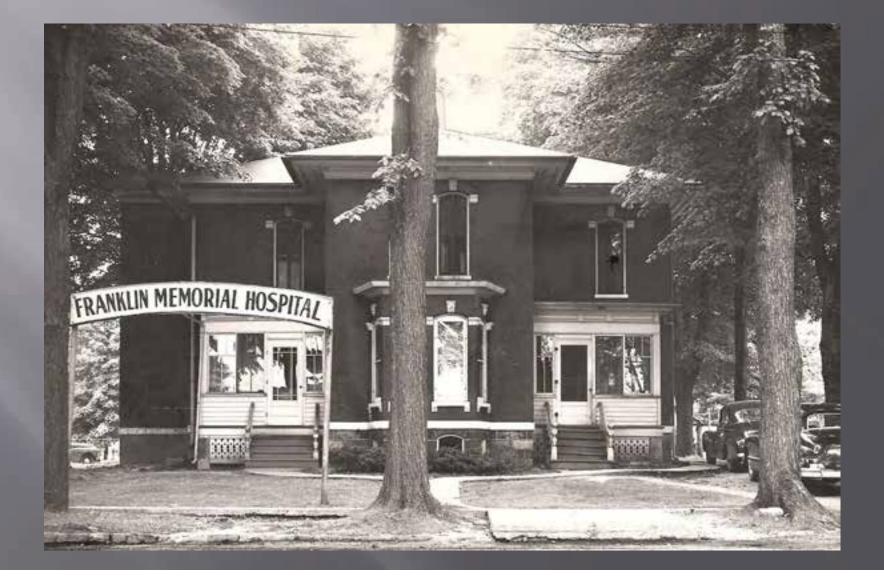
# HISTORY OF FRANKLIN COMMUNITY HOSPITAL and Bronson Vicksburg Hospital

## **Original Hospital**



## **Hospital Addition**



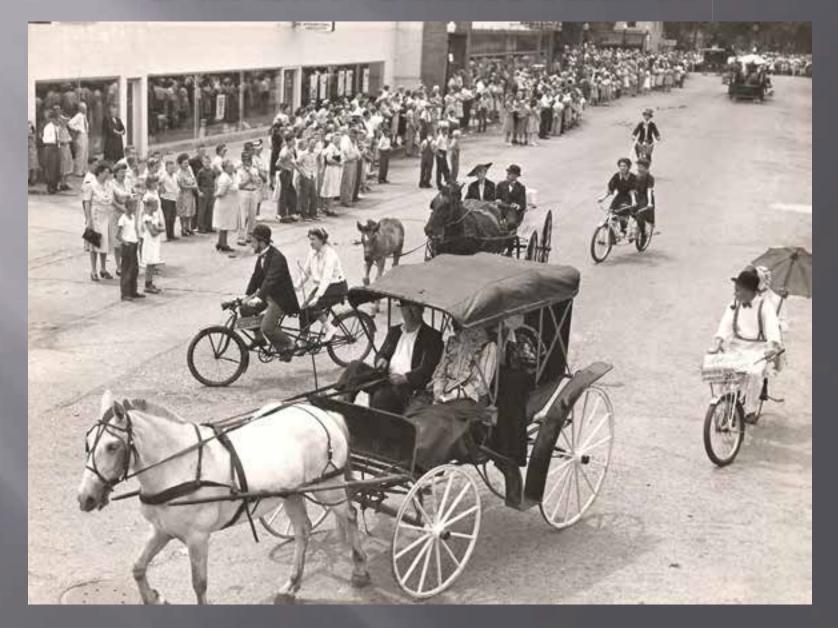
## **Hospital Guild Ladies**



#### Hospital Festival Parade/ Frontier Days



### **Parade Contestants**



#### Gov. Kim Sigler Speaking at 1948 Parade on the Festival Grounds



#### Vicksburg Commercial EXTRA Established 1879 \$2.00 Per Year in Advance Saturday, July 24, 1948

#### **Thousands View Frontier Parade Saturday**

GOV. KIM SIGLER

Gov. Sigler Leads

Atty. Black's Help

Governor Kim Sigler leads this

parade as the honored guest of

any special duling, except to em-

Parade Without

#### **Commercial Prints** This Extra On **Route Of March**

This Extra by the Commercial for the Frontier Days Postaval is being printed on a small hand-fed. foot-power Union press that was huilt about the time of the Civil War, Owned and operated by Mason Bishop, the press was mounted on a wagon and formed part of the exhibit of this news-paper showing an old-fashioned mint shop.

