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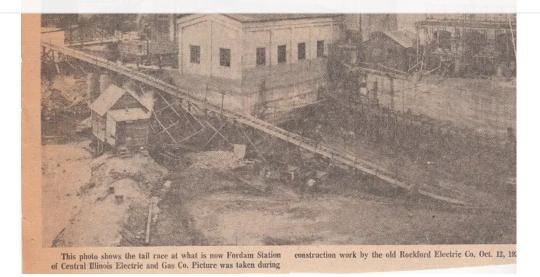
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Rockford Gas Light and Coke G. A. Sanford and W. A. Dicke Co., first of the predecessor or man. ganizations of the utility company which now serves the Rockford-Loves Park-Winnebago County centennial of Central Illinois Elec area, was incorporated Feb. 22. tric and Gas Co. in 1961. The his 1861, by special act of the Illinois tory of Rockford Gas Light an General Assembly. The incorpora-Coke Co. dates back to 18 year tors were Thomas Butterworth, before the invention of the incan

The 100th anniversary of the founding of Rockford Gas Ligh Samuel Ashcraft, Robert P. Lane, descent electric lamp by Thoma A. Edison in Menlo Park, N.J. in October, 1879.

At its inception, the gas company operated from a plant at Wyman and Mulberry Sts., on the present library site, and its first services were limited to commercial, residential and street gas lighting.

By 1890, when the company already had experienced considerable growth, 830 meters were in use, and 10 years later a plant capable of manufacturing 500,000 cubic feet of gas per day was placed in service at South Avon. and Cedar Streets. The plant capacity of 1900 represents only a small fraction of the last peak gas "sendout" figure reached by Central Illinois Electric and Gas Co. in its Rockford-Freeport gas service area. This peak - 70,739,000 cubic feet - was recorded in a 24-hour period in January, 1962.

After the turn of the century, the Rockford gas industry contin-

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Light and Coke Co, for many years.

The gas manufacturing plant was expanded from time to time, and finally was placed on a standby status after Rockford's conversion to natural gas service in 1946. The last vestiges of Rockford's manufactured gas facilities now are being taken out of service.

First predecessor firm of Central Illinois Electric and Gas Co. to operate as an electric utility here was the Forest City Electric Light and Power Co., which opened its plant on N. Madison St. April 16, 1883.

In the previous year, a small D. C. generator was used in E. W. Brown's drug store on E. State St., just east of Madison St., to supply energy to some arc lamps. The first incandescent electric imps were placed in service in Rockford in about 1886.

The Rockford Electric Power Co. was organized in 1887, and five years later became part of the Forest City company, Rockford General Electric Co., with M. A. Beale as manager, purchased the Forest City plant in 1896. This company changed its

tral Heat and Power Co., formed in 1902, became part of the Rockford Electric Co. in 1908. On March 1, 1931, the Rockford Electric Co. became part of Central Illinois Electric and Gas Co.

Present officers of Central Illinois Electric and Gas Co. are: James E. Murray, chairman of the board; Hubert E. Braunig, president; Leroy W. Esten, vice president and treasurer; John L. Gordon, vice president - operations: James H. Erwin, vice president - gas operations; Leaman S. Berry, vice president - Lincoln Division, Donald C. McClure. chairman of the executive committee; Alex Pryhoda, secretary and assistant treasurer; William Burritt, assistant secretary and assistant treasurer: and Paul O. Ray, assistant secretary and assistant treasurer.

Members of the company's board of directors are:

Eugene Abegg, chairman of the board and president of the Illi nois National Bank and Trust Co.: Gedor W. Aldeen, chairman of the board of Amerock Corp.; Braunig, Gordon, McClure and Murray; Paul F. Seitz, chairman of the board of Freeport Insurance Co., chairman of the board of Smith Freeport, and Ernst E. Smith. Oil and Refining Co.

Another director, Leonard R. Condon, died Jan. 21, 1962. He was secretary and treasurer of Con-

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Accepts Thanks

Lou Casela, left, accepts the thanks of his colleagues on the Civic Center Commission Thursday. With Casola,

Charles Boettcher, Eugene Abegg and Lou Bachrodt, president. (Morning Star photo)

Transfer of \$450,000 in war War Memorial tract at Sandy War Memorial fund will be Memorial funds to the Rockford Hollow Road and 11th Street used to finance design and cost Exhibition Council was ap- The fund was reserved to help estimate studies and for prepproved Monday night by the finance construction of a civic aration of a referendum on a city council. Stan 11-1-1- Teenter to honor Rockford's war general obligation bond

The action came after exhibi-veterans tion council members outlined The exhibition council for-bein needs for the funds in a mally requested transfer of the la, an exhibition council mem-

of the full War Memorial fund All studies indicate Rockford lin of the 6th Ward opposed to its account "so the city not only needs but can support council wen't be bothered with a civic center complex."

