

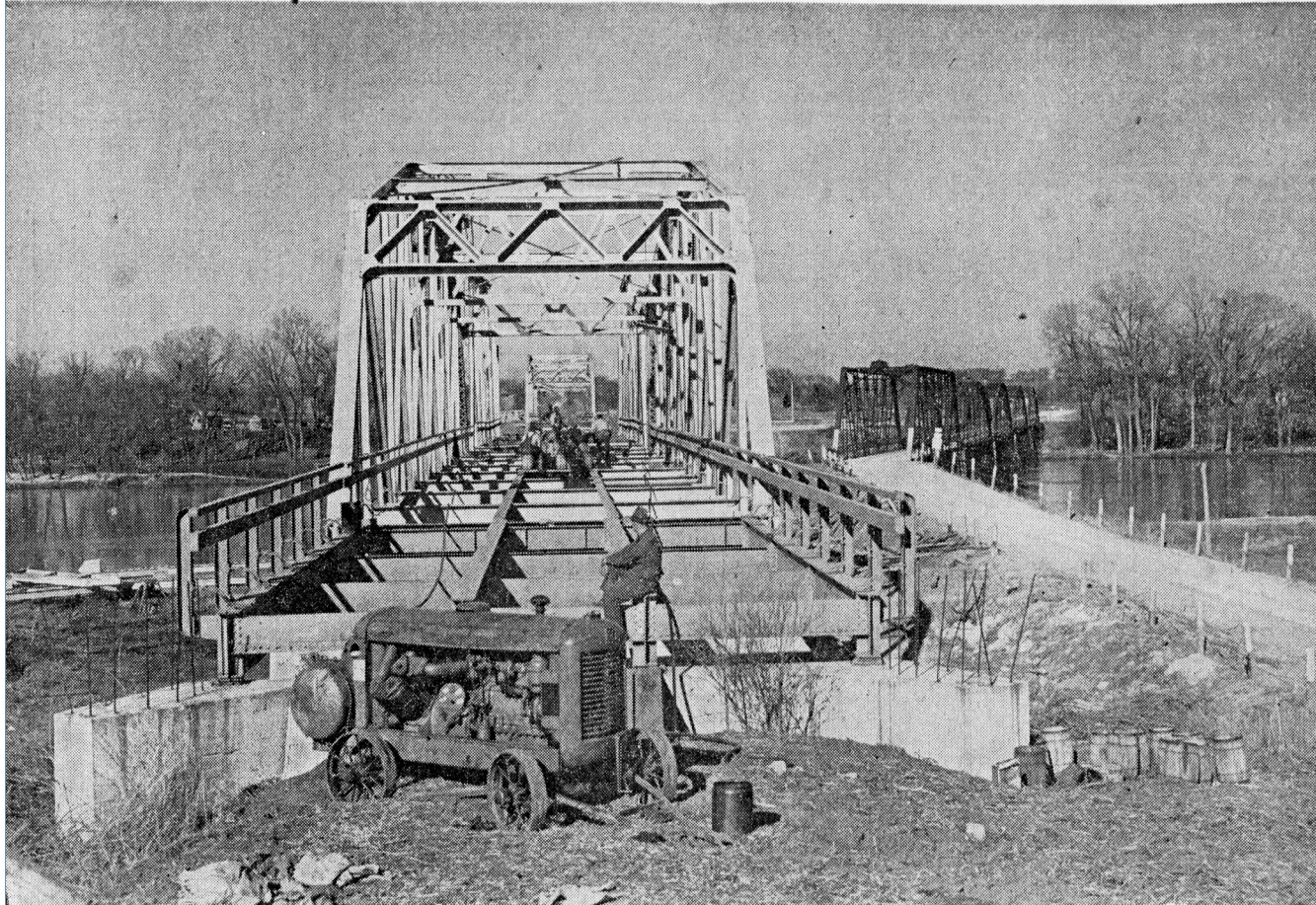


MOUNT VERNON'S VISITORS CENTER

A Moving Story

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Steel Work on Ivanhoe Bridge Progresses



THE WOLFE FAMILY

- Earliest settlers in area - Ivanhoe log cabin, 1839
- John D built hotel and operated ferry over the Cedar River
- Bridge on Military Road (now Hwy 1) built in 1870

THOMAS L (1871-1951) AND JOHN D (1867-1951) WOLFE



- Grandsons of John D Wolfe
- MDs and entrepreneurs who built several buildings downtown
- Thomas L was elected Mayor in 1916

G. G. WOLFE



REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE FOR
State Treasurer
PRIMARY ELECTION, JUNE 2d, 1924



WOLFE MEDICAL CLINIC



- Built in 1912
- Later law office of TL's son Richard and grandson Douglas
- Thomas Wolfe's home demolished in 1964 for construction of Mount Vernon Bank

THE MOVE



- In 1990 clinic land sold for expansion of Mount Vernon Bank and Trust
- Building donated by Wolfe family to become welcome center

VISITORS CENTER *CURRENT STATUS*



- In Cornell College Historic District on 1st Avenue
- Needs restoration and preservation
- 2020 Preservation Plan
 - Restore front window
 - Preserve roof
 - Masonry cleaned and repaired
 - Clean, prime and paint wood
 - Restore side windows
- Nomination as Contributing Structure to the Historic District

