

The First Courthouse in Pulaski County
Soon after the purchase of the Louisiana Territory all the area west of the Mississippi River was called St. Louis County.

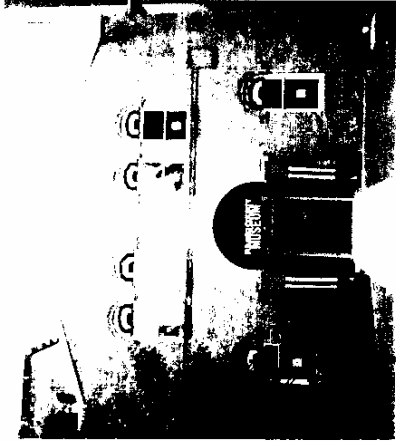
After Missouri became a state it was divided and a wide area, containing our region was called Gasconade County. A short time later another division was made and Crawford County was the name of a wide domain and they built a Courthouse at the junction of the Little Piney and the Gasconade River.

Pulaski County was born in 1832 and recognized by the state legislature with Waynesville designated as the County seat. The first sessions of Court was held in private homes, first in the home of Jesse Boileau later spelled Ballew, James Bates, William Moore.

William Moore gave an acre of land on the hill behind the stores on the south side of the square where the first log Courthouse in Pulaski County was built. This was a temporary building built in 1837. Just three years later they started a brick shop on the site of the City Park and made bricks enough to build the first brick Courthouse in 1840.

This building was a quite pretentious building and well built according to "Goodspeeds History of Missouri" and was used until the Civil War broke out. It was so badly damaged by shot and shell during the war that in 1870 it was unsafe, and it was torn down and another brick edifice

was built. The State Legislature donated aid for the building. This building burned and the present building was built in 1903.



Books for Sale
(pageage included in the price)

History of Pulaski County, Missouri-Vol. I, hardbound, 302 pages, surname index, \$35.00.

History of Pulaski County, Missouri-Vol. II, hardbound, 292 pages, surname index, \$30.00.

1910 Federal Census of Pulaski County, Missouri, spiral bound, 352 pages, surname index, \$20.00.

Our Ancestors in Pulaski County, Missouri, compiled by Tom Turpin and Thurman Trappin, softbound, includes "abstract of probate records", 104 pages, surname index, \$12.00.

Our Ancestors in Pulaski County, Missouri, Supplement I, 124 pages, includes "US land sales in Pulaski Co.", softbound, \$14.00.

Translating Inscriptions, Flangehead Pulaski County, softbound, 305 pages, alphabetic by name and cemetery, \$22.00.

Pulaski County Rural Schools, 104 schools, spiral bound, 201 pages, pictures of most of the schools, some with students standing in front of the building, \$22.00.

Church Record of the Church of Christ, Worshipping at Crocker, MO, Sept. 12, 1893, 20 pages, softbound, \$6.00.

Pulaski County, Missouri Obit 1902-1952, softbound, 240 pages, all obituaries from the county newspapers and listed alphabetically, \$12.00.

Index to the Genealogy Society of Pulaski County, MO Quarterly Newsletters 1985-1997, 20 pages, \$5.00.

Pulaski County Historical Society and Museum was organized March 27, 1969. The chairman for this meeting was Mabel Noltze. She was elected the first President of the Society at the April 1969 meeting.

In 1970, a Historical Marker was erected by the Society at the Old Stagecoach Stop and Halt on the square in Waynesville. Another marker was placed at the site of the Old Fort on Fort Street in Waynesville. They published their first book, History of Pulaski County Missouri, in 1982.

The Genealogy Society of Pulaski County, Missouri was organized in 1985 from the Fort Wood/Pulaski County Genealogical Society. It is their intention to gather information-needed pertinent to this area. The groups first publication was the 1910 Census of Pulaski County, Missouri. It was decided to leave a quilt raffle to help raise money to publish the census. The group met at the Crocker City Hall in Crocker, Missouri. In 1992 the Society moved their meeting to Waynesville and met at the Old Courthouse.

In 2003, the Genealogy Society and the Historical Society decided to join forces (The Genealogical/Historical Society of Pulaski County, MO), and met on the first Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at 415 City Rt. 66, Waynesville, MO. Membership is \$7.50 a year and you will receive four newsletters a year. Back issues are \$2.00 each.



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