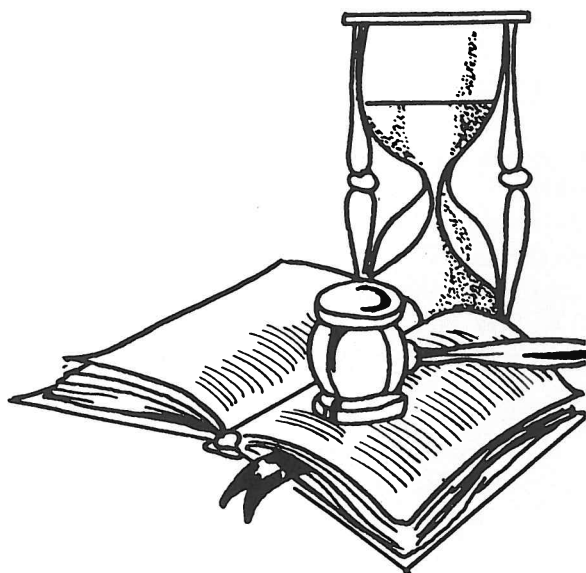


Chapter XIV

Clubs and Other Items of Interest



CLUBS

Community life is encouraged and developed through its clubs. They are organized to promote a greater interest in the community and to fill a definite need. A study of the various clubs in Oregon and Jerusalem indicates that the people of these communities are interested in what is taking place about them and that they have a desire to assume the responsibility of helping to make their community a better place in which to live.

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THE BRANDVILLE SERVICE CLUB

Old records turn back the pages of history to 1922, when Brandville was a growing school district. A number of the citizens felt the need of an organization which would promote the interest of the community and school.

On February 21, 1922, a group of parents met in the Brandville School and formed the Brandville Service Club. The following officers were elected: President Bert Pim, Secretary G. C. Fredrich, Treasurer M. J. Schmidt. The group was composed of 26 charter members whose interest

aroused their neighbors and friends. At the close of the school year they had 59 active members.

PROJECTS

One of their first projects was the appointing of a committee to request the Board of Education to install lights in the school. The request was granted and the lights were an advantage to the group as well as to the teachers and pupils on dark winter days.

Another project brought rapid results. Upon investigating, this committee learned that the County Library would provide their school and community with library books if the school would assume the responsibility of caring for and distributing them.

The group then made a study of the cost of their school and compared this cost with that of consolidated schools. They discussed the benefits of such a school system and the need of presenting the facts to all parents living in Oregon.

In September of 1922, this organization assigned itself the task of presenting the need for consolidated schools to all the school districts of Oregon. Thus, there began a campaign for better schools for Oregon Township. This campaign continued and in time an interest throughout the township developed. Through the combined efforts of all districts the dream came to pass after a long hard struggle. Another step forward was that of becoming members of the State Parent Teachers Association.

By the fall of 1926, the new consolidated buildings Clay, Coy, and Wynn were opened.

FORESIGHT

A committee was appointed to study the needs of their own consolidated building. One of the first projects was to supply equipment for hot lunches and arrange a program for administering the same.

On March 26, 1928, the constitution was amended and the name was changed to Coy P.T.A.

In October officers as follows were elected to serve under this new name. They were: Gus Fred-

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rich, president; Mrs. Roy Crandall, vice president; Richard T. Wareham, recording secretary; and Mr. Metzker, financial secretary.

On March 11, 1929, a membership of 197 was reported.

Interest continued to increase and projects such as purchasing stage furniture, visiting the school, sponsoring Scout troops, hot lunch program, and a safety council were carried on with success.

According to the minutes, the club continued through the school year 1943-44. At this time officers were elected for the ensuing year but there is no record of their having served. In the fall of 1944 much attention was given to war activities. Travel was curtailed by gas rationing. Interest declined and the Mothers' Club was given the task of taking care of the needs that arose.

COY P.T.A. REORGANIZED

A number of the patrons became interested and decided to reorganize in the fall of 1957. On December 2, 1957, a group met at Coy School and elected Robert Connelly as temporary chairman and Caroline Foley temporary secretary.

Discussion of best methods of interesting the parents in their organization followed. Plans were made for reorganization and a meeting was called for February 11, 1958.

At the meeting in February officers were elected for a period of two years. Those who assumed the responsibility for the organization were Tom Robinette, president, William Roe, Jr., first vice president, Edwin Brice second vice president, Gene Donnal third vice president, Robert Connelly secretary, and Warren Cooper treasurer.

