



# Columbia House

*A historical snapshot of this old house*

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## Abstract

Previous to 1930, Columbia House was not considered within the city limits and was difficult to track down on census records. Title deeds listed it in 1924 for \$3000 (2024's equivalent to \$54000). It was not included in city fire maps, as it was just outside the lines drawn for fire codes. Supposedly the house has been standing since 1914, but this can not be verified through Title Deeds, City Directories, and blueprints could not be found. **The Tuckers** were the first owners of this address and had four children and raised their nephews before the house foreclosed in 1935. It remained vacant for a year before Stanley and Naomi **Roeder** lived there. Stanley served in the armed forces, they had now known children, but witnessed several late night weddings. In 1940 **the Rapers** resided at Columbia House, having met the previous decade boarding together. Unfortunately, Mr. Raper was caught committing adultery and Mrs. Raper won the house and all belongings as noted in the Title Deed. In 1946, **The Headlees** bought Columbia house and Walter moved in with his wife, children, and mother-in-law. From this point on until 2001, Columbia House passed on through four generations. Walter's son lived there for two years and then his daughter Dorothy and her husband Raymond **Dewitt** took over in 1975 and their children took it over after them through the 2000s.

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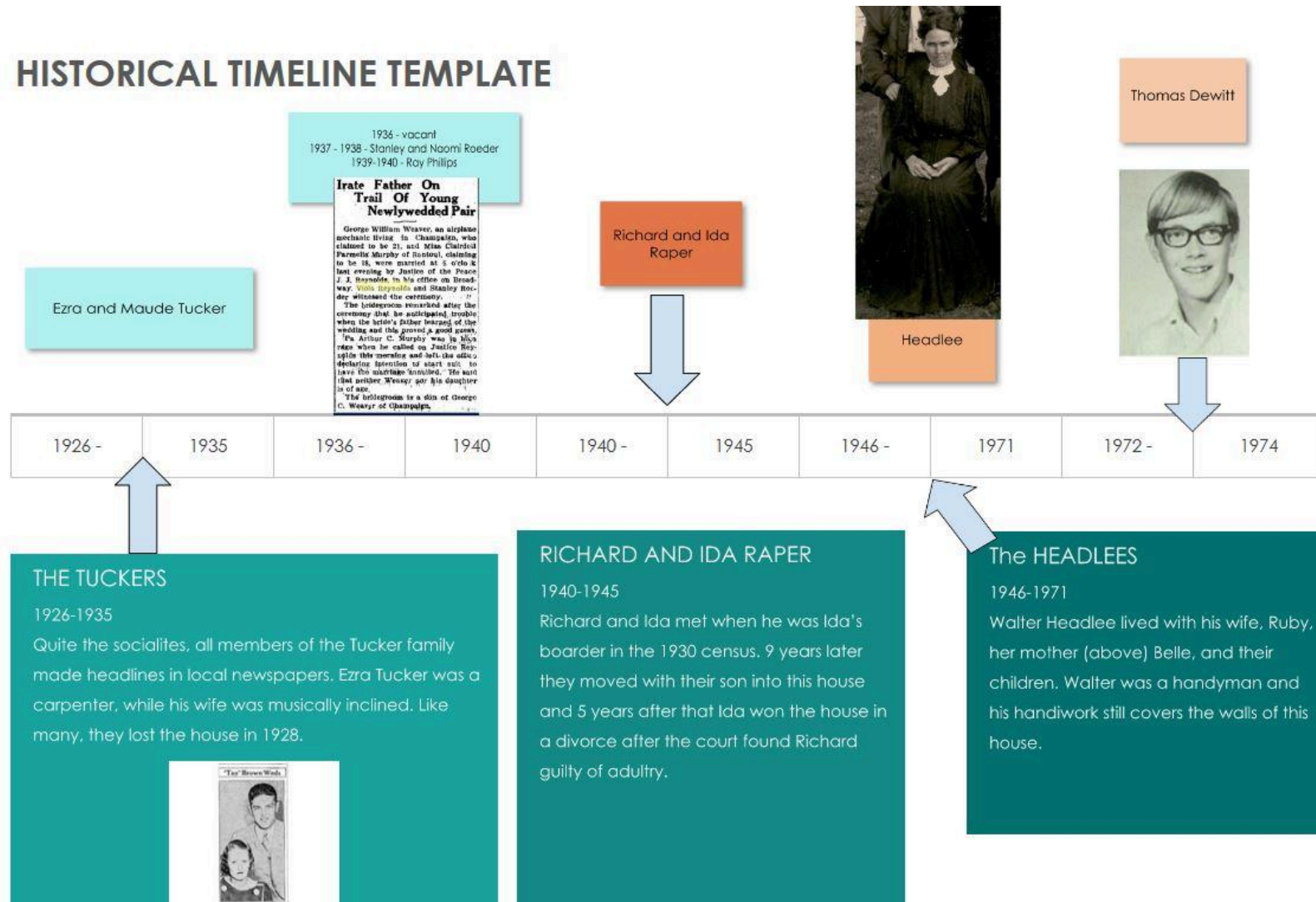
Richard Raper was born in 1893 in Indiana to Ransom Wallace and Lena Raper. In his 1919 Draft Card he is listed as residing in Urbana, IL. He married Ida Guthrie in 1930. Ida Guthrie was a cook for various industries around town. In 1940 they're recorded as living in this house with their son, Donald. Richard was a laborer for the university. In 1945, according to the house deeds, it appears that Mr. Raper committed adultery and Ida filed for divorce, becoming the sole owner of 1310 W. Columbia.

