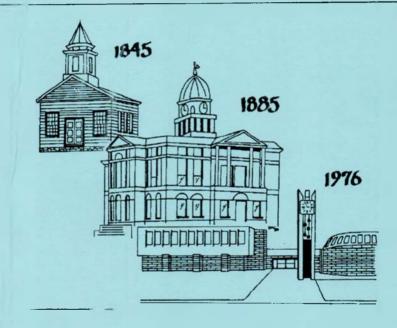
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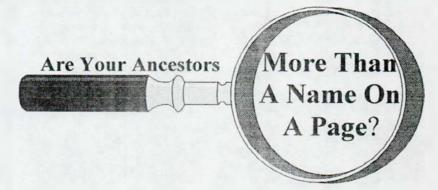
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Do you find that the more records you search the more mysteries you uncover? Are the difficult ancestors you search for today, the difficult ancestors during their lifetime? It is amazing how some records will open a small window into an ancestor's personality. Or at least they will give you a hint of what was taking place during a period in their life.

Your ancestors are more than a birth, marriage, and death date. They too lived, breathed, loved, laughed and cried. Some records will give you a alimpse of their trials, sorrows and tribulations. However, not many records will give you a glimpse of their joys. Newspapers printed before 1940 tell us more about our ancestors, than newspapers of today. The small town newspapers often carried longer and more detailed obituaries. Remember to search nearby papers as well as the local paper where the event happened. I have found that two papers might have published an article about an incident or death, that are entirely different. If you have not yet searched the newspapers you are in for a treat. The world was a much smaller place in the 1800's and early 1900's, with many more local newspapers than there are today. It would appear that the earlier papers were more interested in the local happenings. The information found in an old obituary can be gory and tactless in

their descriptions of the circumstances surrounding a death, as the following account will show. What you find will not always be pleasant, but if will perhaps fill in some blank spaces. Newspapers require just as much of your time to search as vital statistics, unless of course you are looking for a known date of an event. But, the time is well spent when you find a tidbit that opens a window into a personality.

Local libraries usually have microfilm of the areas local newspapers, and I have spent many hours scanning these for hints of an ancestor's character and the events of their life. Most individuals may never be mentioned, however, most newspapers had little gossip columns covering who visited whom, and who was sick. Today the newspapers would no doubt be sued for articles of the same nature. You will find the writing to be quite different from today also. I have found myself laughing at tragedies, only because of the way it was presented.

For sometime now I have been searching for information on the place of burial for a relative. Because the funeral home is no longer in existence and the cemetery records incomplete, I turned to the newspapers. At first the local paper was searched where only a small article was found mentioning the death, and of course true to form, the burial place was not mentioned. Now this relative should

not be hard to find. We knew the date of death, we had the death certificate, listing the date, time and place, funeral home and cemetery, all of which conflicted with what a living relative remembered. Both cemeteries in question had incomplete records, and the person in question was buried without a headstone.

Finally, after searching a microfilm of another newspaper further away from the incident, I found a whole column devoted to the death of my father-in-law. Some questions were answered, and we learned a little more about a father that a son never new. But still we did not learn of his burial place. But here is what we did find, a sad glimpse into the past.

BULLET AND ROPE USED TO MAKE DEATH CERTAIN

KINNEVILLE MAN, DOWN TO LAST CENT, ENDS LIFE.

Well Known Onondaga Resident Commits Suicide After Many Threats of Destruction.

(Ingham County (Mason) News) Fred Puffenberger, 59, committed suicide at the home of Will Luke in Kinneyville, Onondaga hamlet Wednesday. His lifeless body was found lodged in the stairway by Luke and Harry Olds when they returned from a day of wood cutting about 5:30 Wednesday afternoon. Sheriff Allen A. McDonald, Deputy Robert J. Ingham and Justice Seeley William actina coroner. investigated the tragedy. They declared that the act was undoubtedly suicide.

When the officers arrived, they found the body lodged against the stair wall with a bullet hole from a 22-caliber rifle behind the right ear. Puffenberger had made sure of death. He had attached a rope to the railing of the stairs and slipped a noose around his neck. But the rope was not needed. The bullet found its mark and the slack was not taken out of the

rope. Luke's rifle had been dropped at the foot of the stairs.

Evidence pointed to the theory that the deed had been committed in the morning. Puffenberger was not seen outside the house Wednesday although Luke said the rope used had been lying in the front yard. Several neighbors had been at home all day but they heard no shot

Puffenberger's relatives and friends said that the man had threatened suicide for several years and that they were not surprised at his act.

Had Worked at V.F.W.

For five years Puffenberger was employed as herdsman at the Veterans of Foreign Wars National Home near Kinneyville. He was a good diary herd manager but his drinking bouts brought about his discharge. He told friends that he had been married five times although Kinneyville people know of only two wives. His last wife abandoned him in April and went to live with her parents near Eaton Rapids. She took the two children, Mary 7 and Henry, now about 10 months old. She told neighbors that her husband made continual threats to kill her and the children and that she was afraid to remain at home.

Officers found a last message scrawled on a hand bill. The message read, "May God forgive me and take care of wife and babies."

The Puffenbergers had a home in Kinneyville and a 40-acre farm without buildings near the river settlement. After his family left, Puffenberger rented his house and lived on farms where he secured employment. For several weeks during the summer and early fall he had stayed with Luke and Olds, who keep bachelor quarters in the Luke home.

Luke and Olds are wood cutters. They told the officers that Puffenberger wanted to join with them in cutting wood. "We couldn't use him, said Luke. "Every time he would get a dollar he would spend it on liquor and would leave the job. We had so much trouble with him that we finally told him he could neither work nor live

with us."

For several nights Puffenberger had been at the Frank VanViersh home in Kinneyville. Tuesday night he had come to the house where Luke and Olds were living and had asked to be given supper and a place to remain for the night. Tuesday afternoon he had given the title to an old car to James Ross to settle an account. He told Luke and Olds that he would leave for Eaton Rapids Wednesday where he intended to get a job. Tuesday night he wanted to sleep on the floor but Luke and Olds insisted they said, that he crawl into bed with them. The three men slept in one bed.

Luke said, "Fred wanted to treat us Tuesday night. He went over to the store (Kinneyville's only store, operated by James Ross) and bought six bottles of beer. After we drank the beer Fred returned the empty bottles and traded them for three more bottles. Fred usually wanted to fight after he had a few drinks but that night he offered to let us cut wood from his farm on shares and talked a long time about what he was going to do when he received his Townsend old age pension.

"We stopped at the store Wednesday night abut 5:30. The key was not there. We went on home, thinking Fred intended to remain another night. The door was unlocked. "We walked into the home and saw the open stairway door. There hung Fred with the rifle, and pools of blood on the steps"

Down to Last Cent.

The acting coroner searched Puffenberger's pockets. He found just one penny. The note was in a pasteboard carton on top of the man's clothing.

The suicide victim is survived by the wife, and two small children and two brothers, Jud and Frank, who are successful farmers living near Eaton Rapids. The Puffenberger family is well known and respected in the county line community. Fred was known as a good worker and an able farmer when he left liquor alone.

The body was taken to the Bunker

funeral home in Eaton Rapids on orders of Jud Puffenberger. Funeral arrangements have not been made.

What records have you found that gave you a glimpse into an ancestor's personality? I always want to know who these people were, what they were like. My side of the family is fortunate to have pictures on both sides, and we at least can put a face to a name. My husband's side is another story. We have only one picture of his father, and a couple of his mother. It would be good to have pictures of their brothers and sisters and their parents.

As you can see the burial place remains a mystery, and yet some questions have been answered. It would appear that the funeral home mentioned on the death certiticate is indeed incorrect. Therefore, the cemetery too is most likely incorrect, and the relative's memory perhaps correct. But we still need to know the place of burial so that we can purchase a headstone. Maybe a probate record can be found with this information. We have not given up yet. As stated above Henry was 10 months old when his Father committed suicide. He was only 14 when his Mother died; he only knew that his Father had indeed killed himself, but had no details other than he shot and hung himself in a neighbors home. This happened in 1935, and you can see they gave details not usually given today.

How many of you want to know the people behind the names? The quest for character information could lead to the black sheep of the family, or royalty, but it should always only be done to better understand your family history and nothing else. You must be prepared for whatever you find, good or bad. It is the history of your family. Although the above story did not uncover the place of burial, it did answer some questions, of what lead a father took his own life. My husband only knew that indeed his father had committed suicide at a neighbors home, and that he had been a good diary herdsman. We share this story with you,

because it is not something to be ashamed of. It is a window into the past of someone's trials. Nothing that the present generation had any control of. But as mentioned early you must be prepared for the bad you might find as well as the good. The funny as well as the sad. It's our past!

What unusual find have you found in your search? Let us know, so that we can share this information with others. Submitted by:

Barbara Green Puffenberger

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On 28 December 1994, Banner Blue Software, Inc. acquired Automated Achieves. AAI will now be known as Automated Archives Division, Banner Blue Software, Inc.

Civil War help in Wisconsin

During the Civil War, Wisconsin received credit for 91,379 enlistments and reenlistments into state regiments for the Union Army. The Wisconsin Veterans Museum, located on the Capitol Square in Madison, has entered information drawn from official state records about Badger State enlistments into a database and made it easily available to the general public. From a high speed computer terminal located in the museum's Civil War gallery, visitors can view this information about Wisconsin in the Civil War. The database is a valuable resource for those interested in genealogy.

