

# Chapter XI

## Early Pioneers



### PIONEERS WHO SETTLED IN OHIO

Most of the people who settled in Ohio were interested in acquiring property and building homes for their families.

In the study of the development of Oregon and Jerusalem we find that these people came from England, Germany and France; others who had settled in the eastern portion of United States pressed onward to the shores of Lake Erie and Maumee River by means of prairie schooners or boats.

Many were attracted by the possibility of securing cheap land from the state or the United States government.

The first settlers were interested in fishing and hunting. Many of these settled along the river and bay. Thus, our first pioneers established homes on the Maumee River and bay while those who came later moved eastward some distance from the water.

Every member of the family learned to do his share. Girls helped their mothers with the household tasks and boys learned to use the ax and rifle at a very early age.

Courage was a necessity. Mothers learned to bar their doors and defend their families when fathers were away hunting or buying supplies at their nearest settlement.

We owe much to the brave pioneers. They blazed a trail for us, laying a foundation upon which we could build and move forward.

At this time it is with pride that we record sketches of many of these families.

### AMES, THOMAS

Thomas Ames was born at Elmore, Ohio, on March 24, 1849. He attended a one room school which was equipped with the old-fashioned seats made of split logs with pegs for legs.

He came to Jerusalem Township in about 1890 and went into partnership with Theodore Perry operating a sawmill located on what is now Yondota Road. He was in need of money and sold the mill to Lyman Brough and Albert Fellers. He then worked in the sawmill.

Before coming to Jerusalem Township he owned a 40 acre farm near Frenchtown. He traded his farm for 20 acres on Yondota Road and built a house. Later he purchased eighty acres adjacent to his farm.

He married Melvina Kreger. They had eight sons and two daughters. The family included Ida Ames who married Carl Krueger, Rollie Ames who married Mattie Brough, Arthur Ames married Ida Busse, Reuben Ames married Elizabeth Shaneck, Burton Ames died at the age of nine years. Alexander Ames married Cecil Witty, Albert Ames married Loretta Witty, Vernon Ames married Martha Wilhelm, Lawrence Ames married Margaret Shaneck, Blanche Ames married Otto Turnow.

Mr. Ames was an outstanding citizen of Jerusalem Township. He took an active part in civic affairs. He served as trustee completing John St. John's term in 1893, and gave thirteen years of service as member of the Board of Education. He was ditch supervisor for a number of years.

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### ARQUETTE, STEPHEN

Stephen Arquette came from New York state in 1884. He settled in the vicinity of Bay Shore where a number of immigrants located in about 1830. He enlisted in the One Hundred Day Service in the Civil War and reenlisted in the 182nd OVI.

### BAILEY, LOREN

Loren Bailey was born in Lenawee County, Michigan in 1845. He was engaged in the lumber business. This took him to Greenville, Michigan but he returned to Ohio in 1875.

He met Frances Marietta Dean of Altaz, New York whom he married. Both he and his wife learned telegraphy and worked for the Wheeling and Lake Erie Railroad.

Mr. Bailey built a sawmill at Booth and later one on Brown Road near Cousino where he lived for some time. In 1887, he served as Justice of Peace in Oregon Township. In 1901, he was elected County Commissioner of Lucas County.

He was an industrious, conscientious citizen interested in the welfare of his community.

### BAKER, B. R.

B. R. Baker was the son of Peter and Gracia Baker who came from Germany and settled on a farm in Oregon Township. Bernard was born on this farm November 3, 1860.

As a boy Bernard lived and learned many useful lessons on the farm. He attended the district school in Oregon Township. Later he attended public school in Toledo. He was interested in business at an early age.

In 1886, he entered business with L. E. Flory, under the firm name of Flory and Baker. They established a store dealing in dry goods, furnishings and shoes. In 1892, he opened a store on Summit Street. He made a study of stores and developed one of the largest and finest stores for men and boys' apparel.

Mr. Baker was a highly successful business man. He was interested in any project that promoted the general welfare of the community.

### BEAUCHAINE, JOHN

John Beauchaine was born in Canada in 1832. When he was nineteen years of age he went to California during the Gold Rush. He returned to

Oregon Township in 1867 and bought 80 acres of timber land on the corner of Big Ditch and Jerusalem. At this time Jerusalem was a narrow trail. He returned forty acres to the owner, Cap Williams. He built a log cabin and began the work of clearing the land. Mr. and Mrs. Beauchine had one son, Frank, and four daughters.

*Frank Beauchine* was born in 1870. He married Margaret Walsh and they had two sons, Thomas and John. In 1939, John went west.

*Thomas Beauchine* lives on the old homestead. He married Addie Funk. They have two daughters, Mary and Martha, both graduates of Clay High School.

The daughters of John Beauchaine are: Della, born in 1872, married Paul Schmebelen. Eva was born in 1873. She married Edward Mooney. Rena was born in 1875. She married Fred Settlemyer. Julia was born in 1880. She married Frank Grosjean.

### BROWN, HIRAM

Hiram Brown was among the first six families who settled on the east side of the Maumee River in 1832. He was one of the first trustees of Oregon Township. His farm of one hundred sixty acres was located in what is now the sixth ward.

### BROWN, SYLVESTER

Sylvester Brown came to the east side with his parents in 1832. His early life was spent on his father's farm. During the winter months he attended the district school. He attended Perrysburg Academy for two terms. At the age of nineteen he was an apprentice at the Erie and Kalamazoo Railroad in Toledo. He remained with the railroad company until 1843. He then accepted a position as engineer in the Manhattan Sawmill. After a time he accepted a job as an engineer on a steamer. During the winter months he dealt in furs. Upon the death of his father in 1852, he returned to the farm where he remained until he joined the National Guard. Later he enlisted in Co. A. 130th OVI. He was a good citizen serving in various township offices.

### CHASE, DANIEL

Daniel Chase, a brother of Dr. Chase, came to the Maumee valley in 1834. He was a land speculator. In 1835, he purchased part of the In-

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dian Reservation of Chief Autokee. At one time he owned about 12,000 acres in the Maumee valley, most of which is now Toledo.

In 1846, he was wounded in the battle of Capultepec and received honorable mention in General Scott's report. He became a colonel in the general army under General Scott. During the Civil War he served on the staff of General McPherson as major. He was wounded at Vicksburg. In 1863, at the age of sixty-four he was placed on the retired list.

### CLAY, JEREMIAH

Jeremiah Clay with his wife, Sarah, came to Oregon Township from Stark County in 1851. He purchased a farm located between Corduroy and Seaman roads. He built a home and cleared the land. Mr. Clay became one of the leading members of the community. He served as director of his school district and helped to establish a church by donating property on which the first church was located.

Mr. and Mrs. Clay had three sons and four daughters. John Clay, the oldest son, was a carpenter. He built a number of the schoolhouses for the Oregon Township Board of Education. Later he went to the state of Oregon. Frank Clay went to Nebraska and bought a farm.

Charles Clay went west. He returned to his home and married Jennie Muir, a school teacher. He and his wife lived at Erie, Michigan. Charles died shortly after he married. His wife was ill for some time before her death.

Hattie Clay married James Edison. They lived in Cygnet, Ohio.

Sarah Clay married Adam Shelles. Anna Clay married John Rogers. Lucy Clay married George Wynn.

Carolyn Clay married Thomas McGuire. They lived in Jerusalem Township for some time, then moved to Oregon on Corduroy Road. Their children were Mary, Pearl, Clara, Albert and a daughter, Sarah, who died in her early teens. Mary McGuire married George Helwig. Pearl McGuire married Ed Bourdo. They had four sons, Robert, Delmont, Kenneth, Wesley, and two daughters, Helen and Beulah. Only two of this family live in Oregon, Robert who married Dorothy Coucher and Helen who married William Sallee.

Clara McGuire married Vincent Heintschel. She died when her daughter, Agnes, was born.

Albert McGuire married Elizabeth LaCourse. They had four daughters, Nora, Beatrice, Oneida, and Ruth. Only two of the family live in Oregon, Beatrice who married Harold Potter, a teacher of Clay High School faculty, and Ruth who married Francis O'Brien. Mrs. McGuire is living in Oregon near her daughter, Mrs. Potter.

### CONDON, PATRICK

Patrick Condon and his wife, Mary, came to Oregon Township from Ireland. The trip took six weeks. Mr. Condon purchased 70 acres of wooded land on the corner of Corduroy and Wynn roads. He built a log cabin and cleared the land.

They had four sons and a daughter. James and William Condon remained single.

Tom Condon went to Louisiana. He married and had two sons and two daughters. The daughters were Myrtle and Mary, the sons, James and Kearney.

Mike Condon married Regina Marlowe. Their children were Emma Condon, who married Walter Momenee; Henry Condon who married Mabel Geoffrion. They had two sons, Lyle who teaches agriculture at Metamora and Henry, a salesman for Bostwick and Braun.

Ellen Condon, the daughter of Patrick Condon, married Chris DeShetler. They had two sons, Bert and Peter and two daughters, Mary and Anna.

### CONSAUL, JOHN, JASON, LEWIS AND WILLIAM

The Consauls came to the east side in the early 1830's. They purchased farms and were interested and helpful in organizing Oregon Township.

John Consaul served as treasurer, trustee, and school director at various times. He was also a road viewer in 1847.

William Consaul was born in Oneida County, New York in 1819. He came to Oregon Township in 1837. He served as trustee from 1857 to 1859 and was elected again in 1870.

Jason and Lewis Consaul were respected citizens. There is no record of their having served in any official capacity. Lewis enlisted with the One Hundred Day Volunteers during the Civil War.

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### CRANE, GABRIEL

Gabriel Crane came to Oregon Township from Orange County, New York. He was prominent in township affairs. At the first election held in Oregon Township July 4, 1837, he was elected as one of the trustees. He served in this capacity for approximately twenty years. He also served as Justice of Peace for three years.

He married Mary Ann Whitmore. They had three sons.

### CULVER, HORACE

Horace Culver was born in 1836. His wife, Sarah, was born in 1849. They purchased a farm on Bay Shore Road where they lived the remainder of their lives. They had two sons, Eli and Walter, and two daughters, Jennie and Myrtle.

Horace served in the Civil War for four years. Eli became a prominent East Side business man, a dealer and distributor for Ford cars. Walter was employed by one of the oil refineries. Jennie and Myrtle were married and left the community.

### CULVER, NEWTON

Newton Culver was born in 1834. He served in the Civil War. After the war, he married Ruth Record. They purchased a small tract of land on Bay Shore Road where they lived. Later they purchased forty acres on Cedar Point Road. They had two children. Norman, the son, married Mary Schrag. He had a son, Elroy. This son is living in the old Momeneetown School which was converted into a duplex. Elroy's son, Robert is now a physician practicing in Oregon. Elroy's daughter, Roberta, married and is living in Toledo.

The daughter of Newton, Maude, married William Rumbaugh. They lived on Danforth Drive in Oregon some time before she died.

### DEWITT, NATHAN

Nathan DeWitt was born in 1845 and died in 1910. He served in Co. E, 3rd OVC and became a corporal.

He lived on Bay Shore Road in the community known as Jamestown. Mr. DeWitt married Rosanna M. DeBolt who moved to Momeneetown with her parents in 1852. They had three sons, William, George and Howard and a daughter, Ida.

### DOUGLAS, JOSEPH

Joseph Douglas and his wife, Marietta DeKay Douglas, built a home in Oregon Township in about 1870. This home was on a twenty acre farm on the northeast corner of Cedar Point and Wynn Road.

Mr. Douglas worked on the railroad for a number of years. In the latter part of his life he became an invalid.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas had a family of one son and two daughters.

Charles, the son, followed in the footsteps of his father and worked on the railroad. He married Norma Wynn of Oregon Township. Previous to her marriage she taught school and was active in community life.

Hattie Douglas taught school in Oregon Township and took care of her parents. After the death of her father she married Joseph Millier. They lived on the old homestead with Mrs. Douglas. Later they moved to the state of Washington taking her with them.

Josie Douglas, the youngest member of the family, became a teacher in the Oregon School System. After a number of years teaching she married Fred Ferch and moved to Seattle, Washington where she is still living.

### DUBOIS, JULIAN

Julian Dubois came from Belgium to America in 1856. He remained in Detroit one year, then moved to Oregon Township. He purchased a farm on Jerusalem Road where he continued to live the remainder of his life.

### EHR SAM

Mr. Ehrsam, father of Emil, came from Switzerland to America in 1872. They lived in Oregon Township for a few years, then his father decided to move to Kansas. Emil remained in Oregon instead of going with the family. Emil was just a young lad when his parents went to Kansas. He remained with Gilbert Ackerman working for his board. He also worked with Robert Schrag until he was old enough to obtain employment in one of the sawmills. In 1844, he married Pauline Smith and rented a farm on the Corduroy Road.

His wife's parents, Frank and Thelma Smith, lived on a farm located on Starr Avenue. Later they bought forty acres on Seaman Road. This was

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covered with dense forest which they cleared and developed into a fine farm.

In time Emil moved on this farm which he rented. In 1911, he purchased twenty acres from his wife's parents. They had twelve children.

Henry Ehram was a bachelor.

Elizabeth Ehram married Jacob Moritz.

Fred Ehram married Ida Kohn.

Frank Ehram married Armita Chesser.

Albert Ehram married Esther Carstensen.

Amelia Ehram married Ray Fangman. Mr. Fangman lives on Seaman Road. Both he and his wife work for the Oregon Board of Education. They have a son, Richard.

Matilda Ehram married Chester Fangman.

Walter Ehram married Ada Lehman.

Herman Ehram married Susan West.

Erwin Ehram married Freda Lehman.

Eleanor Ehram married Ralph Hoefflin. Their son is teaching at Clay High School.

Charles Ehram married Gladys Burgher. Charles owns a farm on Seaman Road. He is a good farmer and citizen. He is active in community affairs and uses his influence to promote projects for the betterment of Oregon. They have a son, William, who lives on his father's farm. William married Frances Zunk. They have two children attending Clay Elementary School.

### OTHER EARLY SETTLERS

#### ETEAU, FRANCIS

Francis Eteau came from Canada to Temperance, Michigan. He then moved to a twenty acre farm on Otter Creek in 1850.

His land was covered with dense forest which he cleared. Other men came to this territory to help clear the forest in this region. Mrs. Eteau cooked for the men.

She was one of the first women to own a loom and spent much time spinning cloth for others.

#### FASSETT, ELIAS

Elias Fassett was born in Cambridge, Massachusetts on January 17, 1827. He lived with his father, Dr. Fassett, on a farm in Oregon Township which now is part of the Sixth Ward in East Toledo. He attended the log schoolhouse in the neighborhood of his father's farm and later attended a Select School on LaGrange Street.

He remained on the farm until he was seventeen years of age when he became a clerk in the dry goods and general store in which one of his older brothers was a partner, the firm Raymond and Fassett. He worked here for three years, then returned to the farm. After his father's death he became clerk in the Toledo office of the Cleveland and Toledo Railroad. He then accepted a position in the office of the Wabash Railroad. He severed his connection with the railroad and returned to the farm. He had charge of the farm and also sold real estate.

He was married May 7, 1857 and was more interested in his home than in political life. He was a member of the Board of Equalization and was noted for his regard for right and justice.

Fassett Street was named after his father, Dr. John Fassett.

#### FASSETT, AI RANSOM, SR.

A. R. Fassett was born November 3, 1812 and lived in Wyoming County, New York. Mr. Fassett, his wife Betsy Crandall Fassett, born July 9, 1819, and children came to Oregon Township in 1851. He packed all his possessions in a covered wagon and drove his team of oxen to the undeveloped 80 acre farm which he bought from John Heffelbower. This farm was located on Corduroy Road. He was active in community life, helped to build the first log schoolhouse in the district and served as a school director for a number of years. He with his neighbors helped to clear the first cemetery in Oregon. It was owned by the First Congregational Church and later became the North Oregon Cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Fassett had three sons and three daughters.

Nathan Fassett served in the Civil War where he contracted a disease while in prison. He died shortly after he returned in 1865.

Ai Ransom Fassett, Jr., whose biography follows, was born January 28, 1847.

Elias S. Fassett was born August 19, 1854.

Laura Ann Fassett married Josiah DeBolt.

Elmira Fassett married John Hamlyn.

Mary Fassett married John Hamlin after the death of her sister, Elmira.

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### FASSETT, A. R., JR.

A. R. Fassett, Jr. was born January 28, 1847 in Wyoming County, New York. In 1851, he came to Oregon Township with his family in a covered wagon. He attended the first log schoolhouse built in the community and the United Brethern Church. He entered the Union Army when only seventeen years of age.

On his return from the service he served in various offices as clerk of the Board of Education and Township Trustees; member of the Board of Education; Ditch Supervisor; Justice of Peace; Attending Officer, and member of the Fair Board.

His interest extended to state and national affairs. He kept himself well informed by reading daily newspapers, magazines and taking an active part in meetings and organizations that promoted the improvement of the community, state and nation.

He married Marietta DeKay on March 4, 1875. They had six daughters; Pearl Harris; Ida Mehrten and her twin, Eva, who died at the age of two; Myrtle Fassett and Bessie Sanders, a second pair of twins, Josephine and one son, Ray R.

