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CARVER COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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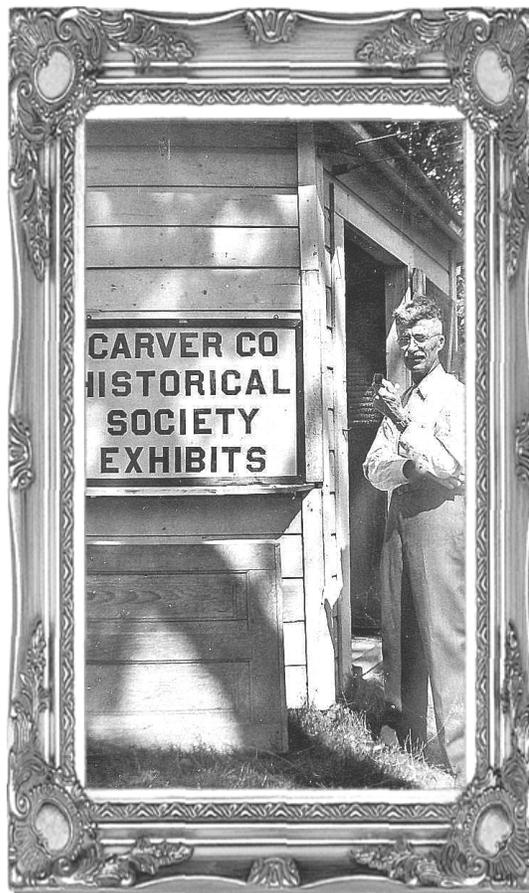
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75 years, Through a Camera's Lens



O.D. Sell had a passion for Carver County's history, from the beginning. He would spend many hours driving around the county, collecting items in order that they might be preserved for the future. This year, marks the 75 anniversary of the official beginning of the CCHS and his dream. Join us in 2015, as we showcase photos from around the county, feature the Werner Studio collection, unveil the newly preserved German Reading Society banner, host a blacksmith at the fair and many other activities. As part of our anniversary gift to you, members can now research our photo collection on-line!

Every other month we will feature a new set of photos at the CCHS, so come back often. You can also have your photo taken with the original Werner photo props (no flash please).

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Learning may lead
to new insights
and fun!!!

Education Department News

With Heidi Gould

Oh, the Weather Outside is Frightful . . .



A cough, a snuffle, congestion, a sore throat, the flu, the cold— winter brings about much sickness. Today, we take cough drops or Nyquil, get flu shots and see the doctor. Minnesotans of long ago were lucky if they had a doctor in town, and relied on folk-cures, old-wives tales, and medicinal herbs to treat everything from a snuffle to broken limbs. Below are a few medicinal recipes to delight or disgust.

Winter chest congestion: Camphor mixed with goose grease

Sore throat: Sucking sugar lumps with a drop or two of camphor

Cough: Put some cow dung in water and bring it to a boil. Gargle the water three times a day and your cough will be gone. *Or,* Bake onions and pour all the juice from the baked onions into a glass and drink.

Flu: Put sulphur in your shoes.

Pneumonia: Tansey is a yellow flower that blooms on a leafy stem about two feet tall. It grew wild in local gardens. The stem, flowers and all were gathered, deposited in a bag, and hung up to dry. Then when needed they were crushed and made into hop poultices for application to the chest and/or back of a person suffering from pneumonia.

Sore throat: Heat coarse salt in a cast iron frying pan; fill hand knit wool stocking with heated salt. Sew top of stocking together. Hold around the neck with large safety pin. *Or,* To prevent catching strep throat, burn orange peels on the damper and inhale while they are burning. *Or,* Mix turpentine from a fir tree with sugar and swallow. *Or,* Eat molasses candy made with a small amount of kerosene oil. Some people just boiled molasses and kerosene oil (or Minard's Liniment) and swallowed a couple spoonfuls every few hours. Rub kerosene oil and butter on the throat and chest.

Influenza: boneset-yarrow tea,: add 1/2 teaspoon dried boneset and 1/2 teaspoon dried yarrow to 8 oz. of boiling water. Steep, covered, for 30 minutes, then drink it as hot as you can tolerate it. Be forewarned: Boneset and yarrow are bitter-tasting herbs and adding honey or sugar to boneset-yarrow tea only makes the taste worse.



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