

NNHS NEWS LETTER

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Missing Main Street Store

Those of us that grew up in the 40s and 50s remember this store as Cruickshanks Hardware Store. There is a lot more history to it before Roy Cruickshank ran it. It was located on the corner of North Main and Water Streets where Allen and Palmer's parking lot is today.

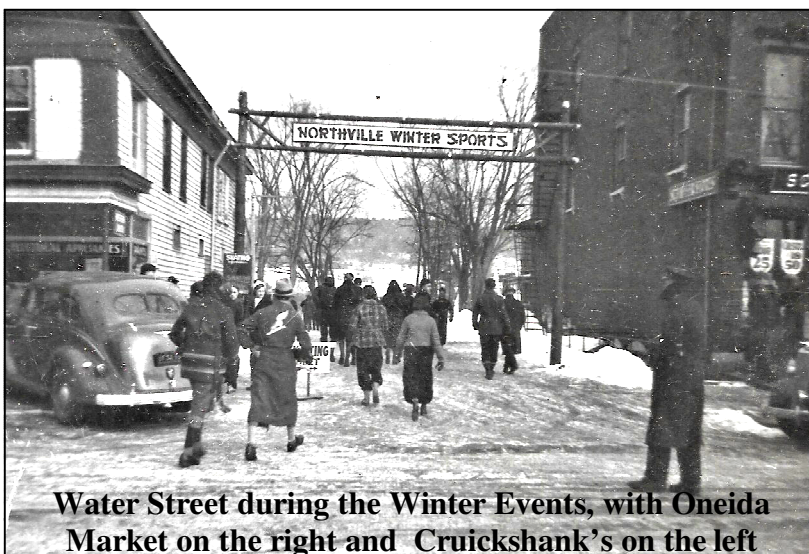


It was a wood frame building, built in the 1860s. It is shown on the 1868 map, owner; W. A. Smith. Smith ran it as a General Merchandise dealer. His son, Albert J Smith carried on with the General Merchandise. Later succeeded by Albert's two sons: William. and George reduced the stock to groceries.

Charles Van Brocklin opened a restaurant in the building, followed by George Horton. Neil Morrison then had a billiard parlor there.

I'm not sure when Roy Cruickshank bought it, but I know he was there in the 50's. Roy ran it as a Doughboy Hardware until 1963.

Melvin Kinney bought Cruickshanks in 1963 and moved into the apartment over the store. Bill Conover bought it next and used it for storage for the Allen and Palmer hardware. In the late 70s the building was deteriorating so much, it was torn down. It is now a parking lot for the Allen and Palmer Hardware.



Water Street during the Winter Events, with Oneida Market on the right and Cruickshank's on the left

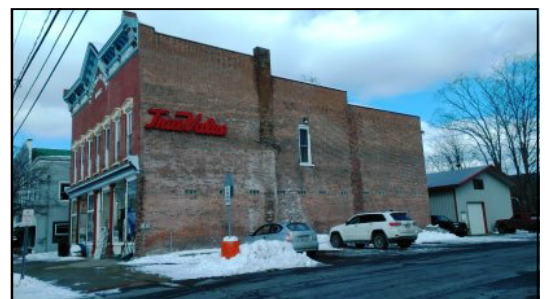
MUSEUM

Our museum guides are anxiously waiting for summer to arrive to greet old and new visitors to the museum.. We have obtained a new additions to our collection which we'll be adding to our displays. Won't tell you what it is yet, but it's a very important piece of Northville history.



Here it is just north of the old Oneida market. Water Street ran between.

On the second floor of the building O. B Olmstead had a barber shop. Harman F. Fisher worked for him. Several more barber shops operated there over the years. DeWitt Severance, Frank Chequer, James McCullough, Walt Tatrault, Arnold Whitman.



