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As a chapter member, please consider volunteering as a committee member or elected officer next election. This helps support the society as a whole. (Check the By-laws under the chapter section of our website for more details.)

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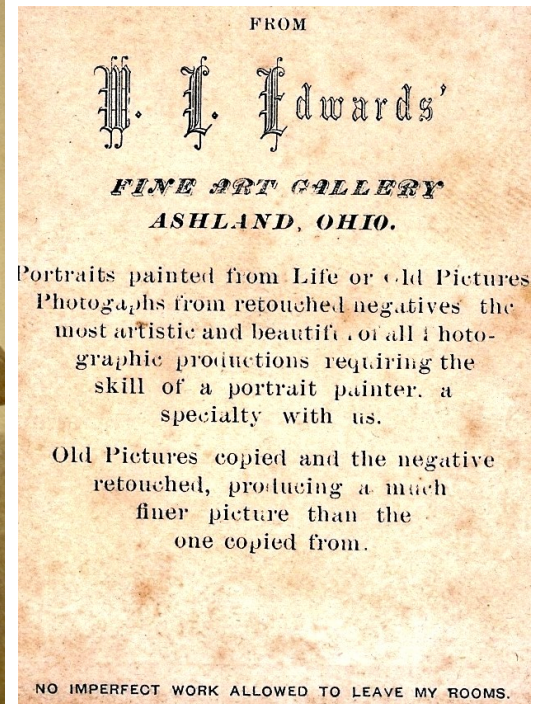
DOES ANYONE KNOW WHO THIS PORTRAIT IS OF?

We have an orphaned picture that was taken at W.L. Edwards Fine Art Gallery in Ashland, Ohio.

It is about 2 1/2" x 4" CdV (carte de visite). On the reverse, as shown below: *"From W. L. Edward's Fine Art Gallery, Ashland, Ohio. Portraits painted from Life or old Pictures Photographs from retouched negatives. The most artistic and beautiful of all photographic productions requiring the skill of a portrait painter, a specialty with us. Old Pictures copied and the negative retouched, producing a much finer picture than the one copied from. No imperfect work allowed to leave my rooms."*



(Reverse side of picture)



ABOUT THE PHOTOGRAPHER, W. L. EDWARDS:

W. L. EDWARDS (William - or sometimes Willis), was a photographer, in Ashland, Ohio during the 1870-1880's until his death in May 1885. At one point he was located on Main St and also the Bank Building over the Post Office. He took many of the various photographs of the local people in this area, including the one above.

He was born in 1843 and in the Civil War Co.K, 86th OVI from Jun-Sep 1862. He is buried in Ashland Cemetery, Ashland Ohio and has a military marker. His first wife, who he married in 1864, Mary Jane SANER, died in 1871 of Typhoid Fever. They had three children together; Ida M, Charles F, and Wilton. In 1873 he married Mary A. BERRY who outlived him. (She remarried to Peter HEIFNER and died in 1919). W. L. EDWARDS is listed on both the 1870 and 1880 census as "photographer".

I found a short bio on him mentioning his parents on the following website:

<https://forgottenfacesandlongagoplaces.blogspot.com/2012/02/two-young-brothers-from-ashland-o-ohio.html>

- - Some Important Announcements for our Chapter - -



ELECTION OF NEW 2021 CHAPTER OFFICERS

At our upcoming October Chapter Meeting we will be voting for our newest 2021 Chapter Committee Officers and Committee Members.

At this time, we are still looking to fill our **President** and **Vice-President** positions. If you would be interested in running for one of these positions or would like more information about the position and their responsibilities, please refer to our website and review the By-Laws.

If you are interested in being an officer or for more information, please contact our Senior Trustee, Bobbi KERSCHNER

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As you probably are aware we have virtually gone “virtual”.....

Our last in-person meeting was in February. After having to cancel our March & April meetings, we began using “BlueJeans” as our meeting software platform. We have had two Chapter programs thus far (May & June) with good success bringing in members from out of state, who could not normally attend.

We plan to continue this throughout the rest of the year. Each month our Chapter President sends out an email approximately one week before the meeting to all members (given that we have your email). That is your invitation to join at the normal meeting time at 6:30 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month. In the email are instructions on how to join in at the appointed time. ACCOGS members have first priority. **Please do not share your invite.** If you feel someone else should be invited, please contact Marleen APPLGATE, our president, at (accogspresident@gmail.com) with that information.

Added Note: If you have not received an invite in the last two months we do not have your email on file. So if you are interested in attending one of these virtual meetings, please let the chapter know your email ASAP.

Have you seen our new monthly Chapter correspondence, “The Bulletin”?

Beginning in July our Chapter President is forwarding via e-mail a monthly update of the current happening of our chapter. This is designed to keep you informed of the constant changes that have been happening with our meetings, as well as other changes that might need to be addressed on a timely manner. If you have not received the one sent in late July, it would mean we do not have your email. Please notify one of our chapter members of your current email address. (you can contact our Chapter President at accogspresident@gmail.com; Corresponding Secretary at ACOGSSEC@gmail.com; or Newsletter Editor at AshOGSeditor@gmail.com)

Orphan Photos....What does that mean to you?

To us genealogists it usually means the numerous photos that we have tucked away in a shoe box, a cigar box, or a photo album that goes unnamed, forgotten to the present generation. Many times we can't let go of these forgotten family members (or sometimes just friends) because they are....well, family.

But what do we do with these unknown photos? (Some will throw them away). However there can be “hope”. I have had luck personally with two shared photos that have since been named and found cousins at the same time by posting to one of the family tree sites.

If you feel that some of these unknown photos are family members from the Ashland County, Ohio area why not let us post them here in the newsletter or on our website in hopes that others have the same or similar photo of these people that are named. It truly does happen. Share these photos and see what happens.

You can also try various websites that maintain these orphan photos, some actually end up being named by viewers. Check our website scrolling through the tabs looking for some pictures that are named. They may be one of your “orphan” photos. Three other sites that might help are:

Maureen Taylors site <https://maurentaylor.com/category/orphan-photos/>

Cyndi's List www.cyndislist.com/lost/photos/

Dead Fred on Facebook www.facebook.com/deadfredphotos/

Why Was the Information Removed from Online?

(The following is a reprint from Dick EASTMAN's genealogy website with his permission)

The information contained here is very timely and very important for us to remember when we find a source online. Please read Dick EASTMAN's article and take what he says to heart before you loose important source records that are stored online.

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NOTE: This is a slightly updated version of an article I published four years ago. The subject arose again recently so I decided to republish this for the benefit of newer readers who did not see the earlier article. I also updated some of the text to better describe newer developments.

Several newsletter readers have sent messages to me expressing dissatisfaction with records that were available online at one time but have since disappeared. I am offering this republished article as an explanation about why we should not be surprised when that happens. I will also offer a suggestion as to making sure you keep your own copies of online records that are valuable to you.

Two newsletter readers sent email messages to me recently expressing dissatisfaction that a set of images of vital records has been removed from a popular genealogy site. Indeed, removal of any online records of genealogical value is sad, but not unusual. Changes such as these are quite common on FamilySearch, MyHeritage, Ancestry.com, Fold3, Findmypast, and many other genealogy sites that provide images of old records online. Removal of datasets has occurred dozens of times in the past, and I suspect such things will continue to happen in the future. I thought I would write a brief explanation.

Contracts

In most cases, information of genealogical value obtained from government agencies, religious groups, museums, genealogy societies, and other organizations is provided under contractual agreements. The contracts specify what information is to be provided, how it is to be made available, and what price the web site owner has to pay to the provider for the records. All contracts also have a defined expiration date, typically 2 years or 3 years or perhaps 5 years after the contract is signed.

When a contract nears expiration, the two parties usually attempt to renegotiate the contract. Sometimes renewal is automatic, but more often it is not. Maybe the information provider (typically an archive) decides they want more money, or maybe they decide they no longer want to supply the data to the online genealogy service. For instance, in the time the information has been available online, the information provider may have learned just how valuable the information really is. The information provider may decide to ask for more money or may even refuse to provide the information any more since the provider may have a NEW plan to create their own web site and offer the same information online on their new site for a fee, hereby generating more revenue for the provider than that of the expiring contractual agreement.

Sure, that stinks for those of us who would like to have the information everywhere; but, it makes sense to most everyone else. I am sure the budget officer at most any state or local government archive thinks it makes sense.

Every contract renegotiation is different, but it is not unusual to agree to disagree. The contract ends, and the web site provider legally MUST remove the information from their web site. The same thing frequently happens to all the online sites that provide old records online.

GDPR

Another issue that has become a problem recently is the European GDPR (General Data Protection Regulation). These new rules apply to all public records in Europe. These regulations arose because of the concept of the "right to be forgotten," mostly concerning people who had legal problems in the past but have since reformed and do not want the old records to constantly create new problems. The regulations are generic and open to various interpretations. While not specifically requiring information about ancestors of 100 years ago or even earlier to be removed from public view, many people and organizations have taken a conservative approach and deleted any record sets that are even slightly questionable under the new rules.

