

2017 Getman Reunion August 4-5-6

This year we have added optional activities for Sunday. These activities include a church service, buffet lunch and participation in the annual Battle of Oriskany Battle Memorial.

Arrangements have been made for a group room rate at the Utica Red Roof Inn. Individual reservations are to be made at 315-724-7128, then press 6 for the front desk. *You need to speak to a person at Utica, not the central booking service.*

- **Friday evening, August 4:**

Gathering dinner, please notify Wayne Getman (wayget@ntcnet.com) so appropriate reservations can be made.

- **Saturday August 5:**

Include a visit to one or more historic locations with a connection to the Getman family.

Noon meal and Getman Family Association meeting.

6:00 p.m. Ice Cream Social with the Snell, Zimmerman, Timmerman reunion.

- **Sunday August 6:**

10:30 a.m. Dedication and church service with the SZT reunion.

12:30 Buffet lunch with SZT.

7:00 p.m. Battle of Oriskany remembrance program at the Oriskany Battlefield.

Getman Genealogy Book Available

A book covering the first six generations of Getmans, starting with Caspar is now available. Included in the book are the known descendants of all of the family lines, including daughters.

500 pages in length on 8 ½ x 11 paper this represents countless hours of research by our predecessors as well as input from many current researchers. Printing costs are high so the print run is small.

The book will be available at a price of \$42.00 per copy plus shipping, of \$5.00 each. Copies purchased or picked up at the reunion will not have a shipping charge.

Orders with payment should be sent to: Wayne Getman, 2672 Newport Road, Poland, NY, 13431. Checks should be made payable to Wayne Getman.

Getman DNA Project at FamilytreeDNA

DNA testing for our Getman family is in its infancy. We encourage all Getman's to join this DNA project. We also encourage family members that are Getman's by marriage. For additional information contact Gerry Getman, ph. 412-680-3224 or <https://www.familytreedna.com/groups/getman>

Send us your family stories.

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Getman News From The Past

The Getman Family

The history of this family is interwoven with the history of Montgomery county, from Revolutionary times till now and the family is spread over a goodly section of the western end of the county, in St. Johnsville, Canajoharie, Fort Plain, Fonda, Tribes Hill, Johnstown, N. Y. and other towns and villages. A genealogy of the family would show them to have entered in most every walk of life, farmers, merchants, lawyers and businessmen of all professions, thereby giving a good cross section of the history of the Mohawk valley.

(Saint Johnsville, New York, ENTERPRISE AND NEWS, Wednesday, February 19, 1936)

The Getman House

Theresa, New York

This month's issue is devoted to the Getman House of Theresa, New York. The original building at the site was built in 1819 as a Stage House by James E. LeRay. Several incarnations existed until December 7, 2003, when a fire of undetermined origin began in rear of 142 -146 Commercial St and spread to the Getman House destroying both.

The balance of this issue is a collection of interesting newspaper articles that appeared during its operation. They are arranged in chronological order.



Jefferson County Journal

Adams, NY

January 25, 1882

—Died, at his residence in Theresa, Jan. 19th, 1882, Mr. Elias Getman, aged 58 years, 5 months and 18 days. The funeral services were held at the Presbyterian church Sunday, Jan. 22d, Rev. J. A. Canfield officiating clergyman. He was buried with Masonic honors. The subject of this sketch was born in Ephrata, Montgomery county, N. Y., and was married to Miss Sophia Evans, daughter of Columbus Evans, Sept. 21st, 1846, by Rev. R. J. Cone. Mr. Getman came to Theresa in 1866, taking for his residence the brick hotel, since known as the Getman

House, serving the people with honor to himself and to the satisfaction of the community. Mr. Getman entered the army in 1862, being commissioned 1st lieutenant, Company F, 10th N. Y. Artillery, serving in this capacity until promoted a; captain of Co. A, 10th Artillery. He acted as provost-marshal after the capture of Petersburg, and was one of the officers of the 10th during its existence, highly esteemed by officers and all connected with the regiment. He served during three years, retiring with honors to himself and feeling conscious of having faithfully discharged his duty and conferring a blessing upon his country.