The computer provides a vast amount of information including the soldier's place of enlistment, rank, unit, dates of service, death or discharge. History of the regiment and engagements in which the soldier participated in also included

Wisconsin is the only state to have its Civil War enlistments computerized. For more information, contact Mark D. VanElls, Archivist/Historian, 608-266-1854. Write Wisconsin Veterans Museum, 30 West Mifflin St., Madison, WI 53703.

Illinois Statewide Marriage Index

Over 600,000 marriages have been entered into a database that may now be searched on-line at the State Archives in

Springfield.

Visitors to the Archives may request reference staff to search for a surname, with or without the given name. A list of all persons with that surname or full name may then be browsed on the computer screen.

How many of you known that the "AntiqueWeek" newspaper has "Genealogy Week" section which has informative little tidbits about genealogy as well as Genealogy For Sale or Wanted Ads, and Queries? Genealogical Queries are accepted from subscribers and indexed to country and state FREE of charge one time on a STANDBY basis. If \$1.00 is sent, the query will run TWICE, and if received by the 15th of the month, it will be assured of being in the next issue.

At least a full column of queries will be printed each month in the last issue of each month.

Those sent free will be printed in the order they are recieved as space permits up to one column in length. All queries will be edited to include only ancestral names, years, township, county and state, plus name and address of sender.

The genealogical SOURCES column each week will be for those needing suggestions by experts on research when stonewalled.

Contributed by Sher Brown

The Obituary Corner may be a new addition to the Eaton County Quest. I don't know about you, but one of the first things I do when I open a newspaper is look at the obituaries. My thought for this article was this: randomly pull an old obituary, dedicate a couple of hours of research and see what extra information can be gathered about that person. If you like this idea and would like to see additional "cameos" in future issues, please see me at one of our meetings or write me a note and leave it for me in the room to pick up. I am very anxious for feedback!

I started looking through the obituary books that the Society has in the room. In a short time I came upon a photograph of man who had a head of white hair that came even with the bottom of his neck with a matching beard and the most somber eyes I had ever seen. This man had on a uniform with two medals on the front, and although I did not know the color of the uniform I thought that by the style of his hair that it may be Union or Confederate. I read the obituary and after doing so I felt that this man must have been quite special to the townspeople of Charlotte as he was known as the "grand old man" of Eaton. I thought Eli may be someone that everyone may want to know more about. I researched this person for a mere two hours and found out a lot about this gentleman. I want you all to meet...

Eli Cook

Eli Cook is the son of Erastus and Eve (Hilsinger) Cook. Both Erastus and Eve are of German descent. Erastus and Eve had a total of fourteen children. Two of these children died in infancy and one son, Jay, died in the War of the Rebellion. Erastus and Eve began their migration from New York to Ohio and then on to Michigan in 1854. Eli was born in Richland County, Ohio on 24-Aug-1842.

Eli enlisted as a Union soldier in the War of the Rebellion on 01-Jan-1862 in Company I, First United States Shooters. Eli was involved in a number of battles such as: Malvern Hill, Gaines Mills, Antietam, Fredericksburg, Chancellorville as well as Gettysburg and many others. At Gettysburg, Eli "got in the way of a bullet that caused him some pain and discomfort" and apparently little else. He was with Grant in the battles of the Wilderness. Spottsvlvania, Cold Harbor and the siege of Petersburg. Eli also served in Company K. Fifth Michigan for a short time. Eli was honorably discharged on 05-JAN, 1865. According to a letter from the Department of the Interior, Pension Office found in Vertical File A-VF268 in the society's research room Mr. Cook's pension certificate number is 350323. Eli received a pension of \$30 per month for his part in the Civil War. Eli was a member of G.A.R. Post No. 111 in Eaton Rapids, MI. and was also a member of the order of the Comrades of the Battlefield. Eli was a charter member of the Relief Corps... No. 38 in Eaton Rapids.

Military life was also a part of Eli's ancestors' lives as well. Eli's grandfather served in the War of 1812 and his greatgrandfather served in the Revolutionary War.

Family Life In Eaton County

Eli returned to Eaton County and married Elizabeth French on 03-JUL-1867. Elizabeth was born on 05-JUN- 1847 in Lincolnshire, England. Eli and Elizabeth had three children: Charles, Mary (Mamie) and Martha (Mattie) Cook. Eli purchased a farm of one hundred and twenty acres which he farmed and raised livestock. Both Eli and Elizabeth lived long and full lives. Eli died on 17-FEB-1917 in Eaton Co, Ml. Elizabeth died on 14-AUG-1923 in Eaton County, Mi at the home of their son, Charles. Both Eli and Elizabeth are buried in Rose Hill Cemetery in Eaton Rapids, Ml.

Brothers - Sisters - Spouses - Surnames!!

As you can imagine, I have numerous sources for all of the above information and some of which I have not researched. These sources are cited at the end of this article. I had also copied a number of obituaries of Eli's family members. By the time I had read everything I had compiled I really wished I was also related to Eli. Alas, I am not, but one of our members may be. As you will remember Eli was one of fourteen children. Below I have listed each child's name, and the name of their spouse and children if unearthed by my limited research.

1.	Mary/James Woods		
	ch:	Mary/ Church	
		Wallace C.	
		Lizzie/ Sherman	
		Rachel - died in 1882	
2. Henrietta/Edwa		ietta/Edward P. Britten	
	ch:	Dora L./ Andrews	
		Edward Rush	
		Martha L died @ 5Y	

- Martha/James Umbarger
 Cordelia/Joseph Brazette
- 5. Ann/?
- 6. Viola Amanda/Ezra Huber
- 7. Jay/Died in War of the Rebellion Buried in Washington
- 8. Infant/Died young
- 9. Infant/Died young
- 10. Eli/Elizabeth French

ch: Charles J.

Sp:

Mary (Mamie) No spouse

Martha (Mattie) E.

Sp: Homer L. Holcomb

Ch: Glenn, Harvey,

Harvey Grace

- 11. Jane/ Dunbar
- 12. Elizabeth/ Holmes
- 13. Ralph R./
- 14. Roxanna/Never married

Sources Used For This Article

(All sources can be found in the ECGS research room)

Surname Card File

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Wedding Invitation of daughter Mattie to Homer Holcomb Vertical File A-VF268

Vital Records, Cemetery Records

Obituary for French, Issac

Ancestor charts, descendant charts and obituaries used for this article can be viewed in Vertical File No. A-VF268.

Note: If there is a member out there that is related, please let me know by leaving a message in the room.

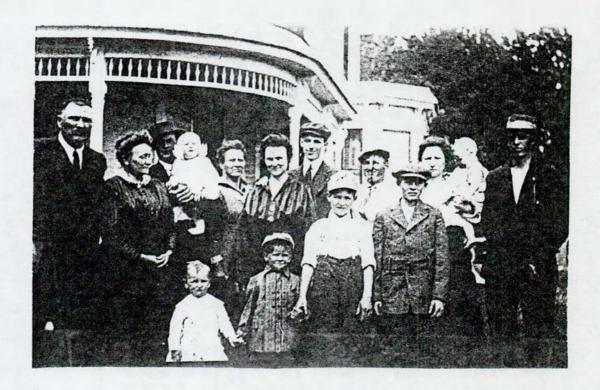
Eaton County MI. Abner's family lived in Walton Twp., Eaton County, MI in 1900.

- 4) Bartlet Rager, born Jan 1, 1854 in Eaton Co., MI
- 5) Samual P. Rager born Jan 1, 1856 in Eaton Co., Ml.

These are my relatives from Eaton County, MI. I also have their ancestors back to 1735 and all of their defendants. Please let me know if you can use more.

Penny Pollock

Anita Billingsley sent the photograph below, hoping someone would know who some of the people are, or where this house in the background is located. She thinks the heavy man on the left is Bill Pagel? Do any of you have any information? If so contact us here at the Eaton County Genealogical Society or write directly to Anita at Box 96, Parkman, WY 82838.



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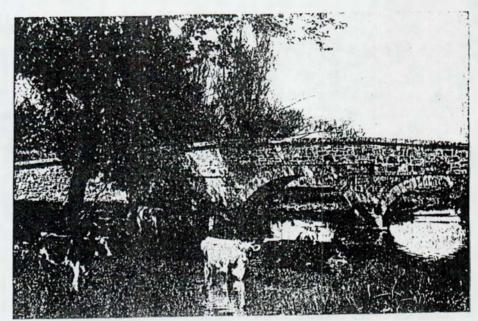
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A Popular Watering Place.

EATON COUNTY

SOME FACTS AND FIGURES

ATON COUNTY, with a total of 3,902 farms in an area of 571 square miles, is distinctly a farm county. More than 94 per cent. of the entire area of the county is in its farms, and more than 77 per cent. is under cultivation. The farms are, as a rule, of more than average size, less than 3 per cent. being under ten acres. They are almost, without exception, profitable and correspondingly valuable. The farmers, as a class, are the most prosperous folks in the county. In view of the number of farms, that is in itself a statement of the wealth of this section.

The farm population of Eaton County is almost exclusively nativeborn white. There are but few foreign, and only 3 negro farmers in the entire county, according to the most recent United States Government statistics.