### 19. **Headlee Family** (1946-1971)

In 1946, the Champaign City Directory has Walter S Headlee residing here. He was married to Ruby I. and her mother, Martha (Belle) McNeeley lived here as well. They lived here from 1946 until 1971 according to Census records and City Directories. Walter worked as a painter and upholsterer. In the basement, over 30 glass bottles for tablets, capsules, and tonics to a Mrs. W. P. McNeely, prescribed by Dr. Christie - of Christie Clinic. In 1920 they lived with their daughter in Willow Branch Twsp IL. Their daughter, Dorothy married Raymond in 1930 and they had a son and daughter named Thomas and Peggy Dewitt.

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## HISTORICAL TIMELINE TEMPLATE





## 1926 - 1935

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In 1940 Ezra Tucker was residing in Hardin County, Kentucky, remarried to Ada Harvey with children while Maude lived at 1212 W. Park St in Champaign with Jessie, Claude, Fritz and Mike. Maude is listed as having been divorced and Ezra lists Helen as his contact on his WW2 draft card.





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# **NORMAL STUDENTS IN ACCIDENT**

—Armer Pitman, of Bridgeport, Ill., and Miss Maude Buzzard, of Sumner, Ill., narrowly escaped being the principals in a double drowning accident Wednesday at Miller park when, in attempting to change seats in a boat in which they were rowing, the boat overturned, throwing them both into the deepest part of the new lake. But for Pitman's presence of mind and action by others who were rowing nearby the story might have been of two deaths by drowning. The young people are summer school students at Normal.

## **How Accident Happened.**

Pitman and Miss Buzzard were rowing in a steel boat having in the bottom air chambers. It is nearly impossible to sink one of these boats, and even when it is filled with water it will support five people in the water. They were just to the south of the bridge between the two lakes when they decided to change seats.

As they were passing each other the boat tipped, filled with water, and the young people were thrown into the lake. Pitman held the boat with one hand and held Miss Buzzard about the waist with the other. Just at this point Mr. Leslie Stone and Miss Mary Ubrich, who were rowing near by, assisted in the rescuing work, taking Pitman into their boat, while Miss Buzzard was picked up by people in another boat.

07.11.1913 Weekly Pantagraph

## **Troop 9.**

Final scores of the Turkey Run contest in Troop 9 were announced at the regular meeting. Bob Chesler was high point man with a total of 175 points. Bob received every possible point he could in the contest. Chick Hall was second with 163 points. The other winners were: Fenner Bridgman, 155; Morris Malloy, 153; Bill McGraw, 153; Charles Johnson, 144; Jack Carlson, 135; Bill Hagerman, 130; Hay Hagerman, 134; Alfred Reichman, 134; Claude Tucker, 134.

These scouts will enjoy the trip to Turkey Run, held on June 7th.

05.16.1924 Urbana Daily Courier

Monday, June 7, 1920

# **50 Years Ago**



A young man who practiced medicine in a rural district became famous and was called in consultation in many towns and cities because of his success in the treatment of disease. This was Dr. Pierce who afterward moved to Buffalo, N. Y. He made up his mind to place some of his medicines before the public, and he put up what he called his "Favorite Prescription," and placed it with the druggists in every state in the Union.

For fifty years Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription has sold more largely throughout the United States than any other medicine of like character. It's the testimony of thousands of women that it has benefited or entirely eradicated such distressing ailments as women are prone to. It is now sold by druggists in tablet form as well as liquid.

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06.07.1920 DeKalb Daily



## New Officers Have Charge of Meeting

The ladies auxiliary to the Carpenter's union met last evening in Carpenter's hall. The newly elected officers were in charge of the meeting. They are, Mrs. George Dunn, president; Maude Tucker, vice-president; Mrs. Charles Healey, recording secretary; Mrs. Rose Gilmore, financial secretary.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. Charles Healey, who had charge of the social hour.

The next regular meeting will be held September 17.

## 'Tay' Brown Weds



RAYMOND C. "TAY" BROWN, former star tackle for Southern California university, is shown with his bride, formerly Helen Tucker, Los Angeles. They were married in Cincinnati where Brown is line coach at Cincinnati university. (Associated Press photo.)