### FASSETT, ELIAS SALATHIEL

Elias S. Fassett was born in Oregon Township August 19, 1854. He attended DeBolt district school. He married Elizabeth French. Shortly after their daughter, Lillian, was born, Mrs. Fassett died. Elias lived with his parents. After a period of time he married Lottie Record, a school teacher. He continued to live with his parents and take care of the farm. His son, Herbert, was born September 30, 1883 and on September 13, 1885, a daughter, Terezza arrived. Both children were born in Oregon Township on the old homestead.

After a hail storm destroyed the crops, Mr. Fassett decided to go to work as a lineman. His work took him to Charleston, Missouri where he took his parents and family. Later the farm was sold to Fred Gentz.

### FASSETT, NATHAN

Nathan Fassett, a son of A. R. Fassett, was born in Wyoming County, New York. He came to Oregon Township with his parents. He enlisted in the 2nd Ohio Heavy Artillery. He was captured and placed in Andersonville prison. While in prison he became very ill. His father and brother went to

the prison and obtained his release. Shortly after he returned home he died and was buried in North Oregon Cemetery.

### FASSETT, HIRAM

Hiram Fassett, a brother of A. R. Fassett, Sr., came to Oregon Township in the 1850's. He purchased a farm from the government located on what is now Navarre Avenue.

He married Emily Wright. They had two sons, Hamilton and Harvey. Mr. Fassett died in 1863 and his wife and oldest son moved to South Dakota.

### FASSETT, HAMILTON

Hamilton was only fifteen when his father Hiram died. He remained in Oregon Township farming and doing carpenter work.

After his father's death, he enlisted in the army as a drummer boy. He served two years. He returned two years. He returned and continued to follow the carpenter trade. He became an expert cabinet maker taking orders for caskets. Later he operated a sawmill with the Warden Lumber Company. He became associated with the brick and tile business under the name of Johnson and Fassett. He sold his interest and moved to Findlay where he established a lumber company. After Hamilton's death his wife and sons continued to operate the business which is still owned by his son, Yale Fassett.

### FORD, DEMING E.

Deming E. Ford was born in Canadaigua, New York, on the 19th day of October, 1830. He came with his parents in 1852, and settled on Bay Shore Road which at that time was Manhattan Township. Later it was annexed to Oregon Township. In 1854, during the cholera epidemic Mr. Ford lost both of his parents and he was left to care for his younger brothers and sisters.

When the Fords first moved on their farm, it was covered with dense forest. The family spent many weary hours clearing the timber and converting the land into productive fields.

He married Maria Treat on the 12th of November, 1857.

Mr. Ford was a substantial farmer and business man. He and his wife were highly respected by all with whom they came in contact.

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### GARDNER, ROBERT, SR.

Robert Gardner came to America as a British soldier in the War of 1812. Shortly after he left the British army and joined the Americans in their struggle. For a number of years he lived in Wayne County, New York. In 1830, he came to Oregon Township. He bought some land, cleared a space in the woods, and built a log cabin. Here he reared his family. His wife, a native of New York state, died at the age of thirty-five. They had three children.

### GARDNER, NATHAN

Nathan Gardner, son of Robert, was born in Wolcott, Wayne County, New York, April 5, 1819. He was eleven years old when he came with his parents to Oregon Township. He attended the district school whenever the duties of the farm permitted. Surrounded by the forest he learned the arts of woodcraft and became a skillful hunter.

Most of his time was devoted to farming but at the age of nineteen he worked on a boat running from Toledo to Buffalo. He spent five seasons on the water. He bought forty acres of land at \$1.25 an acre. It was covered with timber which he cleared and developed into a productive farm. His first house was built of logs. Much of the time he was able to supply the family with deer and other wild game.

He took an active part in the community and served as supervisor, assessor and school director.

He married Sarah Rideout on February 2, 1851. She came from England. They had eight sons and two daughters. He served in the Civil War as a member of Co. A 130th OVI. His oldest son was Robert S. Gardner.

### ROBERT S. GARDNER

Robert S. Gardner was born in Oregon Township August 3, 1854 and received his education in the district school. He remained on the farm until he was twenty-two. He then took up the carpenter trade. He continued this vocation for thirty-one years.

He was elected as County Sheriff in November, 1914, and served for two years. He was reelected in 1916.

He was connected with the State Militia of

Ohio and was a member of Co. C 16th Infantry Ohio National Guards.

Other members of the family were:

Thaddens Gardner, a farmer in Oregon Township.

Issac N. Gardner, also a resident of Oregon Township.

Marie Catherine, who married George W. Oakwood and moved to Toledo

Wallace W. Gardner, who resided in Toledo

Grant G. Gardner, who went to Nevada as a miner

John Gardner, who became a carpenter

Addie Gardner, who married James E. Rabbit

Nathan J. Gardner, who was a mail carrier in Toledo

Malcolm M. Gardner, who was also in the mail service.

### HICKS, HENRY

Henry Hicks came to Oregon Township from Niagara County, New York in 1837. He bought large estate which he named Yondota.

He was interested in the village of Oregon and used his influence to have it named Yondota.

Mr. Hicks was active in civic affairs and served in every office in Oregon Township except clerk and constable.

### HINKLEY, HENRY

Henry Hinkley, a farmer, settled in the southeastern portion of Oregon Township in the early 1840's.

### HUNTLY, MILTON T. CAPT.

Captain Milton T. Huntly settled on the east side of the river in 1849. His life was connected with marine activities. In 1850, he built a trading schooner named the Jenny Lind and in 1864, another called William Hewitt.

He also built the following tugs: Isaac Newton, Andrew Davis, and the first steel tug, the Carrington. In 1881, he built the Coulton.

### KELLER, I. N.

Isaac N. Keller was born near Findlay, Ohio, July 11, 1842. He came to Oregon Township in 1874, and located on Bay Shore Road where he established the second greenhouse in Lucas County.

At the age of nineteen he was teaching school.

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In 1861, he left teaching school to enlist in the army. He joined Co. B of 21st OVI and his regiment was engaged in many campaigns. He was wounded in the Battle of Chickamauga and captured. Eight days later there was an exchange of prisoners and he returned to his regiment. In the Battle of Jonesboro he was severely wounded, which caused a loss of a leg. He remained in the hospital for six months recuperating, then was given an honorable discharge.

His business of growing vegetables under glass prospered but later he turned his attention to the culture of flowers and was known throughout the country as an expert horticulturist.

He married Althea Houck in 1870. They had three sons, Cleo D., Stanley, and Paul, and two daughters, Gail and Grace. Paul, the youngest, is married and lives in Toledo. The other members of the family are deceased.

### C. D. KELLER

C. D. passed away recently. He remained on Bay Shore and he and his brother, Stanley, carried on the work of their father for a number of years. Cleo enjoyed working among his flowers and in his garden. His hobby was photography. He left a record of the time each picture was taken. The author appreciated his cooperation. He had kept films of many interesting places such as Soncrant's Mill and Presque Isle as a summer resort. With his permission these films were developed for use in this story.

### MADDOCKS, ASA

Mr. Maddocks came to Toledo at the age of ten in 1831. In 1842, he went to Adrain where he established the Michigan Whig, which he published until 1844, when he settled in Oregon Township.

He worked on the Maumee Express in 1846. Later he was associated with the Toledo Gazette and Herald.

He became interested in the nursery business and devoted much of his time to this work. In 1848, he planted in southeast Toledo, (Oregon) the first nursery in northwestern Ohio. In 1858, a stock company was formed by Maddocks, Prentice and others. It was called the Great Western Nursery and covered 300 acres. In 1863, this company was dissolved and a new company known as

Great Western, Humboldt and Hickory Grove was formed. This new nursery contained six hundred acres.

### MAJO, HENRY CAPT.

Captain Henry Majo came to Toledo on the schooner Cleopatra in the summer of 1853 and he sailed from this port continuously until he made his permanent home on the east side of the river.

### McLEARY, EDWARD

Edward McLeary was born in Scotland. At the age of eleven he became an orphan. An uncle living in New York arranged to pay his passage to America. He lived with his uncle in New York. At the age of sixteen he worked on the Erie Canal. Later he came to Toledo. He met Mary Frances who came from France to Toledo with her parents.

They were married and had four sons, Edward, Henry, Hiram and Gus and a daughter, Frances.

### McLEARY, HIRAM S.

Of the family of Edward McLeary, Hiram was the only one who became a resident of Oregon Township. He was born in Toledo September 26, 1848. His father purchased one hundred sixty acres of land in Oregon Township located on Cedar Point and Wynn Road, eighty acres on the east side of Wynn Road and the other on the west side. This land was covered with dense forest.

Hiram met Helen Evelyn Russell who came with her parents from Hartland, Huron County, where she was born July 4, 1848. They were married June 8, 1870, and built a home on the east eighty acres in about 1884 where they lived the remainder of their lives.

Hiram was active in civic affairs. He served as Justice of Peace and a member of the Board of Education. Mr. and Mrs. McLeary had a family of seven sons and one daughter.

Hugh was born March 21, 1873, died July 18, 1874.

Another son was born December 29, 1878 and named Hugh. He died at the age of eleven.

John born August 12, 1876, Henry September 16, 1882, and Charles September 4, 1886, were bachelors. John and Charles remained at home working on the farm. Henry worked in Toledo.

Grace Ella, the only daughter, was born May 30, 1881. When an infant she fell from her high



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chair which impaired her mental and physical capacities.

Stephen McLeary was born October 7, 1874. He married Mildred Hoover. They had no children. Mrs. McLeary had a daughter Hildred by her first husband.

Stephen served as a trustee of Oregon Township for a number of years.

Edward McLeary was born March 22, 1871. He attended school and passed the state examination earning the right to practice law. He served as Justice of Peace of Oregon Township for forty years. He was honest, upright and conscientious as a lawyer.

He married Maude Jones. They had no family.

### METZGER, ANDREW SR.

Andrew Metzger came from Stark County in 1865. Previous to this he had visited Oregon Township and purchased land from the government located on the Brown Road at the corner of Coy Road. Before coming to Oregon Township he married Mary Plumey. Her parents came to Ohio from Paris, France.

Mr. Metzger cleared the land and built a home on Brown Road. They had a family of seven which included the following.

Louis Metzger married Julia Chappius. He opened a grocery store in East Toledo.

Julia Metzger married Leger Varange and lived on a farm near Millbury.

Victor Metzger married Mary Elliott and opened a store on Navarre Avenue.

Joseph Metzger married Kate Plumey and purchased a farm on Otter Creek. He developed a fine fruit farm.

Mary Metzger married Joe Woyane and lived in Toledo.

Frank Metzger married Gertrude Baker and built a home on the Brown Road.

Andrew Metzger, Jr. inherited forty acres on Pickle Road. Later he purchased more land on the south side of Pickle Road. He married Anna Elliott and built a frame house on his farm. At this time the land was covered with forest. The surrounding buildings were built of logs. The land was developed into a fine farm and Andrew lived to see many changes take place. His daughter, Etta, remained with him after her mother's death to make a home

for him. Later her brother's wife died and she made a home for her brother and his two children. She is active and energetic at the age of 83. She still drives her car about the city, does the shopping for the groceries and is interested in the changes and developments taking place in the city of Oregon. Her brother, Edward, at the age of 78 with his son Bernard are still farming the homestead of about one hundred acres.

### MOMANY, PETER

Peter Momany was born in Ottawa County March 12, 1827. He moved to Manhattan Township in 1836. He served in the 30th OVI. He was married twice. His first wife, Mary, was a daughter of John and Rachel Slaughterback. They had three sons: John A., Lewis H., and George W. and one daughter, Sarah J. Mrs. Momany died April 9, 1860.

Peter married Anna Ward and they had one daughter, Eliza A. Momany, John, one of the sons, lived on Bay Shore Road for a number of years. He married Sarah McGuire. They had eight children. Mary died at the age of about twenty, Anna married James Cassady, Walter remained single, Terrance died, Grace married Mr. Hummel, Margaret married Mr. Hoest, Susan Momany married Edward Momenee. They lived on Corduroy Road.

### MOMANY, LOUIS

Louis lived on the corner of Dupont and Bay Shore Road. He had a son, Dean and a daughter, Florence.

### MOMINEE, FRED

Fred Mominee was born in 1866 on a farm in Oregon Township. He worked on the farm with his father. He recalls helping cut and haul wood. They sold it on the market in Toledo and to the railroad companies for fuel.

He attended school at Eckville, a one room school at the corner of Corduroy and Norden Road. Later he attended school at Momeneetown. Much of the time was spent in working on the farm, hunting and fishing and helping cut wood which brought them some ready cash. This left little time for schooling. He recalled the teacher putting problems on the board for the class. He and other large boys read from a primer.

When the family needed meat, he went into

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the woods with his father to bring home one or more of their hogs. They were able to tell the animals that belonged to them by a particular mark which had been assigned to them. This mark was usually placed on one of the ears of the hog. After taking the animals home, they fed them corn for a few weeks to give the meat a better flavor and remove the taste of acorns on which the hogs had been feeding.

Sometimes he would go with his father hunting muskrats which they found in the ditches. A nest in which they found five or six muskrats was usually located under a bridge. They took the muskrats home. After skinning them the meat was used for food. The hides were stretched on sticks and hung up to dry after which they were sold to someone in the community who dealt in furs.

At the age of twenty-four Mr. Mominee married Pearl Vincent. He built a home on the old place where he continued farming, working in the woods and helping other farmers.

Mr. and Mrs. Mominee had a family of five boys and two girls.

Theodore married Laura Mason and lives on Corduroy Road. His father lives with him.

Sylvester married Gertrude Johnson. He lives at Williston.

Lucy died some years ago.

Edward married Celia Dusseau. Their home is on Stadium Road.

Jennie married Anthony Perfill. They live in Toledo.

Fred Married Loretta Momenee.

Richard married Elsie Cousino. Richard is deceased.

Mr. Mominee is a member of St. Ignatius Church. He is a good citizen, and is interested in community affairs. At this writing Mr. Mominee is 94 years of age.

### NAVARRE, ALEXIS

Alexis, a brother of Peter the Scout, fought in the war of 1812 and the Civil War. He was with Peter on many of his expeditions. The government recognized the fine work of Peter and his brothers and granted them 800 acres known as the Navarre tract. Alexis with his wife Mary Ann built a home on Otter Creek Road in 1830.

They had three sons, Exivia, David and Alexander and three daughters.

Elizabeth Navarre married Cad Williams. They had a home on Bay Shore Road.

Celia Navarre married Tom Dunn. They were residents of Oregon Township.

Sarah Navarre married Fred Miller and resided on Bay Shore all their lives.

The sons married and established homes on Bay Shore.

Exivia Navarre married Anna McCarty. They had two daughters, Jennie Navarre who is still living in Toledo and Gay Navarre who married Guy Houck. Mrs. Houck is in poor health and at present is in a rest home.

David Navarre married Evelyn Meister. They had two children, Alexis and Hattie.

Alexander Navarre enlisted in the Civil War in Co. F. 14th OVI in 1861. He was killed in action in 1862.

### NAVARRE— — BROTHERS OF PETER

The brothers, Francois, Robert, James, Antoine, Alexis and James, fought in the War of 1812. Robert, James, and Peter escaped in the Battle of the Raisin.

James Navarre died at Presque Isle in 1844.

Robert Navarre died in 1846 at Cedar Point.

Alexis Navarre, see biography on previous page.

Peter Navarre, see history under special report.

Francois Navarre was listed as a property owner in Oregon Township in 1875. He was active in the War of 1812.

Antoine Navarre enlisted in the 67th OVI. He was mustered out in December 1865.

### SONS OF PETER THE SCOUT

Daniel Navarre was born in 1835. He served in the Civil War in Co. G Regular U. S. Heavy Artillery. He was captured and placed in Libbey Prison. In 1865 he was transferred to the Veterans Reserve Corps.

After he returned he worked for Tom Wolfe who had a large home at the mouth of Ward's Canal. Mr. Wolfe was in the fishing business. Dan took care of the cattle which supplied the men with milk and butter. The children enjoyed following Dan to hear his tales of the war and enjoyed his singing.

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As Dan became older, he spent his time among relatives and friends working for his board and room.

Wilmot Ketcham in his poem *Christmas Time at the Point* gave a pen picture of Dan as a fine old man who enjoyed playing his violin, singing songs and telling war tales to the children.

On August 27, 1910 he entered the Ohio Soldiers and Sailors Home at Sandusky. He remained in the home until his death April 1, 1912. He was buried in the Home Cemetery Section 1 Grave No. 34.

Eli Navarre was born near Presque Isle in 1837. He enlisted in Co. A 25th OVI.

James Navarre was born in 1833. He enlisted in Battalion One, 2nd U.S.H.A. He lived in Oregon Township and served as one of the directors of Eckville School.

Lambert Navarre, born in 1843, enlisted in Battalion L, 2nd OHA. He married Angeline Navarre. They settled on a farm in Jerusalem Township. Their children were Abraham Navarre, Andrew Navarre, Charles Navarre, Addie Navarre, Josephine Navarre, Linden Navarre.

Peter Navarre, Jr., was born in 1831. He lived in the log cabin east of Momeneetown after 1871. It is assumed that the son built the cabin and his father, Peter the Scout, lived with him.