A full discussion of the GDPR would consume hundreds or even thousands of web pages so I won't attempt that here. Instead, you can find many online articles that address the issues created by the GDPR by starting at Wikipedia at https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/General_Data_Protection_Regulation and then moving on to <https://duckduckgo.com/?q=gdpr&t=hi&ia=news>.

One problem for web publishers is how to create two separate services: one to display European records that comply with the GDPR and also create a second service that displays records from the rest of the world. Some web publishers have simply removed ALL records that might not comply with the GDPR regulations, regardless of the geography involved.

The moral of this story

If you find a record online that is valuable to you, SAVE IT NOW! Save it to your hard drive and make a backup copy and save it someplace else as well. If there is no option to save, make a screen shot and save it on your hard drive and save another copy, either in the cloud or some other place off-site where it will last for many years. Just because you can see the record online today does not mean that it will be available forever.

See EASTMAN'S website for other articles
at www.eogn.com.



The kind of ancestors you have is not as important as - the kindness of their descendants!

GRUBAUGH, Father and Son, Civil War Story

By Deanna APPLGATE

JACOB WASHINGTON GRUBAUGH

Jacob Washington GRUBAUGH was born March 5, 1823 in Perrysville, Ashland County, Ohio to Joseph GRUBAUGH and Jane VANZILE. He was the 3rd of their 11 children. Jacob was raised in Ashland County, Ohio and married Harriet BRUBAKER on 30 Oct 1845 in Richland County, Ohio. Jacob and Harriet moved with the Joseph GRUBAUGH clan to Gratiot County, Michigan sometime between 1852 and 1856. Jacob and Harriet had 10 children, with 3 of them dying at an early age. On Aug. 15, 1862, Jacob enlisted in the Union Army as a private at Washington, Michigan and was assigned to Co. G, 5th Michigan Cavalry, mustering in on Aug. 28, 1862. On June 11, 1864, Jacob was captured at Trevillian Station, located in Louisa County, Virginia. It was fought between the Union Cavalry and the Confederate Cavalry in the bloodiest and largest all-cavalry battle of the war. Jacob was taken to Andersonville prison in Andersonville, Sumter County, Georgia where he died on Oct. 30, 1864 as a result of scorbutus (scurvy). He is buried in Grave No. 11647. At the time he died, Jacob was listed as a full sergeant. Jacob's wife, Harriet, never remarried but raised her rather large family on her own. At the time he died, his 9 living children ranged in age from 1 year old to 19 years old. Harriet died Oct. 17, 1894 in Gratiot County, Michigan. Harriet is buried at Union Home Cemetery, Saint Johns, Clinton County, Michigan.



Cenotaph at Union Home Cemetery
FindAGrave Memorial #18159464

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Jacob also has a grave stone at Union Home Cemetery, Saint Johns, Clinton County, Michigan. This grave stone shows he died in 1863 at Andersonville, but Andersonville didn't open until Feb. 1864.

Jacob and Harriet's children, as given when Jacob died are as follows:

1. Jacob Franklin GRUBAUGH – Born Sept. 19, 1845 in Ashland County, Ohio. Died Dec. 26, 1925 in Saint Johns, Clinton County, Michigan. Married 1st Margaret ELY on March 31, 1869 in Fort Wayne, Allen County, Indiana. Married 2nd Emma Catherine JOLLY on June 23, 1878 in Bridgeville, Gratiot County, Michigan.
2. Jeremiah GRUBAUGH - Born Feb. 19, 1847 in Ashland County, Ohio. Died March 12, 1904 in Gratiot County, Michigan. He married Elizabeth G. WASHINGTON on Aug. 23, 1864 and they had four children. Elizabeth was born Sept. 17, 1844 in Michigan and was the daughter of James M. WASHINGTON and Martha L. WOOTEN. After Jeremiah's death she married James Y. ROSE in 1908. Elizabeth died in 1929.
3. James GRUBAUGH – Born Oct 1848 in Ashland County, Ohio. James died Feb. 25, 1905 in Clinton County, Michigan. James married Sarah Frances HOLLENBECK in 1874. Sarah was the daughter of Cornelius HOLLENBECK and Frances FOX. She was born Feb. 15, 1838 in New York. She first married Asher LAMBERT about 1858 and they had one child that died at 4 years of age. After Asher LAMBERT's death in 1870, she married James and they had no children. She died the day after James's death on Feb. 26, 1905 in Clinton County, Michigan.
4. John Henry GRUBAUGH – Born Dec. 13, 1850 in Ashland County, Ohio. He died Oct. 14, 1908 in Saint Johns, Clinton County, Michigan after being kicked in the head by a horse. John Henry married Emma Jane CLYMER on March 5, 1876 in Clinton County, Michigan and they had eight children. Emma was born Oct. 1859 in Ingham County, Michigan the daughter of Ebenezer C. CLYMER and Ann L. SALTER. Emma never remarried after John's death and she died on Aug. 31, 1939 in Gratiot County, Michigan.
5. Samuel B. GRUBAUGH – Born Jan. 17, 1852 in Ashland County, Ohio. He died on Nov. 12, 1923 in Gratiot County, Michigan. Samuel married Lydia Adelle HAWKINS on Nov. 16, 1884 in Washington, Gratiot County, Michigan and they had eleven children. Lydia was born on Feb. 26, 1868 in Gratiot County, Michigan the daughter of David F. HAWKINS and Rachel Caroline INGLE. Lydia did not remarry after Samuel's death and she died on Feb. 25, 1944 in Clinton County, Michigan.
6. Elza Y. GRUBAUGH – Elizzie was born 1856 in Michigan. Died Dec. 21, 1864 in Michigan. Never married.
7. Millard Fillmore GRUBAUGH – Millard was born Oct. 28, 1859 in Gratiot County, Michigan. He died on July 28, 1951 in Clovis, Curry County, New Mexico. Millard married Sarah M. SCOTT on May 6, 1883 in Washington, Gratiot County, Michigan. Sarah was born on Jan. 24, 1860 in Defiance, Defiance County, Ohio and they had eight children. Sarah died on July 8, 1949 in Clovis, Curry County, New Mexico.
8. Emma Jane GRUBAUGH – Emma was born Jan. 21, 1863 in Gratiot County, Michigan. Emma died on Aug. 25, 1930 in Gratiot County, Michigan. Emma married Henry Milton BOOTS on Oct. 8, 1887 in Eureka, Clinton County, Michigan. Henry was born on Oct. 17, 1860 in New York and was the son of Charles BOOTS and Elizabeth RHINES. Henry died on Dec. 20, 1928 in Washington, Gratiot County, Michigan. They had at least two children.
9. Joseph GRUBAUGH – Born Oct. 5, 1863 in Gratiot County, Michigan. He died on Oct. 8, 1866 in Gratiot County, Michigan. Never married.

GRUBAUGH, Father and Son, from page 36

JACOB FRANKLIN GRUBAUGH (son of Jacob W. and Jane (VANZILE) GRUBAUGH

Jacob was born Sept. 19, 1845 in Ashland County, Ohio. He died on Dec. 26, 1925 in Saint Johns, Clinton County, Michigan. Jacob F. is buried at Union Home Cemetery, Saint Johns, Clinton County, Michigan.

Jacob enlisted in Co. B, 8th Michigan Infantry on Feb. 8, 1864 at Fulton, Michigan and mustered in on Feb. 8, 1864. Jacob received a gunshot wound in his left arm sometime during the war. Mustered out on March 9, 1865 in Washington D. C. Jacob married 1st Margaret ELY on March 31, 1869 in Fort Wayne, Allen County, Indiana. They divorced in March 1878 and had one daughter. Jacob then married 2nd Emily Catherine JOLLY on June 23, 1878 in Bridgeville, Gratiot County, Michigan and had seven children. Emily was born on May 29, 1860 in Gratiot County, Michigan, the daughter of Andrew JOLLY and Mary Jane "unknown". Emily died on Jan. 10, 1937 in St. Johns, Clinton County, Michigan. She is buried with Jacob at Union Home Cemetery. Jacob filed for a pension on March 27, 1865. Application No. 64.337, Cert. No. 44.320. His wife Emily C. GRUBAUGH filed for a widow's pension in Michigan on Jan. 23, 1926. Application No. 1241.321, Cert. No. 971.840.

His children with Margaret ELY were:

Nancy Ann GRUBAUGH – she was born Jan. 30, 1870 in Allen County, Indiana. Nancy died on Jan. 6, 1937 in Allen County, Indiana. Nancy married William G. TONKEL on Oct. 20, 1892 in Allen County, Indiana and they had four children. William was born in 1871 and was the son of Henry Louis TONKEL and Frances COTTET. William died In 1933.

