

## **Barns and Security 107 years ago ... Some Hynes Memories.....**

### **The Blue Earth Post, Blue Earth, Minn., in the year 1900**

**Thursday, 10 May 1900:** Murt Hynes is improving his large and already well improved farm with a windmill and barn. The dimensions of the barn are 32x60 with 18 ft. posts. Murton will soon have one of the best farms in Faribault County.

**Thursday, 7 June 1900:** Murton Hynes has his fine new barn completed and gave the young people a dance last Friday evening. It was well attended and a good time was had by all.

**Thursday, 19 July 1900:** One day last week a couple of weary Willies stopped at the home of M. E. Hynes and, after relating the usual sad history of their past life, they asked for a hand out. While the lady of the house was preparing the lunch, one of them pocketed a valuable diamond brooch belonging to a young lady who is stopping with Mr. Hynes' people. The brooch was not missed until sometime after, but Archie Hynes took it upon himself to do a little detective work and located the worthy young gentleman in Winnebago the next day. After exchanging a few sociable words with Mr. Hynes the young man gave up the brooch but it is safe to say that weary Willies will find handouts to be a scarce article at that place hereafter.

**Saturday, 29 December 1900:** One of our neighbors informs us that on going home one night he found his house locked up. After infinite trouble he managed to gain entrance through a back window, and then discovered on the parlor table a note from his wife, reading: "I have gone out; you will find the key on the side of the step." What a thoughtful woman!