contains the graves of sixteen Civil War veterans. A new section located across the gravel road to the West of the old section does not contain any graves of Union soldiers.
7. Newland Cemetery in White River Township is located between State Road 37 and White River northeast of Strawtown and contains the burying place of four Civil War veterans.
8. Strawtown Cemetery located at northwest corner of the town, contains the graves of eight Civil War Veterans.

9. Teeter Cemetery located north of Riverwood on the bank of White River. One of the earliest known burial grounds in Hamilton County. Contains no Civil War veterans.
10. Harrington Cemetery in Jackson Township located near Atlanta on east bank of Cicero Creek. No Civil War veterans were found buried in this cemetery.
11. Kaufman Cemetery located near Millersburg. No Civil War veterans were found buried here.
12. Arcadia Cemetery located immediately east of the town of Arcadia. Contains the graves of fifty-five Civil War veterans.
13. Mount Pleasant. Located in Jackson Township, close to the Arcadia Cemetery. The condition of this cemetery is very bad and no burials of Civil War soldiers could be determined in this cemetery.
14. Emanuel Lutheran cemetery is located just east of Mount Pleasant and two Civil War burials were found.
15. Worley Cemetery located just east of Cicero. No Civil War veterans were found buried here.
16. Cicero Cemetery. Located just west of Cicero. Sixty-three Civil War veterans' graves were located here.
17. Scherer Cemetery. Located about midway between Cicero and Arcadia and a little west. Proper name of this cemetery is Crown Hill but is commonly called Scherer and this is the name we have used in our rosters. Fifteen Civil War veterans are buried here.
18. McCarty Cemetery located on a high bluff on the west bank of Little Cicero Creek west of Millersburg. One Civil War soldier's grave was found here.
19. Roberts Chapel Cemetery. Located in the northwestern part of Jackson Township. The graves of five negro Union soldiers are located in this cemetery.
20. Very small burial plot located in the southeast corner of the county road intersection near Roberts Chapel. No name for this graveyard has been uncovered. No Union soldier's graves were found.
21. Mullen Cemetery located in the western part of Jackson Township. No civil War veteran's graves were located in this cemetery. The condition of this cemetery is very poor.
22. Taylor Cemetery located in western Jackson Township and south of the old Salem Church is completely overgrown with brush and weeds. Three Civil War veterans are buried here.
23. A cemetery located in the southwest corner of the intersection Cicero-Sheridan black top road and a gravel county road, one mile east of U.S. Highway 31. The name of this cemetery has not been determined, it is our understanding that the grave stones of this cemetery many years ago were used to make a dam on a nearby creek. No civil War veterans were determined to be buried here but there is a government marker for William Cutts a Revolutionary War Veteran located here. Only one other marker was found.
24. Name of this cemetery is Pettijohn. Located on the McFarland farm west of Cicero and just east of the cemetery described in number 23 herein one grave of Civil War veteran was found.
25. West Grove Cemetery. Located just south of the West Grove Friends Church in southwestern Jackson Township. Four graves of Civil War Veterans were found in this cemetery.
26. Hinkle Creek Cemetery. A churchyard cemetery located at the Hinkle Creek Friends Church on the Jackson Township side of the Jackson-Noblesville Township line. Sixteen graves of Civil War veterans are in this cemetery.
27. East Union Cemetery is located in the extreme northeast corner of Adams Township on the Hamilton-Tipton County line. Thirty Civil War soldier's graves were located here.
28. Ridge Cemetery. Located south and west of Ekin in Adams Township. Five graves of Civil War men are located in this cemetery.
29. Phillips Cemetery. Located in the eastern part of Adams Township about one-half mile west of U. S. Highway No. 31. Two Civil War veterans are buried here.
30. Bakers Corner Cemetery. Located at Bakers Corner. No graves of Civil War soldiers were found in this cemetery.