During the two year period the interest grew and a number of the members were active. At the close of the school year officers were elected for the new term. In the fall, meetings were not resumed, but according to a report given by Robert Connelly plans were in the making to resume the work.

CLAY P.T.A.

While the Board of Education was preparing to house the school children in the three consolidated buildings, the parents and teachers were busy planning the best method of unifying their efforts.

Through the leadership of Bessie B. Bodle a meeting of the parents of Momeneetown, Warden, Heckman, Homestead and Reihle school districts was held at the old Momeneetown school building in March, 1926, to discuss the organizing of a combined P.T.A. After some discussion they decided to organize. Those eligible for membership included parents living in the portion of the township that formed the Clay School district. This included the above named school districts and the members of the faculty.

Officers were elected as follows: Mrs. R. D. Navarre, president, Bessie B. Bodle, vice president, Mrs. Alta Shelles, secretary, Robert Kohne, treasurer.

OTHER MEETINGS

The second meeting was held at the Reihle School in May of 1926 and the third at Heckman in July of the same year. Thus, the group was ready for their fourth meeting at their new building Clay in the fall of 1926.

The purpose of the organization stated in the constitution is, "To increase the educational and social advantages of our community through the cooperation of the parents, teachers, and members of the Board of Education."

OTHER PARENTS INVITED

Membership was now open to all parents who had children attending Clay High in addition to those mentioned previously. This included parents from Jerusalem Township and other portions besides Clay district in Oregon.

PROJECTS

The first project was the purchase of a motion picture machine to be used for the grade and high school pupils.

The next project was sponsoring hot lunches. A committee was appointed and soon children were enjoying a hot dish with the lunch they brought from home.

A banquet for the girls and boys of the basketball squads was initiated.

So the organization continued working with the principal and teachers on any project where their services were needed.

In the meeting of December 4, 1932 the club

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voted to sponsor a mothers' club. An account of this club is given under another heading.

In 1937, the elementary pupils moved into a new building to give space for the growing high school. However, the P.T.A. continued as one organization, meeting alternately at Clay High, then Clay Elementary. This plan continued until the close of the school year May 1939.

In the fall of 1939, the high school Mothers' Club carried on the work in the high school and parents dropped out of the P.T.A.

On October 11, 1939 a motion to amend the constitution to read Clay Elementary P.T.A. was made and carried.

CLAY ELEMENTARY P.T.A.

Under the amended constitution the following officers were elected: John Pautz, president, Mrs. J. Meier, vice president, Florence Rymers, secretary, Carl Ackerman, treasurer.

This organization is still very active. One of its important projects, the Clay Fair, is promoted annually. Each year the large profit is invested in equipment for the school such as a loud speaker, curtains, cabinets, for teachers, and encyclopedias.

WYNN P.T.A.

This organization included as members, the parents of children attending Wynn School. It was organized in the fall of 1926. The minutes of this P.T.A. have been lost and the members are unable to recall the first officers.

This group succeeded in getting the community to work together as a unit. The members worked with their teachers and encouraged them in various ways. Social activities were provided and many good times were enjoyed by the group. They sponsored the Scout troops, cafeteria, programs and plays of various types. Needy families were remembered. Gas rationing and war activities interfered and the school problems were given to the Mothers' Club.

BONO P.T.A.

On February 23, 1928 a meeting of the parents of the Bono district was called. The district superintendent presided. Bert Pim from Coy P.T.A. was introduced. He explained the advantages of such an organization and emphasized the need of

all patrons uniting in order to secure better schools for their township.

A committee including Mr. Routson, Mr. Rudolph and Mr. Herman was appointed to form a temporary constitution.

Mr. Pim was asked to serve as temporary chairman and Mr. Rudolph as temporary secretary. Mr. Pim explained the constitution and by-laws which were adopted by the group. Officers were elected as follows: Charles Herman, president, Mrs. Charles Herman, vice president, June Helme, secretary. Alie Hutchinson, treasurer.

The president appointed Bruce Rudolph, Henry Lentner and L. W. Buxton to serve on the executive committee.

A committee was appointed to contact a representative in each school district. The representative was requested to contact all the patrons of the district asking them to sign a petition to the Board of Education. This petition requested the Board to provide a better school system for Jerusalem Township.

The following representatives served on the committee: Mrs. A. Anderson for Cedar Point School, Mrs. Rollie Ames for Cement Block, Mrs. Lentner Bono, Mrs. Shilling Reno and Mrs. Harry Pfiefer for McNutt.

