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- PL1 South view of Plain before 1910, small foreground buildings are Cramer brick kilns.
- PL2 Main St., 1923
- PL3 Bird's eye view, 1908
- PL4 Alma Ave., Cramer Bros. store sold to Philip Bettinger, 1921, Pete Peters tavern, Joseph Kramer shop (now Delmar Rings).
- PL5 St. Luke's Ave, Clover Hill cheese factory, now Meixelsperger apartments
- PL6 Ease view of Plain, cornfield covers Nachreiner Ave.
- PL7 North side Main St., "Trolley", Joseph T. Ruhland Feed & Sawmill; Luke Ring Blacksmith shop; Cramer Bros. store.
- PL8 Wachter Ave., Pat Walsh Saloon, Reuschlein Bros. store, Franklin Town Hall
- PL9 Reuschlein Bros. store, dance hall second floor; Plon Bros. Saloon; Butcher shop
- PL10 Main Street
- PL11 Residence section
- PL12 Cedar St., 1910
- PL13 Busy Day, Plain
- PL14 East Main St. on shopping Day
- PL15 South side Main St., c. 1900. Joseph Volk Saloon; John Ring, Joseph Beck, Joseph Stautner, This building moved & became home of Louis Hetzel. Schwartz Saloon & Hotel, George Weizer, George Grauvogel, Gruber's Tavern, Mixelsprecher's Bar, John Alt Jr. Beck & Nachreiner Store.
- PL16 Wachter Ave., L-R: Pat Walsh Tavern, Reuschlein Bros. Store & dance hall, Creamery
- PL17 A winter day butchering hogs, Joe Frank Sr., Joe Frank Jr., Alfons Frank, John A. Frank, Frank Rack, Otto Frank
- PL18 Dr. P.H. Fowler, MD
- PL19 Annie Rineland?, Annie Frank Haas, Ada Portner, Gisela Frank Kramer, Albert Thering, Clara Thering, Anna Thering, John A. Frank, Francis Bayer, Emma Frank Martin, Alphonse Frank, Spike the dog. Back, left is Joseph Frank's bake oven.
- PL20 Frank Schreiner, Edward Gruber, Ignatz Schreiner.
- PL21 Mike Ring's General Store, L-R: Mike Ring, Adela Beck Hetzel
- PL22 Main Street Garage, Jack Ederer, Frank Martin
- PL23 Mary Soeldner Frank, grandmother of Iris Umhoefer
- PL24 Ray Ring Drug & Soda Fountain, Frank Martin, Bill Reuschlein, Ray Ring
- PL25 Clara Beck, Giesella Frank, Mabel Walsh, Adela Beck
- PL26 Plain Cyclone, May 21, 1918, Joseph Laubmier, Mrs. Elizabeth Beck
- PL27 Plain Cyclone, May 21, 1918, Unknown
- PL28 Plain Cyclone, May 21, 1918, Cemetery
- PL29 Plain Cyclone, May 21, 1918, Casper Volk barn
- PL30 Plain Cyclone, May 21, 1918, A. Rolette restaurant, rear view
- PL31 Plain Cyclone, May 21, 1918, ruins of 3rd St. Luke's church
- PL32 Plain Cyclone, May 21, 1918, Steeple among the ruins
- PL33 Plain Cyclone, May 21, 1918, Albert Liegel garage, rear view
- PL34 Plain Cyclone, May 21, 1918, Debris from cyclone

