

Samuel P. Dinsmoor
- Perry.

- a famous hill his
enlistment
saw Battle of Gettysburg
Saw + captured Lee

1866
1891
1905

1843 March 8 Born USA Mr. Coolville Ohio
1862 Enlisted in the Union Army. 3 yrs in Company B, 11th Ohio Infantry. Fought in 18 major battles
1870 m 1st wife on horseback - had 4 sons & a daughter
1888 - moved to Russell county Kansas settling on farm near Lucas
1890 moved to Nebraska.
1891 moved to Lucas, in Russell county, Kansas.

1907 Cabin Home began (64 yrs old) - spent next 22 yrs bld, "Garden of Eden" and his mausoleum. created 150 concrete shales.

1917 ^{spring} 1st wife died at 78 yrs old - married 47 yrs

1924 ^{spring} 81 yrs old married 2nd wife - 20 yr old girl (Gzech - his housekeeper) → Emilie Brozek ↔

1927 - by 1927 had used over 113 tons (c 2273 sacks of cement)

1928 daughter Emily Jane.
son born (85 yrs old). (no glass top) coffin on top of it

1932 died. 89 yrs old placed in + mausoleum ~ his 1st wife.
In newspaper account states she = buried in local cemetery; in a few yrs literature on + Garden states she = buried in a concrete coffin in + mausoleum just below a 2nd coffin reserved for Dinsmoor.

Civil War Veteran.

1916 built his concrete coffin and mausoleum

Buy Represser & stone by house, shales & mausoleum contain Dinsmoor's remains = sold for taxes.

MR. 1967 or '68? J. Rex Duwe, President of + local bank wanted to repent Garden

1968 property bought by Wayne E. Naegle operator of a hardware store in Lucas. cleaned & restored. Closed + appts which + cabin had been turned into.

1977 April 28 Garden of Eden entered on + War Register of Historic Places.

Garden of Eden begun shortly after + mausoleum

Helped by Nicholas Albert Broska, a stonemason who helped cut + stone bys for + Cabin Home.

Emilie Brozek = born Jan 17 1904 in Podluský Czechoslovakia

a Fundamentalist & a Populist.

1866 → Illinois & taught school 5 terms.

1891 returned to Russel county

1905 retired from farm & moved to Lucas - purchased 1/2 block to build a home

1906 began build ~~stone~~ stone log cabin

1907-17 1st wife lived in + Cabin.

1907 sept finish touches being applied.

1908-1933 Garden = popular tourist attraction

1909 January Dinsmore had to words "Cabin Home" put on tree ^{on bank near}

1912 built 4x7' concrete flag, placed on cement tree

1926 daughter born.

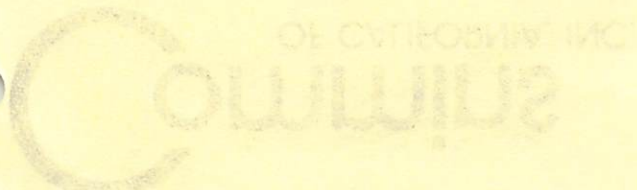
1927 wrote pamphlet (reported that as of July 1, 1927 had used 3 sacks of cement (ie > 113 tons) & over 1000

visitors had eaten Mar 27, 1927 "dinner" he constructed
1929 fail, health & eyesight forced him to stop work on Garden

Ⓐ States that he has or will say none but his widow & descendants, their husbands & wives will be able to go in & see him for < \$1.00 so that someone can be paid to look after the place.

left instructions for his body to be embalmed.

9th generation
7th " Scot
6th from Ireland
4th " France
has a record of 23 of his ancestors
Average life = over 70 yrs - 1 died
under 50 & one lived to be 100.



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The New York Sun, LA Times > + St Louis Star (In Hoopes)

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personal beliefs & philosophies
Biblical interpretations

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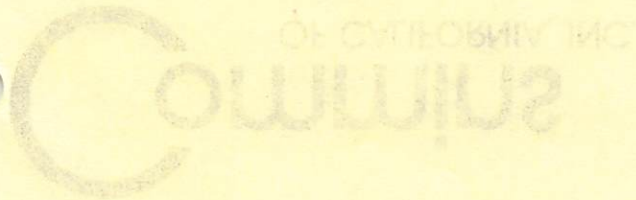
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built house "log cabin" style out of lge native
lime-stone blocks.