His record was glorious, rebellion was slain;
The fruit of his toils bright honors remain;
He shrank not from duty but carried the strife;
Counting freedom and right more sacred than life.

He will be missed, not only in his family, but in his business relations. Unflinching integrity characterized his acts, and he was regarded as possessing a judgment none hesitated to rely upon. He was a kind husband and father, and leaves an affectionate wife and three sons, who, having been guided for many years by his counsels, we trust will be able to successfully combat with the stern realities of life. Though a dark pall has been spread over earthly home and prospects, yet the sympathy of the entire community is heartily tendered to the bereaved family.

Elias Getman (GFG B 170) 1823-1882. And Sophia Evans, 1825-1883, had five sons; Edgar b. 1847; Edward b. 1849; twins Edwin and Peter b. 1853 and Edison b. 1854. Edgar, Edward and Edison were to become well known and respected hostellers, Edwin and Peter died as infants.

THE BURNING OF THERESA Forty-Two Buildings Gone

The Flames prey Upon the Unprotected Town with
Uncontrollable Fury

Watertown Times, NY
Saturday, April 5, 1890

Between one hundred and fifty and two hundred thousand dollars' worth of property was swept away between last midnight and six o'clock this morning by a most terrible conflagration which visited the little town of Theresa, twenty-five miles from this city. Today every business place in the village is a mass of charred ruins. Not a goods store, grocery, jewelry store or business of any denomination, with the exception of one saloon and the American hotel, withstood the ordeal through which the town passed last night.

... David Wilson's drug and grocery and the Yost block followed suit almost before the assembled multitude could realize to what extent the flames would spread. With Kelsey & Schwartz's store all afire on the west and opposite to the Peck block, the flames were gaining a headway that meant destruction to the Getman house, a large four-story brick building that stood on the corner of Main and Commerce streets. ...

From the Getman house Fayel & Casey's store, across the road caught fire. George E. Yost owned that structure, which was located facing Commerce street. Close to that on the side towards the railroad tracks stood Mrs. Coe's residence, built of brick. ...

The Getman Brothers began at once removing the furniture saved from the fire into the Hugh Mellon house. They will be ready to receive transients on Monday.

The entire full page article is available at <http://www.fultonhistory.com/Fulton.html> search for "Getman House" Theresa

Watertown Times, NY
Wednesday, October 29 1890

Theresa

The lofty pyramidal roof of the new Getman house has made its appearance, and this fine new hotel will soon be completed and be an ornament to our town and a credit to its deservedly popular owners.

Watertown Times, NY
Tuesday, March 3, 1891

Theresa

The Getman house is rapidly approaching completion and in a few weeks will be one of the finest equipped hotels in northern New York. Some 38 sleeping rooms are contained therein, and it is warmed throughout with steam, or hot air, and the plumbing is thorough and modern in all its appointments.



Theresa, NY after having been rebuilt.

Clayton Newspaper, NY
undated, 1890

A Forger Who Fainted.

William H. Smith, formerly of Brookville, Canada, was brought to this city from Carthage yesterday afternoon and lodged in jail, having been held to await the action of the jury on the charge of forgery. He has confessed his guilt. The story of the crime is as follows;

Smith "Was employed at the saw mill in the town of Theresa, owned by Dickerman & Reed, of Carthage, and in Sept, 24, 1887, he presented two checks at Geo. F. Yost's bank in Theresa on the First National bank of Carthage, one for \$170 and one for \$48, signed by Dickerman & Reed and endorsed by Smith. The sum called for by the checks, \$218, less 25 cents exchange, was given Smith in cash. The checks were forwarded to the Carthage bank by Mr. Yost, and he received the cash for them. When Dickerman & Reed were presented with the checks, they claimed their name had been forged and they never issued the checks to Smith. The Carthage bank then brought suit against Mr. Yost to recover the amount of the checks and the case was taken to the supreme court, resulting in a verdict in favor of Mr.-Yost.

