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Thanks for your email and for sending me pictures. My address is: Palma Walker, 104 14th Street, Prairie du Sac, WI 53578

The plates belonged to my brother, Alvin Fenske. I believe Al obtained them when they were auctioned off when the Denzer Store closed; they were stored away in the upper level of the store. I'm sorry I don't have more information about the pictures, but when I see them I will try to figure out the buildings standing in Denzer today. If only my brother was still alive to tell you more and to see his plates being made into digital pictures. I will check with Alvin's daughter and step-daughter to find out if they would be willing to donate the plates to the Sauk County Historical Society. I'm almost positive they will agree to it. They are looking for homes for a lot of Al's antique pieces, mainly horse powered equipment, the large machines. Alvin's stipulations were that we could give away any of his collection to nonprofit organizations who will show them, display them, or whatever, but they are not to be sold for profit. If you know of any places, let me know.

Palma

This donation consists of 98 glass negatives, probably taken in the Denzer, WI area (see email above).

Included among these unidentified photos are pictures of:

- 1. Family members, groups of people, children, Clement Family
- 2. Barn construction
- 3. Church
- 4. A farm in winter, filling silo
- 5. House construction
- 6. Grain binder and horse
- 7. Ice harvest
- 8. McLellan camp decking
- 9. Fox hunters, raccoons
- 10. Natural Bridge, near Denzer
- 11. Quarry, trolley, people
- 12. Railroad engine on bridge
- 13. School play, stage
- 14. Sled
- 15. Store-H. Kopff, people by store
- 16. Threshing crew
- 17. Wedding party