

# Historical Society celebrates 50th year of Highland House Museum

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**F. R. Harris**  
**1880-1965**

Frank Raymond Harris was one of Highland County's finest educators and he was the principal of the beautiful Greenfield McClain High School for many years.

Harris was also a renowned world traveler.

As a Rotarian, he was in great demand as a speaker, particularly for the delivery of interesting travelogues before the days of television.

After a number of trips on early airlines, he humorously referred to himself as "the skylarking pedagogue."

He always regarded these trips as an opportunity for education.

One of his friends said of him that, "F.R. could make a Sunday drive in the hills sound like a trip through the Alps."

In his will, Professor Harris left the Highland County community the financial means to relocate Noble Crawford's Traveler's Rest.

This is one of Greenfield's first residences and inns from pioneer days. It now stands beside the old pioneer cemetery above the banks of Paint Creek.

It is a historic tribute to Highland County from one of her sons who traveled far, but returned home.

