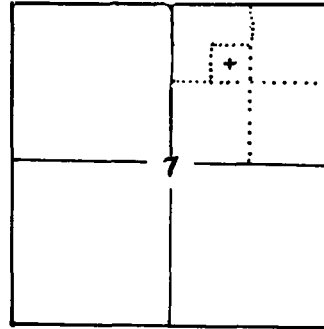


cemeteries in this book are in the west ranges. Volume II will consist of cemeteries in the other half of the county, or the east ranges.

For example, if a location is listed as SE NW NE of Sec. 7, you should first locate the NE quarter of the entire section; then locate the NW quarter of the NE quarter and last you go to the center of the SE quarter of the NW quarter. In reading a location description always read it backwards. When a description shows the S/2 or the NE/4, for instance, this means the south half or the northeast quarter of the section.



My apologies to the science of cartography. The maps of the various sections of Madison County were intended as nothing more than aides in locating the various cemeteries. By comparing my small maps to a large, professional map you should be able to drive or walk directly to most of the graveyards described in this work.

Before striking off across a field to visit a cemetery I urge you to ask permission of the landowner. Not only is this a matter of common courtesy but also a matter of safety. You never know what sort of trouble you may miss out on by asking permission first. At one farm home I stopped at I was given the third degree, accused of cattle rustling and threatened with a gun. It seems they had some of their cattle stolen the night before and the lady was taking no chances. I'd hate to think what might have happened to me had I gone striking off across her cattle pasture without permission.

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