It is interesting to note the number of farms in the county operated by their owners. Of this class there are 2,990, or 76 per cent. One

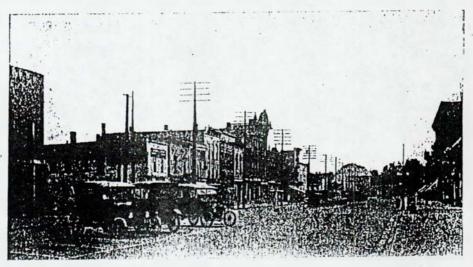
thousand four hundred and eighty-eight, or 49 per cent. of them are reported free of mortgage debt. This is an exceptionally large percentage. Of the balance, the remarkably low mortgage indebtedness of only 31 per cent. of the entire valuation is carried. Even in the absence of other statistical figures, these mortgage statements alone would indicate exceptional prosperity among Eaton County farmers.

The largest single crop, and the one produced most generally throughout the entire county, is corn, of which 1,376,405 bushels were produced in 1910, a notably bad crop year, but the latest for which authoritative figures are available. Following closely on this for quantity is oats, with a total of 978,556 bushels; wheat comes next, with 356,854 bushels; potatoes fourth, with 305,336 bushels. The combined total value of these four crops was in excess of two and one-half million dollars.

Everywhere is an atmosphere of hard work. Everyone takes work seriously and as a matter of course. There is no false pride about it, and no failure to realize its importance and its necessity. Rich farmers' wives and sons and daughters take pride in their fine butter, their eggs, their vegetables, their chickens and their stock. The relations between the people of the farms and the people of the country seat are most cordial. The farmers deposit their savings in the local banks, and deal in the local stores.

This directory is published in the belief that it will serve to acquaint the residents of one end of the county with those of the other. We believe it to be accurate. We realize, however, that even in the most carefully compiled and printed books certain errors are bound to appear, and we apologize in advance for any such that may be found by our subscribers.





Main Street, Eaton Banids, Michigan.

EATON RAPIDS

Auguryiations, in means acres; bds, boards; B tel, Bell telephone; 4 ch, 4 children; H&L, house and lot; O, owns; R1, Rural Route No. 1; rel, refired; T, tenant; dh, 4 horses; 2e, 2 entile

Abbey, Cornelius (Elizabeth) farmer O 11&L Water St.

Abhot, James (Leona) wooden mills O 11&1, 1301 Water St.

Abby, Zilpha T 607 West St.

Adams, John J. (Ella) T 309 Canal St.

Adams, Lloyd jeweler 309 Canal St. Adams, Wayne (Elsie) works woolen wills T 779 Michigan St.

Akins, John (Jennie) 1 ch laborer 509

Forest St. Alden, A. G. (Dora) I ch machinist T

415 Minerva St. ALDEN, GEORGE (Ada) farmer O H&L

207 King St.

Anderson, Harry (Celia) works woolen mills O H&L North St.

Anderson, Sarah 109 Canal St. Anderson, Susie 409 Canal St.

Andrews, Dora 221 Cor S River & Holmes St.

Annis, A. W. (Emma) com't fraveler O 11&1, 703 S Main St.

Annis, S. A. (Ruth) carpenter O H&L 433 Canal St.

Anson, Frank (Lillie) 3 ch O H&L 1905 Chester St.

Arnold, Nancy O 11&1, 423 Canal St B

Arnold, Nettie 2 ch T 423 Canal St. Ashley, A. F. (Mary) O H&L 512 State 81.

Ashley, David (Alice) cem sexton O H&L LOUG Hall St.

Ashley, George laborer T 509 Brooks S4.

Atkinson, Florella 210 Lansing St. Bahrock, Thurman (Fannie) 1 ch black-smith 310 S River St.

Bacon, C. M. ret 131 S Main St. Raldwin, Ellen R. 503 Brook St.

Bangs, Helen O H&L 617 Hall St.

Barber, Maude works woolen mills O H&L 131 N River St.

Barnes, Chris (Edith) clothing O H&L 807 Water St.

Barnes, John (Irene) 1 ch works woolen mills 303 Brook St.

Barnes, Mabel clerk 807 Water St.

Bartlett, Mrs. Hattie (wid Charles) O H&L 441 Canal St.

Bastedor, Fred (Bertha) ret O H&L 438 Minerva St B tel.

Bateman, Leonard (Lucinda) works woolen mills T 412 Broad St.

Bateman, Orvillo elerk 441 Canal St. Bateman, Ray mail carrier 441 Canal St.

Battey, Albert (Maggie) carpenter O 11&L 324 State St.

Bauman, Dale (Ploy) works woolen mills O H&L 431 Minerva St.

Baumer, Augustus ret O H&L 621 Michigan St.

Baumer, Dorr student 403 Cor Division & Minerva Sts.

Baumer, Peter (Mary) 2 ch works woolen mills O H&L 403 Cor Division & Minerva Sts.

Beadon, Rob't (Effic) laborer O H&L 115 S East St.

Beaman, C. M. (Lou) clerk O H&L 237 Cor S East & E Hamlin Sts.

Beaman, D. M. (Alice) ret farmer O 11&L 226 Hamlin St B (el.

Beasone, Peter (Ella) hay buyer O H&L 315 River St.

Bensore, Winford J. 1 ch mason T 822 Michigan Ave.

Beitler, K. H. (Leila) Leh operator T 806 S Main St.

Belnap, Charles ret O H&D Main St. Belnar, Chark (Abbie) elothier 118 F Knight St. See adv.

Bemment, William laborer T Canal St. Benson, Almeda 323 Main St.

Benson, Lestie (Martha) 1 ch butcher T 318 Cor Plain & West St.

Bentley, Mrs. Carrie (wid Luman) O 518 Canal St.

Bentley, Hector (Mary) ref T 226 Dutton St.

ton St. Beutley, Homer S. (Mary B.) 1 ch shoes

O H&L 518 Canal St. Bers, Dora 3 ch T 215 Brook St.

Betz, Wm. (Nettie) 2 ch T 601 Michigan St.

Biggs, Warren (Inex) 2 ch laborer T 606 Vaughn St.

Birney, Frank (Margaret) ret O 11&L 226 E. Knight St B tel.

Birney, J. D. (Addie) druggist O 11&L 132 S Main St.

Bishop, Flora 2 ch clerk 119 Lausing St. Bishop, Ida O H&L 607 Hall St.

BLACKETT, Mrs. F. L. 315 S Center St. Blackett, Mabet music teacher O H&L Center St.

Blanchard, Dr. (Charlotte) physician O 11&L 132 Cor S River & Knight St B tel.

Blodgett, Isaac (Mariah) ret farmer O H&L 615 Hall St. Blodgett, Rebecca O H&L 614 Hall St. Blodgett, Richard (Sarah S.) ret O H&L 201 Cor Plain & Hall Sts.

Boatman, Ernest (Maime) 2 ch drayman T 519 Canal St.

Boatman, Jacob (Lovilla) farmer O 11&L 215 S East St B tel.

Boice, H. L. merchant O H&L 802 Cor S Main & South Sts.

Boody, Amos (Eva) 2 ch miller O H&L 801 Water St.

Boody, Bernice student 121 Tompkins St.

Boody, Florice student 121 Tompkins St.

Boody, Josephine works woolen mills 801 Water St.

Boody, Mary O H&L 611 Vaughn St. Boody, Mildred student bds 801 Water St

Boody, M. J. (Bernice) miller O H&L 121 Tompkins St.

Boody, Wm. Jahorer O H&L 808 S Main St.

Boorn, Allie works woolen mills T 624 Vaughn St.

Booth, E. A. (Jennie) clerk O H&L 105 Dexter St.

Bowers, Edward (Dora) laborer O H&L 139 Frost St.

Bowers, Mildred student 139 Frost St. Boyd, A. R. (Ella) I ch merchant O II&L 915 Hall St.

Bradley, J. B. (Pearl) physician O H&L 215 E Knight St.

Brainard, A. B. 1 ch mason 709 West St.

Brainard, Helen 709 West St.

Brainard, Martha O H&L 709 West St. Bramble, Anna E. T 320 State St.

Bramble, H. Carr works woolen mills O H&L 320 State St.

Brewer, Irvin J. (Elizabeth) ret O H&L 1019 Cor Alice & West St.

Brewer, L. B. ret farmer 115 S River St.

Brewer, Warren (Luella) 3 ch works woolen mills T 323 Crane St.

Brinningstool, Martha 3 ch O H&L 509 Forest St.

Britten, E. P. (Henrietta R.) ret carpenter O H&L 221 Cor S River & Holmes St B fel.

Britten, E. R. (Bernice) jeweler T 303 S Main St.

Britten, Pearl O H&L 334 Cor Crane & N Center Sts.

Britten, Ridney (Ethel) miller T 415 Lake St.

Bromelin, M. P. (Maggie) O H&L 227 State St. Bronk, Sam'l works creamery 242 Main

Broughton, Frank (Lizzie) 3 ch farmer O H&L 408 N East St.

Brown, Andrew mason O H&L 1201 Water St.

Brown, E. J. (Martha M.) ret O H&L 810 Water St.

Brown, Hayden commercial traveler O H&L 224 Brook St B tel.

Brown, Sarah 224 Brook St. Brown, Wm. E. (Lena) 3 ch farmer O H&L N East St.

Bunker, Wallaco (Lena) O 11&L 511 Clarke St.

Bunker, Wm. (Jane E.) carpenter O H&L 207 Plain St.