His children with Emily JOLLY were:

1. Stillborn daughter GRUBAUGH – Born on April 7, 1878 in Gratiot County, Michigan. She died on April 7, 1878 in Gratiot County, Michigan.

2. Edward Franklin GRUBAUGH – Born July 21, 1880 in Gratiot County, Michigan. Edward died on Nov. 4, 1970 in St. Johns, Clinton County, Michigan. He married Clio KELLER on Nov. 28, 1901 in Gratiot County, Michigan. Clio KELLER was born on Aug. 2, 1882 in Gratiot County, Michigan the daughter of John KELLER and Josephine THORNTON. Clio died on June 12, 1961 at Saint Johns, Clinton County, Michigan.

3. Robert Andrew GRUBAUGH – Born March 11, 1883 in Gratiot County, Michigan. He died on Aug. 26, 1883 in Gratiot County, Michigan.

4. Nellie Mae GRUBAUGH – She was born July 30, 1884 in Gratiot County, Michigan. Nellie died on Dec. 8, 1952 in Saint Johns, Clinton County, Michigan. Married 1st to Ward R. SIMONSON on April 29, 1905 in Saint Johns, Clinton County, Michigan. She divorced Ward R. SIMONSON on Oct. 21, 1909 in Ingham County, Michigan. Ward was born on Dec. 13, 1883 in Gaines, Genesee County, Michigan and died on July 23, 1956 in Pontiac, Oakland County, Michigan. Nellie married 2nd Lewis Thomas DENNIS abt. 1911. Lewis was born March 13, 1874 in Clinton County, Michigan. Lewis died on April 6, 1939 in Saint Johns, Clinton County, Michigan.

5. Essie Llewesa GRUBAUGH – Essie was born Feb. 18, 1890 in Gratiot County, Michigan. Essie died on July 24, 1970 in Lansing, Ingham County, Michigan. She married 1st. George W. CRICHTON on March 15, 1909 in Clinton County, Michigan. George was born in 1885 in Clinton County, Michigan and was the son of John CRICHTON and Carrie M. BEACH. George died in 1909 (the same year he was married) in Saint Johns, Clinton County, Michigan. Essie married 2nd Carlisle B. PLUMSTEAD on May 27, 1912 in Essex, Ontario, Canada. They were divorced on Aug. 31, 1920 in Ingham County, Michigan and had two children. Carlisle was born on July 9, 1891 in Saint Johns, Clinton County, Michigan. He was the son of Edward PLUMSTEAD and Elma STAFFORD. Carlisle died in 1924. Essie married 3rd Frank DOTA on Aug. 8, 1921 in Ingham County, Michigan. He was born on June 30, 1895 in Italy. He died in Oct. 1980 in Massachusetts. I don't have a divorce date for Essie & Frank. He was the son of Flex DOTA and Agnes KOSMOSKA. Essie married 4th Glenn A. MORFORD June 28, 1937 in Lansing, Ingham County, Michigan. Glenn was born on April 1, 1895 in Midland County, Michigan. He was the son of Samuel MORFORD and Elizabeth WARDWELL. He died in 1962 in Michigan.

6. Floyd Albert GRUBAUGH – Floyd was born May 18, 1893 in Gratiot County, Michigan. He died on Aug. 13, 1966 in Clinton County, Michigan. Floyd married Mary Beatrice NOLAND on Oct. 12, 1912 in Clinton County, Michigan. She was born on Sept. 25, 1888 in Hubbardston, Ionia County, Michigan the daughter of Peter NOLAND and Elizabeth HICKEY. They had one child. Floyd and Mary divorced on Jan. 3, 1935 in Pulaski County, Arkansas. Mary died on Jan. 24, 1983 in Midland County, Texas. Floyd married 2nd Effa L. PRICE WORKMAN CROWNER on Jan. 3, 1935 in Pulaski County, Arkansas. Effa was born on July 22, 1893 in Eureka, Michigan. She died on Feb. 8, 1976 in Saint Johns, Clinton County, Michigan. She was the daughter of John PRICE and Della BENEDICT. She was married twice before she married Floyd.

7. Orville Jacob GRUBAUGH – Orville was born Aug. 1, 1896 in Gratiot County, Michigan and died on Sept. 4, 1966 in Saint Johns, Clinton County, Michigan. He married 1st Bessie Maud MANLEY on Jan. 15, 1917 in Flint, Genesee County, Michigan. Bessie was born on Sept. 2, 1896 in Osceola County, Michigan the daughter of George Willard MANLEY and Annie M. TRIPP. She died on Oct. 18, 1918 in Flint Genesee County, Michigan. They had no children. Orville married 2nd Marie K HARTMAN on April 29, 1922 in Clinton County, Michigan. Marie was born on March 17, 1902 in Germany the daughter of Henry HARTMAN and Anna EIRICH. Marie died on Sept. 1, 1982 in Lansing, Ingham County, Michigan. They had one daughter.

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POWELL ORPHANS

In the previous newsletter (Vol 39, Issue 2, pg 26) a casual mention is made of the "POWELL orphans". One of our members had the newspaper obits to recap the story behind the orphans. In the month of June, 1933 seven children would lose both parents and two of their siblings in a house fire. My thanks to Barb HART for bringing this story to life, as sad as it is.

Girl's Trip To Cleveland To Have Tragic Ending

A happy day of sight-seeing and shopping in Cleveland today is destined to end tragically tonight for 16-year-old Pearl POWELL of near Pavonia when she returns from Cleveland to the M.L. DILGARD home on Edgell avenue where she has been visiting.

Her five-year-old brother, Victor and her mother, Mrs. Curtis POWELL, are dead and her father and brother, Walter, 22 are reported near death in Mansfield General Hospital this afternoon from burns sustained when their home, one-half mile north of Pavonia was destroyed by fire this morning.

Mrs. Powell, 48 died in Mansfield shortly after noon today, Victor was burned to death when he was trapped on the second floor of the home.

The fire occurred after Pearl had left for Cleveland with Mr. and Mrs. Ed NORRIS of Edgell avenue. Pearl's 22-year-old brother, Walter, is also at the hospital in a serious condition from injuries suffered when he leaped from a second-story window of the burning home. Eight other children escaped with minor bruises and burns.

There was no way of reaching the girl in Cleveland today. She will not learn of the tragic event until she returns to Ashland tonight.

The fire broke out this morning when the father, returning home from work with a sections gang, poured gasoline into a stove to kindle the flames. A spurting blaze caught the can of gasoline, igniting it and causing an explosion. POWELL was covered with flames and the fire began to spread rapidly.

Awakened by the blast of the exploding gasoline can, other members of the family rushed to the assistance of POWELL and attempted to beat out the flames. Mrs. POWELL was seriously burned while fighting the fire.

Raging out of control, the flames finally drove the family outside. Five-year-old Victor POWELL, however, was trapped in an upstairs room of the burning house. Efforts were made to reach the child with the aid of a ladder, but they proved unsuccessful, as the flames repeatedly drove the rescuers back.

The other children succeeded in fighting their way through the flames to safety. They were taken to the home of neighbors who are caring for them. Curtis POWELL is 58 years old.

(Ashland Times Gazette, Jun 1, 1933, page 1, col. 5)

Three Die As Result of Home Tragedy Near Pavonia

Dying last night in Mansfield General Hospital as the result of severe burns suffered yesterday morning when his home near Pavonia was destroyed by fire resulting from a gasoline explosion. Curtice C. POWELL, 44, was the third member of his family to succumb as a result of the blaze.

His wife, Mrs. Pearl POWELL, 42, died yesterday afternoon in the Mansfield hospital and Victor, five, the youngest of the family of nine children, was burned to death in the fire.

Sarah, 14, and the oldest of the children, Walter 20, are still patients in the Mansfield hospital, but are expected to recover, the girl being the most severely burned.

The fire started yesterday morning when Mr. POWELL attempted to kindle a stove blaze with gasoline. An explosion resulted igniting POWELL's clothing. His wife was fatally

burned as she attempted to help her husband beat out the flames.

Funeral services for Mr. and Mrs. POWELL are to be held Sunday morning at the Chestnut Grove church with Rev. M.L. DOHNER in charge. He will be assisted by Rev. C.J. CARLSON of Chicago, Ill. At the funeral an offering will be taken for the benefit of the children.

The bodies will remain at the George GILBERT chapel, Ashland, until Sunday morning at ten o'clock. They will then be taken to the Chestnut Grove church to lie in state until 11.

Mr. and Mrs. POWELL are survived by eight children, all at home, Walter, Mary Robert, Pearl, Sarah, Curtice, Frank, and David. Mrs. POWELL also leaves her mother, Mrs. Mary A. SMITH, six sisters and four brothers. Mr. POWELL is survived by two sisters and one brother.