Mrs. Ann Wright is acting as paper boy, with Joe Ortifith as compositor, and Helen Reigel as reporter. The old type and type cases date back to the founding of the paper in 1879. Thus, the hometown newspaper is established as the oldest continuous man tution in the community, and exemplifies the principle of Amer-ican democracy that has helped keep our people informed and by them is considered an essential of life as a dispenser of information and knowledge.

Local Whisker Champ To **Receive Fine Prize Sat.** 

The backy gentlyman to be proelaimed winner of Vicksburg's Whisker Contest on the Frontier Days program at \$:30 Saturday Vicksbury, and without the doubt-

The withore will sate be chosed to enter the Whisker Derby to be held at the ionia Pree Fair on August 11, where he will compete with the best beards of Marshall errow will just have fan without. and Greenville, respectively, Judg- any special ing the Ionia event will be men joy himself. who have made a thorough study of whisker styles and quality, among them Gov, Kim Sigler and



#### Show To Follow For Many Hours At School Grounds

This parade winds thru the streets of Vicksburg as the feature event of the 4th annual Peatival for the benefit of the local horpetal, and to the thousands of people who are watching, the community extends its welcome. Following this parade the show will continue all day and night at the school athletic field and will wind up with a Horse Show Sunday afternoon PARADE ROUTE

The parade will assemble under the direction of Rady Maslanik and will be formed in three or more ancliana each led by a hand. Governor Sigler and his entourage will lead the parade followed by the VHS band. The second section will be led by the Queen and her court and a band. Six musical organizations are on the schedule.

The parade will form on North Kalamamo Ave, and will start west on Prairie street at 1:00, travel to Main street, turn south to South street, west to Michigan, north to Prairie, cast to Main, south to Park street and east to the school grounds where it will disband.

Thus, if prople on Main street will stand still the whole parade will pass them twice,

After the parade the show will start at the field with Perris Osparade at the prosting of the second of the coverevening, will receive a radio given by Weeks & Brunchaugh. The winner will also be eligible to snice the Weeks will take part. The Rodeo frying other fish today in fact, he Medicine Show at 2008 p. m and the seems to be trying to fry every-p. m. The Public Wedding with be at 6:30 followed by drawings, free acts, Eagles drill tesm and beard Judging.

The entertainment in front of the grandstand will include quartets, radio stars, cowboy hand, Peter McLean, the American Harry Village President, Len Hawken, Lauder, of Battle Creek, and a will act as the official host for quantity of other acts.

among them Goe, Kim Sigler and Congressman Paul Shafer. The first prize on August 11 is infer on Saturday as well as is expected to bring bundled bere handling the honors for the cere-as it will be the outstanding two-handling the honors for the cere-as it will be the outstanding two-nedit, the local candidate for Dem-swaits the third best set of whis-bare outstand by the community. is acclaimed by his community. o'clock and a long list of events.

Vicksburg Commercial Extra Printed from Hand Fed Press in the Parade.