Burgess, Eva O H&L 121 State St.

Burgess, Glen (Eida) 1 ch groceries O H&L 227 Brook St.

Burlison, Lewis laborer 506 Lake St. Burns, Clayton (Dora) wks at woolen

mills T 516 N Main St. Burns, Melvin (Blanch) 2 ch wks at woolen mills T 322 Division St.

Busch, Irwin (Hattie) 5 ch earpeuter O H&L 436 Plain St.

Bush, Anna 812 S Main St. Bush, Chas. (Lizzie) lab (Lizzie) laborer T 602 Jenne St.

Bush, Willis implement salesman O H&L 518 S Main St.

Butler, B. H. (Sarah L.) 4 ch operator T 614 S Main St.

Buller, Fred (Grace) 2 ch barber 305 State St.

Butley, Clarence (Cecelia) J ch wks at woolen mills O H&L 504 Michigan St. BUTTS, JOHN.

Camp, Will (Carrie) 1 ch mail carrier T 1202 Water St.

Campbell, Clarence B. (Martha) chemist 218 S East St B tel.

Canfield, Wilson (Huldah) physician O H&L 323 S Main St Eaton Rapids B tel.

Capron, Mrs. Della jeweler O H&L 207 S Main St.

Carr, Ella M. O H&L 301 Plain & Montgomery

Carrier, M. laborer 822 Michigan St. Caster, Charles (Emma) T 717 Hall St.

Caster, Novald laborer 717 Hall St. Chadwick, Clyde (Ella) 2 ch wks M. C. freight office O H&L 409 Osborn St. Chaffee, Iva milliner 147 S Main St.

Chaffee, Rose milliner T 149 S Main St. Chapman, Selali (Georgia) coal dealer O H&L 812 S Main St.

Chappel, Helen teacher 908 Water St.

Chappel, Howard (Bessie) I ch bookkeeper T 335 Knight St.

Chency, Alonzo (Lucy) ret 7-17 Michigan St.

Christmas, H. J. (Lillian) photographer O H&L 140 N Main St B tel.

Clafflin, Deck (Clara) laborer T 211 S Main St.

Clafflin, John (Mabel) 2 ch minister T 218 Hamlin St.

Clark, M. L. (Mary) ret merchant T 215 S Main St B tel.

Clarke, E. J. 1 ch wks woolen mills O 11&L 225 Center St.

Clegg, Will (Pearl) 1 ch bookkeeper T 903 Water St.

Clifton, Anna O H&L 112 Lansing St.

Clough, Marina 211 Holmes St. Cobb, W. E. 1 ch teamster T 215 Cherry St.

Cochrane, George (Lettie) carpenter O H&L Hall St

Cochrane, Margie student Hall St.

Cockroft, Levi (Emily) ret farmer T Cor West & Broad Sts.

Cockroft, Wm. laborer Cor West & Broad Sts.

Coe, Phoebo E. 2 ch O H&L 201 N River St.

Collar, Blanch teacher 221 Hamlin St. Collar, C. A. (Effic) gardener O H&L 221 Hamlin St B tel.

Collins, Mrs. S. L. 708 Montgomery St. Conklin, Clarence (Etta) 4 ch carpenter O 11&L 439 Plain St.

Conklin, Danl. (Mamie) 2 ch butcher O H&L 622 Spicerville Road.

Conklin, Mrs. Ella T 211 S Main St B tel.

Conklin, Jane O H&L 209 Cor E Plain & Water Sts

Cook, Addie O H&L 228 Holmes St B tel. Coombs, Rachel O H&L 324 Canal St. Coopman, Chas.

Corbin, E. D. (Ella) grocer O H&L 123 S East St B tel.

Corbin, Roy painter 123 S East St. Corbin, Virgil (Ella) painter T 718

Water St. Corn, O. M. (1va) 2 ch wks woolen mills

T 308 Lake St. Cotten, Lydia O H&L 210 Brook St B

tel. Coulson, W. S. (Olive) gardener O H&L 405 Cor E Crane & N Center Sts.

Coultrin, E. (E. May) I ch baggage master O H&L 1002 S Main St.

Covey, Don (Ora) 1 ch clerk O H&L 301 S East St.

Cowan, Chester H. (Emma) farmer O H&L 508 Cor Broad & Water Sts.

Cowan, George B. (Hetty) 2 ch painter O H&L 709 Water St B tel.

Cox, Walter (Elzada) gardener O 11&L 704 Cor West & Plain Sts. Cramer, Edith 331 W Knight St.

Crampton, E. E. (Mary) 3 ch superintendent city schools T 216 (for Plain & Montgomery Sts.

Crandall, Burton (Sarah) farmer O 8a 784 Michigan St.

Crandall, Claud (Norah) 7 ch teamster T 703 Michigan St.

Crandall, W. 716 Michigan St. B tel. Crane, Amazian (Mattie) grain buyer O H&L 108 Dexter St B & Ind tels. See adv.

CRANE, J. E. (Cora) hay & grain O H&L 119 S East St B tel. See adv.

Crane, Marion teacher 419 S East St Craun, Francis (Rosanna) 3 ch ret 711 Michigan St.

Craun, flarry wks woolen mills O H&L Michigan St.

Craun, Ira (Temperance) 3 ch wks woolen mills O H&L 754 Michigan St. Crawford, M. D. (Belle) groeer O H&L 707 S Main St.

Creore, Mrs. A. O H&L 215 Brook St. Crocker, Frank (Jennie) 1 ch painter T 126 S Main St.

Crocker, Jesse (Mac) painter T 318 N East St.

Crocker, Maude O 11&b 120 Canal St B

Crocker, Ray W. (Zella) T 126 S

Main St. Culver, Donald clerk 619 S Main St.

Culver, Fred (Edith) grocer O 11&L 619 S Main St.

Custer, B. H. (Laura) gensing grower O H&L 106 King St B tel.

Custer, Henry (Ethel) clerk T 710 S Main St.

Custer, Jesse carpenter 106 King St. Darling, Hazel 2 ch 226 Dutton St.

Davidson, John (Annie) 4 ch supl woolen mills O 11&L 219 S East St.

Davidson, R. E. carpenter O 11&L Cor Brook & Frost Sts.

Davis, N. H. barber O 11&L 300 Cor State & East Sts.

Davis, W. B. (Leona) commercial traveler T 420 Plain St.

Dayton, R. P. (Mary) finner O 11&L 128 Canal St.

Do Bar, N. J. (Eliza J.) ret O H&L 106 N East St.

Decker, Irvin (Maggie) I ch laborer O H&L 609 Vaughn St.

Decker, Kenneth wks woolen mills 419 Minerva St.

Decker, Osear (Addie) auto livery O H&L 416 W Broad St.

Decker Otis (Virginia) wks woolen mills T 406 Brook St

Decker, Sylva T 419 Minerva St.

DE COURSEY, J. (Verna) marble & granite O H&L 230 E Knight St. See adv.

De Golia, F. H. (Mary) banker O H&L 609 S Main St B tel.

De Golia, Harry S. (Nellie) city clerk T S Main St.

Dewater, Ernest (Anna) I ch wks woolen mills T 215 Dutton St.

Dishrow, Peter 1 ch cement worker bds 730 Michigan St.

Disbrow, Phines (Mary J.) ret O 730 Michigan St.

Doak, A. J. (Blanch) I ch Inborer T 716 Vaughn St.

Doak, Dorris student 716 Vaugha St.

Dow, L. P. rel 106 Dexter Si. Downs, Wm. laborer T 325 Canal St.

Draftle, Chas. (Ada) wks woolen mills T 107 Tompkins St.

Dunbar, Carrie O H&L, 201 E South St. DUNHAM, JAMES S. (Lillian) 5 ch wagon mfr T 532 Canal St. See adv. Dunlap, Elizabeth O 11&L Michigan St. Dutton, Mrs. A. C. O H&L 209 S River

Dwight, Wm. (Mande) elerk T 117 Hall & Park Sts.

Eckard, Clare 2 ch farmer 5 N Last SI.

Eckard, Homer farmer 5 N East St. Eckard, Lewis (Carrie C.) farmer O

H&L 5 N East St. Eckard, Paul C. Inhorer 5 N East St B

del. Edington, Naomi O H&L 122 N River

St. B. tel. Egan, Blanch clerk 229 State St.

Egan, H. P. (Adeline) com traveler O 11&L, 220 State St.

Eldred, Charles meat market bds 212 Main St.

Eldred, John (Bess) 2 ch meat market T 227 Hamlin St B fel.

Ellison, Caroline O H&L 115 Center St. Ellsworth, Charity 432 Plain St.

Epley, Lottic 1001 Water St. Esler, Herbert (Lutie) I ch wks woolen

mills T 426 Lansing St. Evans, C. S. (Emma) rel farmer O H&L 309 Plain St.

Pabiano, George (Mary) 6 ch fruit dealer T 152 S Main St B tel.

Fairchild, J. D. ret O H&L 431 Canal SI.

Farrand, T. A. (Florence) 1 ch fruit farmer T 421 N East St.

Farrand, Warren (Vera) fruit & vegetables T 121 N East St.