Benjamin Navarre was born in 1840.

Oliver Navarre's record was not in the census of 1850. Evidently Oliver was a child of Peter's first wife since Catherine Bordeau Navarre, his second wife, was not born until 1803 and Oliver was born in 1810. Oliver was present when the cabin was dedicated in memory of his father, Peter the Scout. He was born in 1810. He enlisted in the Civil War August 23, 1861. He was disabled and discharged in 1862. In 1870, he enlisted in the regular army, 7th U. S. Cavalry. Most of this service was in the Dakotas fighting the Indians. He remained in the service until 1895.

### COPY OF RECORD OF 1850 CENSUS

The following are facts copied from the 1850 Ohio Census of Oregon Township, Lucas County. Added to the census is the birthplace of each member of the family.

Peter Navarre, the Scout, 61 years old, farmer, born 1789

Catherine Bordeau Navarre, 47 years old, born 1803

Note: This is his second wife, facts verified by history.

Peter Navarre, Jr., male, 19, born 1831

James Navarre, male, 17, born 1833

Daniel Navarre, male, 15, born 1835

Eli Navarre, male, 13, born 1837

Benjamin Navarre, male, 10, born 1840

Zon Navarre, female, 8, born 1842

Lambert Navarre, male, 7, born 1843

Susan Navarre, female, 4, born 1846

### NAVARRE, ROBERT T., A RELATIVE OF PETER

Robert T. and his wife, Catherine Guyor Navarre came from St. Antoine, Michigan near Monroe in 1840. They had a family of seventeen children which included the following.

Robert C. Navarre who was born in Michigan on December 3, 1830. He enlisted in the 100th OVI in the Civil War. He was wounded twice. After being wounded the second time he was discharged because of disability. He married Lucinda Jane Ankeney and settled in Manhattan Township (later annexed to Oregon). He was a farmer and fur trader. He served as trustee for four years, clerk 2 years and constable 3 years. His daughter, Alice, was born October 8, 1861. She married Phillip Garrigan and they had a son Robert. Alice was a member of the first auxiliary of the G.A.R. Ladies.

Her father, Robert C., was employed as light-house keeper in 1868 and continued to serve in this capacity the remainder of his life.

Toussaint Navarre was born in 1843 in Michigan. He married Celestine Mominee and settled on a farm in Oregon Township on Corduroy Road. He had four daughters, Ellen, Evelyn, Emma and Hattie and two sons, Jesse and Richard.

Samuel Navarre was born June 9, 1833 in Michigan. He married Phillisa Navarre. He built a home on Corduroy Road. He had three sons, Samuel, Rudolph and James. Rudolph is living in the old homestead with his wife Addie Parker Navarre. Samuel's daughters Marietta married Ed French, Philomine married Frank Reich, Sarah Jane married Albert Ewing and Lucy married Jack Base.

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Joseph Navarre was born February 27, 1835. He married Briney Predum. They had two sons: Will who married Clara Soncrant and Joe married Emma Vermett. Their daughters, Rose married Oliver Gonia and Libby, Henry Witty.

Joe moved to Michigan where he lived for some time. He returned and settled on a farm on Jerusalem Road where he lived the remainder of his life.

Catherine Navarre was born September 27, 1836 in Michigan. She married George E. DeKay and settled on a farm in Oregon Township. They had five sons, George, John Ernest, Milton and Charles. All died in childhood. The daughters, Marietta married A. R. Fassett, Josephine entered the teaching profession, Catherine married George Danforth and had one son, Fred, who was in the regular army. Alice married L. E. Tillotson. The Tillotsons had two daughters, Mildred who married Otto Heninger, Josephine married George Chesher. The youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. DeKay, Belle, remained at home after her mother died. She managed the farm for a number of years. Later she and her father moved to Toledo.

Maria Navarre was born October 27, 1839. She married Robert Navarre, a nephew of Peter the Scout. They had twelve children, seven sons and five daughters: Robert, William, Andrew, Adam, Louis, Edward, Joseph, Julia, Ellen, Emma, Mary and Delia.

Their son, William was especially interested in Peter Navarre the Scout and was proud of his great grandfather, Robert, also a Scout. William married Rose Fanueff. William had two daughters, Celia and Rachel, and two sons, Howard and Lewellen.

James Navarre was born March 27, 1841. He died in childhood.

Angeline Navarre was born February 20, 1842. She died in childhood.

Mina Navarre was born in February 17, 1844. She married a man by the name of MacDonald.

Mary Navarre was born January 11, 1846. She married Fred Susor. They had five sons, Fred, Frank, Will, Milly, and Cyrile and four daughters: Mary married Peter Geoffrion, Hattie married Henry Weidner, Lynn married and moved to Michigan. The fourth daughter lived in Walbridge.

Susan Navarre was born January 3, 1848. She married a man by the name of Burgoyne. They had three children: Hattie, Clifford and George.

George Navarre was born March 25, 1849. He married Mary Momenee. They had three daughters: Edith married Richard Livingston, Gertrude married Mr. Terwillinger, and Mabel married Fred Bloom.

The sons of George are Elliot and Mark. Mark is single. Elliott married Iva Loomis. They had two sons, Elliott, Jr., and Melvin. Both are married and live in Oregon. Elliott, Sr., died recently.

Julia Navarre was born February 8, 1851. She was married three times. Her first husband was John Perry. They had a son, John and a daughter, Pearl. Her second husband was C. Snyder. The family included Hoy, Nan and Marcede. After Mr. Snyder's death she married Ed Fields. They had a son William who married Bessie Munday. The children of William were Aaron who was killed in an accident, Wesley and Harold. Harold lives on the old homestead and works for the Board of Education. Wesley is living in Pemberville.

Angeline Navarre, II was born February 27, 1853. She married Lambert Navarre, the Scout's son. They had two daughters, Addie and Josephine and three sons, Abraham, Charles, and Linden.

Richard Navarre was born March 2, 1855. He married Caroline Mominee. They purchased a place on Seaman Road. They had two daughters, Nora and Ethel and four sons, Alpha, James, Louis and William.

Peter Navarre was born March 28, 1851. He married Hattie Mominee. They had three sons, Ernest, Herman and Melvin, and one daughter, Mae.

Jane Navarre was born October 25, 1860. She married Lambert Navarre. They had two daughters, Alice who married Wallace Mominee and Lillian also a son, Arnold.

### NEWMAN, EDWARD

Edward Newman was among the early settlers on Bay Shore. He served in the army during the Civil War. He was a member of Co. A 111th Regi-

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ment. He had two sons, Ralph and Weary Newman.

*Ralph Newman* was a member of Co. C 1st Michigan Regiment. He was wounded twice.

### NEWMAN, W. A.

Mr. and Mrs. Newman lived on Bay Shore most of their lives. They had a store at the corner of Wynn and Bay Shore Roads. The hospitality extended to all, made this a meeting place which everyone enjoyed. Mr. and Mrs. Newman became Mom and Pop to everyone in the community. They had four sons and four daughters.

*Hattie Newman* married Gilbert Drewyor. She died in 1955.

*Edward Newman* married Maude Bullock. They had a daughter Eleanor who married Howard Swartz. Eleanor is teaching in the Oregon School System.

*Lawrence Newman* died in 1912 of pneumonia.

*Aaron Newman* married Gladys Munday. They have a son and daughter.

*Esther Newman* married Will Bullock. They are now living on Corduroy Road in Jerusalem Township.

*Zoa Newman* married George Allen.

*Belle Newman* married Irvin McCullough.

*Erban Newman* married and went to Michigan.

### NILES, FRANK B.

Frank B. Niles was born at Urbana, Ohio on November 22, 1866. He came from a long line of collegebred and professional men. Thus, he began life with superior advantages. He was graduated from Urbana University in June 1886 and became manager of the extensive farming lands owned by the family. He had a home on the Bay Shore Road where he lived while handling the property.

In 1897, he was elected a member of the State Legislature. He was also appointed by President Woodrow Wilson as Collector of Internal Revenue of the Tenth District of Ohio.

### NORTON, ERASTUS

Erastus Norton lived on Starr Avenue. He served four years in the Civil War and became a sergeant.

He worked as bridge tender on the Cherry Street Bridge for some time. He married Eliza

Young of East Toledo. In 1875, he purchased a farm on Seaman Road where he lived the remainder of his life. He served as a member of the Board of Education.

Mr. and Mrs. Norton had a son, Edward, who married Lula Long. Cora, the daughter of Erastus, married George Peach, Jr.

### PEACH, GEORGE SR.

George Peach, Sr. and his wife, Lucy, came to Oregon Township after the Civil War. They moved into the eastern portion of the township, now Jerusalem, where they opened a boarding house. Later they moved on Big Ditch Road where they bought a home. Mr. Peach served in the Civil War enlisting when he lived in Indiana.

Mr. and Mrs. Peach were active in church work. They helped in building the Bay Shore Church and later Clay Chapel at the corner of Seaman and Big Ditch. They had a family of four sons and two daughters.

*George Peach, Jr.*, a farmer, married Cora Norton. They purchased a farm on Jerusalem Road. George was a member of the Board of Education for several years. He was a reliable, upright citizen. He had two sons, Earl who went to California where he has a chicken ranch and Glenn who married Edna Miller took over the homestead. Glenn has two sons, Ronald and Jerry.

*Verna Peach* married Carl Joehlin, a farmer. They have a son, Norman. He is married and has two children. His work is of the research nature for the government. This is the type of work which requires the service of a person who is trustworthy and loyal.

*Tom Peach* married Ella Bourdo. They moved to New York State and lived on a farm. Both are deceased.

*Nathan Peach* was injured while working. This accident caused his death. Another son died at about the age of two.

*Lula Peach* married William Hagerman. They lived in the city. They had a daughter, Velma who married Jacob Baum. Mr. and Mrs. Baum's daughter, Lula, is a teacher. She married Elmer Rolfe. Mr. Baum's son, Robert, is married and lives in Toledo in the old homestead.

*Iola Peach* married Al Zeigler. They lived at

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Pemberville. Mr. Zeigler was killed at a railroad crossing. Mrs. Zeigler remained at the home for a number of years. She is now living with one of her daughters at Stony Ridge.

### PERRY, MOSES

Moses Perry was born in Canada and came to Jerusalem Township with his parents when he was only seven years old. His father bought 80 acres of land in 1863 at what is now the end of Brown Road for \$6.00 an acre. It was covered with dense forest and the land was swampy. Trails had to be cut through the forest to form a roadway. They had a low place on the farm which they called the deer hole as deer came to the hole for water.

In time roads were cut through the forest to Elmore and Toussaint.

Moses' father built a log house on the farm, cleared the land and developed part of the farm. In time Moses took over the farm. He married Cornelia Shovar from Monroe, Michigan. As priests came through the territory he opened his home to them and mass was frequently held.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Perry were Celia Perry who died in infancy. James Perry married Amelia Joehlin, Marrietta Perry married Will Bader, Virgie Perry married John Stang, Will Perry remained a bachelor, Henry Perry married Delia Navarre, Napoleon Perry married Louise Shinevar. He lived on Veler Road. After the death of his first wife he married Alice Rae. They had three children. Frank Perry married Elizabeth Rummery from Toussaint. George Perry died in infancy. Nelson Perry married Clara Lipke, Bert Perry married Pearl Dart.

Henry Perry was born on the old homestead May 13, 1871. He attended the little schoolhouse that was built on his father's farm. Later he attended the McNitt School named after McNitt who was director and clerk of the school. At this time the road that went by the schoolhouse was just a narrow trail.

Henry worked on his father's farm clearing it and helping haul the timber to the mill. He married at the age of 23 and lived on the old homestead.

The children are: Ellen Perry who married

Milton Siglow. They live at the corner of Veler and Lyons Road. Mr. Perry is living with his daughter Ellen and son-in-law. Margaret Perry married Art Tank. Eva Perry married T. Spangler. Dorothy Perry married Sandy Schmidt. Dorothy is teaching in the Jerusalem School which is now a part of the Oregon School System. Marian Perry is single and works in the National Bank in Toledo.

Henry served as a member of the school board for four terms. He was interested in schools and all activities that helped to improve the community. Mr. Perry is one of the old pioneers. He was ninety years of age in May 1961. He recalls many interesting things such as the Indian tribe coming from Crane Creek to Ward's Canal and the work he did with his team building the ditches on the Howard farm. It was so low and swampy that often a second team had to be used to pull the first team out of the low places into which they would sink. He also recalls Rose Gonia carrying the mail on horseback. Later Jeff Teff drove a team of bronchos to deliver mail.

As a small boy he remembers a grocery store near the McNitt School which was operated by Charles Shovar.

### PRENTICE, JOSEPH

Joseph Prentice came to Port Lawrence in 1817. He brought his family and household goods from Buffalo. In 1825, he purchased a tract of land in Oregon where he lived until his death in 1845.

### PRENTICE, FREDRICK

Fredrick, a son of Joseph, was born in 1822. His father died when he was thirteen and he had to assume the responsibility of the family. He was the first white child born in Toledo.

During his childhood an Indian nurse helped to take care of him. He soon learned to speak the Indian language more fluently than English. This knowledge made it possible for him to act as interpreter for the Indian agents and traders. This employment with money earned from hunting and fishing made it possible for him to support the family.

At the age of eighteen he supplied wood for steamboats and also sold his product on the market.

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Oregon Township at the Whig convention in 1840. Later when this party was discontinued he became a Republican. He was of the Spiritualist faith and published a number of articles on Spiritualism. He was an outstanding citizen and was noted for his uprightness and integrity.

His brother, Elizur Stevens, was the teacher of the first school in Oregon Township.

### TAYLOR, THADDEUS W. T.

Thaddeus W. T. Taylor came from Lorain County to Toledo in 1832. He moved to Oregon Township in 1860. He purchased land west of Otter Creek along Bay Shore. He was noted for his fine peaches and vineyards. He married Harriet Case. They had two sons, Victor H. and Joseph W. and one daughter, Agnes J.

### TAYLOR, WILLIAM

William Taylor came to Oregon Township in 1852. He purchased 80 acres of land at the corner of Navarre and Stadium from the government for \$50.00. He rode on horseback to Defiance to obtain his deed. In 1858, he bought another 80 acres adjacent to the first farm at the same price.

He married Margaret Bane and lived in a log house on the farm. His wife Margaret died and later he married her sister, Mary Ann Bane. They had one child, Eva Taylor.

### EVA TAYLOR

Eva Taylor was born in Huntsdale, Pennsylvania on November 22, 1870. She came with her parents to Toledo when she was two years old. Her mother was ill and knew she could not live. She made arrangements with Mr. Taylor for her daughter's adoption.

On June 24, 1875, adoption papers were signed and she became Eva Taylor and was taken to her new farm home on the corner of Big Ditch and Jerusalem Road. She inherited the farm and is still living on it at the age of 91. In August 1888, she married Henry Phillips. They built a home on the farm not far from the home of Mr. Taylor.

They had a family of four daughters and three sons.

Harry, the oldest son married Emma Moritz

and built a new home on the site of the old Taylor home.

Elmer married Lucille Davis. They live on the same site as that of his mother who is living with him.

Robert, the youngest son, married Marie Crandall. He built a home on the same farm just west of the old home.

Elsie, after a short illness, died in her early teens.

Florence died at the age of three.

Dora married and moved from Oregon. She is deceased.

### TENEYCK, JAMES V

James TenEyck V, the son of Cornelius and Hannah Mott TenEyck, was born in Perry, New York in 1843. The family came to Toledo in 1850 and settled on Bancroft Street. James served in Co. A O.N.G. during the Civil War.

After the war he married and lived on Bay Shore Road between Wynn and Stadium where he operated a stave mill. Later he moved to Holgate where he became an undertaker. He was known as a good preacher and filled the pulpit whenever called upon. He had two sons, Will H. and Eugene and a daughter, Almeda.

### TENEYCK, LOUIS

Louis TenEyck, the son of Cornelius and Hannah Mott TenEyck, came with his parents to Toledo in 1850. He enlisted in the 18th Infantry August 10, 1862. He fought in campaigns in Kentucky and Tennessee. He is also listed as being in Co. D 2nd Battalion V.S.I. He was wounded at Jonesboro, Georgia. He was mustered out at Lookout Mountain August 10, 1865.

In 1884, he purchased a farm on Bay Shore Road at Wynn where he lived until his death in 1937 at the age of ninety-two.

### TIERNEY, OWEN

Owen Tierney came from England and purchased seventy acres on the corner of Big Ditch and Seaman Road. Here he built a log cabin where he and his family lived. Mr. and Mrs. Tierney had three sons and three daughters.

James went to Chicago and Thomas went west. Peter remained in Oregon Township. Katie and

Sarah went to live with Patrick Condon's as their mother was ill and unable to take care of the family. Mary married Gilbert Bartley and died at an early age. The Bartleys had two children, Mary and Rudolph. Sarah married Austin Gibbons and Katie kept house for a priest in Toledo.

### TIERNEY, JOHN

John was born in England and came here with his parents. He remained at home with his father. After his father's death he inherited the land and lived with his family in the old log cabin for a number of years.