The interest continued and in time more parents from the surrounding school districts became active. On March 7, 1930, the name was changed to Jerusalem Township P.T.A.

JERUSALEM TOWNSHIP P.T.A.

At this time the officers serving were Perry Marsh, appointed to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Bruce Rudolph, Carl Stoddard vice president, June Helme secretary, and Alice Hutchinson, treasurer.

At the regular meeting a motion was made that a petition be circulated and presented to the Board requesting

1. That a grade and high school be erected
2. That a levy of one mill be placed on the tax duplicate.

After some discussion it was thought best to defer action on this motion until next meeting.

Checking on the minutes it was learned that the

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organization had made considerable progress which may be summarized as follows:

1. The people of the township became aware of the need of centralization of their schools.

2. A committee met with the Board to keep in touch with the problems.

3. Petitions for consolidation were presented to the Board from time to time.

4. Speakers were invited to give them information in regard to the best solution of their problem.

5. School contests were planned to encourage teachers and pupils to do the best they could under the circumstances.

Their united effort brought the desired result and in September, 1937 they were able to meet in the auditorium of the new centralized school under the leadership of the following officers: Charles Corson, president, Peter Carstensen, Sr., vice president, Eloise Boyer, secretary, Emil Lake, treasurer.

The P.T.A. worked with the principal and teachers for the improvement and advancement of their school and community. At present the club is inactive but holds itself in readiness to serve when needed.

COY MOTHER'S CLUB

In 1930, a committee composed of Edith Shanks, Alice B. Coy and Bertha Neville was appointed to formulate a constitution for a mothers' club. This constitution was adopted November 14, 1930. The first officers elected were Catherine Christy president, Helen E. Kohn vice president, and Mary Grafton secretary-treasurer.

The purpose given in the constitution is as follows, "The purpose shall be to give service to benefit children of the Coy School district and to cooperate with the Coy P.T.A. and Council."

This group sponsored hot lunches, promoted the first grade band and took care of the needy.

CLAY MOTHER'S CLUB

According to minutes of the Clay P.T.A. this organization was sponsored by the P.T.A. Action was taken December 14, 1932. The first minutes of the Mothers' Club that could be located, were dated March 6, 1934. At that time Mrs. George Kohne presided as president and Mrs. Fred Villhauer as

vice president. It may be assumed they organized shortly after the meeting on December 14, 1932.

This group was interested in both grade and high school pupils. Such projects as making suits for the first grade band, sponsoring a banquet for the Scout troops, canning vegetables for the cafeteria, and various other activities were promoted.

Enrollment increased in both grades and high school and it became necessary to erect a new elementary building.

CLAY ELEMENTARY MOTHER'S CLUB

After the grades moved into their new building a separate mothers' club was formed in the fall of 1937. Freida Koehn served as president.

This club has been very active and continues to be of service to the teachers and the school.

CLAY HIGH MOTHER'S CLUB

The mothers of the high school pupils organized as a separate group on April 26, 1939. The first officers were: Maude Kaufman, president, Freida Ludeman, vice president, Mrs. H. E. West, secretary, Mrs. Elsie Berendt, assistant secretary, and Mrs. J. E. Shafer, treasurer. The group made a study of the problems of teenagers, arranged for speakers at assemblies, sponsored a senior banquet and a canning project for the cafeteria. Later, the Home Economics class took over the canning project under the guidance of Gladys Spear.

The enrollment continued to increase and, to relieve the crowded situation, a junior high school was organized at the old Clay High. To avoid conflicts and arrange for this new group the Clay High Mothers' Club invited the parents of the junior high group to join.

CLAY SENIOR AND JUNIOR HIGH MOTHERS' CLUB

The first meeting of this group was held October 27, 1954. The group is working together in an amicable and efficient manner. To help the junior high pupils, dances were sponsored and chaperoned by the mothers.

There are now two junior high schools which include pupils of seventh to ninth grades inclusive. In time this may call for another organization.

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WYNN MOTHERS' CLUB

Fourteen mothers met at Wynn School on October 26, 1932 and organized a mothers' club. Their first officers were: Mrs. Goldie Stout, president, Rose Cannon, vice president, Mrs. C. E. Ludeman, secretary, Mrs. A. Anderson, treasurer.

This group took up activities that had been sponsored by the P.T.A. They were interested in helping the needy of the community and working with the faculty to improve the physical, moral, and educational welfare of their children.

They sponsored an eighth-grade banquet annually and supported the hot lunch program, the first grade band, and any activity that needed their assistance. They are active at the present and are helping the teacher in many ways.