Parkman, WY 82838

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16 Robert BILLINGSLEY B: ABT 1810 D: 8 Oliver R. BILLINGSLEY B: 17 Harriet M: 22 Nov 1879 4 Norbert Curtis BILLINGSLEY D: 28 Jan 1899 P: Vermontville, Eaton Co., MI B: 16 Jul 1885 D: 13 Sep 1888 18 P: Charlotte, Eaton Co., MI P: Charlotte, Eaton, MI M: 12 Jul 1905 В 9 Laura Loe FILLOON D: P: Linton, Emmons, ND D: 15 Apr 1960 19 P: Bonners Ferry, Boundary, ID cont. D: B: 2 Harold Curtis BILLINGSLEY P: D: B: 27 May 1910 20 P: Linton, Emmons, ND cont B M: 18 Sep 1942 10 Marion Francis COON D: P: Hardin, Big Horn, MT D 21 cont. B: M: 22 Feb 1883 5 Vera Elizabeth COON P: Arkansaw, Pepin, WI D: D: 13 Apr 1939 B 22 P: Miles City, Custer, MT P B; D: 25 Feb 1963 11 Abigail June MURRY P: Bonners Ferry, Boundary, ID D: 23 cont. B: D: 18 Oct 1920 Anita Louise BILLINGSLEY D: P: Linton, Emmons, ND B: 29 Dec 1949 24 P: Sheridan, Sheridan, WY B: M: 12 Stefano WILL D: P: D: B 25 P: P: Switzerland cont. B: M 6 Carlo WILL P: Switzerland D: D B: 12 Apr 1897 26 P: Monte Carasso, Switzerland P: Switzerland M: 16 Oct 1920 B: 13 Giovannina ROSSINI D P: Sementina, Switzerland D: 3 Jun 1985 B 27 P: Switzerland P: Buffalo, Johnson, WY D: B: 3 Alma Lucia WILL P: Switzerland D: B: 29 Dcc 1920 28 P: Monte Carasso, Switz cont B D: 1 Jan 1990 14 Carlo GUIDOTTI D: P: Buffalo, Johnson, Wy B: 29 P: Switzerland B: cont. M: 7 Luigina GUIDOTTI Р D: B: 10 Jun 1900 D: 30 P: Switzerland P: Sementina, Switzerland B D: 15 Feb 1990 15 Maria MELISSE D: P: Buffalo, Johnson, WY 31 P: Switzerland Prepared 25 Mar 1995 by B: D: P: Switzerland D: Anita Billingsley Box 96

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		16 John Thomas IRWIN	
	8 Lindsey Hamilton IRWIN	B: 19 Apr 1845 D: 20 Feb 1898	cont
	B: 27 Aug 1871 P: Almont, Lapcer Co., MI	17 Emma E. BAKER	
4 Ivory John IRWIN	M: 3 Nov 1891 P: Gaylord, Otsego Co., MI	B: 10 Aug 1848 D: 24 Oct 1924	cont.
B: 24 Jun 1903	D: 21 Apr 1926		~
P: Gaylord, Otsego Co., MI	P: Atlanta, Otsego Co., MI	18 William Allen DOANI	
M: 17 May 1924 P: Battle Creek, Calhoun Co., MI	9 Hettie Jane DOANE	B: 18 Apr 1854 D: 28 Jan 1896	cont
D: 28 Aug 1962 P: Battle Creek, Calhoun Co., MI	B: 8 May 1877 P: W. Windsor, Eaton Co., MI	19 Altha J. MOORE	
Donald J. IRWIN	D: 14 Aug 1961 P: Dowagiac, Cass Co., MI	B: 26 May 1857	cont.
: 8 Jun 1933	F. Dowagiac, Cass Co., Mi	D: 16 Oct 1883	
Battle Creek, Calhoun Co., MI		20 William James CULBI	
l: 16 Aug 1952 : Battle Creek, Calhoun Co., MI	10 George Wilbert CULBERT	B: 23 Dec 1835/1836 D: 25 Nov 1915	cont
:	B: 8 Aug 1877	21 Ann SIMPSON	
	P: Canada M: 26 Mar 1902	B: 25 May 1837	cont.
5 Mable Georgina CULBERT	P:	D: 5 Feb 1915	
B: 29 Mar 1904 P: Fairgrove, Tuscola Co., MI	D: 28 Aug 1959 P: Marengo Twp., Calhoun Co., MI	22 Daniel BLOOMFIELD	
D: 7 Jan 1986		B: ABT 1837	cont
P: Battle Creek, Calhoun Co., MI	11 Alice May BLOOMFIELD	D: 25 Aug 1888	
	B: 18 Jun 1883 P: Fairgrove, Tuscola Co., MI	23 Sarah Jane BOWES	
ichard Gary IRWIN	D: 28 Dec 1928 P: Battle Creek, Calhoun Co., MI	B: 7 Oct 1843 D: 3 Jan 1904	cont.
: 12 Mar 1953		24 Adam NULF	
Battle Creek, Calhoun Co., MI 5 Jun 1982		B: 22 Dec 1847	cont.
: Paw Paw, MI	12 Perry Adam NULF	D: 5 Apr 1933	
	B: 8 Oct 1867 P: Marion, Grant Co., IN	25 Sarah Ann MILLER	
	M: 25 May 1889	B: 27 Dec 1849	cont.
6 Albert Adam NULF	P: Bedford, Calhoun Co., MI	D: 9 Nov 1925	
B: 7 Feb 1898 P: Colon, St. Joseph Co., MI	D: 6 Apr 1958 P: Battle Creek, Calhoun Co., MI	26 George Washington Ci	LARK
M: 20 Dec 1919		B. 5 Sep 1844	cont.
P: Battle Creek, Calhoun Co., MI	13 Mary Anne CLARK	D: 13 Apr 1931	
D: 23 Jun 1979 P: Battle Creek, Calhoun Co., MI	B: 8 Jul 1867 P: Assyria Twp., Barry Co., MI	27 Sarah Mary GRAYBU	RN
	D: 27 Mar 1939	B: 21 Jan 1847	cont
JoAnn Gertrude NULF	P: Battle Creek, Calhoun Co., MI	D: 29 Sep 1941	
l: 15 Nov 1932 l: Battle Creek, Calhoun Co., MI		28 George J. BETZ	
);	14 George Andreas BETZ	B: 8 Apr 1830	cont
);	B: 15 Dec 1860	D: 14 Apr 1894	
	P: Adrian, Lenawee Co., MI	29 Elizabeth GRADWAH	
7 Mildred Anna BETZ	M: 31 Dec 1887 P: Palmyra, Lenawee Co., MI	B: 13 Nov 1837 D: 24 Jul 1922	cont
B: 24 Jul 1900	D: 14 Dec 1932 P: Kalamazoo, Kalamazoo Co., MI	30 George J. KAFER	
P: Adrian, Lenawee Co., MI D: 14 Jan 1988		B: 19 Jan 1831	cont.
P: Battle Creek, Calhoun Co., MI	15 Emma A. KAFER	D: 23 Aug 1908	
	B: 18 Feb 1869 P: Palmyra, Lenawee Co., MI	31 Fredericka FLUGEL	
repared 25 Mar 1995 by	D: 7 Aug 1930	B: 9 Oct 1837	cont.
oAnn G. Irwin	P: Battle Creek, Calhoun Co., MI	D: 13 Nov 1925	

BARNARD REUNION

Annual Event Held September 4th Near Bath

EIGHTY SEVEN DESCENDANTS WERE REPRESENTED

The annual reunion of the Barnard family was held at the farm home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Young. near Bath, Michigan, Sunday September 4, with an attendance of eighty-seven, which included the members and their families.

Tables were spread under trees on the lawn where a most bountiful repast was enjoyed. Following dinner, an impromptu program was given with Horace Barnard, of Ann Arbor, the oldest member present presiding

An interesting feature of the program was the reading of the Barnard genealogy by Mrs. Rose Barnard Krause, of Fowlerville which dated back to the year 1785, when James Barnard settled in the state of New York, the Michigan history of the family stating in 1831, when the descendants of James Barnard imigrated to this state. C. D. Austin of this city recited a poem and Earl Barnard, of Ann Arbor, gave a brief address relative to his branch of the family. Musical numbers consisting of vocal and violin selections were contributed by various members. Several of the little folks did fancy dancing. Little Rayola Young, of Bath. and Lucille and Charlotte King, of Leslie, recited. Upon request, Horace Bar-

nard, who is in his eightieth year, and has the distinction of having won the Washtenaw county championship in the old fiddler's contest, staged by Henry Ford a short time ago, borrowed a violin and gave several olden time selection and also sang a couple of songs. The youngest present were the five months old twin sons of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Young, Robert and Rodney. Officers were elected as follows: President, Jay B. Tooley. Howell: vice president, Mrs. E. Krause, Fowlerville; secretary, Miss Marjorie Lawson, Howell: and it was voted to hold the next reunion with Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Krause at Fowlerville. Among those from this county who attended were Mr. and Mrs. Jay Marr and daughter, Mary Lou: Jay Tooley, Miss Ollie Tooley, Mrs. Esther Woodworth and grandaughter, Esther Tupper; C. D. Austin; Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Lawson and daughter. Ruth: Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Lawson and daughter, Marjorie; Mr. and Mrs. George D. Barnard, Mr. and Mrs. Max Lawson and Miss Edith Lawson, of Howell: Mr. and Mrs. E. Krause and daughter, Arloa, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Barnard and son, Junior, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Eisele and family. Mrs. David Barnard and son Walter, of Fowlerville.