Smith disappeared as soon as he received the money, going to the southern states. About a week ago he went to Brookville to visit his mother, and after remaining with her a few days, he decided to call upon his sister who lives near Lafargeville. Accordingly, he crossed the St. Lawrence river at Morrristown Wednesday and there took the train for Lafargeville. While waiting for a train at Theresa Junction, Conductor Goadthrite recognized Smith as the alleged forger. As the train pulled into Lafargeville, Smith got off, went to the Getman house and had supper. On the arrival of the train at Clayton the conductor turned detective, telegraphed to Carthage that Smith was at Lafargeville if they wanted him. The case was turned over to Deputy Sheriff B, C. Budd, of Carthage, who telegraphed to Deputy Sheriff Barton, of Orleans, and the latter officer found Smith at the Getman house Wednesday night and took him in charge. Smith fainted three times when taken into custody, and said that he was not the man.

Thursday morning Smith was taken to Carthage and arraigned (sic) for examination before Justice Dawley. He waived examination, pleaded guilty and was held to await the action of the grand jury. He is a good looking man about 85 years of age - *Watertown Times*.

Utica Weekly Herald, NY

Tuesday, August 16, 1892

In Theresa

Lightning struck the Getman house, Theresa, in the morning. The hotel was set on fire, but the flames were extinguished before much damage was done.

GETMAN HOUSE
 THERESA, N. Y.

Sunday Dinners

at this hotel have been famous throughout the north country for almost half a century.

**GOOD FISHING
 GOOD DINNERS
 GOOD SERVICE**

Rome Daily Sentinel, NY

Friday July 7, 1893

Last Sunday the Getman House put forth a turtle feast in the afternoon from 1 to 3, and the Globe Hotel, not to be out done, had one during the evening, from 9 to 11. The "delirium trimmings" were an important part of the feast.

[Does anyone know what a turtle feast or "delirium trimmings" are?]

Jefferson County Journal, Adams, NY

December 26, 1893

Theresa Cares For Inebriates

What is the matter with Theresa? She's all right. She is not dead, neither is she sleeping, but at the present time is rejoicing over the establishment of a college in our midst for the cure of inebriates. The cure is designated the "Olive Cure" and is under the auspices of Dr. J. B. Kelsey, who has already done some very efficient work, and we are glad to state that several of our townsmen (brilliant by nature but shattered by the demons are making an heroic effort to restore their fallen manhood and regain their social position which they have so long dishonored. Yea, the spirit of reform seems to be fully aroused in Theresa, and at this time when the season of good cheer and joyous greeting are upon us, we feel that we voice the sentiment of the good people of our town in extending a heartfelt greeting to each and every one, who, casting aside the shackles that have so long fettered their manhood and dwarfed their intellects, have nobly come to the front and with honest endeavor show to the world and their friends that there is still enough manhood left to "dare to do right," and have placed themselves in the efficient hands of Dr. J. E. Kelsey; who is zealously and faithfully laboring in the vineyard of the great "Olive Cure."

-May he continue to turn the "search light of investigation wherever the monster lurks 'til frail humanity is bro't under the health inspiring branches of the "Olive Cure," and who shall say that the grateful prayers of wives, mothers and sisters will not be of greater value than the purchase price, in dollars and cents. God speed the effort and crown each and every "Inebriate Cure" in our land with permanent success, is the wish of every loyal citizen.

We are told that nine who enrolled their names as patients are pronounced cured and five more are under treatment. We also learn that the genial proprietors of the Getman house have opened their

doors to patients under treatment, illustrating the fact that while they ply a "legitimate business" they are not seeking the destruction of their fellowmen.

THERESA, Dec. 24, 1893.