John did not have an opportunity to attend school. He learned to read and write studying at home. He read law books and acted as advisor to a number of people who were involved in lawsuits. He served as assessor in Oregon Township.

John married Mary Tigh who came from Canada. They had two daughters and a son. May, the oldest daughter, died in her early teens. Eva went to Toledo and worked for the telephone company. She married Emil Springer. She has a son who lives in Toledo. Edward, the only son of Mr. and Mrs. Tierney, was a bachelor. He lived at home for a number of years. Later he went to Toledo where he lived the remainder of his life.

### TREAT, GEORGE

George Treat came to Ohio and settled on the east side of Maumee in 1835. He purchased a farm on Wheeling Street on which one of the early schools was located. He served as Justice of Peace for many terms and was interested in the affairs of the township.

### WHITMORE, LUTHER

Luther Whitmore came with his family of six children from Worcester County, Massachusetts in 1825 and settled in Wood County. In 1829, he moved on the east bank of the Maumee River in Oregon Township. Luther was one of the overseers of the poor in 1838. The six children were: Leonard, Mary Ann, Luther, Betsey B. Walters, July Ann (so named for having been born on the 4th of July).

### WHITMORE, LEONARD

Leonard Whitmore the oldest member of the

family married Mary Jenson and established a home on a farm. He took an active part in the organization of Oregon Township and was elected to the office of township treasurer in 1837.

### WHITMORE, LUTHER JR.

Luther Whitmore, Jr. married Martha Trask and spent about seven years with John Hollester, Indian Agent at Perrysburg. He returned to Oregon where he established a home. He said at the time he worked with the Indian Agent that there were approximately 300 Indians to one white man.

### JULY ANN

July Ann married Sylvester Brown.

The Whitmores owned a large tract of land along the river, part of which is still owned by heirs of the family.

### WOODRUFF, ELIJAH J.

Elijah J. Woodruff built a home in Oregon Township in 1837. His occupation was that of a farmer and timber contractor.

Mr. Woodruff was interested in schools and used his influence in urging the people to support education. He served as an assessor and was elected to various township offices.

### WIEMEYER, JOHN H. SR.

John H. Wiemeyer, Sr. was born December 15, 1862 in Toledo, the youngest of four children, Frank, Sophia and Julia. When he was eight days old, his father died. Later his mother married Henry Kolkemeyer of Gibsonburg where the family moved.

At the age of nineteen John came to Oregon Township to live with his uncle, John Winker, on his farm. At his uncle's death he inherited the farm where he lived until his death October 3, 1950.

Mr. Wiemeyer married Anna Helmke of Oregon Township. They had a family of three sons and six daughters. John Jr. married Ruth Diekman. Henry married Mildred Sliker; their daughter, Anna, married James Wheeler. William, the youngest son, remained with his father on the farm. When he married Hilda Miller he built a house on the farm near the old homestead. William has two daughters: Constance married Dale Larson and Janet, Carl Morrison.



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Helen married Clarence Schlievert. They have three daughters and a son.

Dora married Ralph Johns.

Clara remained at home keeping the homes fires burning for her sisters. A few years ago she passed away leaving a vacancy no one has been able to fill. Gertrude and Elma are secretaries in the Oregon School System. Both are very efficient.

Elma has been secretary to the executive heads of the system since 1935. She is industrious, loyal and conscientious. Each superintendent has appreciated her fine work and help in time of need.

Laura was stricken with an incurable disease at an early age. She has been bedfast for twenty-four years. In spite of this affliction she is an inspiration to each member of the family. They often spend time around her bedside to discuss their problems and her suggestions are always helpful. She is not only an inspiration to her family but to relatives and her many friends as they observe the patience and fortitude she exhibits in meeting her own problems.

### WYNN, THOMAS

Thomas Wynn was born in Chester County, Pennsylvania. He married Nancy Cummins from Crawford County. He bought 160 acres on Wynn Road.

He built a log cabin in which he lived for several years. He donated an acre of land on Wynn Road to be used for a school building and one fourth acre on the Bay Shore Road for a church.

The families who settled in the Bay Shore district hauled their water from the bay. They used barrels placed on a mud boat. They also hunted for turtle eggs which helped to provide the family with food.

### WYNN, SAM

Sam Wynn was another member of the family who purchased a farm on what is now Dupont Road. Gladys Felebaum Packer was his granddaughter. She taught English at Clay High School.

### WYNN, SMITH EWART

Smith Ewart Wynn was born in Chester County Pennsylvania in 1833. He came from Craw-

ford County, Ohio to Manhattan Township where he purchased 160 acres of land on what is now the Wynn Road. He was a good citizen and interested in helping to improve the community.

### WYNN, JONATHAN

Jonathan was born in Chester County, Pennsylvania on April 28, 1817. He moved with his parents to Crawford County, Ohio in October 1834.

In 1853, he bought 160 acres of densely wooded territory off what is now Bay Shore Road. He married Eliza Cummins of Crawford County, Pennsylvania. He spent some of his time surveying. Mr. Wynn served as Justice of Peace in Manhattan Township. Later he was elected County Recorder.

Many people came to his home for legal advice. On Sundays people gathered at his home to hear the news and to have legal papers signed and filed.

One of his daughters, Mary Wynn, married John Eteau. Their daughter, Edna Eteau Nofzinger, taught in the Oregon Township Schools. She also served as one of the school librarians.

## FROM GERMANY TO AMERICA

### ABT, JOHN

John Abt came from Baden, Germany in about 1880. His fiancée, Cecelia Sauter, made the trip at the same time. After arriving in Toledo they were married.

They moved into a small house on John Kohne's farm where Mr. Abt worked. Later he rented the Hecklinger farm where he remained as a tenant for a few years. He then moved to the Simon's farm on Big Ditch Road where he lived for about twenty years. The last farm he rented was on the Norden Road.

The children were: Kate Abt, who married Herman Jacobs; Lena Abt married Adolph Mominee; Joseph Abt married Stella Young; Mary Abt married Ezra DeCant; Charles Abt married Harriet Weber; Carrie Abt married Ray Fassett; Fred Abt married Edna Schardt.

Three members of the family live in Oregon: Mary and Fred who have no children and Carrie who lives on Seaman Road. She has two daughters and two sons. The oldest daughter, Ruth, married

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Earl Cousino. They have a family of two daughters, Barbara and Sally and three sons, Paul, Daniel and Charles. Rita, the second daughter, married Dale Miller. They have a son, Michael. Raymond and Roy live with their parents and work at the Sun Oil Company.

### ACKERMAN, CHRISTOPHER

Christopher Ackerman was born in Germany where he remained until after he married Rebecca Wagner. They came to America and settled on a farm on Wheeling Street known as Treat's Hill. Later he bought forty acres on the corner of Coy and Corduroy Road. He served in the Civil War on Johnson's Island as a guard in the 130th OVI.

He had seven children as follows: Christopher Ackerman, Jr. married Margaret Mosher; Fredricka Ackerman married Melchoir Tisher; Gilbert Ackerman married Louise Moll; Kate Ackerman married Henry Villhauer, Sr.; Louis Ackerman married Sophia Kohne; Louise Ackerman married Henry Schumaker; Mary Ackerman married Henry Norden; Pauline Ackerman married Christ Reiner.

Of the above named children Christopher, Jr., Gilbert, Louise and Mary Ackerman Norden lived on farms in Oregon Township. Kate Ackerman Villhauer moved from Toledo to Oregon Township on a farm when Mr. Villhauer retired from business.

Christopher Ackerman, Jr. married Margaret Mosher in 1890. He remained on the farm at the corner of Coy and Corduroy. Mr. Ackerman was a successful farmer. He was interested in schools and served on the school board for many years. He was an industrious, successful farmer, a good citizen and an efficient board member. One of his sons, Carl, followed in his father's footsteps serving as a member of the board for a number of years. His grandson, George, Jr., is now president of the school board.

Mr. and Mrs. Ackerman had eight children: Carl Ackerman married Lucy Diekman. He was elected as member of the Board of Education in 1940 and continued to serve until 1953. Christopher I died in infancy. Carrie Ackerman married Henry Cook. Her second husband was Fred Cook. Gertrude died. Laura died in infancy. George (deceased) married Elsie Koeb. Ruth married Albert

Hecklinger. Christopher II married Madeline Bruggeman.

### BAKER, DANIEL

Daniel Baker came from Germany to Oregon Township and bought a farm where he lived the remainder of his life.

### BARTLEY, GEBARD

Gebard Bartley came from Baden, Germany February 18, 1814. He purchased a farm in Oregon Township on Corduroy Road. He enlisted in the 130th National Guard to perform picket and garrison duty. Later he reenlisted in Co. B 180th OVI and served as corporal.

He had five sons among whom were John, Joseph, and R. A. Bartley, who lived in Toledo. A biography of R. A. Bartley is given under Special Biographies.

### BARTLEY, F. L.

F. L. Bartley was born blind. He lived in Oregon during his life time. His brother, R. A., supported him. At one time he lived in a small house on Corduroy Road. A woman and her son lived with him. He practiced as a veterinarian for sometime. Later arrangements were made for him to live in the home of Mrs. Flint. She took care of him until his death.

With the aid of his cane he traveled around the country. He had many friends and everyone was interested in his safety as he went from place to place.

### BARTLEY, G. C.

G. C. Bartley remained on the old homestead and continued farming. He was active in the community and served as school director. He was an active member of St. Ignatius Church.

### BERGER, JACOB

Jacob Berger was born in Baden, Germany on November 16, 1851. He came to this country in 1878 and settled on York Street. He met Katherine Joehlin in Germany. She came to Oregon with her family in 1877. Mr. and Mrs. Berger were married in 1878. They bought a farm on Cedar Point Road where they settled in 1892. They had five girls and three boys.

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Katier Berger married Mr. Siewert. One of their sons, Arnold, lived in Oregon for a number of years.

Louise Berger married Mr. Hovis. They purchased a farm in Canada where they are now living.

Lena Berger married William Gipe. They live in Toledo. Recently her husband died.

Amelia Berger married a Mr. Keller. They live in Toledo. They had twin boys.

Frieda Berger married John Wells. They lived on a farm on Cedar Point Road. Both died. They had two daughters and a son.

Della Wells married Durward Huss. Nellie Wells married LeRoy Carter. Dorman Wells married Chloe Ames. Della and Nellie are living on the old homestead.

Stephen Berger married Florence Magsig. They live on a farm in Jerusalem Township. They had two sons and a daughter. Kenneth Berger married Frances Beltz. They live on the old homestead on Cedar Point Road. Walter Berger married Dorothea Long. He owns and operates a large farm on the Cousino Road in Jerusalem Township. Esther Berger remained at home for several years. She married Arthur Magsig of DeWitt, Michigan. They are now living on a farm in Michigan.

Karl Berger married Flora Hosley. He owns and operates a large farm in Jerusalem Township. They have one son and three daughters. Martin Berger, the youngest member of the family married Frances Matthews. They adopted a boy named Edward. Both Martin and his wife are deceased. Edward married Audrey Fangman. They live on Corduroy Road in Oregon. They have six children.

### BURY, GEORGE

George Bury came from Germany in 1844 and remained in New York three years. In 1847, he came to Oregon Township where he purchased a farm. He served as director of Heckman School.

### BERGER, RHINEHARDT

Rhinehardt Berger came from Baden, Germany with his parents at the age of three. The family built a home at the corner of Dover and Starr. In time Mr. Berger built and operated a cider mill. This was one of the first cider mills in the territory and served the community for a number of years.

Mr. and Mrs. Berger had two daughters, Mary who married William Lay, a baker in Toledo and Katie married Gus Eberlin who owned a meat shop on Main Street. The sons were Fred who remained at home, George married Florence Spilker and lived on a farm at the corner of Big Ditch and Pickle, Henry remained at home and William settled on a farm located on Pickle Road.

William Berger married Lena Helmke. Mrs. Berger said her husband had ten dollars and a team of horses when they began their life as farmers on Pickle Road. Her folks gave her a cow and 24 chickens. However, by careful planning and a great deal of hard work they were successful in enlarging their farm and rearing a fine family.

Mr. and Mrs. Berger have two daughters. Helen married Harvey Base now deceased. She is working at Libbey Owens. Ethel married Vernon Emch. Ethel lives near her mother on Pickle. Her father, William, died recently at the age of 81 years.

The sons are Harold who lives on Pickle Road. He married Ruth Shultz. Harold works at the Sun Oil. Ervin married Gertrude Eckerman. They live on Stadium Road and Ervin is employed by the Sun Oil Company. William, Jr. is employed at the Auto Lite. He married Virginia Holt and their home is on Pickle Road. Arnold has a home on the corner of Stadium and Pickle. He works for Libbey Owens. He married Dorothy Huebscher. One son, Howard who married Esther Kuhn, lives at Amherst. Mrs. Berger lives in the old homestead alone but prefers to remain in the old home which she and her husband built together over a period of 58 years.

### CLAUSING, J. F.

J. F. Clausing came from Germany in 1841 and settled in Oregon Township where he purchased a farm.

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### COOK (Koch) HENRY

Henry Cook came from Germany in 1854 and lived on Huron Street in Toledo for some time. Later he purchased a farm in Oregon Township where the Lutheran Orphans' Home is now located.

### COOK (Koch) CHARLES

Charles (Koch) Cook lived with his father Henry on the farm. Later he bought a farm on Otter Creek Road. He married Mary Kohne. They had five children who died during the diphtheria epidemic. Later two sons were born, Henry and Fred. Henry married Carrie Ackerman. After Henry's death his brother Fred married Carrie. They are now living on Euclid Avenue in Toledo and Mrs. Ackerman, widow of Christopher, is living in the home with them.

The Cooks, (Kochs) sold the farm on Otter Creek Road to the Standard Oil Company.

The younger generation changed the spelling of their name from Koch to Cook.

### DICKMAN, WILLIAM

William Dickman, a farmer, came from Germany to Oregon Township in 1847.

### HASSENZAHN, WENDELL

Wendell Hassenzahl, a farmer, came from Germany to Oregon Township in 1857.

### HELMKE, HENRY

Henry Helmke was born in Hannover, Germany in 1847. Dorothy Kruse, the girl he married, was born in the same place in 1845.

He and his wife came to America on a small boat which took sixteen weeks. They could not speak English and through some misunderstanding were taken by train to Toledo instead of Amherst where they had relatives. Upon arrival they went to the market and there met Peter Heider who could speak German. He persuaded them to come to his home to work for him. Since Mr. Helmke had just three dollars he decided to accept. However, he purchased an ax for \$3.00 since he would need it in cutting timber. They remained with Mr. Heider for a short time, then moved to the corner of Lallendorf and Pickle. Later they moved on a farm which is now Collins Park. In time they bought a farm on Pickle Road from Andrew Metz-

ger. They moved into their new home but part of their household supplies were late in arriving. Mrs. Helmke needed cups to serve coffee. She sent her daughter Lena to ask Mrs. Metzger if they could borrow some cups. Lena, now Mrs. Berger, could not speak English. All the way over to Mrs. Metzger's home Lena kept saying cups — cups, but when she arrived she was so timid and scared she forgot what she wanted. Mrs. Metzger was sympathetic and understanding so she took Lena into the pantry. This made it possible for her to point to the cups. Thus, in spite of a language handicap she was given the cups and sent home very happy. Later these neighbors enjoyed telling what a difficult time Lena had during the first visit at the Metzgers.

Another interesting fact that Lena told was how her mother walked to the Smithlin home every day to milk three cows for which she was given enough milk for her family.

Mr. and Mrs. Helmke had four daughters and three sons. Dora married William Baden. After his death she married Charles Schrader. Anna married John Wiemeyer; Lizzie married Charles Faxon and Lena married William Berger. All but Lizzie were residents of Oregon Township. Henry married Louise Yohnke. Fred married Katherine Hagedorn. William married Louise Renfer. He was killed while using dynamite to blow out stumps. Of the sons, Henry, Jr. was active in community affairs. His children attended school in Oregon Township.

### HEIDER, PETER

Peter Heider came to Oregon Township in 1847. He was a farmer.

### HORNSTEIN, VALENTINE

Valentine Horstein came to Oregon Township in 1866 from Germany.

### KLOTZ, JOHN

John Klotz came from Germany to Oregon in 1852 as a farmer.

### KOCH, JOHN FREDRICH

John Koch came from Germany in about 1856. He purchased twenty acres on the corner of Cedar Point and York. He married a widow Mrs. Schmidt who came from Germany at about the time Mr.

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Koch arrived. She had a son, John. Mr. Koch married Mrs. Schmidt and adopted the boy naming him John Fredrich Koch.

John Fredrich Koch lived with his mother and new father on the farm. He appreciated his home and was accepted by Mr. Koch as his own son. He inherited the twenty acres. He married and remained on the old homestead. He had six boys: John, Fred, George, Gilbert, Andrew and Carl and four girls, Bertha who lives with her sister Amelia. Amelia married Louis Clausing, Louise married Fred Clausing, and Mary married Richard Onenga.

Mr. Koch served in Co. A 182nd OVI during the Civil War.

### KOEHNE, DIEDRICH

Diedrich Koehne, a farmer, came to Oregon in 1852.