(Submitted by Sharlene Thuma, 1797 N. Royston Rd., Charlotte, MI 48813. Source: Livingston Republican, September 1927.)

Death of Mr. Joseph Barnard by the Indians, in 1695.

[Copy of a Letter from Col. John Pynchon of Springfield, Massachusetts, to Lieut. Gov. William Stoughton.]

Mr. S. G. Drake:- In my last edition of the "Redeemed Captive," page 117, I have given a short account of the death of Mr. Joseph Barnard, of Deerfield, who was slain by the Indians at the Bars. Recently, Mr. Barnard, of Northampton, called upon me and gave me a copy of the following letter from Col. Pynchon to Lieutenant Governor Stoughton, which gives a more detailed account of the affair. He obtained the paper from Sylvester Judd, Esq., of Northampton. I think it will be interesting to your readers.

STEPHEN W. WILLIAMS.

Laona, Winnebago County, Illinois; Late of Deerfield, Massachusetts. Dec. 18th, 1854.

Spring field, Sept. 13, 1695.

By my last you have had an account of about 8 Indians within a mile of the garrison at Deer field, lying in wait close by the road, hid and altogether unseen so that 5 men of Deer field, coming out in the morning on horses going to mill, and with bags under them, had 7 or 8 guns discharged upon them unexpectedly, and seeing nobody till the guns were shot of f, wherein Gracious Providence appeared, so that no more mischief [was done], for, except Joseph Barnard, who was shot down of f his horse and sorely wounded, not one more was hurt, whereas ours were surprised, and the Indians had time.

For that our men one of them, his horse starting, threw him and stunned him for the present, the rest were employed in getting up Joseph Barnard, and setting him upon his horse, so that the Indians had opportunity, and yet God suffered them not to be so hard y as to run upon our men (possibly because of ours kept calling, as they had more that remained behind would come up), whereas ours had opportunity to sit Joseph Barnard on his horse, with one to hold him on; the rest also mounted and rode to the garrison, when presently a shot was made on them, and killed the horse dead that Joseph Barnard sat on; yet then they mounted him on another horse, when another gun (tis supposed it was Joseph Barnard's own gun which the enemy had took up,) was discharged upon them, and this shot also lit upon Joseph Barnard again, notwithstanding all which, our men got of f and came all to the garrison, though since Joseph Barnard is dead, a humbling Providence, he being a very useful and helpful man in that place so much under discouragement, and will the more find and feel the loss of him.

We were not wanting in pursuing the enemy, Deer field men and a band of Northampton men that had been up the river, being just come in, went out a fter them immediately, about 30 or 40 men in all (besides that followed from Plat field and N. H.,) who soon took their track westward up Deer field river, and followed them though lost them a fter a while, yet were so intent upon it, that they found them again and pursued the enemy 7 or 8 miles, till they could no longer discover any tracks, and although they ranged up northward and westward and up the river to the place where Capt. Colton found and break 2 canoes, yet could they not discover the enemy who are skilful in hiding themselves in swamps and thickets. Possibly these Indians might draw of f wholly, but if they did others are about presently, and are now in these quarters, and Deer field people who (in a sense) are in the enemy's mouths almost, are so continually pecked at (although wonder fully preserved) being apprehensive of their danger and hazard, the number of soldiers there being few (24) to maintain so large a fortification, when some must necessarily be employed in guarding the inhabitants that are in the fields to work, and other upon scouts, &c., wherein some are always employed, &c., e.

(Submitted by Sharlene Thuma, 1797 N. Royston Rd., Charlotte, MI 48813. Source: New England Historical and Chronological Registry, vol 9, p. 156 & 157.)

Indiana Courthouse Fires

County Name	Year Org.	County Seat	General Information
Boone	1830	Lebanon	While the third courthouse was being built, the second having been demolished for its room, the temporary offices of the Recorder, Auditor and Treasurer were destroyed by fire on 12-OCT-1856, practically all their records lost.
Brown	1836	Nashville	Second courthouse destroyed; all records except some of the Clerk's files lost.
Clay	1825	Brazil (since 1877)	Second courthouse, in Bowling Green, burned 30-NOV-1851, all records except Recorder's lost.
Daviess	1817	Washington	Third courthouse constructed 1878, burned 1879; Marriage, Index to Probate Cases, Deed records not destroyed.
Dearborn	1803	Lawrenceburg	First courthouse built 1810, destroyed by fire 05-MAR-1826; most files lost, though some early Marriage Records and Will Records exist.
DeKalb	1837	Auburn	Fire 1913, Probate Records prior to 1860 appear to be worst loss.
Dubois	1830	Jasper	Courthouse and contents destroyed by fire 17-Aug-1839; however, the WPA Inventory (1930's) listed ten file boxes of deeds dating from 1812.
Franklin	1811	Brookville	Third courthouse burned 22-FEB-1852; no records lost.
Gibson	1813	Princeton	Early in 1935 a fire did some damage chiefly to the belfry of the courthouse; no records harmed.
Hancock	1828	Greenfield	A fire at the courthouse, 09-DEC-1940, did not damage records.
Henry	1822	New Castle	Second courthouse destroyed 13-FEB-1864, but offices of Clerk, Recorder, Auditor and Treasurer were in other buildings; so their records were saved.
Jackson	1816	Brownstown	The courthouse is reported to have had a fire (1872?1881?); no loss of records.
Jasper	1838	Rensselaer	Third courthouse damaged by fire in 1864; the Clerk's records were all lost; Deed and Deed Indexes escaped damage.
Johnson	1823	Franklin	Second courthouse completed 08-MAY-1832; destroyed by fire 18-MAY-1849; third courthouse burned 12-DEC-1874; Marriage Records, from 1830 are extant; the Complete Records of the Court are continuous from 1823; the Recorder's Entry Book dates from 1822, Deeds and Deed indexes from 1824.
		Vincennes	A destructive explosion and fire on 24-JAN-1814 caused the loss of many records; extant are Deeds from 1814, Marriage Records from 1807 (though Vol. 1825-28 was reported missing when the WPA made its Inventory), Marriage Certificates from 1807, Order Book from 1811 Minutes Book 1816-1818, Wills from 1806; Orphan's Court Minutes 1796-1805, Minutes of the Common Pleas Court 1790-1810, General indexes to administrations 1795-1886.
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County Name	Year Org.	County Seat	General Information
Madison	1823	Anderson	Third courthouse (second in Anderson) erected 1839, burned 10-DEC-1880, with the total destruction of Marriage, Circuit Court and Common Pleas Court records; not lost were Wills from 1879, Deeds from 1825 and General Index to Deeds from 1829.
Martin	1820	Shoals	The Courthouse completed 1871 was destroyed by fire 27-APR-1876, but records of genealogical interest were all saved.
Miami	1834	Peru	First courthouse completed early 1843, completely destroyed by fire 16-MAR-1843 with all its contents; Deed Records from 1828 exist.
Morgan	1822	Martinsville	Third courthouse completed 1859, burned 31-MAR-1876, with some destruction of records, but restoration was made of damaged materials in the Clerk's and Auditor's files; extant are Marriage and Deed Records from 1822, Probate Order Books 1822-1836.
Noble	1836	Albion	The first courthouse (in Augusta, the first county seat) was destroyed by fire in 1843; the damage not recorded; the county office building at Fort Mitchell (then the county seat) was burned 25-JAN-1859 and most of the Clerk's Records consumed; now existing are Marriage Records from 1859, Deeds and Deed Index from 1836.
Parke	1821	Rockville	First courthouse burned 01-OCT-1833; records now available are Marriage Records from 1829, Probate from 1833. Deed and Index to Deeds from 1833.
Porter	1836	Valparaiso	Third courthouse suffered damage to the building on 27-DEC-1934, but all records were saved.
Spencer	1818	Rockport	Second courthouse burned 03-SEP-1833, Marriage and Deed Records saved.
Sullivan	1817	Sullivan (since 1842)	1st courthouse in Sullivan built 1843 and county records moved from Merom; on 07-FEB-1850 fire destroyed building and contents, except Wills from 1841.
Tipton	1844	Tipton	First courthouse destroyed by fire 1857, but genealogically interesting documents saved.
Union	1821	Liberty	Second courthouse, built 1856, had slight fire, 02-FEB-1903, water damage only.
Vermillion	1824	Newport	Second courthouse, built 1831, partially destroyed by fire 29-JAN-1844; all records saved.
Wabash	1835	Wabash	1st courthouse, built 1839, was destroyed by fire in April 1870, offices of the Treasurer, Auditor, Recorder and Clerk were housed in other buildings nearby and escaped injury.

Greene County Chapter of the OGS Leaves of Greene...Nov, 1981



The Evolution of the "Delphian"

What's the "Delphian" you say? The dictionary says it is - Of or pertaining to the Sauphin of France, and to the edition of the Latin classics, prepared 'for the use of the dauphin', son of Louis XIV 1775. However, here in the City of Charlotte it is the Charlotte High School Year Book.

The first "Delphian" that the Eaton County Genealogical Society has is from the year 1896 and consists of 42 pages without the cover and measures 9 1/4 x7 inches. The cover is done with red ink. No where do I see a year printed. The pages are not numbered, and there are only 2 pages of photographs. The first page of photos are the schools: Fourth Ward; Third Ward; High School; Grammar School; Second Ward; and First The second page with a photograph is a picture of 13 boys and their Coach. Only the last names are the caption, and you must read the entire facing page before learning in the last paragraph anything further about the picture, which states: "We present here a cut of the '93 Foot Ball Team, the form of which may be judged from the fact that two of its members, Messrs. Cogsdill and Martin, were on the '94 Olivet eleven.