M. A. TYLER

The St. Lawrence Plaindealer

Canton, NY

Wednesday, October 3, 1894

American House Sold

The Getman Brothers, of Theresa, purchased the American House and grounds of L. J. Prescott last week. The consideration is not made public. Mr. Prescott has owned the house for six months and was ably sustaining the well known popularity of that famous old resort, but he was compelled to retire from the business on account of the ill health of his wife, who was not able to go on with the labor attendant upon an establishment of the kind.

The Getman Brothers come to Canton highly recommended as gentlemen, hotel men and citizens. There are three of them, the "three Es," Edgar, Edward and Edson. They have run the Getman House in Theresa for thirty years, and are hustlers, being trained to the business. They will still continue to run the house at Theresa. Mr. Edgar Getman will have charge of the American House. The clerk for the present is H. Bicknell for some time clerk in the Van Buren House in Gouverneur, & gentleman widely known, obliging and attentive. Will Wellwood still presides over the bar, otherwise new help has been generally secured.

Some radical improvements are meditated, the first being a new system of heating, probably by steam. New furniture etc. is being rapidly put in place.

The Getman Brothers have secured a paying property, and will be welcomed in town. Mr. Prescott, retiring proprietor, will be missed, but we are glad to state that he intends to remain in Canton, though what his plans are he has not yet made known.

Watertown Daily Times, NY

February 1895

Theresa

Feb. 3, — Friday evening a large sleigh-load of ladies from Philadelphia drove up to the Getman house, alighted, partook of such a supper as Mrs. Getman only can produce and spent a pleasant evening before returning home. The following were registered: Mrs. W.J. York, Mrs. C. O. Roberts, Mrs.

A.C. Comstock, Mrs. D. G. Robenhurst, Mrs. G. H. Smith, Mrs. S. B. Sconeld, Mrs. D. H. Sconeld. Mrs. B. F. Kent, Mrs. M.E. Aldrich, Mrs. A.C. Morse, Mrs. H.G. Pratt, Mrs. C. B. Cross, Mrs. F.H. Brooks, Mrs. Fiens Springsteen, Mrs. W. A. Markwick and Mrs. C. B. Wilson.

[Philadelphia New York is approximately 5 miles from Theresa.]

Watertown Daily Times

Thursday, June 6, 1895

THERESA NEWS

Electric lights are being put in the Getman house and George Kelsey's store. It marks a new era in Theresa's history.

Ogdensburg News, NY

November 1, 1903

The Getman House at Theresa was damaged by fire yesterday.

The Journal and Republican Lowville, NY

Thursday, March 25, 1907

Percy Davis of Harrisville, has purchased the Getman House at Theresa for \$15,000.

Watertown Daily Times, NY

Monday, September 6, 1909

Theresa, Sept 6.—According to present plans the Getman house of this place, will soon go under the management of Robert Dewey, at present clerk of the house. About two years ago Mrs. Davis of Harrisville purchased the hotel from the Getman estate and it has since been conducted by them. If the present plans mature, Mr. Dewey will take possession about Sept. 15. The published reports that house has already changed hands is a mistake.

The Journal and Republican Lowville, NY, Thursday

June 22, 1911

FELL FOUR STORIES

Samuel W. Burtis Sustained Fatal Injuries.

Samuel W. Burtis fell from a fourth story window of the Getman house at Theresa about 1 o'clock Saturday

morning, receiving injuries which proved fatal at the Sisters hospital in Watertown, Sunday. One leg was so badly injured- that it had to be amputated at the hip. Burtis, whose home was in Antwerp, and who was a moving picture operator, was staying over night at the Getman house and sat down on the window sill before going to bed. It is thought that he fell into a doze while sitting there, or else that he was seized with an attack of heart trouble, to which he was somewhat subject. He was a cripple and walked with the aid of crutches, having been injured by a stone thrown by another boy when he was seven years old.