Fourth Ward Alderman George M. Wattles suggested the day - to - day details of ROCK RIVER SITE planning for a civic center and ROCK RIVER SITE

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The War Memorial fund was of the Rock River.

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Transfer of the funds was a superficient or the funds was a superficient or the funds.

a block north of the Jefferson Street bridge on the east bank

established through sale of the Bachrodt said some of the

sometime in February

chambers at 6:45 p.m.

Bachrodt, in reiterating his Transfer of the funds was
L. C. Bachrodt, president of group's request for the fund approved by a 19 - 1 vote at
the exhibition council, said his transfer, said, "Wa're at a point the regular council session with
group was requesting transfer now where we must go forward, only Alderman Manley T. Me-

Fourth Ward Alderman George M. Wattles suggested that the exhibition council we won't have to come to you Real Estate Research Corp., make regular reports to the for money every time we need Chicago, has recommended that council on how funds are bethe civic center be constructed ing used and 1st Ward Alderman Hugh Deery said that "in the event of some catastrophy that would prevent construction of a civic center, the funds should come back to the city to use for another memorial to vet-

Addresses, City Council, City of Rockford, Civic Center, Financial,

General ◆ Alderman George M. Wattles, Alderman Hugh Deery,

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Alpine bank wins rederal insurance

OK" - 6/24/1961

# Alpine Bank Wins Federal Insurance OK

Alpine State Bank, which will be located in the Highcrest Shopping Center, Friday received approval of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

Congressman John B. Anderson was notified of the bank's accreditation by the FDIC, which insures individual deposits up to \$10,000.

Plans for the Alpine State Bank were revealed June 5 when a per-

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in surplus, and \$60,000 reserve for operations.

Organizers of the bank are Stanton K. Smith, president of Smith Oil & Refining Co.: Eugene Abegg, president of Illinois National Bank & Trust Co.; Howard H. Monk & President of Howard H. Monk & Associates; Sturtevant Stewart, president of D. J. Stewart & Co. Ralph H. Bartels, president of General Lithographing & Printing

General Lithographing & Printing Co.; S. Herbert Stone, vice president of the John S. Barnes Co.; Edson I. Gaylord, vice president of Ingersoll Milling Machine Co.; Frank D. White, vice president of J. L. Clark Mfg. Co.; and John A. Forbes, Talcott Building.

Source: Rockford Register-Republic, June 24, 1961

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Refining, Stanley K. Smith, Stewart and Co., Sturtevant Stewart, Talcot

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# State Okay

Alpine State Bank has been issued a permit to organize a new state bank here by the Illinois Department of Financial Institutions.

Approval of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation is still required for organization of the bank.

Applications for permits to organize two other state banks, a Rockford State Bank at Halsted Road and Rockton Avenue and an East Towne State Bank at Alpine and Newburg Roads, also have been filed with the state.

The Alpine State Bank would be located in the Highcrest Shopping Center, Alpine and High Crest Roads. Organizers of the proposed East Towne State Bank said today they do not know what, if any, effect the permit granted for the Alpine bank will have on their plans. They noted the proposed east side state banks would be about 21/4 miles apart.

One factor considered by the

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COMMISSION, SMILES AND

Capitalization of the bank totals \$450,000, including \$300,000 subscribed capital stock, \$90,000 paidin surplus, and \$60,000 reserve for operations.

service in a growing commu-

Besides Smith, who is president Smith Oil & Refining Co., organizers are Eugene Abegg, president of Illinois National Bank & Trust Co.: Howard H. Monk. president of the advertising agency of Howard H. Monk & Associates and a director of the Illinois National Bank: Sturtevant Stewart, president of D. J. Stewart & Co.

Ralph H. Bartels, president of General Lithographing & Printing Co.; S. Herbert Stone, vice president of the John S. Barnes Co.: Edson I. Gaylord, vice president of Ingersoll Milling Machine Co.; Frank D. White, vice president of J. L. Clark Mfg. Co.; and John A. Forbes, Talcott Building.