### KOEHNE, HENRY

Henry Koehne, a farmer, came to Oregon in 1867.

### KOEHNE, SOPHIA

Sophia Koehne came from Germany to Oregon in 1857.

### MIERS, JOHN

John Miers, a farmer, came from Germany to Oregon in 1852.

### MILLER, BEN

Ben Miller arrived from Germany in 1852.

### MORITZ, JACOB

Jacob and Anna Moritz came to America from Baden, Germany in 1854. Mr. Moritz bought ten acres of land on Jerusalem Road. This site is now occupied by Food Town.

They had four children: Henry, Jacob Martin, Kate and Lena. Kate married Celestian Gladieux, Lena married Frank Gladieux, Henry died.

### MORITZ, MARTIN JACOB

Jacob Martin Moritz was born in Germany on December 22, 1848. He was six years old when his family came to America. He married Carolyn Schmidlin in 1873. She came from Bischoffinger, Germany, with her family when she was fifteen years of age. Her parents stayed with a family

by the name of Smith who lived on Starr where the Hagedorn property is now located.

Jacob bought twenty acres of land on the corner of Brown and Wynn Road for fifty cents an acre from the government. Later he bought twenty acres adjoining his property. After oil was obtained on his farm he bought 40 acres where his son, Charles, lived, 40 acres where Jacob Martin, Jr. lives and 25 acres on Brown next to Wisers. They had eighteen children. Seven died in infancy, two died the same day of cholera. The other children are Anna Moritz born in 1883 married John Mottmiller; Jacob Martin Jr. born in 1881, married Elizabeth Ehrsam; Charles Moritz born in 1879 (deceased); William Moritz born in 1886; Reinhart Moritz born in 1888 (deceased); Mary Moritz born in 1889 married Mr. Kreger; Frank Moritz born in 1860 married Amelia Bury (deceased); Ida Moritz born in 1894 married Martin Ruedy; Emma Moritz born in 1894 married Harry Phillips; Lena Moritz born in 1897 married William Kowalka; Augusta Moritz born in 1902 married William Beichter. Ida and Emma are twins.

In 1909, Mr. Moritz returned to Germany on a visit. His wife did not accompany him as she still recalled the difficult trip of seventy days duration when she came to America. She preferred to remain at home where she knew she would be comfortable.

Mr. Moritz died December 29, 1930 and Mrs. Moritz followed in 1937.

### MUNZENMEYER, GOTTLIEB

Gottlieb Munzenmeyer was born in Whittenberg, Germany. His wife Anna was born in Switzerland. Then came to Oregon Township and settled on the land which is now occupied by Toledo Water Plant on Otter Creek Road. They had ten children.

Emma Munzenmeyer married Baltasar Schufenecker.

Louise Munzenmeyer married Fred Meier.

Katherine Munzenmeyer married George Beck.

George Munzenmeyer married Mary Reihle.

John Munzenmeyer remained single.

Fred Munzenmeyer married Edith Nissen.

Elizabeth Munzenmeyer married John Reihle.

Carrie Munzenmeyer married Norton Root.

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Anna Munzenmeyer, II married William Storber.

Anna Munzenmeyer, I drowned when a small child.

Fred Munzenmeyer, one of the sons of Gottlieb, married Edith Nissen. They live on a farm on Cedar Point Road. Their son, Karl, enlisted in Hq. Co. 180th Infantry 45th Division during World War II. He was killed somewhere in France on September 10, 1944.

### PHILLIPS, JOSEPH

Joseph Phillips was born in Germany on March 19, 1837. He came to America in 1853 and worked on the lakes for two years. In 1854, he settled in Oregon Township. He enlisted in the 55th OVI serving one year. He worked in the sawmill at the corner of Coy and Jerusalem Roads. He cleared land and developed a farm where he made a home for his family.

### REIHLE, ANDREW

Andrew Reihle, with his wife Margueretta Rapp Reihle, came from Germany to Tiffin in 1867. Both were born in Wittenberg, Germany.

In 1870, they moved to Oregon Township and Mr. Reihle was employed to clear Presque Isle.

In 1874, he purchased 20 acres of land at the corner of Lallendorf and Corduroy Roads. Here he built a board house and reared his family. He cleared the land and purchased fifteen more acres adjacent to his farm. He served as road supervisor for some time.

Mr. Reihle was a member of the St. John's Lutheran Church, a good upright citizen and a thrifty farmer.

He had two sons and seven daughters. Julia was born in Tiffin in 1868. She married Louis Munding. Anna, born in 1871, married Robert Enderlin, a farmer who had a home on Corduroy Road. John married Elizabeth Munzenmeyer. John purchased a farm on Corduroy east of Momeneetown. His youngest daughter married Nelson Danforth who is Chief of Police of Oregon. They live in the old homestead.

Lena was born in 1875. She married William Patterson and moved out of Oregon Township. Louise was born in 1877 and died at the age of four. Mary was born in 1880. She married

George Munzenmeyer. They lived in Oregon Township on the Munzenmeyer homestead for twenty years, then moved to Toledo. Andrew was born in 1882 and died at the age of two. Clara was born in 1886. She married Edward Bury. They moved to Texas. Bertha was born in 1888. She taught school at Raymer for a number of years. She married Frank Wheeler.

Mr. Reihle died in 1903. His wife moved to Toledo where she lived until 1933.

### SCHACHT, CHRISTIAN

Mr. and Mrs. Schacht came from Mecklenburg, Germany to Oregon in 1847. They purchased a farm on the corner of Starr and Coy Road. Here they cleared the land and became thrifty and prosperous citizens of Oregon Township.

The steamer trunk and the old spinning wheel are still prized by the family. The steamer trunk is now in possession of the Textor family who live on the Brown Road. The trunk is over one hundred years old. This same fact may be true of the spinning wheel. Mrs. Schacht carded and spun wool. She knitted stockings for the entire family.

Alfred their son remained on the farm all his life. After Mr. Schacht's death Mrs. Schacht remained on the farm until 1955 when she sold the twenty acres to the Faith E.U.B. Church. She is now living in the Lutheran Home on Seaman Road.

### SCHNEIDER, CHRISTIAN

Christian Schneider arrived from Germany in 1866 and bought a farm. He was a gardner.

### SCHRAG, ROBERT

Robert Schrag and his wife, Barbara, came from Germany to Oregon Township in 1868. He purchased forty acres of land on Seaman Road which he cleared. He built a brick house and established a home where he lived the remainder of his life. They had three sons, John, Robert Jr., Matthew, and three daughters, Rose, Mary and Bertha.

Robert died when his oldest son, John, was about twelve years of age. At this early age John had to assume many responsibilities. He helped his mother support the family. He married a girl from Germany. They had two children, Violet and Arthur.

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Robert Jr. married and lived on a farm located on Corduroy Road. Rose married Al Rock and moved to Toledo. Mary married Norman Culver. They lived on Bay Shore until they purchased the store and farm from Mrs. Flint on Corduroy Road. They had one son who lives next to the old homestead. Bertha married Will Burgher. They lived with Matthew on the old home place. Matthew, a bachelor, is still living.

Bertha's daughter, Gladys, married Charles Ehrsam.

### SCHROEDER, HENRY AND SCHULER, HENRY

Henry Schroeder and Henry Schuler came to Oregon in 1861.

### SHARLOW, LOUIS

Louis Sharlow was born in Germany in 1848. A wealthy baron, the owner of a great estate, became interested in the stories about America. He employed Louis Sharlow to come to America to get the facts about conditions here. Mr. Sharlow returned and gave a favorable report. Shortly after receiving the report the baron died. Mr. Sharlow then decided to return to America. He worked for his passage. He settled on a small lot in Bono and worked in the sawmill. He married Augusta Witt from near Williston. They had four sons and a daughter.

Edward Sharlow was a bachelor. August Sharlow married Rose Susor and lived on Kelly's Island. Anna Sharlow married a man by the name of Miller and settled in Toledo. Otto Sharlow also lived in Toledo. Clarence Sharlow married Bonnie Amsler. They live on Route 2 near Veler Road. Mr. Sharlow is a farmer. He is active in the community and interested in education. He is also interested in the history and development of Jerusalem Township.

Mr. Sharlow served in the first World War.

### STEIGER, C.

C. Steiger came from Germany in 1855 and became a farmer in Oregon Township.

### STROH, JACOB

Jacob Stroh came from Germany to Oregon in 1869 and opened a blacksmith shop on Jerusalem Road. Later he took up farming.

### STROH, JOHN

John Stroh was born in Germany. He moved on a farm in Oregon Township about 1869. He married Margaret Keifer.

### WINKER, JOHN

John Winker was born in Germany in 1830. He came to America in 1850 and finally settled on a farm on Jerusalem Road in about 1870 where he lived the remainder of his life.

### YOST, FREDOLIN

Mr. Yost came from Germany to Maumee. In 1870, he married Caroline Schmidt at Maumee. He rented the Streicher farm which was located in Washington Township, then moved on the McKinney farm. Later he rented Joe Bartley's farm on Corduroy Road. He was industrious and wished to have a farm of his own. He purchased twenty acres on Seaman Road from Mary Hamlyn where he lived the remainder of his life.

Mr. and Mrs. Yost had four sons and two daughters.

Charles Yost remained at home for a number of years during which time he farmed and worked with his team in the oil field. He married Ida Ackerman. They moved to Michigan where he purchased a farm and remained until his death.

Fred Yost became a barber and had a shop on Starr Avenue. He was interested in children, and donated his services to some of the orphanages. He married Rose Gwinner.

Joseph Yost established an auto repair shop on Front Street. He married Rose Richards. They had one son, Richard.

Albert Yost married Frieda Gentz and built a home on the western part of the old homestead.

The daughters of Fredolin Yost were Mary Yost who married Charles Richards. They built a home on St. Louis Street in East Toledo. She and her husband became interested in real estate. However, her husband continued his trade as tinner until he retired.

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Bertha Yost married Thomas Coutcher. For some time they lived at the corner of Cedar Point and Big Ditch Road. Later they moved on the Yost farm on Seaman Road. They had two daughters, Margaret who became a physician and married Dr. Kramer and Dorothy who married Robert Bourdo and lives with her mother on the old homestead.

### FROM ENGLAND TO AMERICA

It is interesting to find that many of the immigrants came from the same country and from the same part of a country to America. The following are among the early settlers from England.

#### BEAN, WILLIAM H.

William H. Bean was born in England on December 14, 1833. He came to Rochester, New York in 1837, then to Oregon Township in 1857 where he purchased a farm. He served as constable in Oregon Township for two years. He enlisted in the Civil War as a member of the 130th OVI.

#### BULLOCK, SAMUEL

Samuel Bullock came to America from England in 1838. He was then only three years old. His mother returned to England after Sam's father died. Sam lived with an aunt and uncle. At the age of 21 he came to Toledo and worked on the railroad. He purchased a farm on Bay Shore Road and raised garden truck. He had one son, William and two daughters, Maude and Florence.

Will Bullock continued to operate the farm after his father retired. He raised onions and garden truck for some time. The Toledo Edison purchased the farm with other acreage. Will then bought a farm in Jerusalem Township where he now resides.

Maude Bullock married Edward Newman. They have retired and are living on a farm on Bay Shore Road. Their daughter Eleanor married Howard Swartz. They are living in an addition off Bay Shore Road. They have two children, a son and a daughter.

Florence Bullock married Ralph DeWitt. They built a home near the Wynn School. Mr. DeWitt served as custodian of the school for many years. He was a conscientious, efficient worker. Mr. and Mrs. DeWitt had one daughter Helen and three sons, Robert, Ralph, and Edward who are residents of Oregon.

Florence died and Mr. DeWitt remarried and moved to Michigan. He died April 1, 1961.

#### BULLOCK, FRED

Fred Bullock returned to England with his mother after his father's death. Some years later he returned and purchased a farm in Washington Township. His first wife died. He moved to a farm in Oregon Township. He married May Greene and lived here for a number of years. Later he sold his farm and went to Virginia.

#### BURT, EDWARD

Edward Burt left London, England in 1837. He came to Oregon Township in 1861. He married Ann Rideout (Coy) in 1863. He served in the Civil War as a member of the 130th OVI.

#### COY, DANIEL

Daniel Coy came from England. He and his brother, George, bought property at the corner of Pickle and Wheeling from the government. Later Daniel bought his brother's share. He built a log cabin and began clearing and developing his farm. He replaced the log house with a frame dwelling. He had two sons, Perry and Horace. Mr. Coy died of cholera in 1854. His son, Perry, took over the farm.

Perry Coy was born in Oregon Township on March 31, 1850. He married Sarah Jackson on June 2, 1874. They had seven children, two boys Budd and Jasper and five girls, Ruby, Pearl, Anna, Opal, and Zoa.

Jasper Coy married Miss Travers. They lived on the homestead for a number of years. They had a son, Lester, and a daughter, Velma Coy Desmond. When Jasper retired he built a home



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on the east end of the old homestead. Jasper was blind over a period of years.

Zoa Coy married Gilbert Koch. They live on York Street on a fruit farm. They are still taking care of the farm and selling their produce on the market in Toledo. They have two sons, James and Byron. James Koch married Janet Momenee. Byron Koch married Harriet Coy. The wives of both are teaching in the Oregon School System and the husbands are working at the Doehler, Jarvis Company.

Horace Coy is the second son of Daniel Coy. He was born November 21, 1852. He owned a farm on Jerusalem Road. He served as trustee and school director. Horace was one of the first citizens in Oregon Township to own an automobile. This was a 1907 model with a one-cylinder engine. He had an interest in machinery and owned the first threshing machine run by steam. He was a blacksmith and did some farming. He also repaired watches and operated a feed mill. He had five sons and a daughter.

James D. Coy's biography is given under *Special Biographies*.

Earl W. Coy served as superintendent of the Oregon cemeteries for a number of years. He and his wife adopted three children of the same family. Jack was killed in service. Harriet is teaching in the Oregon schools and Jeanette married Ed Smith.

Willis I. Coy married Gladys Tyler. He lives on the homestead. He operates a cidemill which was opened in 1901. Many farmers brought their own apples to be pressed into cider which they took home. Now he purchases apples at fifty cents a bushel. The smaller apples make the best cider according to Mr. Coy. Some apples are purchased from Oak Harbor and Port Clinton and others from farmers nearby.

His mill and the process of making cider is inspected by the Health Department. He sells his produce in small quantities. People come to the mill and purchase in gallon jugs. His rush season is around Halloween time.

His greatest difficulty is in finding efficient laborers. The hours are from six to seven a day at a wage of \$17.00 to \$20.00. He can remember his father Horace, employing men to work from twelve to fifteen hours a day for \$2.00 to \$3.00. At that time cider sold for ten cents a gallon, now it is sold at fifty cents.

Frank Coy married Alice Barber. They built a home on Wheeling Street where they lived a number of years. When he retired he sold this place and built a new home on Pickle Road. Mr. Coy worked on the railroad for a number of years. He adopted a daughter, Mary, who is married and lives in the city.

Milton Coy drilled wells. He is deceased.

Jennie Coy married J. L. Bueschen. They live in Toledo.

### CROFTS, JAMES

James Crofts was born in England April 22, 1836. He settled in Ohio June 27, 1852. He came to Oregon Township October 17, 1875. He married Ann Clegg.

### HAMLIN, JOHN WILLIAM

John William Hamlyn with his wife and his children, Walter, John William, Jr., Annie Marie, William Morgan, and Sarah, came to Oregon Township from Two Bridges, Dartmoor, England in 1850. His eldest daughter, Mary Ann Hamlyn Flint, was married and remained in England with her husband. After Mr. Flint's death Mary Ann joined her family in America. Mr. Hamlyn purchased a farm on Corduroy Road.

Walter worked on the lake and was drowned. John William married Elmira Fassett. After her death he married Mary Fassett. Annie Marie and William Norgan never married. Sarah married Mr. Gifford and lived in Toledo.

### JACKSON, MRS. E.

Mrs. E. Jackson was born in England on June 21, 1836. She came to America in 1866. She married Thomas Jackson. They had no children.

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### MATTHEWS, ALFRED

Alfred Matthews was born in England January 6, 1829. His wife, Harriet Hurd Matthews, was born in England in 1832. After they were married they came to New York for one year, then moved to Toledo. In 1858, they bought ten acres on Brown Road where they built a home. They had a family of nine boys and four girls.

Alfred Matthews, Jr. was born August 7,

1853 was a farmer in Ottawa County.

George Matthews I born September 27,

1855 died in infancy.

John Matthews born April 8, 1857 became an engineer.

William Matthews was born April 19, 1858.

Thomas Matthews was born August 29,

1859 was a farmer.

Edward Matthews was born March 30, 1861.

Edmond Matthews was born December 25, 1862.

George Matthews II born November 18,

1864 owned a farm in Jerusalem Township.

Anna Matthews I born August 4, 1866 died in infancy.

Rebecca Matthews born August 9, 1867, married Mr. Consaul.

Ann Matthews II born July 6, 1870 married Mr. Cordrey.

Wake Matthews born February 26, 1872 was a farmer.

Elizabeth Matthews born August 3, 1873 married John Sullivan.

Alfred Matthews, Sr. died June 22, 1882 and his wife, Harriet, September 12, 1910.