Watertown Daily Times, NY
December 10, 1914

LIVERY BARN TO BE TURNED INTO GARAGE

MRS. W. A. PIERCE OF THERESA SELLS STABLES TO MRS. DAVIS

Theresa, Dec. 10. —A real estate deal was brought to a close here Tuesday evening which transfers the livery barn in Main street from Mrs. W. A. Pierce to Mrs. Davis, owner of the Getman house in this place. The buying of the livery barn by Mrs. Davis is for the purpose of turning the place into a modern and well equipped garage, and also a salesroom for Ford cars, a line that the owners of the Getman house are interested in. The property will change hands Jan. 1.

For some time Mrs. Davis and Rex Davis, agent for the Ford cars, have talked of building a garage here, and have been prevented by lack of room on their property connected with the hotel. Last season they had under consideration the building of a garage adjoining the hotel at the corner of Main and Commercial streets, but the property seemed: to be all needed in connection with the barns there.

The livery barn was built directly after the big fire here and was erected by O.M. Ladd, who conducted a livery business here for many years. At his death the business was conducted by his wife, who afterwards married Mr. Pierce. Frank Turner has rented the barns and conducted a livery business here for two years. Rex Davis expects a carload of Ford ears here directly after the first of the year and the barns will be put into use as a show room very soon after it comes into their possession.

Watertown Daily Times, NY
Thursday, April 16, 1915

MRS. MARY AVERY DIES AT THERESA

Member of Getman Family and Lifelong Member of Theresa Presbyterian Church.

Theresa, April 16.—Mrs. Mary Avery of this village died Wednesday afternoon, after a long-illness. She was born in Montgomery county. Feb. 10. 1831, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Getman. With her parents she came to this vicinity when nine years old. She was married to Matthew Avery on Dec. 6. 1849, and they resided in the town of Alexandria on a farm for several years, after which Mr. Avery bought a farm on the Oxbow road- Mr. and Mrs. Avery resided on this farm for a number of years, after which they moved to Theresa and I rented out their farm. Mr. Avery bought a dry goods store in the village, which he conducted with his son-in-law, H. B. Cheeseman. After the death of Mr. Avery several years ago, Mr. Cheeseman took over the store.

Mrs. Avery had been a lifelong member of the Presbyterian church. Her brother, Elias Getman, was the founder of the Getman House in Theresa. Mrs. Avery is survived by one child, Mrs. H. B. Cheeseman, and two grandchildren, Stanley and Edna Cheeseman, all of this village. The funeral will be held from the home of the deceased at 2 Friday afternoon, the Rev. W. H. Bruins officiating. Burial will be made in Oakwood.

Mary Getman Avery (GFG – B) is a new addition to the Getman Family records. She has not been included in any known previous family records.

Watertown Daily Times, NY
Tuesday, July 19, 1921

Theresa Woman Has Scalp Wound

Theresa, July 19.—Mrs. Charles Henry, wife of Charles Henry, moving picture theatre proprietor of this' village, is confined to a bed in the Getman House with a bad cut in the scalp which she sustained this morning at her home across from the hotel. At about 7 a. m. passersby in the street saw Mrs. Henry come running down the stairs of her home, and at her heels was her husband. Blood was streaming down her face and she cried for protection. Two men grasped Henry, and held him while his wife sought shelter in the hotel. Asked what the trouble was about, Henry said that his wife had fallen down stairs

and had been badly cut. The husband had no weapon in his hand that would indicate that he had struck his wife. He was allowed to go his way after the woman had reached the Getman House.

Dr. J. W. Snell of this village attended Mrs. Henry at the hotel and found it necessary to take several stitches in the wound. Besides suffering from the effects of the blows, the woman is in a bad state of nerves as a result of the fright.

Watertown Daily Times, NY

Monday, December 29, 1924

MRS. LORETTA GETMAN DIES

Theresa, Dec 29 – Mrs. Loretta Getman, widow of the late Edson Getman, died at her home in Main street in this village at 11 Sunday after an illness of several months of heart trouble. She was born in the ...[Deferiet] ... was the daughter of John and Lois Reynolds.