Allen and Palmer Hardware parking lot today



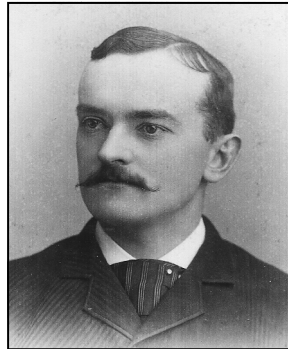
Allen and Palmer building was built in 1885.
The building on the right was built prior to 1868, probably 1860



Roy Cruickshank



George Smith



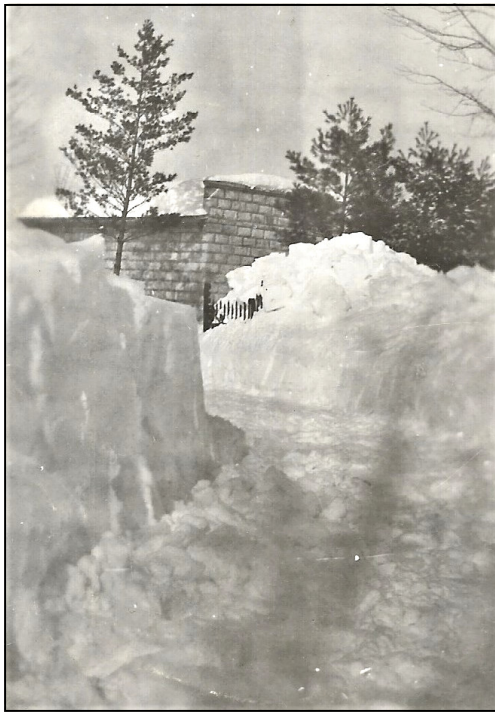
William A Smith Jr.



Loading big pine in the Adirondacks

Correction to January
NNHS newsletter re:
Wilson picture.

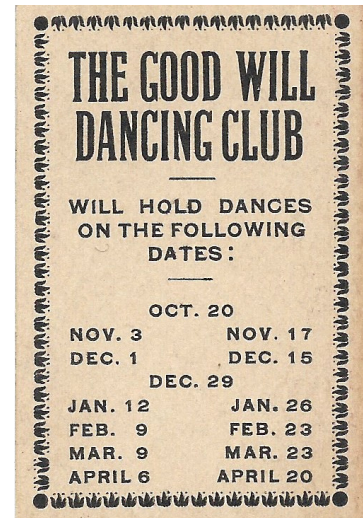
The picture of the
Zina Wilson Family
was taken by Arlene
Renee Carr's grand-
father John W. Trevett
not her great-
grandfather.