Wake Matthews was born on the old homestead on Brown Road. He attended school at the one room Gardner building at the corner of Pickle and Coy roads. His father died when he was only ten years of age. At about the age of twelve years he worked for a family at Crane Creek for his room and board. He attended Crane Creek School for a short time. His education was limited. He began to work for his own living at the age of twelve. He was industrious, ambitious and determined to have a home of his own. He recalls working with his team hauling stone for twelve cents an hour and coal for twenty cents a ton.

He worked on the Terminal Railroad when it was built.

On September 10, 1898, he married Gertrude Kimmel. They went to Detroit to be married returning the same day. He borrowed money to purchase a team. By careful planning and saving he was able to build a new house in five years. He began farming in 1892. He remained on the old homestead until 1944 when he sold it to the State Highway Department for the Expressway. He purchased 100.98 acres in Jerusalem Township on Cedar Point Road. Here he tiled and cleared the farm, built a new home and later two other homes, one for his son-in-law Charles Hosley and a smaller home for himself. His son, Alfred, lives in the large home Mr. Matthews built.

Mr. Matthews recalls many interesting facts. He remembers when the only improved road in Oregon was the old plank road that extended from Wood County line to the city limits. When this road was improved, the stone was hauled from the quarry and broken into pieces by hand sledges.

He bought a Regal automobile in 1912. It was equipped with carbon lights. In 1914, he purchased a Samson tractor.

Mr. Matthews is interested in the community and though 89 years of age at the present time he is alert and knows what is going on in the community.

Mr. and Mrs. Matthews have one son, Alfred, who is a farmer, daughters Dorothy whose husband Charles Hosley is a farmer, and Frances who married Martin Berger, a farmer. Both are deceased.

### MOON, TRAYTON

Trayton Moon was born in England April 24, 1832. He came to America in 1850. He settled in Oregon Township in 1853. He married Harriet Sonds on February 18, 1857 who was from England. They had twelve children. Mr. Moon was a farmer.

### MUNDAY, HENRY

Henry Munday was born in Oxfordshire, England on August 12, 1835. In 1856, he went to Canada. He came to Oregon Township in 1857. He purchased a farm on Pickle Road. His wife was Anna Messer, the second Dora Helinka, and the third Mattie Youngs.

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### MUNDAY, THOMAS

Thomas Munday came from Oxfordshire, England on January 24, 1848. He came to Oregon Township in 1868, and lived with his uncle, Henry Munday. He married Amelia Johnson on April 20, 1870. He settled on a farm located on Jerusalem Road where he lived the remainder of his life. He had three daughters and a son. Jennie married Mr. Madden. Nettie married Phil Boos. Before her marriage she taught school in Oregon Township. Bessie married William Fields. Harold, her son, lives on the old homestead. Wesley is married and lives in Pemberville. Aaron was killed in an accident.

### PIERCE, CHARLES S.

Charles S. Pierce came from England to New York state. He moved to Oregon in 1867. He married Mary S. Trowbridge. They had five children.

### RIDEOUT, THOMAS

Thomas Rideout came from England to Stark County in 1830. He moved to Oregon Township in 1844 where he purchased a farm.

### RIDEOUT, STEPHEN

Stephen Rideout came from England to Oregon Township in 1844. He lived on a farm and was active in community affairs. He served as Justice of Peace in 1870.

### TOMPKINS, THOMAS

Thomas Tompkins came from England in 1853 and purchased a farm on Bay Shore Road. His park containing deer, peacocks and other wildlife gave him a great deal of pleasure. Many people visited his farm to see the wild game.

### WHEELER, J. D.

J. D. Wheeler was born in England September 15, 1854. He came to Oregon Township in 1875. He bought a farm on Pickle Road. He was married on April 27, 1881. They had two children.

### FROM FRANCE TO AMERICA

#### DUPONT, JACQUEZ

Jacquez Dupont and his wife came from France in 1851. They brought with them two daughters and a son. One daughter died and was buried

at sea. The other two children, Mary and James, survived.

Mr. Dupont purchased one hundred acres of land north of the Cedar Point Road for \$200. He built a log cabin on this site and cleared the land. Later he built a large frame house surrounded by a beautiful lawn. Three sons, Louis, Charles, and John, were born in Oregon Township. Charles and John died when young men.

*Mary Dupont* married Alex Balm. They lived in Canton, Ohio.

*Louis Dupont* married Adeline Duvall. He lived on the old homestead. They had two daughters and two sons. Alice Dupont married Richard Momenee. They had a daughter Marian. Doris Dupont died at the age of about six months. William Dupont remained on the farm for some time. He married Jennie Alice Newhart. He left the farm and became sales manager for Wyandot Overland Company at Upper Sandusky.

Elmer Dupont married Ada Momenee. He lived on the old homestead and followed in the footsteps of his father. He is now living on Bay Shore Road.

Elmer's mother died at the age of 35. Later his father married a sister of his first wife.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Dupont had three sons, Charles, Donald, and Walter, and one daughter, Elizabeth. Charles married Elizabeth Molnar, Donald married Victoria Fonner, Walter married Mary Hall, and Elizabeth married Leo Vermett.

*James Dupont*, a son of Jacquez, came with his parents to Oregon Township in 1851. He married Delia Sayen and lived on a farm on Cedar Point Road. They had one daughter, Agnes Dupont. Agnes married Frank Momenee and lived in Toledo.

In 1833, five families from France decided to set out for America. They were John Peter Gladieux and his wife Madeline; Joseph Gladieux; Henry E. Pilliod; Victor Plumey, and Louis Bihl.

They came to Stark County, Ohio where John Peter Gladieux remained, the other moved to Lucas County in 1849.

#### GLADIEUX, JOSEPH

Joseph Gladieux married Sophia Plumey and in 1849 traveled in a covered wagon drawn by oxen from Stark County to Oregon Township. He purchased a section of land located at the corner

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of Wheeling and Pickle Roads. They had seven sons: Victor, Louis, Eugene, George, Joseph, Frank, and Hubert, and two daughters, Mary Louise and Celestine.

### PILLIOD, HENRY

Henry bought the land west of Dearborn Street where he built a large home on the hill. Later he moved to Toledo.

### PLUMEY, VICTOR

Victor Plumey bought the land along the river. At this time this land was in Oregon Township. He built a grocery store which later was operated by Louis Metzger.

### BIHL, LOUIS

Louis Bihl purchased land along what is now Main Street, but was also a part of Oregon Township. He was a veterinarian for twenty years. In 1892, he moved to his farm on Jerusalem Road and held several township offices.

### KIEFER, CASPER

Casper Kiefer came to America from Alsace Lorraine in a sailboat. The trip took 43 days. He settled on Presque Isle in about 1865. The children walked to St. Mary's School on Cherry Street. They had to pay three cents to walk across the bridge. This cost the parents six cents a day for each child. Such a long walk to and from school each day shows that the parents realized the importance of educating their children. This is only one example of the many who made sacrifices to educate their children.

### POOL, JOHN

John Pool and his wife came from Alsace Lorraine to Maumee in 1848. In 1867, they moved to Oregon Township and bought a home on Big Ditch Road. His son, Henry, married Miss Sargeant. Henry had two sons, Charles and Stanley, and two daughters, Louise and Celia.

### MOMINEE, POOL, LOUISE

Louise Pool Mominee, a sister of John Pool, was born in 1848 in Gisors, France, a suburb of Paris. She came to America in 1855 when she was seven years of age and spent most of her life at Momeneetown. Louise met Joseph Mominee.

He was born in Erie, Michigan in 1844 and came to Oregon in 1867. Previous to his moving to Oregon he served in the Civil War in Co. C 78th M.V.K. Mr. and Mrs. Mominee were married and settled on a farm about one half mile east of Momeneetown. They had three sons, and four daughters: Charles, Gustine, Clara, Wallace, Flora, Celia, and Herman.

*Charles Mominee*, the eldest son, married Mary Garrigan. He was employed by the Garrigan Brothers as supervisor of road construction. He had the pleasure of seeing the mud roads in this vicinity converted into good improved highways.

*Gustine Mominee Cousino* was the oldest daughter. She married Noah Cousino. For a number of years Noah was proprietor of a saloon at the corner of Big Ditch and Corduroy roads. Later he purchased a farm on Jerusalem Road where he lived until he retired. He and Gustine then moved to East Toledo. At this writing Gustine is still living at the age of eighty-nine.

*Clara Mominee* attended Eckville School until she reached the upper grades, then attended Momeneetown School where each teacher had four grades instead of eight. She died in her early teens.

*Wallace Mominee* married Alice Navaree. They lived in Oregon Township all their lives. Both died at an early age.

*Flora Mominee* married Gus Hoefflinger who was in partnership with his father as funeral directors. Flora and her husband and family lived in East Toledo for a number of years. Their daughter, June, taught school. Mr. Hoefflinger died and Flora was left to care for the family. She was employed as a cook in Linck's Cafeteria for a number of years. She retired and spent some time with her son, Paul in Toledo and June in Cleveland. She died recently while at the home of her daughter, June.

*Celia Mominee*, the youngest daughter of the family, married Edmond Schwind whose father was noted for his fine workmanship in making harnesses. Mr. Schwind was employed in the bank. He died in early manhood and Celia died a few years later.

*Herman Mominee* is the youngest son. As a boy he attended the one room school at Eckville.

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Later he went to Momenetown School. He took a business course and was employed in a bank in Toledo for a number of years. At present he is a broker dealing in the buying and selling of produce.

### SCHUFFENECKER, BALTASAR

Baltasar Schuffenecker came with his uncle, Casper Kiefer, from Alsace Lorraine in 1865. He was eleven years old when they made the trip in a sailboat which took 43 days.

They settled on Presque Isle where many Indians were still living. In 1867, his mother, Veronica Schuffenecker came with her family, two sons, Daholburt and Baltasar and two daughters, Mary and Louise. They lived in Ironville. Baltasar married Emma Muenzenmeyer who was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. In 1906, they moved on a farm located on Cedar Point Road.

They had two sons, Ralph who died in his early teens and Carl who became a farmer. Carl had two daughters, Barbara who died and Matilda who married Will Schumaker.

*Carl Schuffenecker* married Mary Chandler. They lived in Toledo until 1925 when Carl moved on his mother's farm on Cedar Point Road. He has a daughter, Florence. She married Robert Straits who works for the Nickel Plate Railroad. They have two children, Robert and Sue Ann. Their home is on Starr Avenue near Stadium. Both children attend school in Oregon.

The sons of Mr. Schuffenecker are Howard and Norman. Howard married Edith Schumaker. They live at Point Place and have a daughter. Norman married Phyllis Stroh. They live on Brown Road in Oregon. They have one child.

### SCHUMAKER, MATILDA SCHUFFENECKER

Matilda Schuffenecker, the daughter of Baltasar Schuffenecker, married Will Schumaker. They live on a farm on Cedar Point Road. They have a son, Robert, and a daughter, Barbara.

The son, Robert, is an employee of the Standard Oil Company. He lives on Brown Road. His children, Allan and David, attend school in Oregon and Randy is of preschool age.

Barbara Schumaker is a teacher in the Oregon School System. She married L. R. Noviss.

### TRACY, C. A.

C. A. Tracy was born in Rossford October 26, 1867. He attended Franklin School in Toledo.

In 1891, he built a home on the farm on Jerusalem Road. That same year he married Anne Messer and began his life as a truck farmer. In 1909, he remodeled the home which is still in use.

He and Mrs. Tracy were active members of Bethany M. E. Church.

Mr. Tracy was elected to the Oregon Township Board of Education in 1914 and served continuously until 1930. He took an active part in the campaign for better schools and did much to help bring about the consolidation of the one room schools.

For a period of time he was president of the Lucas County Agricultural Society.

He had three daughters, Margaret, Helen, and Jeanette. Margaret and Helen graduated at Central High in 1913 and Jeanette at Waite in 1917. Margaret married Elmer Gilbert who is now deceased. She is living in Toledo at the present. Helen married William Dudley Coy, a farmer in Wood County who died some time ago. Helen is still living in Wood County. Before she married Helen taught at Heckman School in Oregon Township for two years, then went to Toledo where she continued for a period of time.

Jeanette married Ralph Barnes. They built a home near the old homestead where they are still living. Mr. and Mrs. Barnes are civic minded and active in a number of clubs.

### DOCTORS WHO SERVED IN OREGON AND JERUSALEM BECKWITH, S. W. DR.

Dr. S. W. Beckwith was a member of the faculty of Northwestern Medical College in 1878. He was demonstrator of anatomy. His office was located on Starr Avenue. Many of his patients resided in Oregon Township.

His son, Dr. H. K. Beckwith, followed in the footsteps of his father and is one of the East Side physicians of the present time.

### CHASE, JAMES L. DR.

Dr. Chase was born at Litchfield, Connecticut February 10, 1805. He moved with his parents to Titusville, Pennsylvania where he studied medicine and began practice in 1831. He arrived in Lucas

County in 1836 and decided to locate in the town of Manhattan. He soon established a practice which covered a wide area. Among the patients he served were those living on the east side of the river in Manhattan and Oregon townships.

### FASSETT, DR. JOHN

Dr. John Fassett came from Vermont on October 12, 1832. He studied medicine with Doctor Peabody at Amherst, New Hampshire. Before coming to Toledo he practiced at Cambridge, Vermont.

In 1837, he bought 80 acres of land at \$1.25 an acre. Andrew Jackson, President of the United States, signed the deed.

He was nearly sixty-three of age when he came to Toledo and intended to retire from the profession and engage in some business. However, there was so much sickness he was pressed into service.

Hoping to get away from the service he moved to the east side of the river and located at the foot of the Cherry Street Bridge. He named his home "Utah Post Office" since the mail was left at his home to be distributed. Later the settlement was known as Yondota.

In 1852, he proved his skill as a physician. It is thought that the demands made upon him caused his death. He died on May 26, 1853.

He bought a section of land which was known as the Fassett's first and second addition located in the sixth ward in East Toledo. He cleared the farm and built a home upon it. Elias, one of his sons, remained on the farm and took charge after his father's death.

### GARAND, DR. F. N.

Dr. F. N. Garand was born in Watertown, New York November 6, 1863. He came to Ironville. After completing his high school work he attended the Toledo Medical College. He received his M.D. degree from the Kentucky School of Medicine.

He was among the early physicians who were called to travel over muddy almost impassable roads in all kinds of weather. To reach his patients he depended upon his team of horses and buggy. He was devoted to his profession and never refused to go when called.

Many of his patients were victims of accidents

in the new oil refineries and distilleries. Sometimes the burns healed but the process was long and painful. This led him to experiment in his laboratory until at last he found a product which cured a patient leaving no scar. He called it *Antiusto* and set up a laboratory where he manufactured this product selling it to drug stores throughout the country. This discovery has been and is still a blessing to those suffering serious burns. His son Fredrich still operates the laboratory.

Dr. Garland also found time to give his attention to civic affairs. He served as an East Side councilman for seven terms. Through his influence the mud roads from Dearborn to Ironville were changed into paved streets, sewers laid and lighting installed.

In 1912, he purchased four acres on Bay Shore Road near Stadium Road and built a large summer home which he called Sangueshine, an Indian name meaning rest. While building this home he induced the city council to extend a water line to Bay Shore. This interested others in purchasing land and building homes in this vicinity.

### DR. FREDRICK INGRAHAM

Fredrick Ingraham was born in Ontario, Indiana, April 10, 1869. His father remarried and moved to Curtice, Ohio. Here he went into the grocery business and his son Fredrick worked for him.

Fredrick entered the Toledo Medical College in 1898. When he completed his work, he was in debt to the extent of one thousand dollars.

He opened an office in Curtice where he practiced for twenty-five years. In 1913, he attended Harvard Medical College where he continued his studies for a year. He was interested in his patients, eager to serve and kept himself well-informed in regard to improved methods and knowledge in the field of medicine. As a family physician, he was called upon to treat all types of diseases. Added to this great burden, he endured many hardships traveling over roads that became impassable during the winter and spring. Regardless of bad roads, severe cold weather, and storms he visited his patients. He carried hope and sunshine wherever he went. He was a real family physician who took time to enter into the joys and sorrows

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of each family as he ministered to their physical needs.

To reach his patients he had to travel with a horse and buggy over many miles of unimproved roads. He had a team of gray horses. An old German by the name of Hans took care of them. He had his living quarters above the barn and was very faithful in performing his duty. Later he employed younger men who drove for him. Among those who served him were Martin Lorenzen, Clarence Dusseau, and Tom Taylor.

One night when the doctor was driving he was so exharusted he went to sleep. The horse continued on its way until it reached the railroad track. A train was moving on the track. The horse turned sidewise and stopped. This caused the doctor to awaken. He decided it would be well for him to postpone his nap until he arrived home.

He encouraged Martin Lorenzen to enter college and prepare for the medical profession. When he completed his preparation, Dr. Ingraham took him into his office as a partner.

At the time of the death of Dr. Ingraham in 1925, Dr. L. A. Levison wrote an appreciation which was published in one of the medical magazines.