(Ashland Times Gazette, Jun 2, 1933, page 1 col 2, and page 9)



To Build Home for 7 Powell Children

With father, mother, a small brother and a 14-year-old sister suddenly snatched from them, their home near Pavonia in ashes, their hearts broken, the seven surviving children of the ill-fated POWELL family who were spared when a gasoline explosion razed their home and fatally burned four members of their family, have found friendship, solace, and real help in the congregation of the little Chestnut Grove church.

Almost literally, the church has taken the family of grieving orphaned children to its heart. Chestnut Grove Brethren church will build them a home, fill it with furniture, provide many other needs for the seven brave youngsters who are going to carry on.

Much has the little church done already, under the leadership of its capable minister, Rev. M.L. DOHNER, since the four bodies of the fire victims were placed in the single grave following the rites held Sunday morning at the church.

A basket placed near the caskets received contributions amounting to \$148 to help pay the funeral expenses. Later a kindly man offered to give a lot in Ashland county near the church upon which to build a house for the POWELL children who are aged from eight to 20. Their former home stood just over the line in Richland county. An Ashland furniture dealer has offered to give furniture for the home.

Now Rev. DOHNER and the church members are eager to secure sufficient funds with which to erect the little home. They will give all they can. They will gladly receive gifts from anyone who would be happy to help five young boys and two young girls still a little dazed from the horror they have seen and the grief they have known. Contributions may be mailed to Rev. DOHNER at Ashland, R.D.1.

That Curtice POWELL thought of his family even while flames wrapped his body, is indicated in the fact that he succeeded in getting his wallet from his pocket and hurling it out of reach of the flames which enveloped him. Later in the hospital, before he died, he told the children where to find it.

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There was \$21 inside. A small check from the railroad company is due him. That, and the clothes in which they escaped from the house, constitute the total assets of the POWELL children.

At present the children are being kept by members of the church who have divided them among their homes. This is only a temporary plan, however, for these young survivors want to be together again. They want a little home - even a very small one - in which the older ones may take up the work left undone by the father and mother in rearing the younger ones. Mary and Pearl will be housekeepers for their five brothers, Walter, Robert, Curtice, Jr., Frank and David. The boys will be the "men-folks" of the family and will do all they can to keep the little family together. The younger ones will go to school, while the older ones try to support them.

Those who attended the funeral Sunday at the church, report that it was one of the most pathetic scenes imaginable. Three caskets held the four bodies; the father was in one, his wife and the five-year-old Victor, who was trapped upstairs in the burning house, occupied another. The last member of the family to succumb to burns, Sarah, 14, who died at Mansfield hospital Saturday, afternoon, occupied the third casket.

Rev. DOHNER conducted the service inside the church, while Rev. C.J. CARLSON, of the Brethren In Christ Mission, Chicago, friend of the family, conducted rites outside for the benefit of those who could not get into the crowded little building.

There were some flowers as expressions of tribute to the dead, but many gave their money instead into the collection basket to help the seven survivors of the tragedy.

A single wide grave awaited the three caskets in the cemetery beside the church. Into this the caskets were gently

lowered as the minister repeated the final benediction, and seven orphaned children clung together nearby.

Ashland Times Gazette, June 6, 1933 (page 1, col. 4 & 5)



HITCHCOCK'S AID POWELL ORPHANS

One of the last acts of Mr. and Mrs. Howard HITCHCOCK, who were killed in an automobile crash at Pawpaw, Mich., last week, was to make a cash contribution to the home of the orphaned POWELL children, whose parents were burned to death in the fire which destroyed their home. Mr. and Mrs. HITCHCOCK are included in the list of contributors of cash which was announced today.

In addition to the cash contributed, Mrs. HITCHCOCK also donated bedclothing, etc., for the home, which is being completed on the land donated by Frank ZEHNER.

Among the cash contributors announced today are: George KIRLL, Edward BEER, a Friend, Mr. NELSON, Trinity Lutheran Sunday School, a Friend, an Ashlander, Mrs. SCANTLEBURY's Class of the Methodist Sunday School, Salvation Army offering, Trinity Class of Trinity Lutheran church and Mrs. Mary E. FERGUSON of Ashland, Paul ECHEL of Canton, W.H. PENROSE of Minneapolis, Minn., and Junior Mission band, Lutheran church of Loudonville.

Contributions of bedclothing, kitchen utensils, canned goods, foodstuff, toweling, etc., have been donated by the following: Trinity class, Lutheran Sunday school, Mr. and Mrs. CASSEL, Mrs. MORITZ, and Mr. and Mrs. ZEHNER.

Ashland Times Gazette, September 11, 1933 (page 1, col. 1)



A SHORT BIO OF THE FAMILY:

Curtis POWELL married Pearl G SMITH in Chicago, Illinois 12 Oct 1911; he was 23 and she was 20. His U.S., World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918 lists him as Curtice Chauncey POWELL, also stating that his birth certificate, shown as evidence, lists Chauncey Curtice POWELL, and he was born 22 July 1888 in Chicago, Illinois. Other records shows his name Curtis.

The 1920 Federal Census shows the family renting in Weller Twp, Richland Co, Ohio with the first five of their children; all born in Illinois, except for Robert P, who was born in California. Curtice C. is listed as a Laborer in the Gas Station industry. Curtis and his wife and nine children show up on the 1930 Federal Census in Weller Twp, Richland Co, Ohio as renting at Epworth Pavonia Rd. The last four children are born in Ohio. Curtis is listed as a Carpenter working in the Building Contractor field.

Over the years most of the children stayed in and around the Ashland-Richland county area with the exception of two, William & David. Curtis, Jr. went on to become a Reverend, while two others seem to have married BRYAN siblings. Find A Grave has the burial for Curtis, Pearl and most of their children. There are also pictures of the family shown on the Memorial page (www.findagrave.com/memorial/23311823/curtice-c-powell) as well as the link to most of the children.

Children:

- Walter John (born 16 Sep 1912 in Chicago, Illinois - died 15 Nov 1992 Richland Co, Ohio; buried in Hayesville, Ashland Co, Ohio)
- Robert Patterson (born 31 Jan 1914 Los Angeles, California - died 18 Nov 1990 Richland Co, Ohio)
- Mary Grace BADE (born 20 Jun 1915 Chicago, Illinois - died 6 Aug 1986 in Illinois)
- Pearl Katherine BRYAN (born 24 Oct 1916 Illinois - died 18 Dec 1993 Richland Co, Ohio; buried Hayesville, Ashland Co, Ohio)
- Sarah Elizabeth (born 14 Oct 1918 Chicago, Illinois - died 3 Jun 1933 Richland Co, Ohio)
- Curtis Leroy (born 9 May 1920 in Ashland, Ohio - died 7 Apr 1989 in Richland Co, Ohio)
- William Frank (born 9 Aug 1922 in Ashland, Ohio - died 2015 in Idaho)
- David Joseph (born 28 Oct 1924 in Ashland, Ohio - died 16 Sep 1992 Missouri)
- Victor George (born 9 Jun 1928 in Richland Co, Ohio - died 1 Jun 1933 Richland Co, Ohio)

The Spanish Influenza in Ashland County, Ohio

The Spanish Influenza of 1918 had a definite impact on the people in Ashland County, Ohio. Over all, though, it would seem that Ashland was spared the devastation that some larger communities experienced. I'm sure many of you have family members that were affected and if even one of your family members died from this epidemic, it no longer is just a number, it was personal and may have even displaced the family.

Sarah KEARNS, who writes an article in the Ashland Times Gazette called "Ashland Memories" every other week, addressed several weeks in April and May to the impact this epidemic had here in Ashland County. She mentioned the number of deaths as "From 20 deaths in September 1918, total deaths in the county rose to 77 in October, before dropping back to 21 in November. Fifty-nine of October's deaths were from the remarkably virulent new strain of influenza that plagued the world that year."

The deaths were not just numbers, they were real people. I started out to get a quick handle on the number of deaths here in Ashland County. From doing a quick review on FamilySearch website of Death Certificates for the Ashland County area deaths for 1917 thru 1920 I've created a snapshot of the types of death and dates pertaining to those deaths. It would seem to indicate that in Ashland County 1917 had roughly 600 plus deaths, 1918 had approximately 713 deaths; 1919 had about 527 deaths, and 1920 had 557 deaths. This is

total deaths for the county; not just from the Spanish Influenza. Since this is a rough listing, these figures are not exact, only an approximation.

I broke it down by year first to get a feel for when it began. Remember though that I DID NOT search every death to come up with this approximation, only a sampling.

* 1917=(roughly 600 total deaths) After viewing about 100 death certificates, I only found 4 that seemed to suggest Influenza (*Grover Cleveland WEDDELL is mentioned due to the fact that family had said he died of the Spanish Flu; death certificate would not reflect that. It is possible that he had it for years, but the Spanish Influenza was the critical factor.