09.14.1932 Urbana Daily

11.03.1933 Daily Illini

1938

Roeder

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Roberts Lulu C Mrs, r 511 N 2d.  
Roberts Madge Mrs, multigraph opr Champ Letter, r 56 Chalmers.  
Roberts Martha R (wid Jody), r 606 S Prairie.  
Roberts Mary, library U of I, r 308 S Mathews av U.  
Roberts Miron J, r 511 Charles.  
Roberts Nancy E Mrs (Roberts Cafe), r 104 1/2 W Main U.  
Roberts Nettie, stenog U of I, r 507 N McKinley av.  
Roberts Orval E (Madge), driver Geo C Harech, r 56 Chalmers.  
Roberts Paul C (Marjorie), instr U of I, r 602 W Hill.  
Roberts Paul E (Jessie H), sales, r 809 S Lynn.  
Roberts Ray S (Ruth), barber Sims Barber Shop, r 204 S Lynn U.  
Roberts Rex L, truck driver, r 706 S Vine U.  
Roberts Rosetta, r 511 N 2d.  
Roberts Roy L (Magdalene), supt Twin City Roofing, r 1408 W Springfield av.  
Roberts Sarah (wid E J), r 201 N Busey av U.  
Roberts Sarah E, dress mkr, r 302 W Columbia av.  
Roberts Theo (Dora), lab, r 509 E Beardsley av.  
Roberts Velma I (wid W O), sec military bands U of I, r 507 W Calif av U.  
Roberts Wilbur I, r 108 E Calif av U.  
Roberts Wm (Beatrice), r 111 W Springfield av.  
Roberts Wm E (Harriett), v-pres Reliable Market (Inc), r 1014 W Church.  
Roberts Wm H (Mary E), restr 711 N Neil, r same.  
Robertson Eleanor M, asst prof U of I, r 1210 S Lincoln av U.  
Robertson Clyde, driver Lincoln Cleaners, r 301 W High U.  
Robertson Dallas D (Betty), bar tender Utopia Tap Room, r 109 W Springfield av.  
Robertson Eleanore M, asst catalog librarian U of I, r 1008 S Busey av U.  
Robertson Ella A, stenog Champ Co Abstract, r 209 W Church.  
Robertson Harry, poster C & U Poster Adv, r 152 E University av.  
Robertson James M, r 806 Florida av U.  
Robertson Lola M, typist, r 603 E Clark.

Robertson Maurice G (Fannie), estimator U of I, r 838 E Green.  
Robertson Phebe Mrs, r 1005 W Main U.  
Robertson Reba, abstractor Champaign Co Abstract, r 608 S Race U.  
Robertson Walter W (Juanita), bottler Champ San Milk, r 409 1/2 E University av.  
Robertson Wm C (Mae), lab U of I, r 603 E Clark.  
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Robson Frank J Jr (Ethel), mgr F K Robson Dept Store, r 210 S Prospect av.  
Robson Hortense M (wid F K), r 133 W University av.  
Robinson Anna B, tchr Urbana High, r 909 S 1st.  
Robinson Barbara, nurse, r 805 W Green U.  
Robinson Ben O (Velva E), boiler mkr Big 4, r 601 S Cottage Grove av U.  
Robinson Don, wrapper Kwalley Bak Ins, r 213 E Bradley.  
Robinson Donald, clk Piggly Wiggly, r 507 W Church.  
Robinson Edith M (wid W C), r 709 S Prairie.  
Robinson Florence B, asst prof U of I, r 703 Vermont U.  
Robinson Frederic M, r 505 S McCullough U.  
Robinson Gertrude Mrs (col), cook Southern Tea Room, r 503 E Vine.  
Robinson Grace, maid 714 S Elm.  
Robinson Hannah (wid J F), r 1210 N Hickory.  
Robinson Jesse (col) (Ethel M), r 607 Poplar.  
Robinson John W Jr, asst State Geol Survey, r 505 S McCullough U.  
Robinson Laura L (wid N T), r 806 Iowa U.  
Robinson Lella (wid J W), r 505 S McCullough U.  
Robinson Marjorie, r 297 W John.  
Robinson Mary Mrs, sales G C Willis, r 310 W Church.  
Robinson Romeo J (Bertha) (People's Barber Shop), r 509 N Walnut.  
Robinson Sherman C (Gertrude), line-man Ill Power, r 1804 N Market.  
Robinson Warren E (Pearl), eng I C, r 297 W John.  
Robinson Wm (col), r 608 E Vine.  
Robinson Wm C (Florence G), carp, r 208 E Calif av U.  
Robinson Wm W, r 208 E Calif av U.  
Robinson Wilson C (Helen E), collr, r 1213 W Church.  
Roche Alphonse V (Lila), asst U of I, r 509 W Illinois U.