She was married to Edson Getman. Sept. 28. 1887, and at once came to this village where her husband had charge of the Getman House, known throughout the north as one of the better hotels and always a real home to the many traveling men who made this section. The marriage took place at the DeFeret home, owned by Mrs. Getman's people.

It was at the Getman house that she became known to hundreds of people on the road where she always proved a true friend and mother for she took a heart interest in all of her many guests. Mr. Getman died in 1902. Not long afterward she sold the hotel and retired to a home in lower Main street. There she has resided except for a portion of her time which she has spent in Syracuse where her son, Edson, is completing a course in medicine in Syracuse university.

To Mr. and Mrs. Getman were born two sons. Elias, who served in the World war and was killed in battle towards the close of the war, fighting in eastern France. The youngest, Edson, survives her and was with his mother during her last, days.

Mrs. Getman was a member of the Episcopal church, also of the Theresa chapter, 149, O.E.S., being an officer in that organization during it's early days. She was a member of the Morning Musicales society in Syracuse. Besides her son she is survived by four brothers, Frank and John of Deferiete, Ernest of Savannah, N.Y.; George of Newark, N.J. and two sisters, Mrs. Frank Knight and Mrs. Enos Briggs of Great Bend.

The funeral will be held from her late home on Tuesday at 2. Rev. Mr. Hakes of Sacketts Harbor,

former rector of the St. James' Episcopal church here, will officiate. Burial will be made in Oakwood Cemetery.

Lauretta Reynolds Getman 1861-1924 married Edson Getman (GFG – B) 1854-1909. Their son Elias, 1890-1918 was killed in battle 5 Sept, 1918 at Blanczy-Les-Tismes, Argonne Forest, France. Their son Edson, 1902-1967, served in WWII and became a Physician, and later Medical Director of NY Life Insurance Co.

Syracuse Journal, NY

Tuesday, July 1, 1925

SYRACUSAN BUYS THERESA HOTEL

W. H. Jedlam of Syracuse took possession of the Getman house in Theresa Wednesday. The Getman house has operated in Theresa for over a half century. The former owners, Mrs. Ethel Sprague and Mrs. Pansy Pierce, will come to Syracuse where they have more property.

Watertown Daily Times NY

December 9, 1928

FOR SALE — The Getman House garage, Theresa. N. Y., steam heat. Storage for 26 cars, work shop on first floor, large lot with a barber shop , rented, this place can be handled with small money, and is a good opportunity for a good garage man. This property is located right in the center of town and on the main highway from Watertown to Ogdensburg and the 1000 Islands. For information and price address W. H. Bediam, Prop., Getman House, Box 233, Theresa, N. Y.

The Journal and Republican Lowville, NY

Thursday, June 19, 1930

GETMAN HOUSE RAIDED

**Four Owners of Alcohol Found in
Raincoat Enough to Hold Fred Boss**

A squad of border patrolmen and federal prohibition officers, armed with a federal search warrant issued by United States Commissioner W. Glenn Larmonth, raided the Getman house in Theresa, and seized about four ounces of alleged

alcohol. The officers found the alleged liquor in a bottle in a rain-coat pocket in the main coat room.

The officers ordered Fred Ross, proprietor of the place, to appear before Federal Commissioner Larmonth. Ross is charged with possession. He waived examination on arraignment and was ordered held for federal court. Bail was fixed at \$1,000 and furnished. Attorney Herbert C. Teepell represented the defendant

Oswego Palladium-Times, NY

Thursday, January 30, 1941

CENTENNIAL IN 1950 Rev. Carl Worden Rector of Long Established in Redwood

REDWOOD – St. Peter's Protestant Episcopal Church in Redwood of which the Rev. Carl Worden, formerly of All Saints Episcopal church, Fulton, is the rector, will soon celebrate its centennial. On Aug. 12, 1950, St. Peter's will be 100 years old.

The Gothic church building of the society, designed by R. Upjohn of New York city, will be 100 years old the next year, or in 1951.