Entrance to Prospect Hill Cemetery
1920

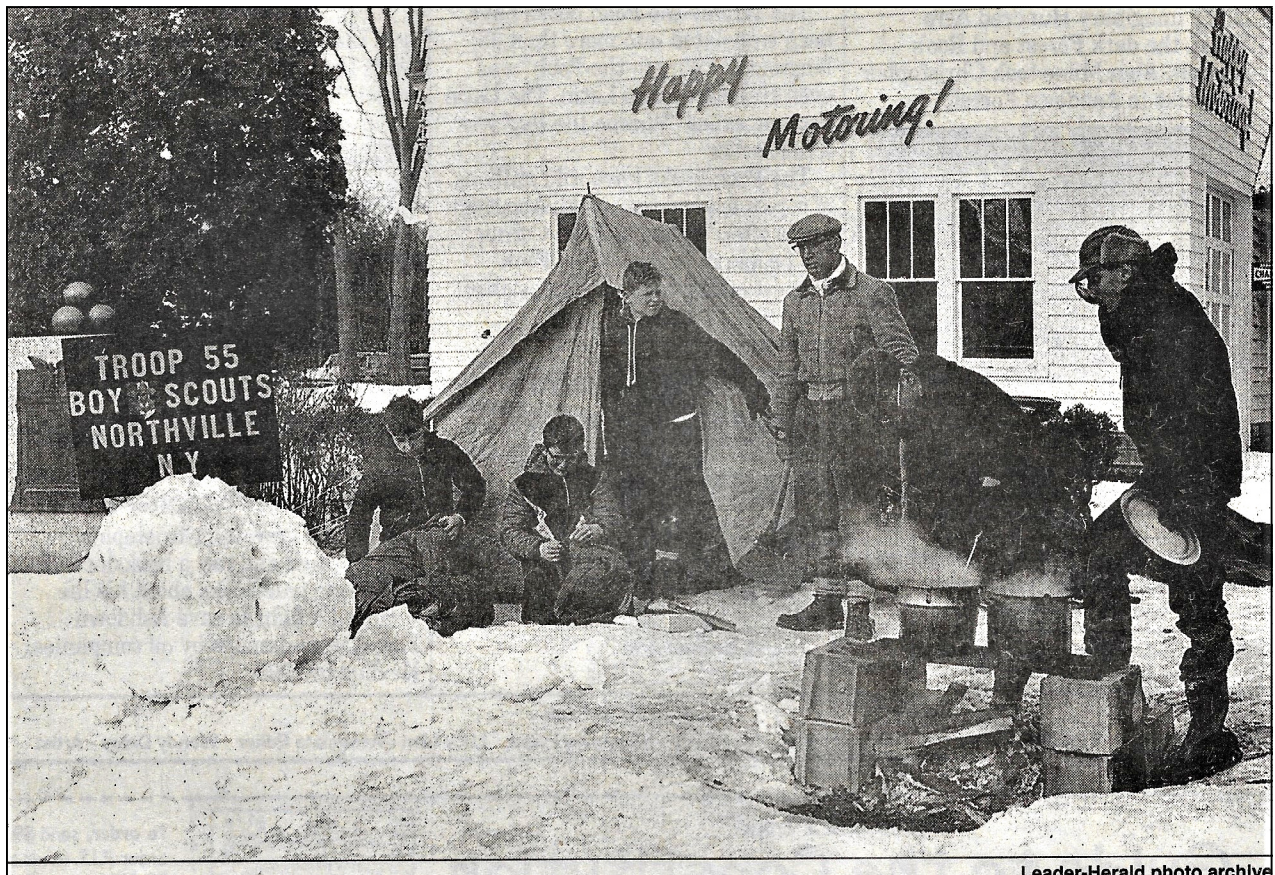


Circa 1945



1903

Burdick's orchestra of Gloversville, furnished music for the dancing club at Northville last evening.



Leader-Herald photo archive

Members of Northville Boy Scout Troop 55 prepare a hunter's stew at the winter campsite on the Village Green in early February 1964. The Scouts camped out overnight in celebration of Boy Scout Week. Shown from left are Robert Hayes, Edward Graham, Joe Tuccio, Scout Leader the Rev. Robert Moyer, Gerard Welch and Bruce Blocklin

LOOKING BACK TO 1927

Northville

NORTHVILLE, July 14.—Mrs. Margaret F. Scouten of Africa Inland Mission will speak at the gospel services at the Rustic Theatre, Sacandaga, on Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Mrs. Scouten has been twelve years in the part of Africa where ex-President Roosevelt was hunting. Public is cordially invited to hear her.

Miss Madge Blake will dispose of the contents of the Dr. Blake home on Saturday morning after 10 o'clock. The public is invited to attend the sale. Everything, regardless of value, will be placed on the market for what it will bring. All the goods are sold on a cash basis.

Brief Mention

The Northville Free Library has moved from Smith's fruit store to rooms over Seymour Willard's store and will be open tomorrow (Friday) afternoon from 4 to 6.

Ball game between the Adirondacks and the Wells team will be played Saturday afternoon at 2:30.

Sacandaga Tribe, No. 122, Improved O. R. M., will hold its regular meeting tomorrow (Friday) night at 8 o'clock. Some degree will be worked if enough turn out to do the work.

A hard storm passed over Wells yesterday afternoon at 5 o'clock and was very severe, as it broke down trees and rain fell in torrents, while thunder and lightning was heavy, no damage has been reported from same. This village escaped but at this writing a storm is brewing which is intended for this place.

Sacandaga Grange will hold its semi-monthly meeting tomorrow night in their hall south of the village.

Don't forget that on Saturday night our own John R. Van Arnham's minstrels will appear at Sacandaga in the Rustic Theatre. Those who attended last year were more than pleased with the entertainment. It is said by critics that the troupe that he has this year excels that of previous years. Let's us show John we do not forget our home boys who struggle hard to make a success in life. Reserved seats are on sale at Smith's fruit store (not drug store).

Mrs. John R. Van Arnham and children of Syracuse are at the home of Mr. H. W. Van Arnham for the week.

William Foote, Jr., Harold Allen, W. L. Kested and family, Rev. A. W. Claxon and W. R. Smith were in Gloversville today. Progress.

A 1927 Hudson Super-Six