31. Spicewood Cemetery. Located just north of State Road No. 47 between Bakers Corner and Sheridan. Eight burial places of Civil War soldier's are located here.
32. Teter Cemetery. Located in Adams Township on Little Cicero Creek, southeast of Boxley. Two graves of Civil War soldiers are in this cemetery.
33. Boxley Cemetery. Located at Boxley in Adams Township. Twenty-nine graves of Civil War soldiers are located here.
34. Spencer Cemetery. Located on the Hamilton-Boone County line, north and west of Sheridan. Fifty-six Civil War veterans are buried here.
35. Crown View Cemetery located at Sheridan is the location of the graves of forty-five Civil War veterans.
36. Pearson Cemetery located east of Sheridan has no Civil War veterans buried here.
37. Union Grove Cemetery. One Civil War veteran is buried at this cemetery located near the Adams-Washington Township line.
38. Mundy Cemetery located in the southeast corner of Adams Township has no Civil War burials.
39. Lamong or Hammock Cemetery is located in Washington Township in a wooded grove just west of Lamong. The graves of three Civil War soldiers are located here.
40. Thomas B. Moore Cemetery is located north of Hortonville and east of the road. Three Civil War soldier's graves were found in this cemetery.
41. Pleasant View Cemetery. Located in Washington Township on the Hortonville road just east of U. S. Highway No 31. The graves of two Civil War soldiers are here.
42. Chester Cemetery. Located north of Westfield on the west side of U. S. Highway No. 31. Nine graves of Civil War soldiers are located here. The sites of the former Chester Friends Church and Chester school is also located here.
43. Greenwood Cemetery. Located in Washington Township south of Hortonville and is also the site of the former Greenwood Friends Church. One Civil War soldier is buried here.
44. Eagletown Cemetery. Located at Eagletown in Washington Township and eleven Civil War soldier's graves are in the cemetery.
45. Sugar Grove Cemetery. Located near the Boone-Hamilton County line, south of Jolietville. Four Civil War veterans are buried here.
46. Little Eagle Creek Cemetery. Located in Washington Township near Sugar Grove Cemetery. Thirty-six Civil War soldier's are located here.
47. Anti-Slavery Cemetery. Located in Westfield, north of the main cross streets and west of Union Street. Located near where the Anti-Slavery Meeting of Friends Meeting House was formerly located. Eleven graves of Civil War veterans are located in this cemetery.
48. Westfield Cemetery. Located in the south part of Westfield at the intersection of the Central Indiana Railroad and South Union Streets. Thirteen Civil War veterans are buried here. This cemetery was formerly maintained by the Westfield Friends Church but is now being converted into a memorial Park.
49. Summit Lawn Cemetery. Located south of Westfield on the east side of Old Highway No. 31. Fifty-seven graves of Civil War veterans are located in this cemetery.
50. Tharp Cemetery. Located midway between Noblesville and Westfield and north of State Road No. 32 in Noblesville Township. Only six grave stones remain in this cemetery, two being those of Civil War soldiers.
51. Metsker Cemetery. Located just west of Cicero Creek and north of State Road No. 32. This cemetery has been completely destroyed. A yard of home being now on the location of the cemetery. Inquiry does not reveal that any Civil War soldiers were buried here.
52. Gray Cemetery. Located in the extreme southwest corner of Noblesville Township at the Gray Friends Church. Four graves of Civil War soldiers are located here.
53. Weaver Cemetery. Located southwest of Noblesville near the overpass of the Noblesville-Carmel Gravel road and the old traction line. Six Civil War soldier's graves are in this cemetery.
54. Riverside Cemetery. Located on the banks of White River on the west edge of Noblesville. Seventy-five graves of Civil War soldiers are located

here. This cemetery was formerly known as the "Old Cemetery" and has the distinction of being the location of the first burial in Hamilton County of a Civil War soldier and also the site of the burial of the last Civil War veteran of Hamilton County.

55. Crownland Cemetery. Located at the northeast corner of Noblesville. Two hundred and ninety-two Civil War soldier's graves are located here. This cemetery is the location of the Civil War Monument erected by the County of Hamilton which was dedicated in 1868.