### An Appreciation

Dr. Fredrick D. Ingraham

The passing of Dr. Fredrick D. Ingraham should merit more than a momentary praise among the physicians of this community. Dr. Ingraham exemplified in his life and career the type of physician whom we choose to idealize and love to picture ourselves to be. He also marks the passing of one more of that decreasing number of men who come under the title of country general practioners. Practically all his life he labored among a country folk doing general practice under conditions which were difficult, arduous, time consuming and wearing to body and brain. The universal respect and love for him shown by the people among whom he labored indicates best that he was their friend at all times and not only when it was convenient to make his calls. Very seldom has it happened in this community that the death of a physician has brought forth such evidence of genuine sorrow and grief

as happened in this instance. This was much more marked among the people generally than among the medical profession itself. His life and death is a lesson that service to the public, rendered carefully, conscientiously, and willingly is not unappreciated as has been charged. He was advisor both medical and otherwise, to hundreds of people who looked upon him as friend as well as doctor. It is not difficult to picture the influence of the medical profession generally, did each physician in the community so seek to evaluate his life and work.

Dr. Ingraham began the practice of medicine in a small country town and did not let his very large practice prevent him from increasing his store of knowledge by post graduate work, study, and constant attendance to medical societies even when the latter entailed long and difficult drives. His place will be very hard to fill among the people with whom he worked. He will be mourned and missed for many years as a true friend, a reliable doctor and counselor.

L. A. Levison

### LORENZEN, DR. MARTIN R.

Dr. Martin R. Lorenzen was born on August 14, 1892. During his early boyhood he attended the one room school at Curtice. He did not have the opportunity to attend high school and began working at an early age. He drove for Dr. Ingraham. Martin was alert and interested in what was happening around him. Dr. Ingraham became interested in this young man. He saw the possibilities of his developing into a fine physician. Through the influence of Dr. Ingraham Martin decided to prepare for the profession.

He entered O.N.U. where he took preparatory work and graduated in 1914. He then entered Ohio State University Medical School and was graduated in 1917. His internship was taken at St. Vincent's Hospital during 1917 and 1918. He then served as a medical officer, Naval Reserve Lieutenant in the first World War fram April 15, 1918 to April 15, 1919.

He returned to Curtice and was associated with Dr. Ingraham for four years. At the close of the four years Dr. Ingraham moved his practice to East Toledo at the corner of Euclid and Sixth

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Street and Dr. Lorenzen took over the office at Curtice. Following in the footsteps of Dr. Ingraham he took a personal interest in all his patients. Having lived in the community he understood the needs of his patients and they felt they could discuss their personal problems with him. Here again we note the touch and the uplifting influence of a family physician.

In 1925 Dr. Ingraham died and Dr. Lorezen took over his practice locating in Dr. Ingraham's office in East Toledo.

In 1950, Dr. Lorenzen gave up his office and took post graduate work. In 1952, he opened an office in the Professional Building at Parkwood and Monroe Street at which time he limited his practice to Internal Medicine and Geriatrics. This specialized service is needed but as he moved upward many of his patients missed the services of a beloved family physician.

He married Pearl Bush. They have a son Robert who is an eye specialist practicing in Phoenix, Arizona. Robert is married and has three children.

### DR. FRANK MILLER

Dr. Frank Edward Miller was born August 18, 1888 at Ridgeville Corners, Henry County, Ohio. He was a graduate of Ridgeville High School and Valparaiso University. He taught school in Fulton County for one year and then entered the Medical College of Ohio State University in 1917. He interned at St. Elizabeth Hospital, Covington, Kentucky. He served as 1st Lieutenant in the Medical Corps in World War I. After World War I he was with B. F. Goodrich Tire and Rubber Company in Akron, Ohio as resident doctor for two and one half years after which he entered private practice at Liberty Center, Ohio.

On May 29, 1919, Dr. Miller married Anna Marie English of Antrien, Ohio. They were the parents of two children, Mrs. Robert Pratt of Euclid and Robert D. Miller of Hyattsville, Maryland. Mrs. Miller died on May 11, 1952. Both of their children were graduates of Clay High School.

In June 1953, Dr. Miller married Mrs. Marguerite Pratt of Arlington, Ohio.

In April 1925, Dr. Miller began his practice in

Curtice, Ohio. He followed two doctors whose services to the community were enviable. However, Dr. Miller followed in the footsteps of his predecessors with love, understanding, patience and a deep concern for the welfare of his patients.

For twenty-five years he provided medical care for the inmates of the Lutheran Home of Mercy at Williston, Ohio. They looked forward to his visits during which he gave them relief, comfort and a hope. He was a ray of sunshine to each one and was never too busy to take time to visit with them.

Patients came to him, as they had to Dr. Ingraham and Dr. Lorenzen, for many types of treatment from burns, cuts, and broken bones to serious diseases which required hospitalization and frequently emergency operations. All these cases received due consideration.

Dr. Miller was a member of Christ Church Methodist of Oregon, the Masonic Blue Lodge, Scottish Rite and Shriners and was given special recognition as a member of the American Legion for thirty-five years.

### MILLS, DR. CHARLES

Dr. Charles Mills attended medical school at Ann Arbor, Michigan. He established an office on the corner of Fassett and Utah Street in 1885. He was one of the conscientious doctors who answered calls and ministered to the sick regardless of when and how far he had to travel.

He took time to take courses at various intervals to keep abreast of the best methods of handling cases. He was surgeon for a number of the railroads and the American Bridge Works. At the time of his death he had practiced over a longer period of time than any physician in Toledo.

His daughter, Maude Kauffman, is living in Toledo. Her son, Hosmer Compton, is living in Florida. He is a pilot for one of the jets that travel between South America and Florida.

### MOSHER, DR. JOHN

Dr. Mosher was a native of Vermont. He received his degree at Woodstock, Vermont in 1834. He came to Toledo in 1835 where he practiced medicine for eleven years. He purchased a farm



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in Oregon Township in 1846, but continued to serve his neighbors until his death in 1872.

### ROOT, DR. HENRY A.

Dr. Henry A. Root was admitted as a member of the Toledo Medical Association in 1868. He was on the Medical Staff of St. Vincent's Hospital in 1876. Dr. Root had an office in the Cook Block at the corner of Adams and Superior. He served the people in Toledo and surrounding territory. Frequently it was necessary to ride horseback to reach the homes of his patients. He was kind and understanding and always willing to answer any calls regardless of the difficulties he encountered in traveling to and from his patient's homes.

### SQUIRE, DR. JOAB

Dr. Squire settled in Lucas County in 1865. His residence and office was on 5th Street. He served as a member of the City Council, was on the Police Board, the Board of Health and the Board of Education. He served on the Executive Board of Ford Post for some time.

During the Civil War he was captain of Co. H. 21st OVI.

### WILSON, DR. FRANK P.

Frank P. Wilson was born December 5, 1841 in Lewisburg, Union County, Pennsylvania. He attended Buchnell University at Lewisburg, Princeton and the University of Pennsylvania from which he was graduated in 1862 receiving his M.D.

He served in the Civil War as a surgeon in the 50th Pennsylvania Veteran Volunteers.

After the Civil War he came to Toledo and located at 427 Euclid. He was a member of the local, state and county Medical Association and the Ohio State Medical Association of Medicine. He served as a member of the Board of U. S. Medical Examiners of Pensioners.

Many of his patients resided in Oregon Township.

#### The Family Doctor

I've tried the high-toned specialists, who doctor folks today;  
I've heard the throat man whisper low, "Come on now let us spray;"  
I've sat in fancy offices and waited long my turn,  
And paid for fifteen minutes what it took a week to earn;

But while these scientific men are kindly, one and all,

I miss the good old doctor that my mother used to call.

The old-time family doctor! Oh, I am sorry that he's gone,

He ushered us into the world and knew us every one;

He didn't have to ask a lot of questions, for he knew

Our histories from birth and all the ailments we'd been through.

And though as children small we feared the medicine he'd send,

The old time family doctor grew to be our dearest friend.

No hour too late, no night too rough for him to heed our call;

He knew exactly where to hang his coat up in the hall;

He knew exactly where to go, which room upstairs to find

The patient he'd been called to see, and saying: "Never mind,

I'll run up there myself and see what's causing all the fuss."

It seems we grew to look and lean on him as one of us.

He had a big and kindly heart, a fine and tender way,

And more than once I've wished that I could call him in to-day.

The specialists are clever men and busy men, I know,

And haven't time to doctor as they did long years ago;

But some day he may come again, the friend that we could call,

The good old family doctor who will love us one and all.

Edgar A. Guest

## SPECIAL BIOGRAPHIES

### BARTLEY, RUDOLPH A.

Rudolph A. Bartley, son of Gebbard and Josephine Bartley, was born in Wuerttemberg Town of Rapenepurg, Germany. He came with his parents to America in 1854. His father, a miller by trade, first settled in Perrysburg, Ohio, but soon left for a farm in Oregon Township located on Corduroy Road between Wynn and Stadium. Mr. Bartley's boyhood was spent on the farm where he helped his father. He attended the district school known as the DeBolt School District 5. At the age of sixteen he left the farm and worked in a Grocery store for H. and F. Barnes.

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The arrangement with his father was that he should send home fifteen dollars a month in lieu of his services on the farm. He began work, however, at a wage of only eight dollars a month; so he had to go in debt for the remaining seven. He soon won a promotion and received fifteen dollars a month which went to his father. Another promotion enabled him to pay his indebtedness and at the end of the first year he was receiving twenty-five dollars per month in the general store of J. A. Spyer at the corner of Orange and Summit Street. His ambition, industry and determination made him an outstanding successful wholesale grocer.

He is remembered as a man of integrity and one interested in the welfare of others. He lent a helping hand to members of his family, giving individual attention to his blind brother, F. L. Bartley. He provided him with a home and housekeeper. Later he paid for his board and room.

### COY, JAMES D.

James D. Coy was born in Oregon Township February 13, 1874, the oldest child of Horace and Mary (Whitson) Coy.

Mr. Coy managed his farm and was secretary of the County Mutual Aid and Insurance Company. He was active in business and civic affairs. He served as township clerk of Board of Education and Board of Trustees, and later as a member of the County Board of Education.

Mr. Coy was interested in schools and used his influence in promoting a better school system.

### GUELDENZOPH, NISS

Niss Gueldenzoph was born on May 15, 1866 in North Riesum, Schleswig-Holstein, Germany. During July of 1885 he embarked at Hamburg on the *Vielland* of the Hamburg-American Line. This was a combination steam and three-masted sailing vessel which carried 600 passengers. On this voyage the sails were used just one of the twelve days it took to cross the Atlantic. His third class passage from Hamburg to Toledo cost about \$13.00. Mr. Gueldenzoph's sister Tillie had come to America four years previous. She was employed as a domestic servant in the home of George Lorenz's family and had saved enough to pay the passage of her father, mother and younger brother.

Mr. Gueldenzoph was employed by the Lorenz Brothers assisting in the manufacture and compounding of cosmetics, perfumes and flavoring extracts and working as shipping clerk.

He married Ida Lorenzen on March 8, 1893 at the St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Toledo.

Mrs. Lorenzen Gueldenzoph was born in Schleswig-Holstein, Germany in December 26, 1870. She came to America with her family in 1874 and settled on a farm near Williston.

Mr. and Mrs. Gueldenzoph lived on East Broadway for about two years. His physician advised him to move out of the city. He rented a farm near Curtice, later he moved to a farm near Williston. He then bought 20 acres of Henry Perry on Veler Road at a cost of about \$750.00.

In 1916, he took the Civil Service examination and ranked second in the list of entrants from Lucas County. He was appointed County Highway and Bridge Inspector. He worked in Oregon and Jerusalem townships as inspector for about twelve years.

He was elected as clerk of Jerusalem Township in 1907 and served in this capacity for a number of years.

Mr. Gueldenzoph was highly respected in the community, he was a good citizen and an excellent clerk.

Mr. and Mrs. Gueldenzoph had one daughter and two sons. The daughter, Silva, married Gust Vogtsberger and lived on a farm near Curtice, Ohio. Evert E. Gueldenzoph lives in Clay Center and with his son operates his own automatic screw machine products plants. Ray R. Gueldenzoph lives in Toledo and since 1922 has been employed by the Toledo Edison Company. He is now the Budget and Statistics Coordinator for the Electrical Engineering Department.

### HANSEN, JOHN

John Hansen was born in Genoa, April 6, 1900. He came to Jerusalem Township with his parents in 1913. At this time his father with others purchased a farm on Teachout Road. Part of the farm was a peach orchard but much of it had not been cleared. A trail led past the farm to Reno. This trail has been developed into a well kept highway.

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As a boy, John attended a school at Genoa where he completed the sixth grade. He then attended Amesville School in Jerusalem Township for one year. Through experience and alertness he continued to improve and is now an outstanding farmer and business man. He married Hannah Knudson. They had two children, Marcella who married Henry Murphy and Naoma who married Mr. Foss. Marcella is now teaching in the Oregon School System as a substitute.

Mr. Hansen's first wife died at about the age of thirty. On June 5, 1936 he married Ruth Prewitt. They have two children, Ruth Ann, who is attending Bowling Green and John at Toledo University.

Mr. Hansen has been active in community affairs. He was president of the Lucas County Farm Bureau and is now serving on the Ottawa County Co-op Board. He is also active in church work and at present is a member of the church council of St. Luke's Lutheran Church.

He was elected as trustee of Jerusalem Township in 1930 and has continued to serve in this capacity all these years. Working with Mr. Herman they took advantage of every opportunity to see that Jerusalem Township moved forward in a very constructive manner.

Mr. Hansen owns one hundred and sixty acres of land. He is now farming three hundred acres doing general farming and raising some cattle.

The people of the township owe much to such civic-minded men as Mr. Hansen for their good roads, improved drainage and many other services provided at a minimum cost to the taxpayer.

### HERMAN, CHARLES

Charles Herman was born in Wood County September 15, 1894. His mother died when he was five years old. Later his father married again and Charles went to live with his sister who married Martin Boyson. Mr. Boyson moved to Lucas County in 1912, bringing Charles with him. He made his home with the Boysons but worked on Howard Farm and did some commercial fishing.

As a young boy he attended school at Latchey but did not have the opportunity to attend high school.

At the age of twenty he married Eva Tank

and worked for his father-in-law six years. After Mr. Tank's death, Mr. Herman and Mr. Tank's son, Arty, bought the farm in Bono. Later he bought a farm on Veler Road.

Mr. Herman took an active part in community life. He was elected trustee of the township in 1928 and has served continuously to the present time. He is planning on retiring from office at the close of 1961. He is an active member of the Lutheran Church at Blackberry and has held a number of offices.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman have a son Harold. He married Virginia Grant. Both are graduates of Clay High School. They lived on Mr. Herman's farm on Veler Road.

Mr. Herman has given freely of his time and effort to Jerusalem Township. Working with the other trustees he has done much to bring improvement and progress to his community.

### KLAEGE, OTTO

August and Minnie Ameling Klaege came from Germany and settled in Ottawa County. Their son, Otto, was born September 1, 1892. He attended elementary school at Elliston and by special arrangement his teacher taught the subjects of the first year of high school to the older pupils. Most of them were unable to travel back and forth to high school because of distance, poor roads and lack of transportation. Thus, Mr. Klaege was unable to complete his high school training.

Otto moved with his parents to Jerusalem Township and settled on a farm on Veler Road east of Bono. He was appointed clerk of Jerusalem Township to fill the unexpired term of Elmer Hartenfeld who resigned in 1928. Mr. Klaege continued to serve as clerk of the Trustees and Board of Education over a period of years. A change in the law made it necessary for the Board of Education to merge with Oregon School System. Mr. Klaege resigned as clerk of the Board of Trustees October 5, 1959. He continued to serve as clerk until the two school systems merged as one in 1958.

Mr. Klaege married Ida Lindsay on March 31, 1936. They have four sons. Leonard born in 1936 married Emily Fondessey. They live on the corner of Yondota and Seaman. Kenneth was born in 1938. He is working in Toledo. Earl was born

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in 1943 and is now a senior at Clay High School. Harold born in 1949 is attending Jerusalem School. Their daughter Arlene was born in 1939. She married Milton Wilton. They are living in Oak Harbor.

Mr. Klaege is a member of St. Peter's Lutheran Church at Blackberry. He was also a member of the Trustees and Clerk's Association.

Mr. Klaege was an efficient clerk. He faced many problems for both the Trustees and the Board of Education. Both boards were compelled to operate on limited budgets but Mr. Klaege was alert, understanding, and sought ways and means of enabling both boards to make progress. The details of the financial difficulties are given in previous chapters.

Much of this progress was brought about through the wise guidance of Mr. Klaege.

### MESSER, J. C.

James Curtis Messer was born in Greenfield, Erie County, Pennsylvania, February 1, 1834. His father came from New London, New Hampshire in 1844 and settled on a farm in Oregon Township in what is now the Sixth Ward. He moved to the "Stickney Farm" on the west side where he remained for two years, then returned to the East Side. He operated a sawmill opposite Elm Street. Mr. Messer's father then bought the farm where the family lived for several years.

In 1858, James purchased the farm on Pickle Road in Oregon Township.

His schooling was limited. This was due to the limited resources of the country at this time. The family endured many hardships during the early days of their settlement.