* 1918=(approx. 713 total deaths) Out of 250 death certificates I found about 67 that either clearly states Influenza either as the primary or secondary cause of death.

* 1919=(about 527 deaths) I did a quick review of over 100 death certificates and found 8 that would appear to be as a result of the Influenza.

I've included several names of persons that I reviewed and thought that due to the cause of death might have been the Spanish Influenza, even though they may not have stated it exactly on the Death Certificates. Some doctors would NOT use the dreaded name for death; some listed the symptom and not the primary cause, though some may not have clearly known.

Prepared by Terry HAUN

SAMPLING OF ASHLAND COUNTY DEATHS IN 1917-1919 THAT MIGHT HAVE BEEN SPANISH INFLUENZA OR DIRECT RESULTS OF IT

<u>NAME</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Death DATE</u>	<u>Primary</u>	<u>Secondary</u>
Joseph Allen GARBER	1	1/26/1917	Influenza	Bronchial pneumonia
W W KENDIG	80	5/17/1917	Chronic Asthma	Influenza
J S FELGER	81	9/23/1917	Bronchial pneumonia	LaGrippe
Grover Cleveland WEDDELL	33	10/4/1917	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	
Adelia BENNETT	78	2/13/1918	Accute Bronchitis	
Iveleigh Jeneva BOLEY	18 days	2/17/1918	Bronical pneumonia	
Gilbert Henry REED	6 mo	2/18/1918	Bronchial pneumonia	
Ester Laverna DRESS	16	3/7/1918	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	
Erma O BARONI	56	3/9/1918	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	
Christopher OVERLY	85	3/12/1918	Bronchial pneumonia	
Cathrine ATEN	72	3/18/1918	Lobar pneumonia	
Anna Bell MORR	42	3/19/1918	Typhoid Fever	Pneumonia
Mattie B GEBHART	49	3/21/1918	Lobar pneumonia	
Elizabeth SCOTT	76	4/8/1918	Pulmonary Abcess	Bronchial pneumonia
Elsie SHANNAN	38	4/8/1918	Gastric Ulcer	Pneumonia
Ray Franklin OHL	22	4/16/1918	Tuberculosis	
Amanda B HULL	73	4/24/1918	Bronchial pneumonia	
Margaretta CLUGSTON	73	6/22/1918	Lobar pneumonia	
John Barton SHRIVER	68	7/27/1918	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	
Hellen Jane McKINLEY	1	8/10/1918	Bronchial pneumonia	
Daniel Agustua KLINE	37	10/4/1918	Lobar pneumonia	Influenza
Roy A HALL	30	10/5/1918	Influenza	Bronchial pneumonia
Ira E SHANK	29	10/5/1918	Bronchial pneumonia	Spanish Influenza
Silas M FRIBLEY	54	10/7/1918	Bronchial pneumonia	LaGrippe
Thomas Jeferson HAMILTON	54	10/8/1918	Lobar pneumonia	LaGrippe
Terrance A NOSS	36	10/8/1918	Bronchial pneumonia	LaGrippe
Ruth Isabelle RICHARDS	21	10/8/1918	Meningitis	Influenza
Logan L SEGER	22	10/8/1918	Epilepsy	Spanish Influenza

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**SAMPLING OF ASHLAND COUNTY DEATHS IN 1917-1919 THAT MIGHT
HAVE BEEN SPANISH INFLUENZA OR DIRECT RESULTS OF IT**

(con't from prev. page)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Death DATE</u>	<u>Primary</u>	<u>Secondary</u>
Franklin Elmer WINTERS	27	10/9/1918	Lobar pneumonia	Influenza
James Thurman ANDERSON	28	10/10/1918	Lobar pneumonia	Influenza
Clem DESSENBERRY	30	10/11/1918	Influenza	Bronchial pneumonia
Hazel Ruth Marie SHREFFLER	21	10/11/1918	Bronchial pneumonia	Influenza
James Carlos BASFORD	35	10/12/1918	Lobar pneumonia	Spanish Influenza
Hellen KOLB	20	10/12/1918	Bronchial pneumonia	Influenza
Glorene COWAN	26	10/13/1918	Influenza	Child Birth
Samuel Patterson FINLEY	23	10/13/1918	Bronchial pneumonia	LaGrippe
Shelby E RUTTER	27	10/14/1918	Pneumonia	Influenza
Marie R SCHEAFFLER	29	10/14/1918	Influenza	Lobar pneumonia
Elsie Elnora HOPPE	28	10/15/1918	Pneumonia	Influenza
Gaylord Scott TUCKER	6	10/15/1918	Influenza	Lobar pneumonia
Chester Fayette DESSENBERRY	4	10/16/1918	Influenza	Bronchial pneumonia
Leona M HART	29	10/16/1918	Lobar pneumonia	Spanish Flue
John LUCEN	32	10/16/1918	Lobar pneumonia	Influenza
Mike MILLER	36	10/16/1918	Lobar pneumonia	Influenza
Charles Perry STRICKLING	34	10/16/1918	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	
John D CLOSSON	39	10/19/1918	Pneumonia	Influenza
Herman Lewis COOPER	36	10/19/1918	Lobar pneumonia	LaGrippe
Flossie H FISHER	29	10/19/1918	Accute Bronchitis	Influenza
Josephine KIRBY	35	10/20/1918	Lobar pneumonia	LaGrippe
Rado PRIA	47	10/20/1918	Lobar pneumonia	Influenza
Ruth Pauline COOPER	15	10/22/1918	Lobar pneumonia	Influenza
Muriel Vane BACHMAN	26	10/20/1918	Lobar pneumonia	LaGrippe
Bessie ALEXANDER	21	10/22/1918	Lobar pneumonia	Influenza
Claude C GINGRICH	32	10/23/1918	Bronchial pneumonia	Influenza
Frederick DOVE	52	10/24/1918	Influenza	Pneumonia
Helen Louise HARMAN	9 mo	10/26/1918	Lobar pneumonia	Spanish Influenza
Tierney MOORE	32	10/26/1918	Influenza	Bronchial pneumonia
George B KREITZER	19	10/27/1918	Bronchial pneumonia	Influenza
Helen Rose Fluke LERSCH	24	10/30/1918	Bronchial pneumonia	Influenza
George BRUBAKER	83	11/6/1918	Bronchial pneumonia	Arterial Sclerosis
Fredrick G FETZER	33	11/22/1918	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	
Liby M GATES	45	12/6/1918	Influenza	Bronchial pneumonia
Addison G McCLAY	32	12/12/1918	Influenza	Bronchial pneumonia
Margaret K HART	4 mo	12/21/1918	Influenza	
Grover C ISAMAN	33	12/22/1918	Lobar pneumonia	Influenza
Martha E MEEKES	2	12/24/1918	Influenza	
Elzia T WILEY	49	12/24/1918	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	
Emma Estarena FISHER	25	12/27/1918	Bronchial pneumonia	Influenza
Charles Natthew FORAKER	4	12/28/1918	Influenza	
Odessa Marie YOUNG	21	12/30/1918	Bronchial pneumonia	Influenza
Alva BAUM	44	3/8/1919	Acute Encephalitis	Influenza
Emma Josephine DOUBLEDAY	46	3/24/1919	Cerebrospinal meningitis	Influenza
George W VANGILDER	67	3/29/1919	Bronchial pneumonia	Flue
Reuben Hershey GATES	69	3/30/1919	Bronchial pneumonia	Flue
E L HARLEY	unk	4/21/1919	Lobar pneumonia	
Gladys Arlene STOTLER	3 mo	4/30/1919	Lobar pneumonia	
Charles Lester MORRIS	16	6/13/1919	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	Influenza
Moiria SHEARER	50	7/21/1919	Mitral insufficiency of heart	Influenza

- - Each and every life is worth living, loving and remembering - -

C O M M U N I T Y H A P P E N I N G S**The Ashland Times, February 19, 1891****SAVANNAH:**

H. M. PATTERSON visited friends in Findlay last week, returning by way of Cleveland.

W.O. WHITMARSH visited in Pennsylvania last week, his wife and boy having been there for a month.

John PATTERSON has been considerably indisposed for the past few days.

Last Monday, C.W. HART caught a horned owl, measuring four and one-half feet from tip to tip. It was very fierce and refused to take any food whatever.

Miss Margaret PATTERSON returned to Cleveland last Tuesday.

Miss Etta SIMMONE, who has been spending the winter at her uncle's Alden SIMMONE, returned to her home in Troy Thursday.

David BENTON left this morning for Clarinda, Iowa, where he has accepted a position in an insane asylum.

William BUCHANAN's attended Tuesday the funeral of Miss Libby SMITH, south of Ashland.

JEROMEVILLE:

Mr. GREENLUM, of Red Haw, attended church in this place Friday evening.

Emanuel HOSLER, of West Salem, is visiting with his brothers in this place.