Concrete used for porches, steps & decorative architecture

Inside = finished w Calif redwood, pine & oak

11 rooms, bath, hallways & electric light plant.

Adam & Eve

Used himself as model for Adam

Bk of Genesis's description of 1st down fall of man as

described by Moses ~ Duns moor own interpretations
& thoughts.

Unr Soldier

stones from quarry nr Lucas. One of stone cutters = Nicholas A. Brooker

employed local stonemasons inc Shere Truitt to help.

Lucas, Kansas. At + Junction of Kansas State Highways K-18 & K232
in Lucas, NE corner of Russell County.
Rock log Cabin, native limestone, cement & various woods, steel,
wire, glass!

11 rooms, bath closet & care

1/2 acre "Garden of Eden" surround, + house.

40' high mausoleum of native limestone. pyramidal

made own coffin 40' pyramidal stone-log mausoleum

diny hall for visitors

Coal pit house & ash pit.

Lawyers, doctors, preachers & bankers = grafters.

badger owl & pigeon roost. 8' sq.
Owl & eagle roost .10' sq.

"If the garden of Eden is not right, Moses is to blame, He
wrote it up and I built it."

Cement wash house 10x12x8'

Garden of Eden = on + west

Front (N) = present day cir

15 cement trees 30-40' high

14 8-20' tall.

48 electric lights on trees, mausoleum, cages &

diny hall

7300 mm 1" or concrete walks 3-6' wide

Exhibitions

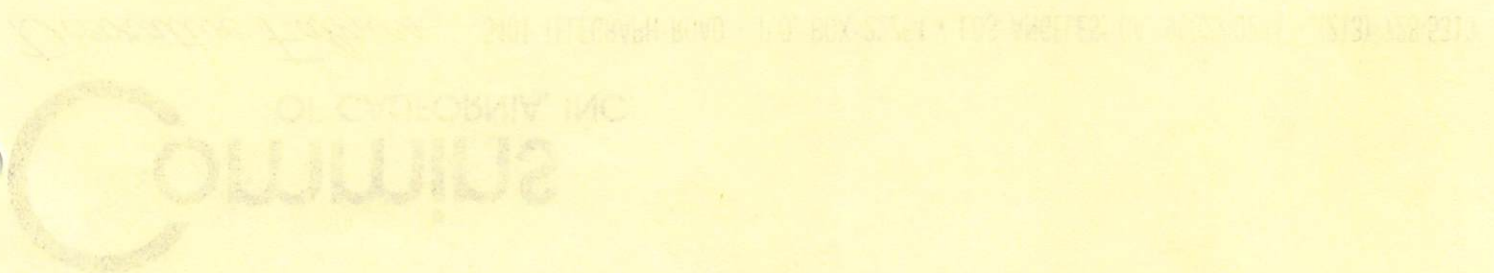
INNUVATON	4' 38"	48"			
BLANKISS	1' 18"	48"			
WOLF	3' 18"	48"			
NOVEMBER	3' 18"	48"			
1975 ?					
REBIRTH	3' 18"	48"			
REFLECTION	3' 18"	48"	H-TSA A-96		
WOMEN	3' 18"	48"	H-96 A-7 1/8		
WYCKA	3' 18"	48"	H-96 A-8 3/8		
TIBETIA	3' 30"	48"			
DISCRETION	1' 18"	48"			
BULLERY	3'	48"			

Voices & Visionaries, Walker Art Center.

Philbrook Art Center, Tulsa

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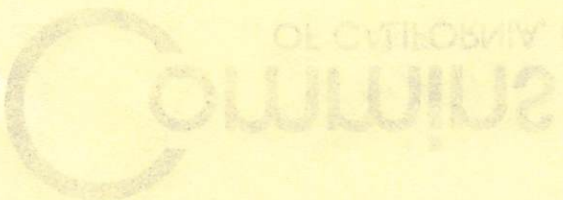


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