He was a member of the Ohio National Guard and was made 2nd Lieutenant of Company A 130th OVI.

He served two years as township trustee, four years as Assessor, nine years as clerk and six years as treasurer. He represented Lucas County in the Sixty Second General Assembly of Ohio and in 1887 was elected to the same position.

He was married May 21, 1862 and had a family of nine children.

### SCHABOW, H. A.

H. A. Schabow was born in Oak Harbor on November 24, 1863. He received very little formal

school education but by study and hard work educated himself to the extent that he became a successful farmer and fruit grower.

At the age of eighteen he went to northwestern Kansas and took up a claim in an undeveloped country. He remained on the claim for six years and was successful in meeting the requirements for ownership.

On August 26, 1887, Mr. Schabow bought 40 acres of land in Jerusalem Township at the corner of Jerusalem and DeCant Road. He became a successful fruit grower and was known for the fine apples he raised.

He married Caroline Gatager of Ottawa County. He became the first clerk of Jerusalem Township and served continuously for fifteen years. Later he served as assessor.

He and his family were members of the St. Luke's Lutheran Church.

### SHANKS, ERWOOD S.

Erwood S. Shanks was born in Henry Township, Wood County, Ohio on May 22, 1894.

This township organized the first rural centralized elementary school in the state. The school opened with four grades in each of the two rooms. An addition was built which made it possible to assign a teacher to the fifth and sixth grades and another to the seventh and eighth grades. In this school Mr. Shanks received his elementary education. Here the eighth grade pupils were given advanced work which prepared them for the Boxwell examination and entrance into high school. Mr. Shanks attended night school at old Central High.

In 1917, he was employed by the Craig Oil Company as cost clerk. From this position he was promoted to accounting department. To prepare for this position he took a course in accounting. He became efficient in his work and was promoted to the position of assistant to the vice president. When the Craig Oil Company was sold, they gave Mr. Shanks charge of disposing of their products and the closing of their business which required a period of a few years.

In 1912, he married Edith Watson and they took up their residence on Starr Avenue in East Toledo. In 1926, they moved to the corner of

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Wheeling and Eastvale. Their two daughters, Marilyn and Jane, prepared for teaching and were employed by the Toledo Board of Education. Marilyn still pursues her profession but Jane is devoting her time to the rearing of her two daughters and a son.

Mr. Shanks served as clerk of the Board of Trustees and the Board of Education from 1934 to 1957 when he decided to not run for reelection as clerk of the Board of Trustees. He continued as clerk of the Board of Education in which position he is now serving. He is conscientious, efficient and has won the reputation of being one of the outstanding clerks in the state of Ohio.

### TENEYCK, MILDRED DUVALL

Mildred Duvall was born at Antwerp, Ohio, on February 8, 1897. When she was nine years of age her mother died. Two years later her father remarried. The family moved frequently which meant that during Mildred's early school life she changed schools frequently. One such experience was that of a country school in the hills near Jackson, Mississippi. Here she was impressed by the habits and living standards of these people. No doubt, this experience gave her a more sympathetic and better understanding of those to whom life offers little in the way of comforts and enjoyments.

In 1910, the family moved to Toledo and she enrolled at Newton School where she completed her elementary education in June 1911.

Her folks were unable to send her to high school, but permitted her to work for her room and board while she attended Waite High where she graduated as one of the members of the first class in June 1915.

She borrowed money to attend summer school at Bowling Green after which she made application for a school in Lucas County. She was employed to teach a rural school known as Jamestown on Norden Road in Oregon Township.

On August 16, 1916 she married John TenEyck and they established a home on Cedar Point Road. Here they reared eleven children all of whom attended the Oregon Township Schools and were graduated from Clay High.

Mrs. TenEyck was interested in all community activities and any projects that would help the community to move forward. She served as president of the Clay Elementary P.T.A.; was a volunteer in the local Red Cross, Home Nursing, Canteen; Nutrition, Gray Lady, and the Blood Program.

She helped to organize the Clay High Band Parents Association and is a member of the following clubs: Samagame Club of Presidents, St. Charles Hospital Guild, Oregon Women's Civic Club. She is serving as a member of the Oregon Board of Health and has served as chairman of the Oregon's Mothers' March on Polio for eight years.

She was elected as a member of the Board of Education in 1947. In 1953, she was again elected as member of the Board and is serving in this capacity at the present time. She is a strong supporter of education and has done much to help make the school system outstanding.

Her son, James, was killed in the service during World War II. She became a member of the Gold Star Mothers and later served as its president.

### TURNOW, OTTO

Otto Turnow was born in Ottawa County August 20, 1895. As a boy he attended the one room school at McNutt in Jerusalem Township. He came to Jerusalem Township in 1917. He bought a farm on Corduroy Road in 1920. He is a prosperous farmer and at present with the help of his family he is farming about 800 acres. He is a member of the Williston St. John's Lutheran Church where he is serving as elder and a member of the church council.

He married Blanche Ames. They have two sons, Ralph and Rollan and two daughters, Margaret Turnow Bench and Katherine Turnow Lumbrezer. They have sixteen grandchildren who help to brighten their lives and keep them interested in schools and the community life.

Mr. Turnow is industrious, enterprising and civic-minded. He devoted twenty-four years as a member of the Board of Education and was influential in bringing about the consolidation of schools in Jerusalem Township.

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### VILLHAUER, HENRY

Henry Villhauer, one of the prominent citizens of Oregon Township now Oregon City, was born on July 26, 1888. His father, Henry Villhauer, Sr., came from Baden, Germany with his father in the early 1800's. Henry's grandfather made investments which were unprofitable. He returned to Germany taking his family with him. Henry Villhauer, Sr., returned to America when he was nineteen years of age. He settled in Toledo and married Catherine Ackerman who was born in Oregon Township and lived on the corner of Coy and Corduroy roads.

Henry, Jr. is their oldest son. Other members of the family are Charles, Fred, Gertrude, Florence, Loretta and Edward who died in infancy. He lived with his parents on LaGrange Street. He entered the first grade at LaGrange Street School. During the time he was attending school, the Board of Education had this building razed and erected a new building. The pupils were transferred to an old store building while the new school was under construction.

The family then moved to Stickney Street and Henry walked a mile and a half to school.

In 1901, the family moved on a farm which Mr. Villhauer's father bought at the corner of Seaman and Lallendorf roads. Henry then attended Reihle school for one year completing the sixth grade.

He worked on his father's farm after he quit school at the age of fourteen. When he was sixteen years of age he worked at the car shop walking to and from work. He received sixteen cents an hour for his labor making a total of \$1.28 a day. He paid his mother \$3.00 a week board and by careful management placed some money in a savings account at the bank.

At the age of twenty-four, he married Anna Margaret Berger and lived on Seaman across the street from his family. He continued farming and in 1921 bought 40 acres of land on Pickle Road where he and his wife are living. He had two children, Melvin who is a public accountant living in Toledo and Lenore, who married Erwin Hagedorn, a chemist at Libbey Owens. He is also serving as mayor of Oregon.

Mr. Villhauer was elected as trustee of Oregon Township in 1933 and served continuously for twenty-four years at which time the township was incorporated. When Mr. Villhauer became a trustee, many roads were unimproved. The early improvements were assessed on the property and paid by taxes. Eastmoreland streets were built by the real estate company. The remainder of roads and streets were unimproved. Through the influence of Mr. Villhauer a program for the improvement of all roads was inaugurated. In the beginning cinders were used on the streets. This improvement was better than the mud but required much repairing. The next improvement was stone which had to be leveled and surface treated. However, as more people drove automobiles, money from the gas and license tax was used for improvement and upkeep of the roads. Then a program of removing the old cinders and stones and replacing them with modern roads was initiated. In time all roads were macadamized.

Mr. Villhauer was elected a member of the council and is now serving his second term. His interest in the roads continued and he has insisted on the roads being kept in good condition. He is alert to the many problems facing the new city of Oregon and has made many sacrifices in order to help solve the present problems as well as those of past years.

### WOLF, FRANK

Frank Wolf, son of Charles and Maude Sargeant Wolf, was born May 12, 1909 on a farm in Jerusalem Township. The farm of eighty acres is located on Corduroy Road. Both parents are deceased and Frank is living on the old homestead. He attended the one room school at the corner of Cousino and Corduroy roads known as the Cedar Point School. He entered Waite High School which he attended for some time.

He married Marie Huss. They have a family of three sons. Wade married Audrey Vogelpohl, Herman married Ruth Schmidlin, Robert is at Fort Knox at present and one daughter, Rose Marie, is completing her work at Clay High.

Frank is an industrious and successful farmer. He with his brother Carl and his sons farm fifteen hundred acres.

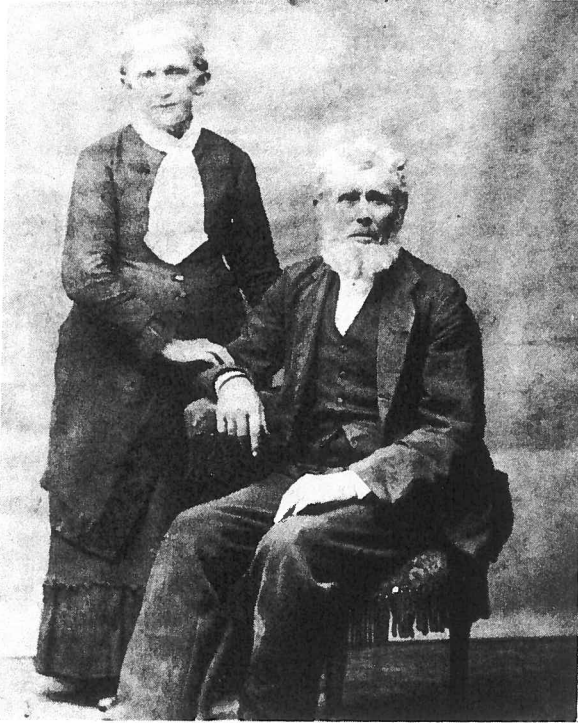
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He is a member of Christ Church Methodist where he is serving as a trustee.

Mr. Wolf is interested in civic affairs and has devoted many years serving as a board member of Jerusalem Township. He was appointed January 20, 1937 to take the place of Frank St. John who

moved to Toledo. Mr. Wolf served continuously on the Jerusalem Board of Education until Jerusalem Township merged with Oregon as one school district in 1957. He was elected as a member of the Board of Education of the Oregon School District in which capacity he is now serving.

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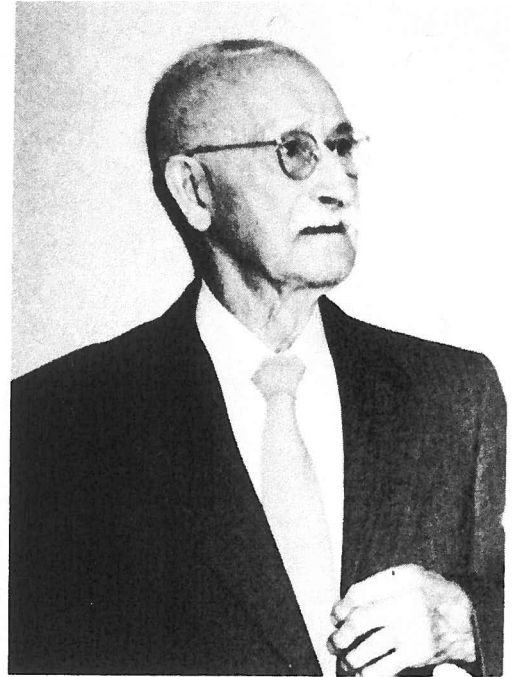


Old pioneers of Oregon Township came from Stark County in 1851. Clay School named in honor of this pioneer.

TERENIAH CLAY AND HIS WIFE  
SARAH



Catherine Guyor Navarre, wife of Robert T. Navarre, came to Oregon in 1840. She is the great grandmother of the author.  
Picture donated by Mrs. Ruth Zunk



Fred Mominee born in 1866. Looking back over 95 years, he recalls many interesting events.



Robert Navarre, a nephew of Peter the Scout.  
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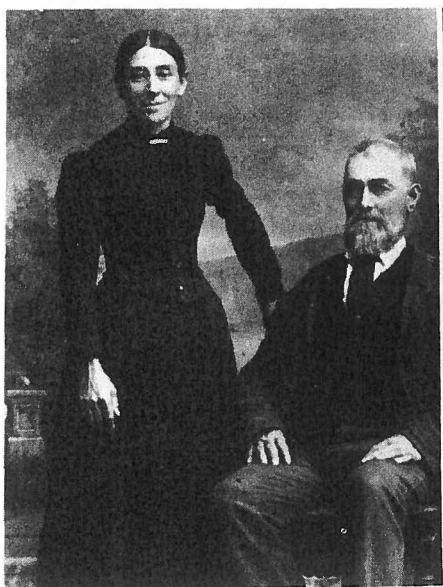
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Henry Villhauer served as trustee of Oregon Township for 24 years. He is now serving as a member of council.



Born in 1870, lived in Oregon Township since 1875. Mrs. Phillips living on her farm with her son Elmer.  
Picture loaned by Mrs. Elmer Phillips.

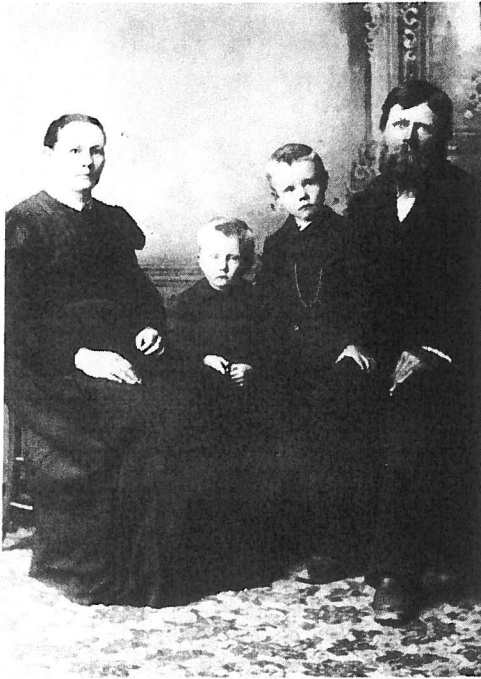
Samuel Navarre and wife, Phillisa — one of the early settlers.



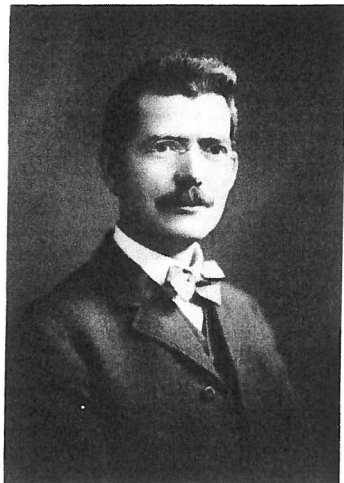
The blind brother of R. A. Bartley.  
Picture donated by Addie Navarre

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Mrs. Robinson was one of the old pioneers. She helped her husband clear the farm of dense forest on corner of Norden and Seamon Road.



Charles Cook, his wife, Marie, and two sons, Fred and Henry.  
Picture loaned by Mrs. Cook



Dr. Ingraham, a good doctor  
a wonderful friend — an inspiration to all his patients.  
Picture loaned by  
Mrs. Henry Sandroch



Dr. Lorenzen followed in the  
footsteps of Dr. Ingraham. He  
brought cheer and comfort to  
the sick.  
Picture loaned by Dr. Lorenzen



Dr. Miller, a quiet sympathetic doctor,  
a friend in time of need.  
Picture loaned by Mrs. Frank Miller

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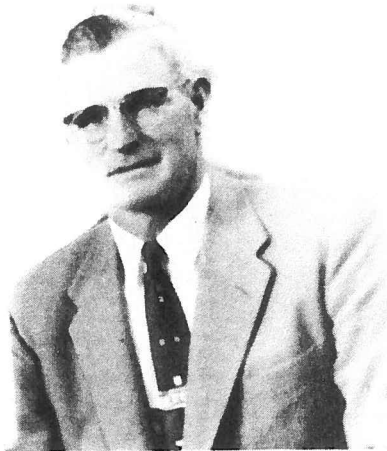
Dr. Garand was interested in the comfort of patients. Made a specialty of treating burns. His product, Antiusto, brought relief to many.  
Picture loaned by Frederick Garand

Dr. Charles Mills, one of the busy physicians of East Side, was always willing to answer the call, regardless of time or weather.  
Picture loaned by Mrs. Maude Kaufman



Dr. Ingraham and his car, which took the place of his faithful horses.  
Picture loaned by his daughter,  
Olive — Mrs. Sandrock

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Otto Turnow served as Board Member in the Jerusalem Township 24 years. He used his influence in the campaign for better schools.



John Hansen, a trustee of Jerusalem Township since 1930, has given freely of his time.



Charles Herman, a trustee of Jerusalem Township. Was elected in 1928. Has served continuously.



Erwood S. Shanks, clerk of Board of Education, a conscientious worker.



Mildred TenEyck, one of the very active Board Members.



Mr. Wolf served as member of Board of Education of Jerusalem Township over a long period of time. He is now representing Jerusalem Township on the Oregon Board.