Walter HAND, of Reedsburg, was the guest of his uncle, D.E. WILSON, Saturday and Sabbath.

George OFFINEER was the guest of his son, J.A. OFFINEER on Sabbath.

Wilber INGMAND, one of Jeromeville's most highly esteemed young men, was married to Miss Barbara DAVIS, of Perry township, on Thursday evening, February 12. A reception was given on Friday at the home of Alva INGMAND, father of the groom, and at the appointed time, between thirty and forty invited guests gathered there to welcome the newly married couple. After congratulations' dinner was announced—a dinner which was excellent in every respect and to which all did justice. After dinner the guests assembled in the room, where Rev. RUFF, in a few remarks, presented the couple with some tokens of love and best wishes from the donors, followed by prayer by Rev. RUFF, after which some vocal and instrumental selections were rendered by the guests. The remainder of the afternoon was spent in social chat and games, the most noticeable of which was the foot race by two young ladies, at least it drew the largest crowd. Toward the close of the day the guests dispersed to their homes, wishing Mr. and Mrs. INGMAND a happy and joyous voyage on the matrimonial sea.

NOVA:

Miss RAIDLE, of Charlotte Mich., was visiting relatives at this place last week.

Mrs. Ada FREY, of Sullivan, was visiting with her parents, G.W. POWER and wife, last Saturday.

George Alvin DIBLER died at his home in Alaska, January 23, 1891, after a protracted and painful illness.

Shared by Brenda SPIERS

DIVORCE GRANTED

Daniel F STONE was granted a decree of divorce from his wife on the charge of willful absence by Judge DEVOR on Saturday morning. The custody of the children was awarded by the courts to plaintiff. G.W. PANCOAST was plaintiff's attorney.

(The Ashland Times, Wednesday April 5, 1911, page 4)

REV. JACOB SPRANG - 1897

Jacob SPRANG, a citizen of this place for fifty years, passed away Sunday, January 24, at the ripe old age of 83 years, 3 months and 16 days. The funeral was conducted by Rev. GRAMLEY, of the Evangelical church, and the remains were laid to rest in the Fairview cemetery January 27. He was born near Pasen, Germany, in the year 1812. With his parents he emigrated to this country in 1831 and settled near Buffalo, N.Y. After living there a few years they moved to Lake township, where he married Margaret FABER who preceded him in death 7 years ago. Thirteen children were born to them of whom 10 are still living. They began life together near McZena and after a few years moved to the vicinity of Lake Fork. He was a charter member of the Evangelical church and a licensed minister; a duty he never failed to discharge when called upon. Father SPRENG was well known and loved by all. His life was fit for the Master's use and it can be truthfully said of him, to die was gain.

*Taken from a scrapbook in the Ashland Chapter Library
"Obituaries 1885 - 1938 Ashland, Wayne, & Holmes Counties, Ohio"
kept by Peter W. and Rose (TOTHEROH) MOLTER*

MRS. ELMORE NELSON

Mary Ann RUTT NELSON was born April 13, 1834, in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania; died April 3, 1911, aged 76 years, 11 months and 20 days. She was united in marriage to Elmer D. NELSON March 28, 1865. There were born of this union three sons and three daughters, Henry S. NELSON, and Myrtle CVHAMBERLAIN of Mansfield, O., Cora SHANE of Brooklyn, N.Y., Wm. A. and Edward T. NELSON, residing at the old home. One daughter, Alice MARTIN, preceded her to rest nine years ago this present month.

Funeral services Wednesday at 10 o'clock sun time at house. Funeral at the church in Olivesburg.

(The Ashland Times, Wednesday April 5, 1911, page 4)

RHEA-BROWN

J. E. RHEA, physical director of the Y.M.C.A., and Miss Ada BROWN, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.W. BROWN, were united in marriage this Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock at the home of the bride's parents on Third street. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Jno. I. WEAN, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church in which denomination the bride is an active worker.

The Press extends heartiest congratulations and best wishes for future happiness to these worthy young people.

(The Ashland Press, Wednesday, April 5, 1911, page 1)

Were you born in Ohio or the Northwest Territory? If you were born before 1953 you could say you were born in the Northwest Territory. See page 45 in the "Did You Know" section.

HAVE YOUR REALLY SEARCHED ALL THE RECORDS FOR YOUR ANCESTORS?**TYPES OF RESEARCH RECORDS TO LOOK FOR:****BURIAL RECORDS:**

Tombstone/Monument/Memorial
Cemetery Records
Plot Location
Owner/Others in same Plot
Relationships on Lot
Plot Deed
Church Burial Register
Funeral Home Record
Monument Dealer
Coroner Record

CENSUS:

1790 Federal Census
1800 Federal Census
1810 Federal Census
1820 Federal Census
1830 Federal Census
1840 Federal Census
Rev War Veterans Census
1850 Federal Census
Mortality Schedule
Agriculture Schedule
Slave Schedule
1860 Federal Census
Mortality Schedule
Agriculture Schedule
Slave Schedule
1870 Federal Census
Mortality Schedule
Agriculture Schedule
1880 Federal Census
Mortality Schedule
Agriculture Schedule
1890 Federal Census
1890 Veterans Census
1900 Federal Census
1910 Federal Census
1920 Federal Census
1930 Federal Census
1940 Federal Census
State Census (*yrs vary by State*)

CHURCH RECORDS:

Birth/Christening/Baptism
Confirmation/Communion Record
Marriage/Banns/Bonds
Ministers Return
Membership/Collection List/Directory
Pew Rent
Death/Burial
Church Histories
Church Minutes

EDUCATION:

Yearbook (H.S./College/Business)
Report Card/Report
Attendance List
Diploma/Graduation Program
Scholarship/Award
Trade School/Indentureship

EMPLOYMENT/**ORGANIZATIONS:**

Social Security Records
Pension Records
Service Award
Retirement
Union Membership
Railroad Record
Federal Government
Payroll Receipts
Organization Membership
Organization Awards

IMMIGRATION:

Passenger List
Emmigration List
Naturalization Record
Citizenship Papers
Oath of Allegiance
Declaration of Intent
Passport/Visa
Crew List
1940 Alien Registration Cards
Departure Permit
Officers' List

MILITARY:

Enlistment
Enrollment
Draft Cards
Recruit List
Muster Roll
Payroll Records
Pension/Veteran Record
War Record
Discharge Record
Service/Medal Records
Disability Record
Casualty List
Bounty Land Award
Rev War 1840 Census
Civil War 1890 Census
Court Martial Records
Grave Marker

COURT RECORDS:

Birth/Marriage/Death Certs
Marriage License
Divorce/Annulment Records
Guardianship/Adoption Records
Wills/Codicil/Estate Inventories
Justice of Peace Record
Oaths of Allegiance
Voters' Registration
Administrator/Executor
Bankruptcy
Subpoena
Name Change
Civil/Criminal/Chancery Suit

Docket/Case Files
Town/Village Records
Poor/Bastardy Records

LAND RECORDS:

Deed/Conveyance
Abstract of Title
Land Patent/Grant
Bounty Award
Survey/Plat Map
Lease
Water/Oil/Mineral Rights
Dower Release
Mortgage/Promissory Notes
Grantor/Grantee Index
Farm/Agricultural Record
TAX RECORDS:
Poll Tax
School Tax
Real Estate/Personal Property
City/State Income Tax
Assessors' List
Delinquent Tax List

MISCELLANEOUS:

Prison Records/Notices
Orphanage Records
Hospital/Medical Records

LOCATIONS:

County Courthouse
Register of Deeds
Circuit Court
Tax Office
Assessor's Office
Sheriff's Office
Veteran's Office
Treasurer's Office
Surveyor's Office
Coroner's Office

PERSONAL RECORDS:

Family Bible
Diary/Appointment Book
Journal
Cards/Letters/Post Cards
Awards & Citations
Photograph Album/Pictures
Scrap Books
Baby Book/Announcement
Wedding Invitation
Wedding Book
Memorial Card
Funeral Program/Guest Book
Military Record
Citizenship Paper
Divorce Paper
Adoption Paper
Insurance Policies
Recipe Files
Medical Records
Driver's License
Hunting/Firearms License

NEWSPAPERS:

Birth Notice
Marriage Announcement
Anniversary Announcement
Obituary/Death Notice
Local News
School/Society News
Business News
Legal/Probate Notices
Immigration Notification

LIBRARIES/SOCIETIES:

County/City Directory
Telephone Book
County/Local History Book
Family History
Published Family Genealogy
Oral Histories/Interviews
WPA Project
Genealogical Magazine
DAR Collection
Public Library (Local & State)
Private or College Library
State Library
Genealogical Library
LDS Family History Center
State Vital Record Office
State/Federal Archive
Historical Society
Secret Societies/Clubs

*Looking Back***“REUNIONS—In Times Past”***Looking Back*

Reunions have been a large part of family get-togethers' in times past, and even into today's society. Anne BUDD has been collecting these notices and has donated to our library a notebook full of reunions, family histories, etc. If you get a chance, check out what's in our Library, and take a look at the Reunion Notebook in our Family Histories Section.