#### Mason Bishop Printing on Parade



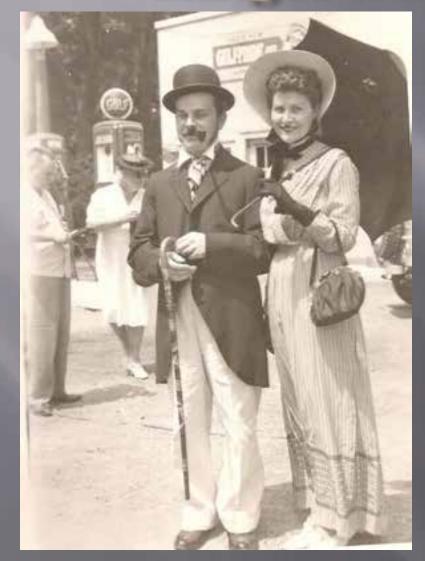
#### Beard Growing Contest Contestants



## **Street Cleaning on Parade**



#### Doris & Lee Weick – Veronica Hargot & unknown - 1947





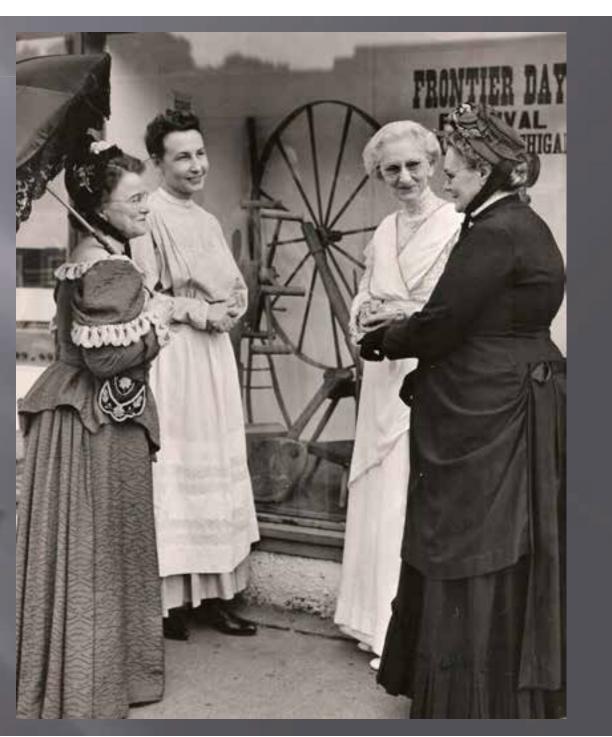
### Planning Committee with Geraldine Moore as chairperson



#### 1947 Hospital Guild Planning Committee Members



Lucille Mellus, Helen Hedges, Vera Penfield and Mary Daniels



#### Joann Green – Queen in 1947



## 1950's Queen & Court



#### On the Festival Grounds – Hey Dude





#### Kangaroo Court with Harry Hill in the Stocks



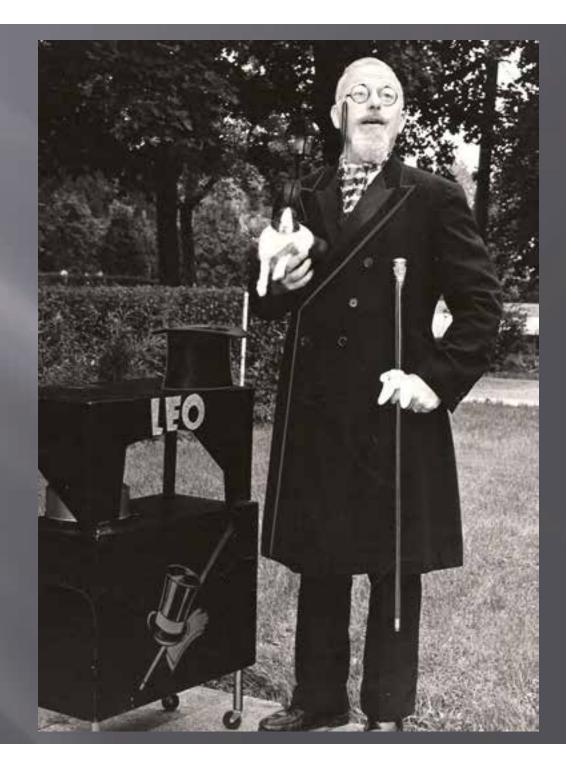
#### 1968 or 1969 Parade



### Festival Grounds in 1969



## Dr. Rasmussen Loved to do Magic Shows



### **Queen for a Day Contest**



## Staff in the 1960s



#### June & Irv Morley with their 20 Ib. twins made national news.



## We Need a Bigger Hospital



## **Fund Raising**



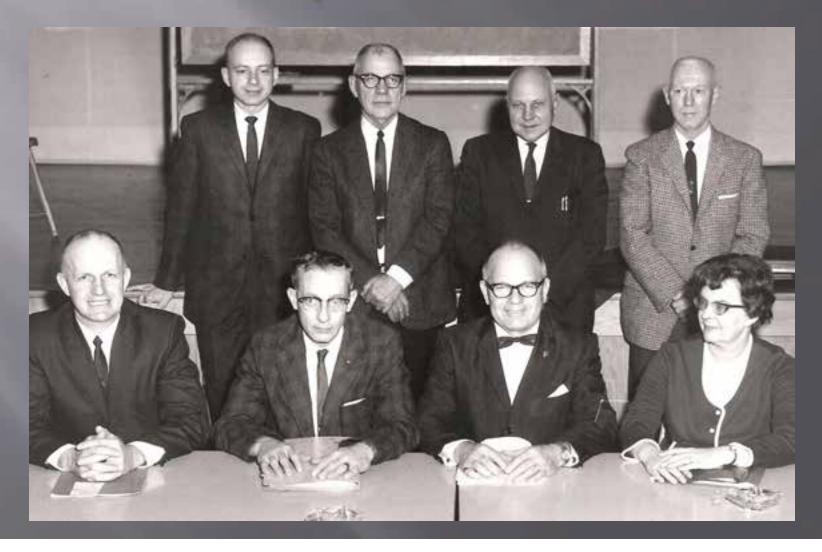
#### Hard at Work – Stan Lane and **Clair Carvell**