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Rock Helen L Mrs, behndr wkr U of I Print Shop, r 1714 Glenn Park dr.  
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Rodehus Worth H (Esther), prof U of I, r 292 Mich av U.  
Roderick Edw V (University Motor Inn), r 504 W Wash.  
Rodger (see Roger).  
Rodger John (Vivian), formn Clifford & Jacobs, r 206 W University av.  
Rodgers John, r 31 E Healey.  
Rodgers Nellie M (wid E H), r 614 W Beardsley av.  
Rodgers Noble, wks Elmer Gro, r 31 E Healey.  
Rodgers Sarah E (wid N D), r 203 E Park av.  
Rodgers Trevis T Mrs, dept mgr Lewis & Co, r 813 N McKinley av.  
Rodgers Wm C (Marie), r 31 E Healey.  
Rodey Fredk S (Temple R), assoc prof U of I, r 201 S Busey av U.  
Roe (see Rowe).  
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Roe Clark E (Marguerite), beer tavern, r 105 S State.  
Roe Delta M, r 105 S State.  
Roe Hugh G (Hope M), brkmm I C, r 111 Roper.  
Roe Inez Mrs, sorter White Line Lndry, r 304 N 2d.  
Roe Theresa Mrs, wks Model Lndry, r 202 E Hill.  
Roe Walter B (Betty M) (Walnut St Tavern), r 118 1/2 N Walnut.  
Roeder Naomi M Mrs, plant Model Lndry, r 80 E Eureka.  
Roeder Stanley (Naomi M), soldier U S A, r 80 E Eureka.  
Roehry Emil A (Mary P), ofc III Power, r 809 W University av.  
Roerig Alvin J (Winifred), jeweler 103 N Broadway U, r same.  
Roesske A (Gerald) (Dorothy), mgr L G Balfour Co, r 507 W Church.  
Roger (see Rodgers).  
Rogers Alice, r 619 W Church.  
Rogers Alva (Edna), r 204 N 1st.  
Rogers Della M, sec physics dept U of I, r 910 W Oregon U.  
ROGERS EDW B (Maude O), sec Trevel-Tattis Banking Co, r 306 N State.  
Rogers Edw P (Elmah), commissioner of public property Champaign, r 706 Arlington ct.  
Rogers Flossie Mrs, mgr Champ Barber Supply, r 1111 W Green.  
Rogers Geo (Sylvia) (Rogers Heating Co), r 39 E Green.  
Rogers Heating Co (Geo Rogers) plumb & heating, 30 E Green.  
Rogers J C Thos (Fanny), phys Carle Memorial Hosp, r 716 Mich av U.  
Rogers Laura Mrs, r 307 N Prairie apt 12.  
Rogers Mary, r 609 S Randolph.  
Rogers Mary E, maid 502 W Main U, r 408 Railroad U.  
Rogers Melvin B (Flossie) (Champaign Beauty & Barber Supply), r 1111 W Green.  
Rogers Motor Equipment Co Walter H Jones mgr, 120 S Neil.  
Rogers Rosa (wid W E), r 910 W Oregon U.  
Rogers Squire J, r 205 W Elm U.  
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Roland Joseph F (Carrie), r 107 E Springfield av.  
Roland Silas (Metta), lab U of I, r 1104 W Illinois U.  
Roland Verma A (Anna K), ins 75 Chester, r 101 E Green.  
Roif Ruth, clk State Geological Survey, r 810 W Green U.  
Roife M Dettie, r 601 E John.  
Roife Mary A, r 601 E John.  
Roife Mattie F (wid C W), r 601 E John.  
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Rollins Albert (Gertrude), r 107 Cunningham av U.  
Rollins Gertrude Mrs, maid Hotel Plaza, r 197 Cunningham av U.  
Rollins Lloyd, sales Beck Bros, r 912 Union.  
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Rolford Arth W (Nell), sales Kuhn & Co, r 1215 W Wash.  
Rolford Mariette B, tchr Wolfe Sch, r 909 S 1st apt 2.  
Rome Agnes (wid Robt), r 914 W White.  
Rome J S, sales Robeson's, r Mayview III.  
Romei John, soda disp Vaky's, r 212 W Columbia av.  
Romine Chas W, r 607 S Elm.  
Rompel Anna (wid J P), r 1807 S 2d.  
Rompel Ruth E, tchr Urbana High, r 1007 S 2d.  
Ronalds Francis S (Grace), asst prof U of I, r 404 S Willis av.  
Rons Chester O (Florence), painter, r 615 W Church.  
Roney Fred A, carrier U Post Office, r U R 2.  
Roney Geo F (Minnie G) (The White Spot), r 108 S Cottage Grove av U.  
Roney Harland B, asst U of I, r 807 Nevada U.  
Roney Jas E (Genevieve), clk Bon-gart's Drug, r 1007 W Bradley av.

Phone 2113  
**C. H. SANSON**  
COAL  
24 East Springfield Ave.

J. Reynolds, justice of the peace, was called out at 11:30 o'clock Saturday evening to officiate at the marriage of Mrs. Naomi May Hinkle to Mr. Stanley Roeder.

Mr. Roeder is stationed at Chautau Field, Rantoul, and Mrs. Hinkle lives in Champaign.

Betty Murphy, Tim Dillon and Viola Reynolds witnessed the ceremony.

"Jay" also performed another ceremony in the evening about 7 o'clock, when Miss Rhoda Florence Lowe, became the bride of Stanley Leon Fleming, both of Allenville. Mr. Fleming is employed in the Brown shoe factory there.

Bernice Reynolds and William Clark witnessed this ceremony.

