



Annex houses various exhibits

The building directly behind the main building of the Decatur County Last Indian Raid Museum houses a variety of exhibits and is one of two structures built specifically for the museum.

The 40 by 80 foot steel building was built for about \$20,000 as the museum expanded.

Inside the building, visitors have the chance to see a military section with uniforms for both men and women through the ages, letters written to military personnel during World War II by Marian Cathcart, as well as letters she received from them.

A spinning section and millinery is also included. The millinery includes clothing and racks of other things from the former Ralph Clark Clothing Store.

There's also exhibits with items from the Lund and Oberlin areas, a toy room and beauty and barber shop items.

Toward the back of the second annex, as the museum staff and board call the building, is a church area. Curator Sharleen Wurm said plans are to move some of the items to St. Mark's Church, the newest building at the museum, but not everything.



ESTHER KUMP, seated, (above left) an assistant for many years at the museum, posed as a model as Curator Kathleen Claar demonstrated some early day beauty parlor equipment. "Widows Weeds" clothing (above) was worn in the early days by a woman after the death of her husband.

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