I did find that the Introduction sent a message that should stand today, if our youth of today have not all gone of the deep end, which sometimes I fear when I see them out in public. I find myself thinking that we were never so rude or loud or uncaring what our elders thought. Were we?

Anyway the introduction is as follows: "This little publication appears not to further science or present learned critiques on literature or art. It desires merely to perpetuate the memories of a

portion of a High School career that has been profitable and very pleasant. The time draws near when we as a school are to separate, some to return in another year, others to pass on into other callings. This indeed is ever the course with school life, and pleasant as are its years, they will live in after time only as they are indelibly stamped upon our memory by the incidents they contain. The sight of a face, the sound of a voice, the mention of a name often suggest more than is contained in volumes.

To perpetuate then the memories of our schoolmates, to preserve the little incidents characteristic of school life which in after years cannot fail to be a source of pleasure, and to show to the youth of the future who may look into the past and wonder if we in youth were the sedate people we expect to be in after life, - to show to him, that we thought, acted and were animated by feelings and motives akin to his own- to these objects we say, this little book owes it origin.

In conclusion we wish to thank all who have assisted us in any way, and especially Principal Mason, without whose aid and suggestions we would have been greatly handicapped. For those loyal business men whose aid was an absolute necessity, we can only wish long life and a prosperity fully commensurate with their business tact and generosity."

The Introduction was not signed, but if a student did write it, I wonder where their life to them. Wouldn't it be interesting to know? Maybe their are one of your kin.

The 1897 "Delphian" measures 8 $1/2 \times 7$, has a heavy brown cover and the art work is in black ink and now the year '97 is on

the cover. The pages still are not numbered, there are again 42 not counting the cover. There are no photographs, only artwork.

The "Introduction" this time states in part that they were flattered by the success of a previous effort, and again take pleasure in placing a memorial of another school year in their hands.

An "Editorial" reads: "As each repetition of a certain act tends to produce habit, so each reappearance of "The Delphian" tends to make it a High School fixture. To the Class of '96 belongs all honor as being the originators of the "The Delphian" and to the Class of '97 belongs honor for its perpetuation. And no future class we hope will be so short-sighted as to allow it to die. It is properly the organ of the High School pupils in which they may express their approbation disapprobation of various matters in which they are deeply interested, as well as recording various incidents that may happen during the school year. Long live "The Delphian." This editorial covers several subjects and ends with this: "While many other subjects occur to us about which we would be glad to express our opinion, yet lack of space forbids and we will close with a word of consolation to '96, viz.: Though "Delphian '97" far surpasses that of '96 in typographical workmanship and literary merit, be not downhearted. Remember that our opportunities were greater. You did well in making the beginning, to you belongs great praise. If we could not profit by both your merits and your faults, we would not indeed be worthy to follow you. all think of you with lenience for they bear in mind the old adage, "Never despise the day of small things."

What a pompous person who must have

written this editorial.

SENIORS '97

Anna Bates Claude Chappell Affa Cogsdill Georgia Day Ettie Dennie Floyd Griffin Edith Lennon Nellie Lennon R. Roy McPeek Florence Merrick Addie Mikesell Gertrude Mitchell LeGrand Morell Elfa Myers Clarence Pickell Georgia Reisdorph Jessie Sattler Max Shuler Dora Smith Rex Spafford

In 1898 the "Delphian" measures 6 3/4 x 10, again has a brown cover with black art work with a touch of red, contains 50 pages without the cover and includes one photograph, has an index, as well as a cover sheet. Which by the way tells us the Annual: was Ten cents per copy, and was published by The Junior Class, giving the Editors and Managers: Georgia Perry; Harrietta Haas; Hallie Hamilton; Nellie Bacon, Roy Barber.

Again the introduction expresses some of my sentiments of my school days. They again site the benefit and pleasure derived from the previous editions and state they erect another monument, which will serve as a milestone in the history of their school life, trusting that it may be received as kindly as previous efforts.

The school year of '96 and '97 is drawing

to a close, when another class will push out into the broader current of life. Soon we shall separate, some to return, some to seek a higher education and some to plunge immediately into life's battle, but all, we hope, striving to attain to a higher and nobler life. We trust that, in after years, as we are absorbed in various vocations, we will recall with pleasure our school days, and that these pages may serve to remind us of the many happy hours spent together.

This year the "Delphian" included autobiographies. These I'm sure were done with tongue in cheek. The one and only picture was again, you guessed it FOOTBALL. They now did not separate the two words. Again the only caption for the picture is the surnames of the individuals.

SENIOR '98

Bessie Barber
Chas. Bryan
May Croup
Frank Cushing
Harry Ells
Ama Gaylord
Claude Hildreth
Chas. Dean
Mueriel Merrick
Duray Munger
Elnora VanHorn
Howard Williams
Claude Appleton
Vern Barhyte
Everett Power

These editors of these first editions probably never dreamed how their work would live on, and be a source for future generations to learn about them and their lifetime.

If you have the time year books are a

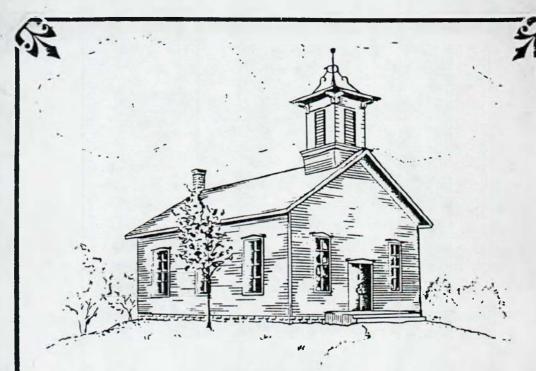
source that you should not pass up. They tell us a great deal about an earlier time.

The "Delphian" School Year Books are just some of the year books that the Eaton County Genealogical Society has on their book shelves.

There are a great source to find some of your ancestors pictures in the later editions.

If you know of anyone who has year books that they wish to find a good home for, where they will be cared for and used, remember us.





1873 In Delta Township 1983

DEDICATION OF THE DELTA CENTER METHODIST HISTORIC SITE MARKER

TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Sunday, May 20th 1984 12:30 PM

CELEBRATING THE
200th ANNIVERSARY OF METHODISM IN AMERICA



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DELTA CENTER

METHODIST CHURCH

(Side 1)

(Text of Marker)

In 1837 Methodists in Delta Township began meeting in a log school house. Served by circuit riders, they organized as a Methodist class in 1842 with two families. The class grew, and in 1865 the Reverend J. Gulic became its first appointed minister. On June 6, 1867, a Ladies Aid Society was formed to raise funds to build an adequate place of worship. The church, completed in 1873, was significantly enlarged in 1926 and 1954. During a special church conference in the summer of 1962, delegates from Delta Center and nearby Bethel and Millett voted to merge their three churches. The first meeting of the newly formed church was held at the Delta Center Methodist Church on June 24, 1962. The name Trinity Methodist Church was adopted on July 5, 1962.

(Side 2)
The original white frame church that stood just northwest of the present church was designed and built by Darius B. Moon, a native of Delta Township, in 1873. Members of the congregation donated labor and much of the building material. The 30' X 50' structure, which cost \$340, served area Methodists for 110 years. When completed, it was a crisp, clean, simple rectangular structure with a central entrance and rectangular windows. It was topped by a square, louvered belfry, with bracketed cornice and turned finial capping. The last regular worship service in the frame church was held on March 10, 1968. The congregation used the old church as a fellowship hall until it was razed on May 18, 1983.

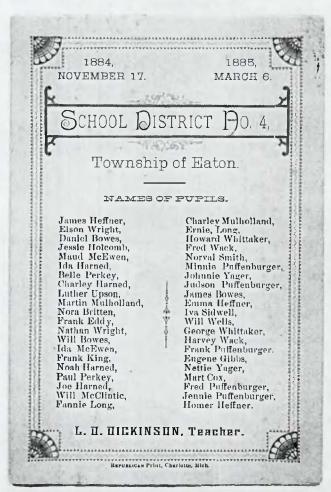
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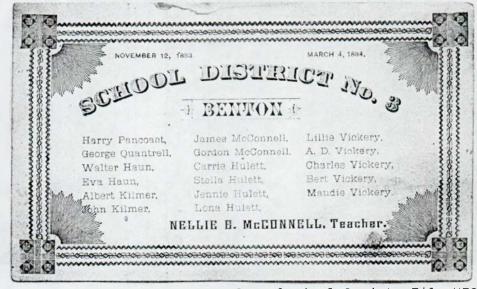
PROGRAM

INVOCATION	Rev. Larry Sachau
MASTER OF CEREMONIES	Albert Jochen
MUSIC - AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL	Trumpet Trio*
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE	
WELCOME	Elbert Kelsey
INTRODUCTIONS	Albert Jochen
RESPONSE	District Superintendent of the Lansing District
MARKER PRESENTATION	Robert Ford
UNVEILING OF MARKER	
ACCEPTANCE FOR CONGREGATION	Calvin Osterhaven
MUSIC - AMERICA	Trumpet Trio
BENEDICTION	Rev. John Bullock
SIGNING OF REGISTER	Crystal Williams

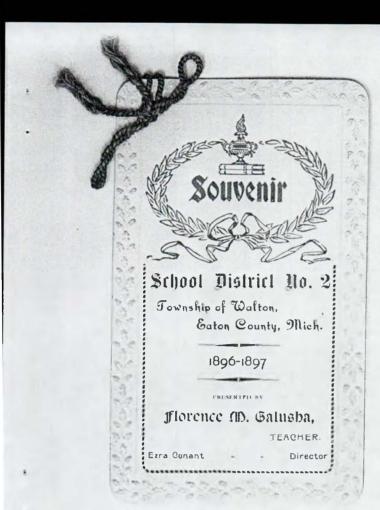
FELLOWSHIP GATHERING (Janice Land & UMW)

*Trumpet Trio: Mike Jesko, Dick Allen, Bob Parker





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By having your card on file, visitors researching your surname will be able to contact you, perhaps filling in some blanks you need and vice versa.