#### Marriage Licenses

Leo S. Althaus, Urbana, 27; Anna L. Barnes, Champaign, 28.  
Glen L. Birch, Waukegan Heights, Mich., 32; Hazel L. Keim, Eaton, Ill., 20.  
Stanley Roeder, Rantoul, 26; Naomi Hinkle, Champaign, 27.  
Oscar Remke, Rantoul, 22; Sadie Taylor, Urbana, 22.  
Stanley L. Fleming, Allenville, 21; Rhoda F. Lowe, Allenville, 19.

Nov 2 1931-Daily Illini

Urbana Daily Courier, 2 November 1931

### Irate Father On Trail Of Young Newlywedded Pair

George William Weaver, an airplane mechanic living in Champaign, who claimed to be 21, and Miss Clairdeil Parmelia Murphy of Rantoul, claiming to be 18, were married at 5 o'clock last evening by Justice of the Peace J. J. Reynolds, in his office on Broadway. Viola Reynolds and Stanley Roeder witnessed the ceremony.

The bridegroom remarked after the ceremony that he anticipated trouble when the bride's father learned of the wedding and this proved a good guess.

Fa Arthur C. Murphy was in his rage when he called on Justice Reynolds this morning and left the office declaring intention to start suit to have the marriage annulled. He said that neither Weaver nor his daughter is of age.

The bridegroom is a son of George C. Weaver of Champaign.

## 1939

### Phillips

Ray Phillips Roomed here in 1939 as recorded in the City Directories. It's hard to track him down as that's all there is to go on. A couple of Ray Phillips are recorded in Census records and newspapers, but it's difficult to tell if they are one and the same. There was a Ray Phillips who previously lived in Urbana. His wife died in 1904 and he fell on hard times, being arrested for bootlegging on several occasions. But it appears he passed in 1914. In the 1940s, Ray Phillips appeared to play for the hockey team and scored fairly well. The other notices of Ray Phillips were of a man who lived with his wife in Northern Illinois in Genoa and I doubt it is this gentleman.



## 462 FLANIGAN-PEARSON CO'S. CHAMPAIGN-URBANA DIRECTORY

608 Osterhoff Weldon J Martin Hobart S	401 Everman Saml N △Stearns John L	1014△Hughes Delmar L <b>McKinley intersects</b>
609 Williams Della Mrs	Behrens Bertha Mrs	1113 Johnson Glenn L @
610 Vickers Cath E Mrs @	402 Vaughn Geo H @	1115 Taylor Raymond @
612 Smith Herbert L @ <b>Wright intersects</b>	403△Foote Eliz Mrs @	<b>Swigart av intersects</b>
<b>COLUMBIA AV—WEST—</b> <b>From 600 N Neil west</b> <b>to Draper av</b>	405 Sinnott Walter J	<b>James av intersects</b>
102△Moody Otis F	406△Worsham Jesse G @	1304 Kaiser Emil C
104△Tomlinson Den A	407△Conn Wm S @	1305△Jordan C Harold @
105 Grounds Loren E Starkey Neil W	408△Hawkins Thos M	1307△Charnes Lee W @ pntr
105½△Darling Virgil L	409 Anthony Theo K	1308 Woods Geo G @
106△Lovell Wm H @	Finical Kenneth E	1310 Phillips Ray
106½Parris Asa C @	410 Davis Thos J	1314△Chase Irwin I @
107△Marriott Ezra H @	Ashby Roy	1316 Cruthers Clarence W
108△Hill Wm @	Sanitary Service Co scavengers	1318 Williams Roscoe B @
109△Crannell Jack @	411 Schilling Ralph C @	1320△Foster Matilda B Mrs @
110△Manning Hazel J Mrs @	412△Mink Geo W trucking	<b>Garfield intersects</b>
Morris Robt	<b>Elm intersects</b>	1406△Thompson Jesse C
110½△Vaughn Cyrus @	503 Hall Estine E	<b>CORT BUENA VISTA (U)</b> <b>—From 602 W Elm</b> <b>north to Railroad</b>
112△Weatherford Saml H @	504 Taylo Chas E @	1△Finch James H @
△Bland Geo	505 Miller James	2△McCammon John W
<b>Randolph intersects</b>	506 Endicott Merton F @	3△Shmickler Joseph
201△Cassingham Ora W @	506½Endicott Merton F gro	4 Manke Chas F
202-06△Gregory School	507△Merry Leslie L	5△Wilder Arth B
203△Gundlock Homer C @	508△Kuikendall Margt Mrs @	6△Payne J Norman
205△Gundlock Eliza Mrs	Graham Robt	7△Sale Frank O
207△Strode Frank @	509△Padgett John A	8△Copley Michl J
Richards Verne R	Sams Carrie Mrs	<b>COTTAGE COURT—From</b> <b>210 W White south to</b> <b>Springfield av</b>
△Winnemore Harold E	510△Moss Chas E	304△Shanks Stanley @
208 Roderick Edw @	511 Althoff Herman E @	306 Pitman C Dale @
Gundlock Raymond	512 Reifsteck Fred L	308 Kelley Arvey H
210△Weinheimer Sadie L Mrs @	<b>Lynn intersects</b>	309 Nogle Walter C
Claudin Ernest I	601 Runyan Alonzo F	310△Wagner Earl W lawyer @
211△Phillippe Mathew G @	602△Hollister Chas E @	311 Lunger Ernest
212△Vaky Geo D @	603 Pitsenbarger Mary C Mrs @	312 Vacant
<b>State intersects</b>	604△Wolford Walter K @	314△Hinton Maude Mrs @
301△Kelsey John	Fox Lavahaun E	Lehigh Chas L
302△Harris Dell E @	Merz John B jr	316△Broadbent Mae E Mrs
303△Jordan Harold A Frank Saul A	Hibler John	<b>COTTAGE GROVE AV—</b> <b>NORTH (U) — From</b> <b>1100 E Main U north to</b> <b>Big Four tracks</b>
304△Jones Bess J Mrs	605△Hardin Laura B Mrs @	103 Ferdinandsen Arth @
Wood Emmett	606△Bennett Thurman D @	105 Deck Michl
Carlson John	606½ Izard Chester A	106△Paris Chas E
305 Smith Wm E	Stickney Michl	106½ Hutchinson Isom
Adrian Stanley E	607△Merz John B	107 Long Robt J
<b>Alma Lea Apart-</b> <b>ments</b>	608 Pettyjohn Leslie H	108 Miller Raymond
<b>Apartments:</b>	Murphy Edw G @	109 Cloud Roy L
1△Peterson Thure S	City Sanitary Co scavengers	110 Dearing Dewey G @
2△Snider Eliz B	609 Heyland Frank E	114 Redenbaugh John L
3 Yocom Ernest W	610△Hott Chas W	116 Darling O A uphol
4 Vacant	610½Foster Chas H @	<b>Water intersects</b>
5△Neill Ray	<b>Harris av intersects</b>	<b>COTTAGE GROVE AV —</b> <b>SOUTH (U) — From</b> <b>1100 E Main U south to</b> <b>limits</b>
6△Hornbuckle Theo R	701△Scheidler Clem J @	102 Shinker A Louis @
<b>Street continued</b>	702 Benefiel James L @	103△Althoff Clarence H @
307 Wainscott Jesse H @	703 Sprinkle Dewey C @	
308 Evans E Roscoe	706 Adams Chas M	
Kemp Rose Mrs	708△Cotter Austin J @	
Lemons Quimba W	709△Korth Leo B	
309△Johnson John S	712△Louks Ray J W @	
309½△Vestal Arth G @	714 Wirt Richd D @	
310 Hasenbrook Wm H	717△Young Morris E @	
	<b>New intersects</b>	
	801△McMahon Wm J @	
	802△Havener Wm @	
	804△Koehn Howard F	

