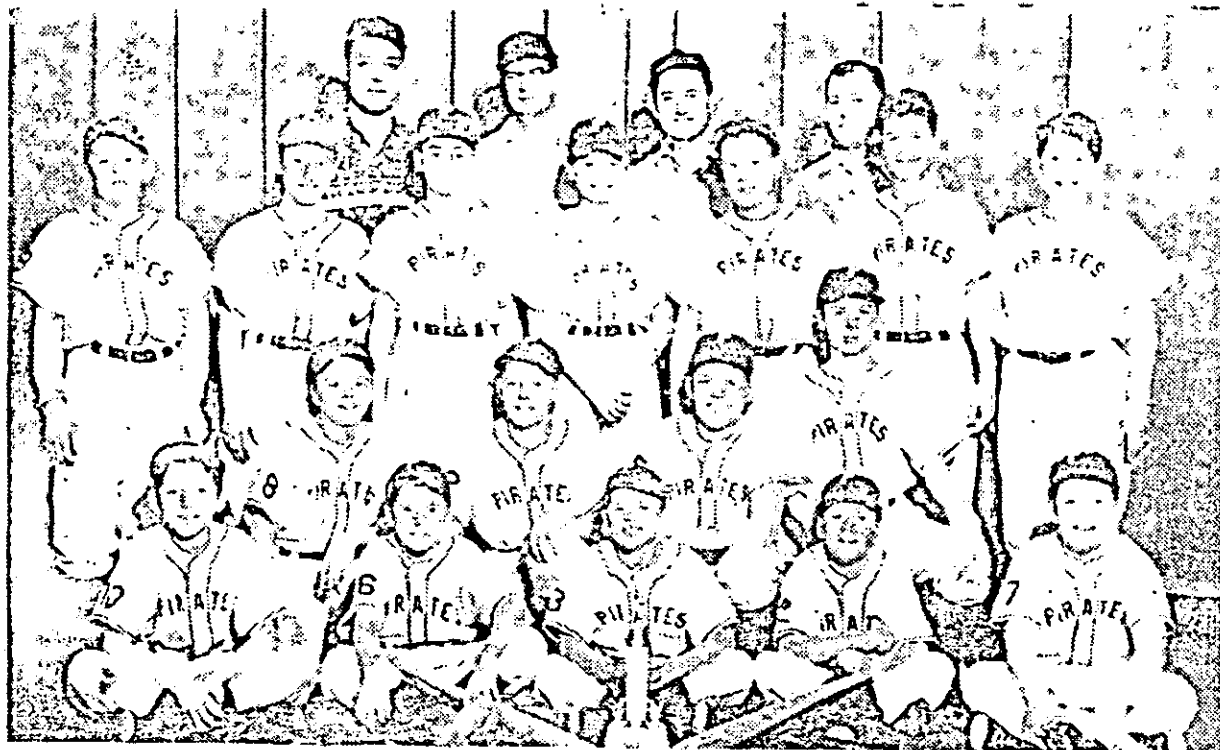


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## Trace This Place

When was this photo taken? What does it show? The person who provides the most complete information will win an official four-color sesquicentennial button and a Sesquicentennial History Certificate. The contest is in honor of Elmhurst's sesquicentennial and is designed to spur interest in the city's historic roots. Entries are due April 11. The winning entry will be published in two weeks. (Elmhurst Historical Museum photo)

## Ray's On A Roll In Contest

by Jean Van Rensselaar  
"Trace This Place" contestant Ray Steben is on a roll. He has now won five

out of the eight photo history contests conducted in the Elmhurst Press.

The winner of the March 28 Trace This Place Contest is (surprise) Raymond H. Steben Sr., 264 Illinois St., Elmhurst.

Special thanks to other entrants (listed in order of accuracy and originality): Charles F. Radtke, William R. Laut, Frank J. Kolar Sr., Elaine Kuhlmann-Jason, and Kenneth Balslew.

The March 28 contest photo depicted a two-story frame structure. Steben's entry reads as follows:

"The Elmhurst Fire Bell which was forged by the McShane Bell Foundry, Baltimore, Md., in 1893, today is located at the His-

torical Museum. It was dedicated as a memorial to the original volunteer fire fighters.

This bell made its first appearance in 1895 on top of the wooden tower built in 1884 on City Road, later changed to 118 Schiller St. The tower was a 60-foot structure used for hanging wet hose to dry.

Next door stood the old fire house that was torn down and replaced in 1887 with the station which is shown in a photograph taken in 1940 and is pictured in the March 28 issue of The Elmhurst Press. The city hall was also located in this building up to 1927, then the city hall was relocated to 132 Addison Ave.

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ELMHURST FIRE BELL