STARR MOTHERS' CLUB

Increased enrollment in the schools brought about the creation of a new district known as Starr. The new building was erected and opened in the fall of 1957.

On September 17, 1957 the mothers of the children attending this new school met. With 66 mothers present they elected Mrs. Thelma Wolf president, Mrs. Lillian Warnke vice president, Mrs. Mary Cousino secretary, and Mrs. Marcella Blaussey treasurer. Their purpose is to establish and maintain an understanding and cordial relationship between students, parents, and faculty.

The club is active and assists in all activities that are designed to improve and advance their school and community.

JERUSALEM TOWNSHIP MOTHER'S CLUB

In the fall of 1937, Mr. Mills, principal of the new school, invited Mrs. Lake and Mrs. Herman to his office for a conference. He discussed the value of a mothers' club and requested that they promote such an organization.

They accepted the challenge and arranged for a meeting. The following officers were elected: Mrs. Emil Lake, president, Mrs. Frank Bourdo, vice president, Mrs. George Morse, secretary, and Mrs. Fred Witty, treasurer.

Mrs. Herman recalls that they used a large tumbleweed for a Christmas tree at their first

Christmas program. Mrs. Lake sprayed the tumbleweed and it made an attractive tree.

The club lived up to the expectations of the principal. They did many things to help the children and teachers. They are still very active and are promoting many projects for the benefit of the school and community.

OREGON BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL WOMEN'S CLUB

On June 7, 1958 a meeting was called and the Oregon Business and Professional Women organized with 31 charter members. The following officers were elected: Hildred Fox, president, Josephine May, vice president, Charline Bricker, secretary, Mary Singlar, treasurer.

The purpose of the club as stated in the constitution is to elevate the standards of women in business and professions and to promote interest and cooperation among the women by means of educational programs.

The club is affiliated with the national and state organizations.

The members of the club are sponsoring the founding of a city library.

For the year 1961 they assumed the responsibility of sending a girl to Columbus to participate in the Buckeye program. They are taking an active part in civic affairs and are interested in encouraging and promoting an honest and efficient government.

OREGONIANS' CLUB

In 1945, 21 men met and organized the Oregonian Club with Urban H. Gradel as president.

The charter members of the club are:

Baker, Carl	Polsdorfer, Ray O.
Brown, Claude E.	Reif, Carl J.
Eberlin, Elmer	Schardt, Sylvester
Gradel, Urban	Scott, Olson
Hanson, Harry F.	Shanks, Erwood
Kinnèy, Robert P.	Shank, George
Langmaid, Clair W.	Siewert, Arnold
MacPherson, Harold	Ulrich, Franklin A.
Munding, Anton	VonEwegen, Herbert
Myers, James	Wetli, Joseph L.

Wolfe, Howard H.

The purpose as given in the constitution is as follows: "for the purpose of maintaining and

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improving the civic standard of the city of Oregon; and to cooperate with other civic organizations of our community and neighboring communities."

The club has been instrumental in promoting and securing: (1) lights on Starr Avenue from Wheeling to the Terminal tracks; (2) bus service to Eastmoreland, Euclid Park, and Mound View Park; (3) drainage; (4) road improvements; (5) air pollution, noise and dust control; (6) traffic lights and signs at dangerous intersections; (7) clearance of slum areas; (8) stoppage of undesirable industries; (9) zoning southern half of Oregon Township; (10) orderly development of community; (11) lights for ice skating area at Pearson Park.

At present, 1961, there are 69 members who are alert and ready to do what they can to improve the community.

THE BOOSTERS' CLUB

In 1948, a boosters club was organized through the efforts of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ward, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Freshour, Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Diefenthaler, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Breese, and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Wolfe. The purpose of the club is to foster athletics and assist whenever needed.

The first officers were Marvin Joseph president, Margaret Siewert secretary, and Arnold Siewert treasurer.

Some of the projects promoted by the club were: (1) provided hoods for football team; (2) secured jobs for needy boys; (3) purchased a slow motion projector for the athletic department; (4) arranged and paid expenses of trips for varsity team; (5) purchased pitching machine for baseball team; (6) provide scholarships each year for some of the seniors; (7) provided money for a number of smaller projects. Similar projects will be carried on to meet needs of the boys and the department.

