

Development group of sorts began in 1887

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form the Investment Association, "in which a company would buy and sell real estate, thus always giving a reliable and steady market."

A particular incident that had promoted the community businessmen to bestir themselves was, apparently, a fire that destroyed the Bollenbacher & Sons wagon and carriage spokes factory. The *Courties of Morgan, Monroe and Brown* history indicates that the family-owned factories in not only Bloomington, but Gosport and Guthrie, were enterprises employing some 60 workers.

Someone had come to the meeting with a resolution, which took note of the Bollenbacher's loss. The resolution said in part, "Resolved, That it is the aim of this mass meeting

that said firm, be encouraged in a substantial manner to rebuild their manufactory in this community, and to this end we bind ourselves, as citizens, to render them such material assistance of a financial character commensurate with the importance of the concern."

Other projects were proposed. A committee was appointed to collect the funds necessary to "pipe the artesian well," "take steps toward advertising our vast stone interests" and "to secure a geologist whose duty would be to prepare a careful report, and that it would be published and scattered broadcast."

The men involved in all of those ambitious projects were James Karsell, S.W. Bradfute (of the *Telephone*), H.J. Feltus (of the *Bloomington Courier*), Major James B. Mulky, Captain William Allen, S.C. Dodds, T.E. Phillips, Dr. B.A. McGee, Dr. J.G. McPheeters, Jo-

seph E. Henley, Ben F. Adams, Frank Wooley, James D. Showers, Wyatt Wicks, Walter Woodburn, R.M. Weir and H.S. Bates.

Concluded the *Telephone*, "Now that the ball is started, let it be kept

rolling. The ground work for some good work was laid out at Wednesday night's meeting, and the second gathering next Friday night should be a great success. The boom is on!"

Next week: Another 1887 meeting.

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