The bank building would be located on the Alpine Road section of Higherest Center, connected to the other buildings by. a walk-way. Smith said. A branch of the Stewart company will occupy a remodeled portion

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and High Crest Roads, Alpine Bank, Alpine State Bank, D. J. Stewart Co.,
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Clark Mfg. Co., John A. Forbes, John S. Barnes Co., new Alpine Bank,
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Smith Oil and Refining, Stanton K. Smith, Sturtevant Stewart

### Rockford newspapers

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The Rock River Express was Rockford's first paper in 1840, a Democratic sheet, the Rockford Star also began in 1840

The Register was launched in 1855. The Gazette launched in 1866, both Republican in editorial. Register and Gazette merged with Daily Republic in 1829 Rockford Star sold to John A. Brown 7/22/1841, name changed to Rockford Pilot. The Morning Star, founded in 1888, merged with the Register–Gazette 1928 but retained name

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aisdell, Ir. bought Rockford Forum in 1854 and changed name Research Requests lican Elias Dougherty purchased Rockford

Republican plant and merged it with Rockford-Register

Rock River Democrat was established Feb 1855 published by Benjamin Holt. Rock River Democrat was sold in June of 1865 to the Register company

Rockford Register was established in Feb 1855; the plant and that of Rock River Democrat were aquired by a stock company known as Rockford Register Co.

Rockford Wesleyan Seminary Reporter was edited by W.F. Stewart as a monthly; 4 issues total

The Democratic Standard (1858) ; Democratic was dropped from name 5 weeks later

The Daily News began printing in Dec 1860, sold 1861

The Rock River Mirror "neutral in politics" was edited by Alan Gibson, 1959 – 1870's

The Rockton Gazette established in 1857, was suspended a year later but re-established

The Rockton Herald was established in 1875, now known as North Suburban Herald

The Pecatonica Independent was launch in 1859, discontinued before November 1860

People's Press, a democratic sheet, started publication July of 1865; ended Sept 1866

Winnebago County Chief, a Republican Paper, was organized in Nov 1866; J.P. Irvine, publisher. Hiram Enoch was added as a partner in 1867, Winnebago County Chief, later was sole owner.

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azette, Hvatt sold it to A.E. and W.E. Smith, formerly Research Requests Indianapolis publishers, in 1867. The Rockford Gazette became

a morning daily in 1873, but in November, an evening publication. The Gazette became a weekly again in 1874. In 1877, N.D. Wright and Charles L. Miller became owners of The Rockford Gazette

Words for Jesus, a religious monthly, began in 1867, suspended 2 years later

The Golden Censor a religious newspaper, semimonthly 1868-1877. The Golden Censor grew to an 18,000 circulation, then regressed in The Panic years. The Golden Censor suspended publication in 1896; a year later resumed publication. 1897: Calvert Bros. resumed publication with Charles A. Church as editor. Charles A. Church found himself in sole possession of the Censor until April 1, 1898. June 1898, The Golden Censor was sold to a Chicago publication

Leaves from the Forest Hill was title of first Women's College publication in Midwest, produced by faculty and students of Rockford Female Seminary in the 1850s

George Haskell published The Spirit Advocate and Spiritual Doctrines, 1854-1855

in 1891, Edgar Bartlett, William Eaton and Eugene Mc Sweeney of Kalamazoo, Michigan, bought The Daily Register and The Gazette and consolidated them into the Daily Register-Gazette. Management remained until consolidation in to the Daily Register-Gazette. Management remained until consolidation of the Register-Gazette, Morning Star and Republic by Mrs. Medill McCormick.

Short-lived publications: The Christian Gleaner, Rockford Daily Journal (2 issues), Andrus Illustrated Monthly, Methodist

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The Rockford Daily News struggled along with a few breaks in RPL's Local History blisher, for 2 years.