Queries

Queries are accepted free and will be published in each issue as space permits. If you have a query to submit, please type or print clearly and send it to: Barbara Green Puffenberger, P.O. Box 337, Charlotte, MI 48813-1223.

JOHNSON/NORRIS

Need information on the family and descendants of Robert and Mary (JOHNSON) NORRIS. Robert D. May 1884, Barry County, Ml. Children: Mary Ann m.

George Grayburn; Robert m. Elizabeth Innis; Betsey; William; Sarah Jane m. John T. Hinchman; John Johnson; John H. M. Samantha E. Fish; Tom J. M. Julia Holcomb, M. Mary Ellen Erb; Hannah Elizabeth. Contact: Jean M. White, P.O. Box 11348, Glendale, AZ 85318-1348. Jean M. White, P.O. Box 11348, Glendale, AZ 85318-1348.

CASIER/COZIER /CASIER

I am researching the CASIER/CAZIER family who lived in Eaton County, MI at one time. I would like to communicate with anyone who has information about this family or who wishes to exchange information. Richard

Casier/Cozier/Cazier b. 17 May 1840, South Bloomfield, Morrow Co., OH; d. 17 Jan 1916 Nashville, Barry Co., Ml.; m. 31 Dec 1859, Eaton County, Ml; p. Samuel Cazier/Nancy Mary Riley. Julia Ann RULISON b. 11 Dec 1836, Etna, Tompkins Co., NY; d. 22 Apr 1923, Nashville, Barry, Ml; p. Lawrence Rulison/Harriet Randall. Children were:

William Walter Cozier/Cazier; Adelbert Delbert Cozier/Cazier; Nettie Rille Cozier/Cazier; Perry H. Cazier; Martha Nettie Cazier; Elsie Cozier/Cazier; Carrie Mae Cazier; Harry Cazier; Myrtle Ann I. Cazier; Loretta Cazier. Carol M. Strank, 1514 Esther Street, Iowa City, IA 52240.

Campbell/Clark

Desire information on Wallace Campbell and Ohmer Campbell, sons of Robert and Mary (Lane) Campbell who moved from NY to Eaton County in 1930's. Robert and Mary had three

children: 1) Angeline (Campbell) Clark Jenkins (She has information on her, 2) Wallace, b. 1844 in Michigan, and 3) Ohmer, b. c 1846 in Michigan - all three were born in Olivet, Eaton County. The parents and Ageline's family moved to Nebraska about 1875, but Wallace moved to Caro and Tuscola, while Ohmer moved to Charlotte. Archibald Campbell (of Charlotte, MI) and Robert were brothers. Mary Schreck, 635 W. Davies Way, Littleton, CO 80120-4216.

McAllister

Attempting to determine the relationship between Levi and Eli Mcallister. Any and all information on Levi, Cynthia and Eli would be appreciated.

Levi Mcallister - born VT about 1897, Died 18 Sept 1885 Eaton Rapids, MI. buried Oakwood Cemetery.

Cynthia French McAllister, wife of Levi, born VT 1806, died 18 Nov 1872. Buried Oakwood Cemetery.

Eli (Elix) McAllister born NY, 27 April 1813. Died 17 Feb 1881. Buried Oakwood Cemetery. Same lot as Levi and Cynthia.

Bob Smith, 10622, 227th Ave. S.E., Monroe, WA 98272-9754.

Donald F. Dolsen of Bay County (MI) Genealogical Society/Bay County (MI) Historical Society writes;

In my search of Dolsen/Dolson names, I have been provided from a Canadian contact, the following information. Added to the record notes were pictures of the Dolson automobile built in Charlotte, 1905-07. The obituary of John L. dated 23 July 1925, and various family notes may be of interest to members of your Society. The added information can be provided if member interest desires

NOTES FOR JOHN L(ewis) DOLSON

Wife died 1924, buried Maple Hill Cemetery. Member, Meth. Epic Church. Surviving: sons David Elmore (Tom) Dolson, Charlotte, Ml, William Elton Dolson, Kendalville, IN, Grand children; Gerald and Dr. J. Lewis Dolson, Charlotte, Ml; Great Grand Children, David and Don Dolson, Charlotte and Don Sherman Dolson, Wisconsin.

Gerald Dolson (son of Tom) deceased prior to 1944. His wife obit: Leila F, Dolson, died 6 Dec 1944, age 62, Born 5 June 1882. Eaton Co., Ml. Her father, Walter Green, Mother Samantha Phelps. Leila buried Maple Hill Cemetery, Eaton Co., Ml

Ward & Dolson Co. manufactured buggies. J L established J L Dolson & Sons to build the Dolson motor car about 1904 thru 1907-8. 1908 company taken over by Duplex Truck Co. Later moved to Lansing, MI as Duplex Division of Warner Swasey Co. John L next raised peppermint successfully. E Elton Dolson moved to Grand Rapids, MI with Austin Co. David Elmore (Tom) went to Muncie, IN. Tom and Elton returned to Charlotte to sell ---(last page) Car Co. excerpts from "A Most Unique Machine" by Geo S. May.

The following Family Group information is from Penny Pollock, 1533 Rieblet Road, Muskegon, MI 49445.

Father: Michael Rager; born, abt 1809 in PA. Michael lived with his parents (Jacob and Mary Rager) in Jackson Twp., Cambria County PA. in 1830. I believe he moved on to OH or NY where he met his wife. Then they moved to Michigan, where they bought land in Carmel Twp., Eaton County, Mi in 1851. Michael had a relative living with him in 1860 named John Buyon Rager, and in 1880 Lemuiel and Mary E. Townsen (both born in 1849), also lived with Michael and his family in Carmel Twp, Eaton County, MI. Michael could not read or write. Michael was a farmer and a stone mason.

Spouse: Mary Rager Sr., born about 1814 in NY. Mary may have been related to an Elizebeth Dheury, b. 1817 in NY. Elizebeth lived with them in 1880 in Eaton County.

Child: Jacob a. Rager Sr., born Aug 1, 1835 in PA. Married Oct 8, 1855 in Eaton Co., Ml. Notes: Second wife/Mary.

In a book called "The History of Eaton County, MI" (by Durant) Jacob Rager was reported missing in action on July 3, 1863 at Gettysberg, PA in the Civil War.

He was in the 7th Calvary, Company K. He went on to have children after that. Anna Clarissa, Salinda, and Mary have all been listed as his wives in the census. All of his children have different mothers. I believe they lived in Chester Twp, Eaton Co., MI.

- 1) Salinda Rager, born Jan 1, 1838, (Not sure this correct could be a daughter-in-law.
- 2) Morris Rager, born Jan 1, 1838 in OH, day laborer.
- 3) Abner R. Rager, born Jun 1, 1846 in OH; married Sep 25 1866 in Walton, Eaton County Ml. Abner's family lived in Walton Twp., Eaton County, Ml in 1900.
- 4) Bartlet Rager, born Jan 1, 1854 in Eaton Co., MI
- 5) Samual P. Rager born Jan 1, 1856 in Eaton Co., Ml.

These are my relatives from Eaton County, MI. I also have their ancestors back to 1735 and all of their defendants. Please let me know if you can use more.

Penny Pollock

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Letter from the Editor

I am taking this opportunity to say hello to all of you, and hope that you will bear with me in my endeavor as editor to continue the job that Joyce Leipins did so well. My name is Barbara Green Puffenberger. I have one child, 3 step-children, and five grandchildren. I grew up in Clinton County, Michigan.

I have resided in Michigan, Ohio, Illinois, and North Dakota. Some great, great grandchild might someday try to piece together my life story, and I'm sure they would have a very difficult job.

My hobbies are gardening, oil painting, sewing, miniatures, and of course genealogy. Now if someone could only tell me how to make more time in each day, week, month and year, along with the energy needed, it would greatly be appreciated. There is never enough time to do research.

I wish to thank Drouscella Halsey, Nancy Jourden, and Sher Brown for their help and support in putting this issue together. Hopefully the "Quest" will remain something for you to look forward to. If any of you have something you would like to see included in the "Quest", or have an article you would like to submit, please do not hesitate to share your feelings and articles with us.

Sincerely,

Barbara Green Puffenberger

John Aca.

PS: We still need recipes for our cookbook. They need not be an old family recipe, but a favorite of yours. Won't you please help us out?

Also we plan on having a fund raiser this summer. Guess what! A flea market of sorts. If you have any items you wish to donate to the cause see Drouscella.