- PL35 Plain Cyclone, May 21, 1918, Debris from cyclone
- PL36 Plain Cyclone, May 21, 1918, John Brechtel farm
- PL37 Plain Cyclone, May 21, 1918, Priest's house
- PL38 Plain Cyclone, May 21, 1918, Power house
- PL39 Plain Cyclone, May 21, 1918, Unknown location
- PL40 Plain Cyclone, May 21, 1918, Sister house
- PL41 St. Luke's School & Chapel, 4th church built, dedicated Oct. 1920
- PL42 Interior, St. Luke's Chapel, later converted to library space
- PL43 Interior of Present St. Luke's church
- PL44 Interior of present St. Luke's church
- PL45 Rectory, Rev. George Pesch
- PL46 3rd St. Luke's church, left altar
- PL47 3rd St. Luke's church, main altar
- PL48 3rd St. Luke's church, right altar
- PL49 St. Luke's church dedicated in 1940
- PL50 St. Luke's church, L-R: School 1920, Church 1940, Rectory 1922
- PL51 First St. Luke's church built in 1861
- PL52 St. Luke's church built in 1885. 2nd Rectory 1888, 1st School 1876, converted to a horse barn in 1888, 1st Rectory 1875, changed to Convent & school in 1888. Church demolished in 1903 to make way for new church.
- PL53 St. Luke's completed in 1904, destroyed by cyclone in 1918.
- PL54 St. Luke's school built 1894, Dominican Sisters arrived in 1895. Convent now part of private residence.
- PL55 School built in 1894 with addition added in 1900
- PL56 Sister's residence built in 1926
- PL57 Holy Name Society rally of Sauk, Juneau, Richland counties, 1929
- PL58 Holy Name Society members
- PL59 St. Anne Council of Knights of Columbus formed in 1957. First officers elected. L-R, standing: Clarence Young, Ray Liegel, Herb Ruhland, Bob Young, Frank Haag, Ralph Soeldner, Vic Liegel, Mike Liegel. Seated: Louis Bettinger, Edward Kraemer, Rev. Edmund Bettinger, Joe Voelkel, Rev. Clement Haines, Albert Kraemer, Rupert Schultz.
- PL60 Father Pesch's funeral
- PL61 Lourdes Grotto on St. Anne's Hill, built by the John & Mary Dischler family
- PL62 Section XIV of the Way of the Cross on St. Anne's Hill
- PL63 Father Pesch, arrived in Plain July 1909, died June 7, 1918.
- PL64 First Solemn Communion classes of 1918 and 1919. Because of 1918 tornado, that year's class had to wait a year and combine with 1919 class for this rite. This house is the John B. Liegel home, now the home of Erna Ringelstetter
- PL65 Knights of Columbus, L-R, Standing: Edward Crowley, ?, ?, Ralph Soeldner, Mike Liegel, Herb Ruhland, Albert Kraemer. Sitting: Louis Bettinger, Rev. Clement Haines, Joe Voelkel, Edward Kraemer, Rupert Schutz.
- PL66 St. Luke's Catholic School (see PL66a for descriptions)
- PL67 Chapel on Council Bluff, now St. Anne's Chapel
- PL68 Beginning of dedication procession July 1928
- PL69 Some of more than 1000 people who joined the procession
- PL70 Procession as it climbs St. Anne's Hill, July 1928