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have been preserved

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1888, lasted 20 years

The Spectator (Charles Church, editor), The Weekly Recorder, Rockford Chief, The Journal of Practical Nursing were publications launched in the 1890's

In 1890, The Rockford Republican began to provide morning competition for the Star. The Rockford Republican became an evening paper 3 years later. C. Dwight Allyn was editor of the Rockford Republican when it became an evening paper. in 1896, C.L. Miller, Harry M. Johnson, and John E. Warfield purchased the Rockford Republican and renamed it the Daily Republic. Mr. Miller, editor, remained active until 1910, then Robert Ruhl assumed editorship for a year before selling it back to Mr. Miller. In 1913, Harry M. Johnson succeeded his retiring partner as president. H.W.Pollard, H.T. Peterson, John E. Bollman, W. Ashton Johnson and Thomas Barney Thompson (editor) became directors of the corporation. The death of Mr. Johnson in 1928 preceded by a year the sale of the newspaper to Ruth Hanna McCormick. Mr. Thompson retired as editor in the 1950's. Winnebago Newspaper, Inc. purchased the McCormick estate interests. Officers of the new corporation were: E. Kenneth Todd, president, L.C. Miller, Eugene Abegg, vicepresidents, Ina B. Cholke, secretary, William K. Todd, business manager, and John W. Grimes, executive editor. In 1961, Rex Carney, former Madison, Wisconsin editor succeeded Mr Grimes, upon his retirement., while Hjalmer Nelson assumed the associate editorship

Svenska Posten, a newspaper in Scandinavian language, first published on Jan. 4, 1889. the paper Svenska Posten thrived for many years, discontinued in World War I. Editorship of Svenska Posten: C. J. Sjostrom, Fred Swenson, Rev. Claus A. Wendell.

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during the 1890's: ceased pub during WWI

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The Catholic Monthly was launched in 1909. The Catholic

Monthly became the a weekly called The Observer as diocese grew

In 1947 the Post a weekly launched by Curtis R. West. John Wingle became West's partner when Mayor Frank Larsen erected the Post Building.

The Monday Morning Mail was launched in 1954

In January 1965, The East Sider, Northwest News and 25 other weekly giveaway tabloids.

The High School Herald semi-monthly news sheet at original East High School, 1882 The R.H.S. Owl launched in 1889 in the new high school in 1889

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Source: Nuggets of History Autumn, 1990

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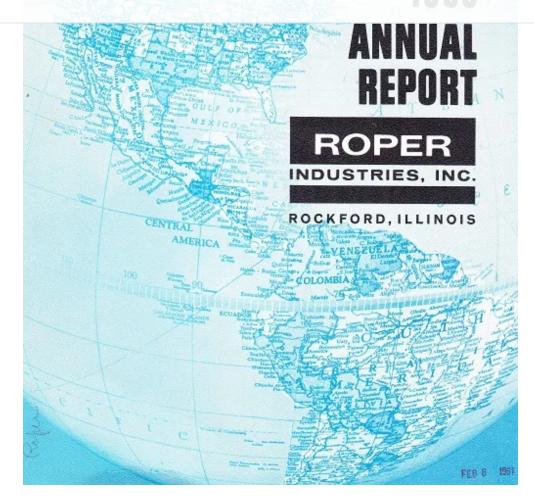
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Continued from Page A-1 "would be no hard feelings" among the four members of the exhibition council not asked to serve on the new authority. They are Lou Casola, Mrs. Pat Sneed. Warren (Cully) Carlson and Eugene Abegg.

and Eugene Abegg.

ACTIVE IN COMMUNITY
Palmer said he selected the county's three representatives because "of their experience and geographic location in the county. They all live outside the city," h explained, "but all three are very civic minded in community affairs and have served on numerous committees."

city," h explained, "but all three are very civic minded in community affairs and have served on numerous committees."

Even though he complied with the state legislation calling for one member from Loves Park, Peterson said he felt the new authority faces a rough future.

"It will be a time consuming and unpopular task, The committee will get a lot of public criticism no matter what it does. It's a real box of TNT."

MORE POWER

The new authority will have powers exceeding those of the old exhibition council. Not only will the group be able to issue tax obligation bonds through referendum and revenue bonds without referendum, it also can obtain money from state and federal sources, build and lease office buildings, and lease air rights over its own buildings.

The legislation authorizing the authority was part of a package of bills presented by Sen. Bertil T. Rosander. R-Rockford, Ogilvie vetoed another bill in the package which should have made available up to \$7.5 million in state funds for a Rockford civic center.