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## YOUR PLEDGE WILL BUILD YOUR HOSPITAL HERE

Franklin Community

The Planning Committee – Sheldon Durham, Charlie Gardner, Gordon Daniels, Betsy Skippers, Lloyd Appell, Trayton Townsend, Deyo Beall, & Robert Nimmo.



### We Need Lots of Money



## **Hospital Staff**



## **Hospital Workers**



#### **The Many Blood Drives & Staff**



## **Groundbreaking** Ceremony



## **Under Construction**



#### Volunteer Organizers





Franklin Community Hospital Red Cross Volunteers, Feb. 1970 Front Row: (left to right) Gloria Morris, Virginia Ritter, Mary Stenstrom, Marilyn Durham, Mary Rogers, Elsie Carr, Joyce Fink, Grace Appell, Maxine Oswalt Second Row: (left to right) Mary Scott, Dormah Woodhams, Betty Dibble, Helen Rateliff, Celine Bishop, Donna Fogleson, Beverly Brakefield, Esther Pierce, Charlotte Jacobs, Louise Kellogg, Hazel Baldwin, Lavon Beall, Patricia McClelland, Doris Hayward

Third Row: (left to right) Rose Holtzer, Margaret Schneider, Elizabeth Decker, Lois Morris, Donna Lafler, Beverly Calvert, Janet Weinberg, Louise Bartlett, Ruth McCauley, Nancy Harper, Lorene Smith, June Hill, Betty Raggio, Marie Southworth

### Helping to Raise Awareness of the Need for a New Hospital



### Christmas Cake Donation from Otto Kaak's Bakery for the Staff



## Dedication of the New Hospital with Congressman Gary Brown Present



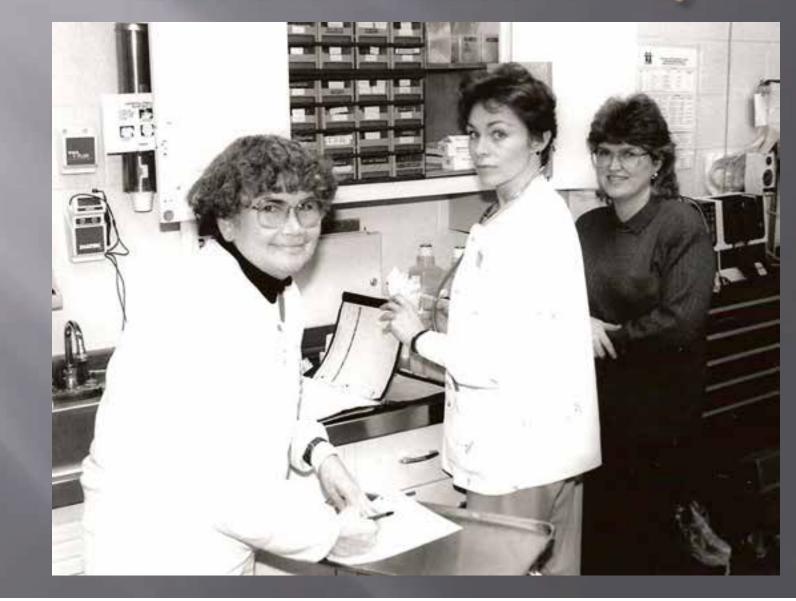
### Sheldon Durham, Grace Noble & Deyo Beall Cut the Ribbon



# **Moving Day**



# The New Laboratory



# **New Nursing Station**



## Fixing the Food & the Table



# **Everything Gets Moved**



## Russell Ferguson - the first baby to be born in the new hospital.



# New Emergency Room