56. Gascho-Trissal Family Cemetery. Located south of Crownland Cemetery and just east of the Noblesville High School. No Civil War graves were found here.

57. Hurlock Cemetery. Sometimes known as Stony Creek Cemetery, not to be confused with the cemetery of the same name in Wayne Township. Located southeast of Noblesville just east of new State Road No. 37. Seventeen graves of Civil War soldier's are located here.

58. Caylor Family Cemetery. Located south of State Road No. 38 near the Wayne Township line. No graves of Civil War veterans were found here.

59. Zimmer Cemetery. Located in Noblesville Township, south and a little west of Riverwood. Six graves of Civil War soldiers are in this cemetery.

60. Prairie Baptist Cemetery. Located in Wayne Township at the Prairie Baptist Church. Seven graves of Civil War soldiers are located in this cemetery.

61. Hair Cemetery. Located in Wayne Township on the south side of old state road No. 32 near the Hamilton-Madison County line. Ten Civil War soldiers graves were found in this cemetery. The cemetery is grown up in weeds and locations of graves were very difficult.

62. Stern Cemetery. Located in Wayne Township, north and east of Stony Creek and Bethel Cemeteries, between State Roads 38 and 32. No burials of Civil War soldiers could be determined in this cemetery.

63. Stony Creek Cemetery. Located on north side of State Road 38 and just west of Bethel Church. Seven graves of Civil War soldiers are located here.

64. Bethel Cemetery. Located on north side of State Road No. 38 at the Bethel Church. Eleven graves of Civil War soldiers were found in this cemetery.

65. Lennen Cemetery. Located in the middle of a section of land, north of State Road No. 38 and about one-half mile west of the Hamilton-Madison County line in Wayne Township. No road leads to this old cemetery. Condition of this cemetery is very bad. Two Civil War soldier's graves were found here.

66. Mushrush Cemetery. This may not be the correct name of this cemetery, given for the purpose of identification from the farm from which it is taken. Located in Wayne Township near the Wayne-Fall Creek Township line and about a mile west of the Hamilton-Madison County line. Two graves of Civil War soldiers are located here. Briars and brambles have just about taken over this burial place.

67. Wiseman Cemetery. Located on the north side of the Wayne-Fall Creek Township line and just off State Road No. 238. No Civil War graves were located in this cemetery.

68. Fort Cemetery. Located in Fall Creek Township on the Hamilton-Madison-Hancock County intersections and lies just east of State Road No. 238. Fifteen graves of Civil War soldiers were found here.

69. Arnett Cemetery. In Fall Creek Township, north of the iron bridge that crosses Fall Creek at the eastern end of Geist Reservoir. Five graves of Civil War veterans were located in this cemetery.

70. Kinnaman Cemetery. Located in Fall Creek Township just south of State Road No. 238, about a mile and a half west of the Madison County line. Fifteen Civil War veteran's graves were found here.

71. Helms Family Cemetery. Located in Fall Creek Township, across the road and east of Kinnaman Cemetery. Two Civil War veterans are buried here.

72. McKay Cemetery. Located south of Geist Reservoir in the corner of Fall Creek Township near the Marion County line where the old town of Germantown was formerly located. One Civil War veteran is buried in this cemetery.

73. Brooks Cemetery. Located on the same road as McKay Cemetery, lying

north of McKay and on the west side of the road. One of the older cemeteries in the county. Two graves of Civil War soldier's are located in this cemetery.

74. Burk Cemetery. Located north of State Road No. 238 on a gravel road which intersects with Sandy Creek. This cemetery has been completely destroyed. No gravestones remain.

75. Bethlehem Cemetery. A churchyard cemetery located in Fall Creek Township south of State Road No. 238 from the intersection known as "Johnson's Corner." Seven graves of Civil War soldiers are located here.