THE EAST SHORE REPUBLICAN CLUB

The Articles of Incorporation of this club were signed and sworn to by Earl Murphy, George A. Keene, and Melvin Driftmeyer on April 20, 1948. The Articles were filed and certified by I. Edward

J. Hummel, Secretary of the State of Ohio in his office April 22, 1948.

The purposes of this club are

"The advancement and continuation of the principles of the Republican Party and the success of its regular candidates of the regular party at the national, state, district, and county elections; and the promotion of friendly and social relations among the members of this organization."

The following were appointed to serve as trustees of the corporation until a meeting was called to elect others:

Edward F. Brown, 620 Ansonia

Carl F. Schuffenecker, 3742 Cedar Point Road

Edward C. Pohlman, Route 6, Box 462

Murl Kuhn, Martin, Ohio, Route 1

The members of this club included electors of Oregon and Jerusalem Township.

WOMEN'S DEMOCRAT CLUB

The club was organized on May 2, 1940 in the home of Katherine Menard. It included the women of Oregon and Jerusalem Townships who were interested in promoting the democratic party in this vicinity.

The officers elected at the first meeting were: President, Katherine Menard, vice president, Neda Lehman, secretary-treasurer, Martha Duffin.

Meetings are held once a month and members are kept up-to-date on the issues and candidates the party is sponsoring.

MEN'S DEMOCRAT CLUB

The men of Oregon and Jerusalem Townships organized in the fall of 1937. Meetings are held once a month and problems and issues to be supported are discussed. Their first officers were president Richard Marlowe, vice president Fred Roy, secretary and treasurer Delbert Mominee.

Edward F. Mominee has served the party as chairman of Oregon for 38 years. This service has been continuous with the exception of two years when he declined to be a candidate.

EAST SHORE WOMEN'S REPUBLICAN CLUB

On April 30, 1941 a meeting was called to discuss the organization of a Republican club for the women. The speaker was Mrs. Charles

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Nautz, a member of the Republican State Committee of the Ninth District. At this meeting it was decided to include all the women of Oregon and Jerusalem Townships who wished to become members.

A meeting was held May 6, 1941 at which time the following officers were elected: president, Maude Kaufman, 1st vice president, Mrs. Julia Callihan, 2nd vice president, Mrs. Ida Gilger, secretary, Mrs. Edna Scheehle, and treasurer, Mrs. Mabel Munding.

The charter members were: Mrs. Emma Byers, Mrs. Julia Callihan, Mrs. Ida Gilger, Mrs. Maude Kaufman, Mrs. Leona Krauss, Mrs. Marguerite Marlow, Mrs. Mable Munding, Mrs. Mabelle Rankin, Mrs. Edith Rouiller, Mrs. Lillian Schilling, Mrs. Edna Scheehle, Mrs. Florence Schmaltz.

The club is still active under the leadership of Mrs. Dorothy Polsdorfer.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Harry Stoldt who was chairman of the Oregon Area Study Committee requested that the organization make a study of the need for such a club and the work that could be accomplished by a Chamber of Commerce. A committee appointed under the direction of Ansel Reihing did preliminary research. They studied the bulletins and brochures of various chambers in the United States. A report was made and the O.A.S. decided to take no action on the formation of such an organization.

Mr. Stoldt then requested the Oregonian Club to form a Chamber of Commerce. They accepted the responsibility and appointed Claude May and Edward Metzker to work with Harry Stoldt on the committee. After obtaining material from the National Chamber of Commerce a meeting was called to form an Oregon Chamber of Commerce.

On February 23, 1960 temporary officers were elected and by-laws were written. At a meeting called for May 26, 1960 the following officers were elected: president, John Clover, vice president, George Kuebler, secretary, Frank Britt, treasurer, Robert Werner.

John Clover resigned and on June 8, 1960 Kermit Meinert was elected to fill the vacancy.

On May 17, 1960 the following Board of Directors was elected:

Kermit Meinert for three year period
Robert Johnson for three years
John Free for two years
George Kuebler for two years
Ben R. Bauer for one year
George Evarts for three years
Ben Henry for three years
William Szabo for one year
Harold Boesel for two years
Jack Bachman for one year
Gordon Dietz for one year
Frank Britt for one year
Edward Metzker for three years
Robert Sharp for two years
Robert Werner for two years

The club has set up a scholarship for Clay High seniors. Regulations to be used as the basis on which scholarship is awarded were adopted.

Committees have been appointed to study, report and make recommendations on the following topics: Parks and Recreation, Port Development, Metropolitan Affairs, State Highway and Parking.