## 1940 - 1945

### Raper

Richard Raper was born in 1893 in Indiana to Ransom Wallace and Lena Raper. In his 1919 Draft Card he is listed as residing in Urbana, IL. He married Ida Guthrie in 1930. Ida Guthrie was a cook for various industries around town. In 1940 they're recorded as living in this house with their son, Donald. Richard was a laborer for the university.

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<p><b>COLUMBIA W—Con</b>  <b>N Harris intersects</b>          701ΔScheidler Clemens J          702ΔBenefiel Jas L @          703ΔRobertson Wm C jr          705ΔTrigger Kenneth J          706ΔStarkey Richd W          708ΔBecker Geo W          709ΔBauman Robt P @          712ΔBonwell J Stanton @          714 Wirt Richd D @          715ΔCain Herman @          717ΔHart Millard H @  <b>N New intersects</b>          801ΔArmantrout Henry @          802ΔHavener Wm @          804ΔHeavins Effie M @          805ΔClark Don F @          806ΔBurke Wm R @          807 Ridgely Ralph W          808ΔScott Harold A @          809ΔCondon Nelle @          811ΔJune Ralph M @          813ΔCommer John @          814ΔSaid Geo H @          816ΔLloyd Lillian M @          819 Herington Velma nurse          ΔHerington Freal @          820ΔDuitsman Heye J @          822ΔKessler Frank @          824ΔMurphy Keith W          826ΔMcGinty James E jr @  <b>N Prospect intersects</b>          906ΔMeyer Harold K @          912ΔDecker Walter W @          913 Weatherford Wayne M @          916ΔKrider Jake L @          918ΔJohnston Theo @          920ΔLayman Bessie Mrs @  <b>N Willis intersects</b>          1004 Norris Roy S @          1006ΔDonley Walter J @          1008 Dahl Clifford W @          1009 Douglas Claude G @          1010ΔZirhut Geo A @          1011ΔApperson John F @          1012ΔPitts Ray M @          1014 Lindsay Eleanore  <b>N McKinley intersects</b>          1105 Utt Ralph L @ pntr          1113ΔJohnson Glenn L @          1115ΔChase Harold D @  <b>N Swigart intersects</b>  <b>N James intersects</b>          1304ΔHawn Francis L @          1305ΔJordan C Harold @          1307 Grafmyer R P          1308 Anglin Nelson E          1310 Raper Richd @          1311ΔCarlson Ragnar          1314ΔChase Irwin I @          1316ΔCruthers Clarence W @          1318 Williams Roscoe B @</p>	<p><b>CORT BUENA VISTA (U)</b>  <b>—From 602 W Elm north to Western</b>          1ΔMorton Donald R          2ΔBusey Bertha Mrs @          3ΔStier Paul G          4ΔBronson Ernest R          5 Laymon Richd S          6 Miller Omar R          7ΔGodfrey Florence M Mrs @          8 Crouse Ray F @  <b>COTTAGE COURT—From 201 W White south to Springfield</b>          304ΔShanks Stanley H @          306ΔReece Albert E          308ΔWagner Earl W @          309ΔCulley John B          310 Vacant          311 Swiney Clyde          312ΔBaldwin Chester L          314ΔHinton Maude S @          316ΔBroadbent Mae E Mrs @  <b>COTTAGE GROVE NORTH (U) — From 1100 E Main U north to Big Four tracks</b>          103 Deck Michl @          105 McKinney Louis A @          106ΔPierce James A @          106½ York Eleanor S          107 Glendy Stella E Mrs @          108 Gilmore Hirman W          109 Cloud Roy          110ΔDearing Dewey G @  <b>Water intersects</b>          114 Tinkle Earl E          116 Stein Herman  <b>COTTAGE GROVE SOUTH (U)—From 1100 E Main U south to limits</b>          102ΔShinker A Louis @          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      503ΔMayfair Inn @ liquors          506 Byers Essie Mrs          508ΔRasner Reggie A fruits          510 Markley Chas auto repr          510½ Johnson Edw W          512 Rasner Benj D restr          514 Miller O Paul *          rear Kerr Edw          514½ West Geo          515 Benson Arth J</p>
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Amended Complaint for Divorce filed October 5, 1945 is as follows;