76. Mt. Zion Cemetery. A churchyard cemetery located south of Geist Reservoir and east of Brooks and McKay cemeteries in Fall Creek Township. Eleven Civil War soldiers are buried in this cemetery.

77. Lowery Cemetery. Located in the northwest part of Fall Creek Township, almost due east of New Britton. Ten graves of Civil War soldiers are in this cemetery.

78. Beaver Cemetery. Located in Fall Creek Township east of and a little south of Fishers. Parts of this cemetery are known as Beaver and Flanagan and in recent years as Highland. However the name Beaver is used in this work for the sake of conformity. Thirty-one graves of Civil War soldiers are located here, although only thirty have been identified. One government marker of the Civil War variety is in this cemetery with all engraving completely erased. Records of this cemetery burned about ten years ago and it has been impossible to determine the name of the soldier buried in this particular grave.

79. Spannuth Cemetery. Located in Delaware Township on the west side of State Road No. 37A just south of the intersection with State Road No. 234. Six graves of Civil War Soldiers were found in this cemetery.

80. Heady Cemetery. Located east of State Road No. 37A and due east of "Sun-Blest" golf course. Three graves of Civil War soldiers are located in this cemetery.

81. Eller Cemetery. Located in Delaware Township near the northwest corner of the intersection of State Road No. 37A and 106th Street. Cemetery is not able to be seen from the roads. One Civil War soldier is buried here.

82. West Cemetery. Located in Delaware Township west of State Road No. 37A and north of Marion County line. This cemetery is in a wooded area that adjoins on the west the new Oak Lawn Memorial Gardens. Two graves of Civil War soldiers are in this cemetery.

83. Oak Lawn Memorial Gardens. A relatively new cemetery located in Delaware Township on the west side of State Road No. 37A. No Civil War veterans are buried here.

84. White Chapel Cemetery. A churchyard cemetery located on the south side of 116th Street near the flowing well in Clay Township. Six graves of Civil War soldiers are located in this cemetery.

85. Farley Cemetery. Located in Clay Township on the south side of 106th Street and east of State Road No. 431. Fifteen Civil War soldiers are buried here. This cemetery is also known as Blue Cemetery.

86. Carmel Cemetery. Located at the north edge of Carmel and on the east side of State Road No. 431. Thirty-two graves of Civil War veterans are in this cemetery.

87. New Carmel Cemetery. A relatively new cemetery located near the original Carmel Cemetery but on the west side of State Road No. 431 on the north edge of Carmel. No Civil War veterans are buried in this cemetery.

88. Poplar Grove Cemetery. Located in Clay Township almost due west of Carmel. One Civil War soldier was located in this cemetery.

89. Pleasant Grove Cemetery. A churchyard cemetery located just west of the former Pleasant Grove Methodist Church in Home Place. No grave of a Civil War soldier was located in this cemetery.

90. An un-named cemetery located in Clay Township on the north side of the Hamilton-Marion County line and on the northwest corner of the intersection of 96th Street and the first county road east of U. S. Highway No. 421 in the extreme southwest corner of the county. The cemetery is

approximately one acre in size and is completely overgrown with scrub timber. We have been unable to find anyone who could tell us the name of this cemetery. No graves of Civil War soldiers were found in this cemetery.

The graves of one thousand one hundred and thirty-six Civil War soldiers have been identified in the cemeteries of Hamilton County. We have been singularly impressed with the impossibility of arriving at a 100% accurate figure. Time, undergrowth and vandalism have all combined to make the identification of each grave in these cemeteries impossible. Evidences of graves exist in most of these cemeteries; proof of the identity of the person buried cannot be made. The possibility of the grave containing a Civil War veteran, of course, is there. Many bases of monuments remain in several of these cemeteries but the markers themselves have been destroyed.

Further, we have no doubt that even with the number of cemeteries that have been surveyed that there are others that are unknown to us. The older custom of maintaining family burial grounds on their own farms did exist in the early history of this county. While some of these have been surveyed, we have no doubt that there are others that have never come to our attention.