CLIFFE Family Reunion - Ashland, OH Press 31 Aug 1910

A most joyous and happy day spent together was Wednesday, August 24, at the home of S.B. CLIFFE and wife, one-half mile south of Jeromeville on the old CLIFFE farm. This was the first annual reunion of the CLIFFE family and friends and those in attendance numbered upwards of forty.

The dinner which was splendid in every respect, as might be expected on an occasion of this kind, was served 'neath the shade of the old apple tree which is a giant of its kind and stands in the front lawn. After dinner some very fine selections were played by Miss Belva CLIFFE, of Akron, and several by Prof. E.T.S. CLIFFE, of Mansfield. Dr. CLIFFE, of Upper Sandusky, as chairman, called the reunionists to order and gave a short talk. Mr. George LONG, of Hayesville, also made an address which was very fitting and to the point. Officers were then elected for the following year: President, J.B. CLIFFE; vice president, S.B. CLIFFE; secretary and treasurer, S.C. BOTDORF.

A splendid social time was enjoyed the balance of the day, some of the boys not having seen each other for over forty years. Those present were Dr. G.W. CLIFFE, wife, daughter Helen, and Mr. O. BRYAN, of Upper Sandusky; John B. CLIFFE, of Detroit, Mich.; Joseph CLIFFE, wife and Harry CLIFFE, of Shreve; Miss Belva CLIFFE, of Akron; Prof. E.T.S. CLIFFE, of Mansfield; H.S. CLIFFE and wife, of Mohican; G.W. BRUBAKER, wife and family, of Loudonville; Mr. SWAIN and wife, of Ashland; D.D. BOTDORF, James SHANE and R. HOOTMAN, of Mohican; Charles BOTDORF, of Waverly, Tenn.; G.D. BOTDORF and wife, S.C. BOTDORF and family and Chas. WINBIGLER and wife, of Ashland; J.R. HEFFELFINGER and family and Walter BOTDORF, of Jeromeville; Mr. George LONG, Lyman LONG and family, of Hayesville. The committee then set the time for the next annual meeting one year from date and everybody went home happy and glad that they had been there.

CLIFFE Family Reunion - Ashland, OH Press 11 Sep 1912

At the residence of Samuel R. CLIFFE and wife, south of Jeromeville, on the old CLIFFE homestead, Thursday, August 22, 1912, the third annual reunion was held. The day was all that could be desired and members of the old family tree from east, west, north and south assembled to enjoy the fellowship of the day. After a most sumptuous dinner, which was greatly enjoyed by all, a short program was rendered. Rev. C.S. CLIFFE, of New Castle, Pa., was historian of the day and read a very interesting history of the CLIFFE family. Short talks were given by Dr. G.W. CLIFFE, of Upper Sandusky; Prof. E.T.S. CLIFFE, of Mansfield; Rev. W.O.S. CLIFFE, of Christopher, Ill., and others. After the program, officers for the ensuing year were elected. The remainder of the day was spent in music, songs, games and sociability.

Those present were:--Mrs. Adassa CLIFFE and daughter, Josephine; Dr. Geo. W. CLIFFE, wife and daughter, Helen; Rev. Chas. CLIFFE and son, Dr. EARL and daughter, Ethel; Prof. E.T.S. CLIFFE and wife, Joseph CLIFFE and wife, Rev. Walter CLIFFE and wife, H.S. CLIFFE and wife, Samuel CLIFFE and wife, Frank KENNEDY, wife and daughter; George BRUBAKER, J., [sic] wife and daughters; Mrs. Emma SWAIN, George BOTDORF and wife, S.C. BOTDORF and family, Mrs. C.E. LUTZ and children, I.R. HEFFELFINGER and family, James WINBIGLER and wife, J.P. WINBIGLER and wife, Edmond NORRIS and wife and Mr. SAPP and wife.

CLIFFE Family Reunion - Ashland, OH Press 20 Aug 1913

The CLIFFE homestead near Jeromeville was the place chosen for the fourth annual reunion August 14. The day was perfect and upwards of seventy were present.

Those present were: Mrs. Adassa CLIFFE and daughter, Josephine, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd KELSEY and Prof. B.F. CLIFFE, of Akron; Rev. C.S. CLIFFE and son, Dr. E.W. CLIFFE, of New Castle, Pa.; Prof. E.T.S. CLIFFE and wife of Mansfield, Dr. G.W. CLIFFE and wife, of Upper Sandusky; J.S. CLIFFE, and wife, Ralph CLIFFE and family, Henry SHELLY and family, of Shreve; Geo. BRUBAKER and family, of Loudonville; G.D. BOTDORF, wife and sons, Walter and Carl; C.E. LUTZ and family, Miss Fern HEFFELFINGER and S.C. BOTDORF and family, of Ashland; Carl KENNEDY, of Fredericktown; Samuel CLIFFE and wife, Miss Josephine HEFFELFINGER and Eugene BAKER and family, of Jeromeville. Friends and neighbors, Mr. and Mrs. J.P. WINBIGLER, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. NOGGLE, Mrs. Nancy GLENN and two daughters, Mrs. James WINBIGLER, Mrs. Mary SMITH and son and Mr. LAFEVER and family.

GENEALOGISTS LAUGHTER

- **Genealogy:** Marriage of a jigsaw puzzle to a dungeon & dragons game.
- **Genealogy:** Will I ever find time to mow the lawn again?





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The Ashland County Chapter is now part of Amazon Smiles. If you use Amazon, please consider marking the chapter as your charity of choice. Please be careful when selecting the organization of Ohio Genealogical Society, to make sure it is listed as being in Ashland, Ohio as there are numerous chapters listed.

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PUZZLE FOR THE DAY

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COUSINS	OBIT	
CEMETERY	RECORDS	
COURTHOUSE	RESEARCH	
FAMILY	TOMBSTONE	

DID YOU KNOW ???

THAT - The Ashland County Chapter of OGS is now registered with AmazonSmile, which means Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of eligible smile.amazon.com purchases when you are shopping and using our link as the Supporting Charity. (see to the left)

THAT - The 19th Amendment, which was passed by Congress on June 4, 1919 and ratified on August 18, 1920, granted women the right to vote. (Tennessee became the 36th state to ratify the amendment on August 18, 1920 and the amendment passed its final hurdle of obtaining the agreement of three-fourths of the states). 100 years ago!

THAT - This year is the 400th anniversary of the sailing of the Mayflower from Plymouth UK to Plymouth Massachusetts. These sites have interesting information on the people of that famous voyage and the religious climate of the times. www.mayflower.americanancestors.org/about-2020
www.mayflower400uk.org/education/;
www.mayflower400uk.org/about/brief-history-of-the-mayflower/

THAT - Pasadena Museum of History's Black History Collection Is Now Available Online. The Collection, is one of more than 250 special collections, in the Archives at Pasadena Museum of History. Thanks to support from the National Endowment for the Humanities, the USC Libraries are digitizing this collection for public access as part of the L.A. as *Subject Community Histories Digitization Project*. See website for more info.
<http://digital.library.usc.edu/digital/collection/p15799coll118>

(It is amazing what you can find if you browse these collections. You just never know when a "genealogy gold nugget" might be found).

THAT - In May 2020 the Georgia Public Library Service (GPLS) introduced the "Atlanta Funeral Programs Collection"; a digital archive of some 3,348 programs from funerals of Black Americans. According to their website "it's a compendium of photos, prayers, and guest signatures that span the pre-Civil War South to the present day. A majority of the programs are from churches in the Atlanta, Georgia area, with a few from other states spanning from around 1886 through 2019. They are located at the Digital Library of Georgia website.
https://dlg.usg.edu/collection/aarl_afpc

THAT - 7 Aug 1953 turns out to be an important day to Ohioans. That's when President Dwight D EISENHOWER signed a law ending the dispute about the actual calendar day Ohio was admitted into the Union. The Ohio state convention agreed to petition for admittance into the Union on November 29, 1802. Congress approved this action on February 19, 1803, but did not complete the steps to grant statehood. Without congressional approval of the state constitution, Ohio technically remained part of the Northwest Territory. It took 150 years for Congress to fix that. George H BENDER of Ohio (part of the 83rd Congress) introduced the legislation on January 13, 1953, to retroactively grant statehood. On May 19, 1953, the House voted to approve legislation retroactively ratifying the state constitution and admitting Ohio to the Union as of March 1, 1803 and President EISENHOWER signed it in August of 1953.

ASHLAND COUNTY CHAPTER NEWS



Welcome NEW MEMBERS - to the Ashland County Chapter of the Ohio Genealogical Society. We invite you to submit queries to the newsletter. You might be surprised who else is researching your same family.