SPADE AND TROWEL CLUB

There are women in all communities who enjoy nature and are blessed with what is termed a *green thumb*. Among this group a number of women of Oregon decided to organize a Spade and Trowel Club in 1953. The following officers were elected:

President — Mrs. Burt Rowley
Vice president — Mrs. Lester Roth
Secretary — Mrs. William Brown
Treasurer — Mrs. John Schnell
Historian — Mrs. Jack Bachman

The purpose of the club as stated in their constitution is the encouragement of gardening.

Their projects are as follows: (a) the maintaining of a flower box at the Municipal Building; (b) the making of tray favors for the hospitals; (c) providing a special gift for the Williston Home of Mercy each year at Christmas time; (d) providing a special gift for the Lutheran Orphans Home each year; (e) making Christmas arrangements; (f) sponsoring a flower fair for the public each year.

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The club is federated with the Garden Club of Toledo and is a member of the Garden Club of Ohio Incorporated.

ERIE VALLEY TRAILS GARDEN CLUB

Women of Jerusalem Township became interested in improving their own flower gardens and the grounds around their community house and fire station on Route 2.

They organized the Erie Valley Trails Garden Club in April of 1956. The first officers were as follows:

President — Lucille Farris
Vice president — Eunice Nissen
Secretary — Zalia Habegger
Treasurer — Lucy Bury
Historian — Ruth Durivage

They placed evergreens and flowers at their civic center and put up a fence which they expect to paint.

The club is active and is doing much to interest people in beautifying their own yards.

HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB

In 1919, the women of Lucas County became interested in extension work. A committee was appointed to arrange for a time and place of meetings. Federal funds were appropriated for this work. An advisory committee was elected. The following members represented Oregon and Jerusalem Townships: Mrs. Charles Herman, Mrs. O. B. Huss, Mrs. Perry Marsh, Mrs. Roy Crandall, and Mrs. Opal Stroshine.

The county as a unit did not bring desirable results. It was then decided that each township would form a unit.

JERUSALEM TOWNSHIP HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB

This club was organized under the leadership of Miss Prewitt, now Mrs. John Hansen, as president. The interest increased and more women joined the club which is still active. Contests are sponsored. In the earlier years of the organization Mrs. Charles Herman won the prize for making the most improvements in her kitchen. She enjoyed it since she was working on a project that would make her daily tasks easier.

This year she attended the summer school

session at Ohio State. She reported that she learned many things worth while. She enjoyed meeting with other women and exchanging ideas.

The members are enthusiastic. They take an active part in the meetings and report that they have enjoyable times while learning to be more efficient in managing their homes.

HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB OF OREGON

This club was organized March 26, 1947. The first officers were: Mrs. Emma Phillips, president; Mrs. Freida Henniger, vice president; Mrs. Marian Roth, secretary and Mrs. Amelia Moritz, treasurer.

Mrs. Alice Coy, Mrs. August Fredrich, and Mrs. Clarence Schmidlin were among the first members. Mrs. Fredrich reported that the club met at St. Mark's Lutheran Church on Grasser Street. During their first year a study of nutrition was made. She recalls that one of the demonstrations was the making of cream of spinach soup. At this time much emphasis was placed on the value of spinach. Parents were urged to feed it to the children.

A report given at the next meeting indicated the women were trying out this new soup. Mothers were pleased to report that children enjoyed eating it.

Canning and the use of pressure cookers were topics that received much attention.

This club is active at the present time. Last year they made a study of Emotional Children and How to Direct Them. For the coming year emphasis will be placed on upholstering and ways of beautifying the home at little or no cost.

NON-PARTISAN CLUB

This club was organized in August of 1960. The purpose as stated in the constitution is "To prevent the danger of the controlling government in being influenced by interest not identical with the general welfare of the community."

The first officers were: president Roberta Dunmeyer, vice president Dan Fisher, secretary Arleen Thornton, treasurer Robert Roberts, Sergeant-at-arms W. A. Roe; corresponding secretary Marian Clifton.

Some projects in which they have taken an active part pertained to the zoning of the northern

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half of Oregon and opposition to Oregon owning its own water system.

VELVETONE CHORALIERS

A number of Clay High graduates who enjoyed music in high school felt the need of continuing to express themselves through music. On January 8, 1956, a group met and organized a club known as the Velvetone Choraliers. They elected the following officers:

- President — Albert Ward
- Vice president — Robert Ferrel
- Secretary — Audrey Berger
- Treasurer — Robert Wisdom
- Librarian — Melvin Scott
- Publicist — James Schlageter
- Director — Wayne Bricker

The purpose of this club is to teach and train its members in singing choral music; to give public performances; to promote interest in the development and appreciation of all things pertaining to the art of choral music and to raise \$100 annually above their expenses for a scholarship to be given to a senior who is a member of the a cappella choir of Clay High School.

