

HISTORICAL MAP OF CHAMPAIGN COUNTY

1819 - 1930
CHAMPAIGN COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

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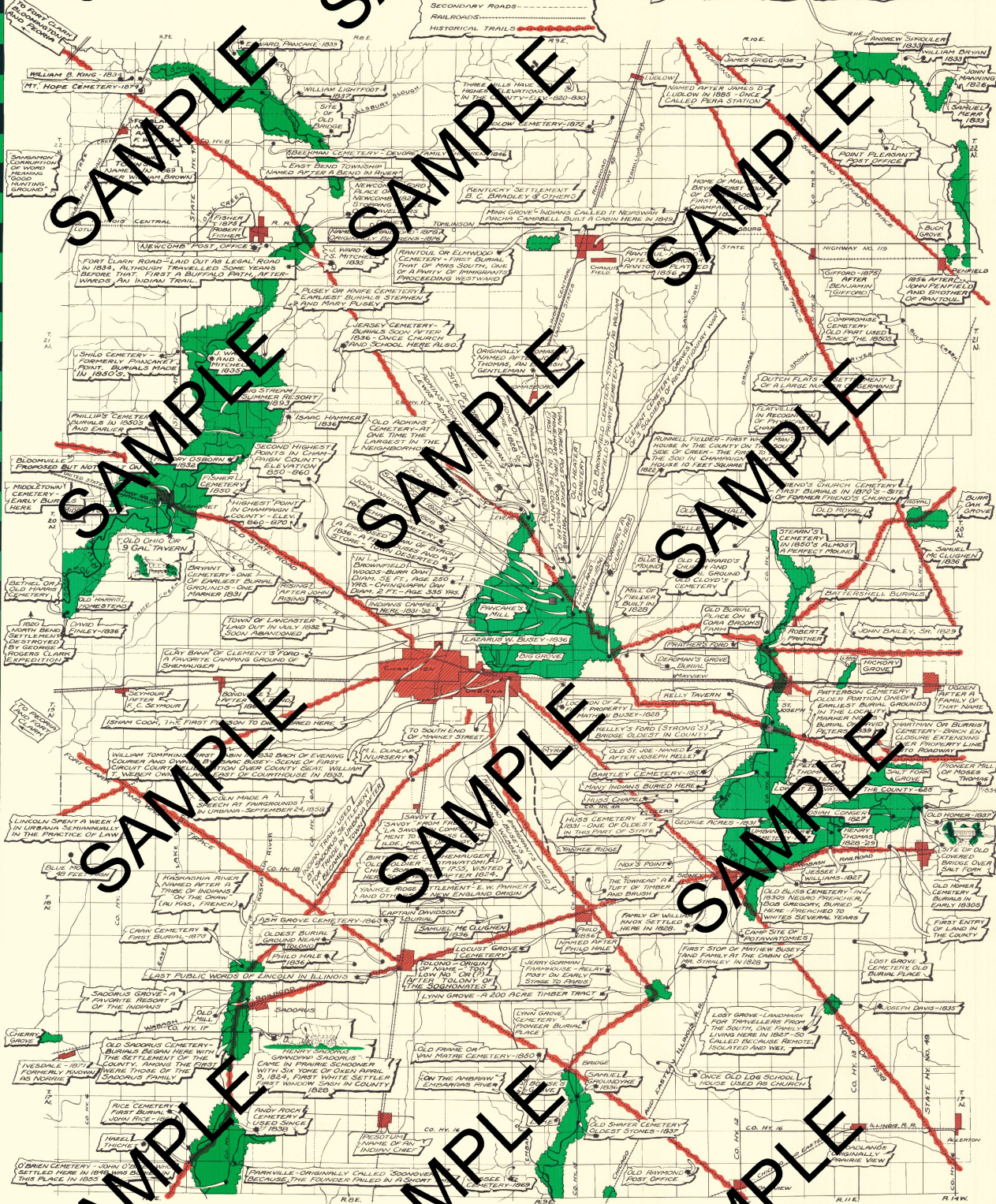
SCALE IN MILES

LEGEND

- CITIES AND VILLAGES
- WOODLAND FARMS (ORIGINAL)
- INDIANS
- SECONDARY ROADS
- RAILROADS
- HISTORICAL TRAILS

FOR MORE THAN SIXTY YEARS PRIOR TO 1809 THE MIDWEST TRIBE OF INDIANS CONTROLLED THIS LOCALITY. AFTER THAT DATE THE WHITE INDIANS CAME HERE DURING HUNTING PARTIES AND SETTLED ALONG THE KANKAKEE RIVER. AFTER THE WINTER OF 1828 THE LOCAL PATHWAYS WERE FORCED TO LEAVE THE AREA IN ORDER FOR WHITE INDIANS TO COME HERE AND SETTLE. THE ONLY WHITE INDIAN WHO REMAINED IN THE COUNTY, BUFFALO AND INDIANS WERE THE MOST DIRECT ROUTE FROM GROVE TO GROVE. THE STREAMS AND TIMBER BELTS WERE IMPORTANT FOR LOCATION OF SHELTER, FUEL, WATER, FOOD, AND PROTECTION FROM PRairie FIRES.

IN 1824 WHITE INDIANS IN THE COUNTY WERE WILLIAM TOMPAINS, RANWELL FIELDER, JOHN STRONG, AND JOSEPH SMITH. IN 1827 THEY WERE MEN, WOMEN, AND CHILDREN. TOTAL TAX FOR THE COUNTY WAS \$100. IN 1828 THE COUNTY WAS INCORPORATED AND THERE WERE ABOUT 30 CABINS IN THE NORTH END OF THE COUNTY.



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