Below is a brief biographical sketch of the nine persons who will serve on the new authority. ARCHITECT NAMED

Boettcher is an architect with Boettcher & Simmon Architects, and has had an office in Rockford since 1948. He graduated from the University of Illinois in 1947. He was the designer of the new Rockford Public Library and was one of the original members of the Rockford Cultural Council. He was elected president in March. He also is a member of the board of directors of the Rockford Cultural Council. He and his wife live at

Bachrodt, 4215 Singleton Bachrodt Chevrolet, which he has had an interest in since 1933. He graduated from Capital City Commer of Loulege, Des Moines, in 1935. He was president of the Exhibition Council for two years, later serving as vice president, and is a member of the boards of directors of the United Fund and Catholic Charities.

Mrs. Atwood's husband is the Chairman of the board of Atwood Vacuum Machine Co. She graduated from Wellesley College, and was the first president of the Womens' Board of the Rockford Art Association. As president, she served as chairman of the Board of the Rockford Art Association. As president, she served as chairman of the RAA 50th anniversary memorial exhibition in 1962. She is also a member of fine Junior League. She and her husband and three children live at 2121 Harlem Blvd., was named president of D.J. Stewart, 1803 Harlem Blvd., was named president of D.J. Stewart and Co. in February, 1965. He has been an executive with the store for 18 years. He has a B.A. degree from the University of Iowa, is married and has four children.

ACTIVE IN LABOR

Bimm has been active in Rockford labor circles for many years and presently is serving as an international representative for the United Auto Workers. He is a former first vice president of Rockford United Labor. He also was a delegate to the 1952 Democratic National Convention and an alternate delegate in 1960. He and his wife live at 1407 Leaman St.

Perks, 47, Severson Road, is president of Eclipse Fuel Engineering Co. and served as chairman of the Rockford Chamber of Commerce Civic Auditorium Committee in 1959. Last year, Perks was appointed by Gov. Richard B. Ogilvie to study the operation of the Illinois Toll Highway Authority.

Perks served as an assistant Rockford Township supervisor before moving outside of the township in 1964. He is a director of the First National Bank & Trust Co. and Swedish-American Hospital.

Ave., is vice president of E. R.

Hollingsworth and Associates

Hollingsworth and Associates advertising agency, and served as chairman of the Rockford Chamber of Commerce Civic Auditorium Committee in 1965.
Schroeder is a past director of the Rockford Art Association and has served on the Board of Directors for the Chamber of Commerce and United Fund.
BANK DIRECTOR
Shade, a rural Rockton dairy farmer, is a director of Macknown State Bank, In 1961, he was appointed to a National Stabilization Advisory Committee on

appointed to a National Stabili-zation Advisory Committee on Dairy Products by former U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Orville Freeman.

He has also served as president of the Illinois Milk Producers Association and a director of National Milk Producers Federation.

ation.

Duclon, 41, 609 Hosmer St.,
Loves Park, is owner of AquaLand pet shop on N. Main Street
and is currently employed by
the Lane A. Peterson Co. He
served as 5th Ward alderman in
Loves Park from 1961 to 1996,
resigning to become a deputy
sheriff. He unsuccessfully
sought the City Council seat
again in 1967.

### Bidding Confusion Continues

Loves Park aldermen Monday night heard the first reading of an ordinance intended to alter the figure at which bids must be taken on city purchases. At the same time they ignored the existing rule on bidding in connection with Christmas decorations.

Aldermen unanimously approved expenditure of \$506 for installation of electrical outlets on utility poles on Riverside Boulevard in order to permit installation of Christmas decorations. The amount is just over the \$500 level which requires bids.

bids.
Ald Howard Anderson, chairman of the streets and alleys committee. In response to a query from Ald. Ralph Allion, 3rd Ward, admitted bids were not taken. Anderson said the work was negotiated with Wood

Source: Rockford Register-Republic

Architect, Civic Center, General Bimm, Boetccher & Simmon Architects named, Duclon, Eugene Abegg, Exhibition Counsel, Gov. Richard B. Ogilvie, Lou Bachrodt, Lou Casola, Pat Sneed, Patricia Arwood, Perks, referendum, Schroeder, Senator Bertil T. Rosander, Shade, Stewart, tax obligation bonds, Warren (Cully) Carlson

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- G. H. Arnold, Vice President and Trust Officer

Edward Abegg, Cash

- P. L. McDonald, Comptroller
- H. A. Conklin, Assistant Cash
- K. R. Froberg, Assistant Cash
- F. P. Condon, Assistant Cash
- R. J. Schoenhoff, Auditor
- 230 South Main Street

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