Their popularity has grown and they are serving their community by preparing special programs for church and school functions. In addition to this their services are in demand at fraternal meetings, banquets, and entertainments for charity.

THE 4-H CLUBS HISTORY

The Four H Club is composed of young people who are engaged in farming, homemaking or community activities. Boys and girls between the ages of 10 and 21 years may enroll by agreeing "to learn to do by doing". They elect their own officers, plan their own program based on their interest, hold regular meetings and take part in community activities.

Their emblem is a four-leaf clover. The H's stand for Head, Heart, Hands, and Health.

This movement began in 1900 and the first club in Ohio was started by A. B. Graham, a county superintendent of schools, in 1902.

The Department of Agriculture encouraged the formation of the clubs in the northern states.

The Smith-Lever Act passed in 1914, provided

money to the states to help them organize boys and girls' clubs. (Information from World Book Encyclopedia.)

FIRST 4-H CLUB OF OREGON

Miss Brubaker, the first home demonstration agent in Lucas County, encouraged Mrs. Gustave Fredrich in starting a Four H Club for girls in the Coy district.

Mrs. Fredrich visited the parents of a number of girls in 1924 and succeeded in organizing the club. More girls became interested the next year and the club was firmly established in this community. Over a period of years the number of girls belonging varied from 10 to 60.

RESULTS

Mrs. Fredrich needed help and from time to time more women offered their services. Among those assuming leadership in the early days were Mrs. Alice Coy, Mrs. Roy Crandall, Mrs. Bert Pim, Mrs. Edith Rouiller, Mrs. William Christie, Mrs. Ella Wolff, Mrs. Edward Mosbacher, Miss Carol Green, Mrs. P. I. Patchen, and Mrs. Hazel Wolf.

In 1942, Mrs. Clarence Schmidlin became advisor and has continued throughout the years. In 1962, Mrs. Schmidlin will receive credit for twenty years of service.

In 1960, Mrs. Alfred Rose took charge of girls who had been attending Coy School and were in Mrs. Schmidlin's club. The group entered Clay High and wished to continue their work. The influence of these clubs and the value of the training they received cannot be measured.

OTHER FOUR H CLUBS

The club at Coy was the beginning of many clubs in Oregon and Jerusalem. There are more girls' clubs than boys'. However, there are several boys' clubs whose projects range from raising of hogs, sheep, steers, to raising of corn and other products.

In the past many of the boys have received their training in the Future Farmers Club which they have taken as part of their high school training. This course has been discontinued which may lead some of the boys to turn to the Four H Club for instruction.

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SCOUTS

HISTORY

The Boy Scouts of America were organized on February 8, 1910. The purpose of the organization is to train boys to become better world citizens. They are taught service to God and country and duty to all human beings.

They learn woodcraft, outdoor camping, cooking, signaling, swimming, map making, and first aid.

There are three programs: Cub Scouting which include boys from 8 to 10 years of age; Boy Scouting includes those from 11 to 14; and Exploring from 14 and older. Each group has a definite program. The progress of each boy is determined by the tests he passes.

A troop must be sponsored by some organization such as a church, P.T.A., Mothers' Club, etc.

Each group must have a leader who is required to take special training and give his time to the cause because he is interested in boys.

LOCAL GROUPS

In each school district leaders have organized scout and cub troops under trained leadership. These groups are sponsored by the P.T.A. or Mothers' Clubs. In some districts church troops are sponsored by a church in the community.

The Board of Education has cooperated by giving the leaders the use of the building for their weekly meetings. Troops sponsored by churches meet in one of the rooms of the church.

Some of the early leaders who did much to make this work a success in this territory are Paul Schmaltz, John Korb, August Fredrich, Guergen Paepke, Oliver Nofzinger, Alvin E. Ganzman, Hugh Pingle, Frank Coy, Melvin Rouiller, R. T. Wareham, George Morse, H. Smith, D. D. DeTrow, Robert J. Neal, Charles Kaiser, Milton Siglow, Ralph DeWitt, William Harris.

GIRL SCOUTS

HISTORY

The Girl Scouts is an organization of girls between 7 and 18 years of age. The aim is to help girls maintain health, develop skills and become useful citizens.

