

● Project Clinton Beautification Association—

## Henry County Courtyard Fountain to Flow Again

The Clinton Beautification Association is sponsoring the renovation of the fountain located at the southeast corner of the courthouse lawn. Dirt and litter have been removed and new copper pipe has been laid from the courthouse to the fountain which will supply the water.

A new spray will be installed on top of the fountain and the lions ornaments which were around the sides also will be replaced. When completed, a spotlight will be placed above the fountain and used for night illumination.

The fountain which has had an interesting history again will be placed in use and will help to beautify Clinton.

It formerly belonged to the Humane Society of Clinton and was located at the southwest corner of the square. Teams driven to town were watered at the fountain and dogs were able to get water at the base. A plaque on the side of the fountain reads: "1911 Presented by the National Humane Alliance, Herman Lee Eising, Founder." One day a team ran away, knocking it down. The Humane Society was not a very strong organization at the time so the Women's Civic Club, with Mrs. John Bahe heading the group, went before the City Council and asked that the fountain be restored. Dr. S. A. Poague was mayor at the time. The Council allowed the group \$225 to restore the fountain which they did at the present location.

During WPA days the Henry County Courthouse basement was enlarged and the water line located at the southwest corner of the square.

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**THE WATER MAIN** to the fountain at the southeast corner of the courthouse yard was completed Tuesday. A spray will be connected at the top of the fountain for water to flow through. When all is completed, a spotlight will illuminate the spraying water.

Men laying the waterline were from left: Donald R. Jones, custodian at the Henry County Courthouse; Ivan Bradley, of Sherman Plumbing and Heating Company; and Joyce Crabtree, of Missouri Public Service Company.

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ing to the fountain was cut and hadn't been restored until at this time. The spray was removed from the top and placed in the courthouse basement but since has disappeared so a new one will be purchased. Some of the lions heads around the sides of the fountain also have been removed which also will be replaced.

All the women in Clinton are very interested in getting the project completed and think it will add much to the beauty of the square. All active clubs, the Federated Clubs, Clinton Business and Professional Women, and others, are participating in the Clinton Beautification program. Other plans are also in the offing but they are real proud of the progress on the restoration of the fountain.

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