1. You can start by submitting a copy of your five-generation chart to the Chapter for insertion in our 5-generation book located in the genealogy room of the Ashland Library.
2. Contact us to let us know what you would like to see in the newsletter.
3. Send in your query for the year.

WELCOME to our newest member:

Cheryl VanHORN (VANHORN5939@roadrunner.com)

She is researching BUCKINGHAM, DOVE, COLE, CRITCHET



VISIT THE ASHLAND CHAPTER LIBRARY

Located on the 2nd Floor of the
Ashland Public Library
(224 Claremont Ave, Ashland, OH 44805)

The Ashland Chapter maintains a Genealogy and Local History research room on the mezzanine level at the Ashland Public Library, which is open during normal Library hours Monday thru Saturday 9-7 and Sunday 12-4. This room is operated jointly by the chapter and the APL Adult Services Department. It contains Family Histories, Local Ashland, Ashland County, and Township history (including churches and schools) as well as Obituary Files, the Chapter's Lineage files, members 5-generation charts and county census records. Additional resources available include Ashland County newspapers on microfilm from 1852 to Dec 2018 and research materials pertaining to other Ohio counties and other states. Donation of books, manuscripts, and research material pertaining to Ashland County and their families are always welcome. *(Most materials in this collection are not cataloged in the Ashland Public Library system as they are owned by the Chapter.)*

— THE LIBRARY IS PRESENTLY
CLOSED DUE TO THE COVID-19 —

OGS FALL RETREAT: As with most genealogy programs and meetings this year, the 2nd Annual OGS Fall Retreat has been changed to a virtual Retreat. It is still a two-day planned event for September 11-12. This is a great opportunity to attend this event without ever leaving your home. *Please see the OGS website for more details.*



Rustic Pathways

OGS Virtual Retreat

Sept 11-12, 2020



www.ogs.org/events/

The Pastfinder is the quarterly newsletter of the Ashland County Chapter of the Ohio Genealogical Society and is issued four times a year. The Newsletter is for you, the members. Please submit articles of interest with name of the newspaper, date, and page number. (We always want to see our sources.) Also, your name as contributor is requested. We look forward to hearing from you.

WE WELCOME suggestions for input in the newsletter: Pastfinder Editor, Terry HAUN (AshOGSeditor@gmail.com) .

UPCOMING 2020 CHAPTER PROGRAMS

DUE TO THE CURRENT COVID-19 CRISIS:

ALL meetings have been turned into Virtual Meetings using "BlueJeans" as our platform.

See page 34 for more information on the virtual meetings

(There is no December meeting).

Aug 18 - Researching Your Civil War Ancestor on the Internet - Eric E. JOHNSON *(Virtual Meeting)*

Sep 15 - Cemetery Clinic 101: Capturing a Headstone - LaDonna GARNER *(Virtual Meeting)*

Oct 20 - Make the Most of the U.S. Federal Census - Lauren KUNTZMAN *(Virtual Meeting)*

Nov 10 - Annual Lineage Society Banquet - BOGART & BACALL: Myths, Mysteries and Family Histories - Amy WACHS

(THIS HAS BEEN CHANGED TO A VIRTUAL CHAPTER MEETING as our previously monthly meetings - There is no reservation fee.....AND.... Sorry there is no Virtual Cheesecake !

2021 Programs are already being established for the coming year with a varied subject matter. Some will be virtual meetings continuing with the current situation.

DO YOU WISH TO APPLY TO A LINEAGE SOCIETY?

It's too late to apply for the current year. However, those interested in applying to one of the Lineage Societies for next year should complete the application by **August 31, 2021**. Applications are available at the Ashland County Genealogical Society in the Ashland Public Library or at the Ashland County Genealogical Society website. Applicants need not be members. There is a required \$15 application fee for all applicants. If you have questions or need help, please contact our Lineage Chairperson, Marleen APPLGATE (mragealogy@gmail.com).

<http://ashlandohiogenealogy.org/lineagesocieties.html>

Requirement for induction into each of the Lineage Societies is as follows:

- ◆ **First Families of Ashland County**
Proving the applicant's ancestors were living in Ashland County prior to 1850, and there is a direct lineage from the ancestor to the applicant.
- ◆ **Settlers and Builders of Ashland County**
The pioneer ancestor must have been in Ashland County between Jan 1851 and Dec 31, 1870. Again, there must be a direct line from ancestor to the applicant.
- ◆ **Century Families of Ashland County**
The pioneer ancestor must have been in Ashland County between January 1871 and December 31 one hundred years prior to application year. *(Currently, this would be 1920)* There must be a direct line from ancestor to applicant.

OTHER 2020 SEMINARS & CONFERENCES

Please Note that all Announcements are contingent on the Coronavirus (COVID-19) health crisis and are subject to change. Please check their websites before making plans.

Sep 2-5: Federation of Genealogical Society (FGS) 2020 National Conference has gone "virtual" for their Kansas City, Missouri Conference. More information available at <https://fgs.org/annual-conference/>.

Sep 11-12: Virtual Conference 2020; Summit of Excellence presented by The Utah Genealogical Association. Registration closes 5 Sep 2020. Registration fee includes a digital syllabus, link to watch the program live, and access to the recordings through Dec 31, 2020. See their website for more info.

<https://ugagenealogy.org/cpage.php?pt=586>

Sep 11-12: OGS Fall Retreat at Salt Lake Fork Lodge, Cambridge, Ohio *(see page 46 of this newsletter for flyer and check OGS website for more info)*

Oct 24: The Ohio Chapter of Palatines to America 2020 German Genealogy Fall Seminar held at Der Dutchman Restaurant in Plain City, Ohio (See their website for more info if this is still planned)

CHAPTER PUBLICATIONS:

The Ashland County Chapter of the Ohio Genealogical Society has many published Ashland County research aid books for sale. Visit our website, <http://ashlandohiogenealogy.org/ashlandbooks.html> for a list of them and descriptions. Print out the order form and mail to the address shown on the form.

THE PASTFINDER

QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER OF THE ASHLAND
COUNTY CHAPTER, OHIO GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Ashland County Chapter
Ohio Genealogical Society
PO Box 681
Ashland OH 44805-0681

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Ashland County Chapter of OGS Lineage Societies

Ashland County Lineage Society applications can be printed out from our web site. Go to the ASHLAND CHAPTER link of our website. **August 31 is the yearly deadline for induction.** See Marleen APPEGATE, Lineage Chair for questions

- ◆ **First Families of Ashland County** (FFOAC). Pioneer ancestor must have been in Ashland County prior to 1850.
- ◆ **Settler's & Builders Of Ashland Co, OH** (SBOAC). Pioneer ancestor must have been in Ashland County between January 1851 and December 31, 1870.
- ◆ **Century Families** (CFOAC). Pioneer ancestor must have been in Ashland County between January 1871 and December 31 one hundred years prior to application year.

Newsletter Mailing
Terry HAUN

Chapter Membership

Ashland Chapter OGS Membership
\$5-Student; \$15.00-Single;
\$20.00-Family (one address)
Life—\$150.00 (S) or \$225.00 (F)

Send to **Linda FULK, Treasurer**
P.O. Box 681, Ashland, Ohio 44805
Membership year is January -December
Applications can be found at our website
<http://ashlandohiogenealogy.org/>

Chapter Meetings

The Ashland County Chapter of the Ohio Genealogical Society meets the **third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm.** Program at 6:30 pm with Chapter business meeting immediately following. Chapter meets all months except July (annual Picnic), November (Fall Banquet, reservations only), and no meeting in December.

All meetings are free and open to the public.

Library Volunteers

(Ginny FEIBER - Library Coordinator)
(Linda FULK - Library Assistant)

Ginny FEIBER; feiber@zoominternet.net

Due to the COVID-19 restrictions,
the Chapter Library is still closed

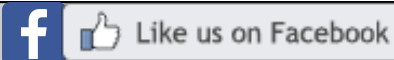
Ashland County Chapter OGS website
www.ashlandohiogenealogy.org

Sheila HELSER, webmaster

Meeting Cancellations

Meeting will be cancelled if schools are closed due to inclement weather.

For other types of cancellations, check our Facebook page or listen to WNCO or WMFD.



FIND US ON THE INTERNET:

Our Chapter Website: <http://ashlandohiogenealogy.org>.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/AshlandGenSoc/>

CHAPTER CONTACTS: Corres. Secretary: ACOGSSEC@gmail.com (OR) Newsletter: AshOGSeditor@gmail.com

The Ashland County Chapter OGS is a non-profit 501(c)3 organization; donations to the Society are tax deductible. Your gifts help us buy books for the library, acquire speakers for our programs, and provide the means to publish our books. Consider a gift above and beyond your annual membership to help preserve the records left by our Ashland County pioneers.