Now comes plaintiff, Ida Guthrie Raper, by H.F. Simonson, her attorney, and leave of Court being first had and obtained therefor files herewith her amended complaint in words and figures as follows;

1. That the plaintiff is now and has been for more than five years last past an actual bona fide resident of the City of Champaign, County of Champaign, State of Illinois.

2. That on the 13th day of August, 1930, at Urbana, Illinois, plaintiff was lawfully married to the defendant and lived and cohabited with the defendant as his wife, until, to wit; the 24th day of May, 1945, when the defendant left the plaintiff without cause or fault on the part of the plaintiff, and has since said date, absented himself from the plaintiff, that the plaintiff always conducted herself toward the defendant as a true, kind, faithful and dutiful wife.

3. That there were no children born as an issue of said marriage.

4. That the name of the plaintiff before her marriage to the defendant was Ida Guthrie.

5. That during the period between November 1, 1944 and March 2, 1945, the defendant had sexual relations with a female person other than the plaintiff herein and that the defendant is guilty of adultery as defined in the Statutes of the State of Illinois.

6. That the plaintiff and defendant are the owners of the household furniture located at 1310 West Columbia Avenue, Champaign, Illinois and that said furniture should be awarded to the plaintiff without claim on the part of the defendant.

7. That the plaintiff and defendant are purchasing on contract the real estate known as 1310 West Columbia Avenue, Champaign,

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### Donald Guthrie Obituary

Donald E. Guthrie, 86, of Richlandtown and formerly of Franconia Township, passed away Sunday, January 29, 2017. He was the loving husband of the late Shirley S. (Sprouse) Guthrie, who died March 4, 2004.

Born June 22, 1930, in Champaign, IL, he was the son of the late Richard and Ida M. (Guthrie) Raper.

Mr. Guthrie was employed as a bookkeeper at various industries in the area. He was also a private tax preparer.

He had a very strong foundation in his faith. Through the years, he loved to travel and would make friends with anyone he came across. He fondly referred to himself as the “Mayor of Morwood.”

Don will be remembered for his devotion to his late wife, to whom he was a tireless caregiver for the last ten years of her life, and was a wonderful father and grandfather. He will also be remembered for his great sense of humor.

His survivors include two children, Robin C. Carter of Lansdale, and Holly Reid of Philadelphia; eight grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren.

## 1946 - 1971

### Headlee

In 1946, the Champaign City Directory has Walter S Headlee residing here. He was married to Ruby I. and her mother, Martha (Belle) McNeeley lived here as well. They lived here from 1946 until 1971 according to Census records and City Directories. Walter worked as a painter and upholsterer. In the basement, over 30 glass bottles for tablets, capsules, and tonics to a Mrs. W. P. McNeely, prescribed by Dr. Christie - of Christie Clinic. In 1920 they lived with their daughter in Willow Branch Twsp IL. Their daughter, Dorothy married Raymond in 1930 and they had a son and daughter named Thomas and Peggy Dewitt.