It is a tradition that when the lumber for the church was obtained the late Elias Getman, later founder of the Getman House hotels of which Theresa was the headquarters, saw to it that the saw mill service was donated for use of the church for their work, he being in charge of the mills. Another tradition is that the church was organized when there were only three communicants. The cost of the church at that time was only \$1,400.

Mr. Worden makes his home in Theresa.

Binghamton Press, NY

Thursday, July 5, 1951

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES GETMAN HOUSE IN THERESA, N. Y.

Centrally located in the land of lakes in Jefferson County. Theresa is the heart of the North country playground. The Getman Hotel is well known, enjoys an excellent reputation, and does an excellent business. The 1950 gross exceeded fifty thousand (\$50,000) dollars. The bar equipment is entirely modern and the 24 rooms have all been redecorated. The grill will seat one hundred fifty and the dining room will seat sixty. The building is of brick construction in excellent condition with oil heat. This

outstanding hotel is priced to let a buyer pay for the same within two or three years of good management. Phone or write.

UPSTATE REALTY COMPANY
SPICER—REALTOR
Watertown. N. Y.—Phone 4436

Watertown Daily Times

Friday, November 29, 1968

Sports Section

Jefferson League

Getman House bowlers are the pace setters in the pin circuit with 33 points won and 15 lost, which puts them a point ahead of the B'Nai B'rith aggregation, 32-16. Sid Slater rolled high individual single, 226, and Ken Fowlow posted high triple, 588. Lowe Brother Paints won the team honors with 1,003 single and 2,889 triple.

Syracuse Post-Standard, NY

June 23, 1971

Theresa Plans Celebration Of 100th Year as Village

THERESA — For the next three weeks, the Village of Theresa will celebrate the 100th anniversary of its incorporation.

It was on June 29, 1871, that residents voted at the polls set up in the Getman House to become an incorporated village.

A brief history of the village is being printed in pamphlet form for general distribution.

In each place of business, a sign will be placed; telling what business was at that site 100 years ago.

On Thursday evening, July 8p there will be a family night covered dish supper for members of the four church congregations of the village and others

The speaker will be Philippe de Bausset, Washington correspondent for the magazine Paris Match, radio commentator for Radio Luxembourg and a member of the Presidential Press Corps.

His address will be divided into three parts: His family (Le Ray) ties to Theresa and Northern New York; comments and stories of his career as a correspondent, and questions and answers.

Watertown Daily Times

Friday, January 10, 1975

100 Years Ago Jan. 10, 1875

It will be no news to the traveling public to say that the Getman House in Theresa is thronged with guests, who receive most hospitable fare and kind treatment. There is to be a party there tonight.

Watertown Daily Times, NY

Tuesday, August 26, 1975

Mrs. Frances Turturro Estate is \$121,902

Mrs. Frances Chiappone Turturro, 68, Theresa, formerly of Watertown, wife of Agostino Turturro, owner-operator of the Getman Hotel in Theresa, died July 1, 1974, leaving an estate of \$121,902.61, surrogate court records of Judge Leon Schwerzmann, Jr., showed today.

According to the affidavit of property \$121,324.31 of the estate was jointly owned real and personal property, including two city houses and the hotel valued at a total of \$81,500.

Mr. and Mrs. Turturro lived in Watertown until 1958 when they moved to Theresa after purchasing the Getman Hotel from William J and Thomas J. O'Driscoll.

Mr. Turturro was named residuary beneficiary of the estate, the records showed. A break-down of the \$121,902.61 follows: Joint property. \$121,324.31 savings account, \$378.30, and miscellaneous property, \$200.

The \$121,324.31 in jointly owned property consisted of the \$81,500 worth of real property, additional savings accounts totaling \$31,338.41 and \$8,485.90 in stocks and savings, the record showed.

The real property included: A two-family residence at 940 Arsenal St., valued at \$18,000; a one-family residence at 944 Arsenal St., worth \$24,500, and the Getman Hotel, valued at \$39,000, at the time of death.

The hotel, formerly known as the Getman House, is more than 95 years old and is a Theresa village landmark