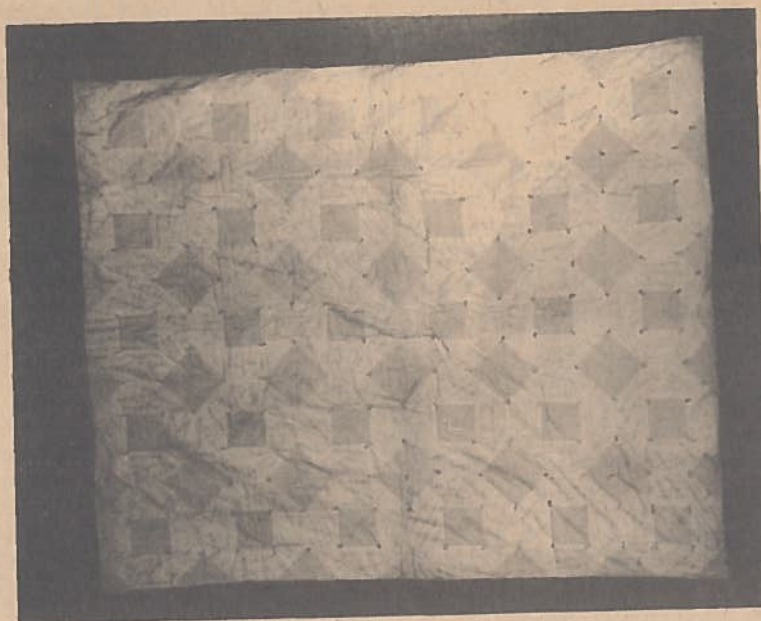


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A SIGNATURE QUILT

Pictured here is a pink and white Signature Quilt made between 1912-1914 by Jenny Stetz and Margaret Robinson. This project was undertaken by them on behalf of the Waterport Methodist Church and for ten cents individuals could have their names embroidered on the quilt. 375 names of people are embroidered along with names of nearby communities and organizations. Some of the organizations included are Odd Fellows, Masons, Gaines Congregational Church and Grand Army of the Republic.

When it was completed the Waterport Church auctioned it off for \$20-\$25 to Rodney Brown, the highest bidder. Recently Mrs. Beulah Hyde has donated it to the Cobblestone Museum.

Ladies of the Cobblestone Society thinking that project such a neat idea are going to make one too. The new signature quilt will be done in red, white and blue and for \$1.00 (inflation) anybody can have their signature embroidered for posterity. Over eighty signatures have been submitted to date. When complete, the new quilt will not be auctioned, but kept for exhibition purposes.

The old Waterport Signature Quilt will be on display at the Cobblestone Museum during the Country Art Fair and Flea Market on Saturday, August 23. So stop by and check out your ancestors. An alphabetic listing of all the names has also been prepared by the quilt committee headed by Mrs. Josephine Howard.