- PL71 Pilgrims who climbed the hill for dedication. Note men & women in separate groups, was the custom at that time.
- PL72 Same as PL71
- PL73 Before 1910
- PL74 Before 1910, with superimposed airplane
- PL75 c. 1960
- PL76 c. 1960
- PL77 1921
- PL78 Southwestern view, 1921
- PL79 Beginning of Westbrook subdivision, c. 1970
- PL80 Swimming Pool
- PL81 Plain Brass Band. L-R, seated: Adella Beck Hetzel, Clara Beck, Lucinda Liegel Ascherl, Esther Weiss, John Weiss. Center: Walter Liegel, Anthony Young, Joe Bauer, Philip Bettinger Sr., Louis J. Bettinger. Back: Alphonse Kraemer, Alois Ruhland, Henry Reuschlein, Walter Neuheisel, Joseph Ferstl.
- PL82 John Meier, Cashier Plain State Bank, 1922-31
- PL83 Adella Beck & Mike Ring, in Ring's General Store
- PL84 Adella Beck & Mike Ring, in Ring's General Store, 1924
- PL85 Ice house, Reuschlein Bros. store & J.J. Haas Saloon, both built in 1900. Plon's Butcher Shop and icehouse.
- PL86 Philip Bettinger Sr., & Agnes Walsh in Bettinger's General Store
- PL87 Joseph Ferstl in Blacksmith Shop
- PL88 Philip Bettinger Sr., & Agnes Walsh in Bettinger's General Store
- PL89 Fred Schreiner Blacksmith Shop, Main St., 1924. L-R: Fred Schreiner, Ed Gruber, Ignatz Schreiner at the anvil.
- PL90 Wachter Ave., looking North. L: Pat Walsh Saloon, Reuschlein Store. Right: Frank Haag residence, Franklin Town Hall
- PL91 Water tower before it was taken down
- PL92 FS Cooperative, now gone
- PL93 Sunnyside School
- PL94 Kraemer building at Main St. & Wachter Ave.
- PL95 Farmer's State Bank
- PL96 Palace Bar
- PL97 St. Patrick's Church, Loreto
- PL98 Plain Municipal Building
- PL99 Plain Fire Protection District building
- PL100 Plain Fire Protection District truck
- PL101 U.S. Post Office
- PL102 Mike Ring Storefront, Main St., when owned by Schluter & Young
- PL103 Franklin Town Hall
- PL104 Arsenic and Old Lace, 1965. L-R: Standing: LeRoy Heiser, Bob Young, Joe Voelkel, Lawrence Brechtel, Duane Kraemer, Joe Wankerl, Mortimer (dummy), Ralph Soeklner, George Liegel, Bill Weiss, Richard Schmid, Victor Liegel, Ed Paulus, Rev. LaVerne Meier.
Seated: Ray Liegel, Bill Laubmeier, Clarence Young. Play was presented in January 1965

by an all-male case of members from the Knights of Columbus.

PL105-PL122 Scenes from Arsenic & Old Lace, 1965.

PL123-PL149 Bicentennial Pageant, Guard Theater, 1976, St. Luke's Plain presentation

PL150 Road near Plain

PL151 Joseph (Seep) Lechner with 2-headed calf in front of Ring's Bar

PL152 Baseball team, 1953. Back: Don Meister, Ed Paulus, Al Feiner, Damian Kraemer, Bill Weiss, Bob McNurlen, Clarence Young. Front: Gene Alt, Harry Pulvermacher, Don "Stickles" Nachreiner, Dave Alt (bat boy), Bill Feiner, Johnny Beatty, Cal Sorg.

PL153 St. Luke's Parish women in front of old grade school. Mrs. Ed L____, Mrs Henry ?, Mrs. John Wetzal, Mrs. Lawrence Needham, Mrs. Wm Reuschlein, Mrs. Anna Ringelstetter, Mrs. Joe Weis Sr., Mrs. M. Ring, Margaret Laumier, Mrs. Hilda Schultz.

PL154 Painting of Main St., Plain, 1910, by Fr. Gary Wankerl, Acrylic on Canvas, painted 2003.

PL155 Painting, P.H. Fowler, M.D., "Came to Plain in 1905 and gave 58 years of his life unselfishly for the welfare of the people in this community."

PL156 Painting, Sir Edward Kraemer, K.S.G., 50 years village Trustee of Plain

PL157 Parsonage, 1924

PL158 Busy Day

PL159 Priest House ruins, tornado

PL160 St. Lukes School & Chapel 1921

PL161 Village, c. 1916

PL162 Catholic Church

PL163 St. Ann's Hill, 7-26-28, women

PL164 Philip Bettinger & Agnes Walsch, inside store

PL165 Clover Hill cheese factory

PL166 Interior St. Lukes Chapel

PL167 St. Lukes

PL168 Fr. Pesch at the parsonage, built by Rev. Duren for \$1,300 in 1888

PL169 Interior St. Luke's

PL170 Interior St. Ann's Chapel-Shrine

PL171 St. Luke's church started in 1903, red brick, completed in 1904 and first mass celebrated Easter Sunday, 1904. Completed & equipped for \$26,000.

PL172 Fr. M.F. Weishar, Loretto, 1918

PL173 St. Luck's church

PL174 Village of Plain

Church, St. Luke's, 16-2001AD, After the 1918 tornado
Church, St. Luke's, UN1034, after 1918 tornado