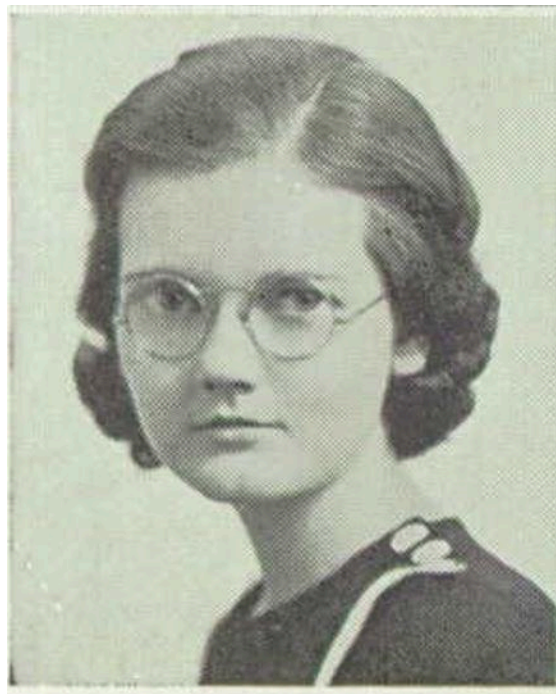


Martha Belle McNeely



Belle's 90th Birthday Party. Daughter Daisy is seated next to Belle. Children standing behind her (left to right) are Maude, Charles, and Ruby.

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Dorothy Headlee, 1934 Champaign High School Yearbook



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## Twin City Social Notes

Virginia Ruth Elder entertained 20 of her friends in honor of her eleventh birthday Thursday afternoon in the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Fremont McMillen, 711 South Prospect avenue.

The guests were, Deborah Newcomb, Frances Grant, Helen Rice, Emily Foote, Winifred June Ehler, Dorothy Headlee, Cleo Sigmund, Helen Jane Gates, Florence Helen Faullin, Margaret Woolery, Joyce Swanson, Le Beta Haney, June McManaway, Dorcella Boas, Florence Stocker, Janette Martin, Pauline Bateman, and Mary Elizabeth White.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Webber en-

there will be 500 with prizes for high, second high and low scores.

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Mrs. John Key will entertain the Chat and Chatter club at 2 o'clock this afternoon in her home, 1311 West Church street, Champaign. After a regular business meeting, two tables of bunco will be in play. Prizes will be awarded to the high scorer.

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Members of the Pi Beta Phi alumnae association were entertained at a 6 o'clock dinner last night in the home of Miss Ruth Wardell, 1203 West Illinois street, Urbana. Following the dinner the usual business

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### Jurymen Are Selected

Jurymen for two weeks service in the circuit court beginning next Monday were selected yesterday and as follows:

Walter Headlee, Harry Elkins, R. L. Conover, William Bland, Wilbur Wascher and J. T. Cassidy, Champaign; G. F. Hurd, T. L. Covery, J. S. Blacker, and F. B. Blue, city of Urbana; Francis Graham, Ludlow; Lem Smedley, Rantoul; Charles Varvel and Samuel Aden, Ogden; Joseph Parry and John Lavanhagen, Philo.

August Consoer, Raymond township; George Adkins, Rantoul; Ivan Harshbarger, Sadorus; R. O. Strong, Ross Hissong, and Edward Dunkman, St. Joseph; Elmer Hutson and George McElroy, Sidney; Jacob Buss, Somer.

Charles Fisher, Tolono; Harold Taylor, John Krumm and Patrick Henneery, Urbana.

### Y.W. Religion Group Will Meet; Freshmen To Present Program

The religious pilgrimage committee of the Y. W. C. A. will meet at 5 p. m. this afternoon in the Y, Ruth Ann Lyddon '35, chairman, announced yesterday.

Trips to local churches on Sunday are being planned, after which members of the committee will have an opportunity to question the ministers and thus acquire information concerning the Jewish, Catholic, and Protestant religions.

"Moods" will be the theme carried out in the Freshman talent program to be presented at the Thursday meeting of the Y. W. C. A. at 4 p. m. today in the Y.

Charlotte Rudolphson and Anne Jeanette Swanson will give dramatic readings. Lois Boot will entertain with an interpretive dance, and Dorothy Denton will sing.

Piano solos by Jean Leslie and Dorothy Dunn, and a violin solo by Dorothy Headlee will close the entertainment program, which will be followed by a tea.

Nov 7, 1931

Nov 1, 1934





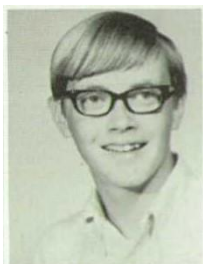
Tonic bottles found above air duct in basement




1971 Aerial View - City of Champaign Maps

## 1972 - 1974

### Dewitt



Thomas was the son of Dorothy and Raymond Dewitt and the grandson of Walter and Ruby Headlee. He was born in 1951 and was recorded in the Centennial High School Yearbook in 1968 and active in band. He moved to Mahomet and lived there according to public record after 1978.



**Thomas Dewitt**  
in the U.S., School Yearbooks, 1900-1999

**Detail** Source

Name:	Thomas Dewitt
Yearbook Date:	1970
School:	Centennial High School
School Location:	Champaign, Illinois, USA
Grade Completed:	Senior