The youngest Girl Scouts are the Brownies

which include girls from 7 to 9 years of age inclusive. At the age of 10 girls may become Intermediate Girl Scouts. As soon as a girl is 14, she may join the Senior Scouts, if she meets the requirements. Service to others is emphasized. Girls in this group often act as aides in hospitals and other community agencies.

Troops are led by adult leaders and one or more assistant. Leaders must be trained and be willing to give their services to the cause. The troops are sponsored by schools, churches and other organizations.

LOCAL GIRL SCOUT TROOPS

A number of these troops are active in Oregon and Jerusalem. Many are sponsored by the Mothers' Clubs while other troops are under the sponsorship of some church organization.

SOME EARLY LEADERS

Mildred Baymiller Paepke, Mrs. Alice Coy, Norma Schmaltz, Marie Crandall and Irene Wert of the Coy district did much to place the Scout work for girls on a firm basis. At Clay Leta Westcotte and Gertrude Fredrich laid the foundation. Later the mothers of the girls of scouting age became interested and were willing to assume responsibilities.

At Wynn this work was in charge of Carrie Whitmer and Mrs. Herbert Waterman. Other workers who assisted and later took over are Mrs. Antoniette Walker, Mrs. Hazel Patchen, Mrs. Betty Fisher, and Mrs. William King.

BOY SCOUTS CABIN

A scout cabin was built in Pearson Park for the Scouts of the East Side District. The project was sponsored by the Oregon Civic Club. The committee was composed of Carl Krauss, chairman, John Korb secretary, Roy Giler, Floyd Yeomens, George Lumm, G. O. Mathewson, and Arthur Kaufman. After the project was approved by the Metropolitan Park Board, the work on the cabin began June 1, 1935 and the cabin was completed December 29, 1935.

The leaders of this project were Paul Schmaltz, Carl Krauss, Fred Rouiller, Art Kaufman, Nelson Messer, and Erwood Shanks.

Scouts who helped were Marvin Dubbs, El-

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morba Choe, and Arnold Wolfe from Troop 109; Melvin Clark, Fred Reams, Robert Klag and Dale Schmaltz from Troop 112.

HIGH SCHOOL CLUBS

To meet the need of the teenagers arrangements were made to give one period a week to clubs. The type and number of clubs depend upon the interest of the students. Some deal with subject matter as the science clubs, others with recreation, hobbies, and the Bible.

An account of these clubs may be found in the year book, *The Crystal*.

CHURCH CLUBS

YOUNG PEOPLE'S ORGANIZATIONS

Churches in the community sponsor organizations that endeavor to train and develop their young people. Each church has its own program, the type depending upon the particular denomination. In general the aim is to provide for the spiritual and physical welfare of the youth.

Advisors work with each group. They guide them in planning and executing a definite program for each year. The name of the organization varies with the church denomination. The Methodists sponsor the Methodist Youth Fellowship, Catholics the Catholic Youth Organization, Lutheran the Luther League, Evangelical United Brethren the Youth Fellowship, Baptist the Baptist Training Union, Episcopalian the Episcopal Youth, the Nazarene the Nazarene Young People's Society.

WOMEN'S ORGANIZATIONS

Churches of the various denominations sponsor women's organizations. Through the organizations they learn about the work of their own denomination in the mission fields and their own local community.

The Catholic Church has an official parish organization for its women. It promotes and inspires love and devotion to God through the Rosary and aids in the corporal work of the parish and the care of the altars of the church.

Other organizations are as follows: Methodist, Women's Society of Christian Service; Lutheran, Women's Missionary Society; Evangelical United Brethren, Women's Society of World Service, Episcopalian, Episcopal Church Women; Catholic, The

Rosary Altar Society, Nazarene, Missionary Society.

THE MEN'S ORGANIZATION

The churches sponsor men's organizations. These organizations promote fellowship and provide activities for the spiritual growth of its members. The names vary as follows: Methodist, Methodist Men, Lutheran, the Lutheran Brotherhood; Evangelical United Brethren, Men's Brotherhood; Episcopalian, Episcopal Men; Nazarene, Missionary Society (men and women).

The Catholic Church has an official parish organization for men. Its purpose is to encourage love and respect for the holy name of God against blasphemy and to promote the activities of the parish. In addition to the above, the church sponsors the St. Vincent De Paul Society which is composed of men. It is devoted to the spiritual and corporal works of the church.

NATURAL REFRIGERATION

INTRODUCTION

The need of better methods of preserving food led to the establishment of a new business — that of storing ice in the winter for use in preserving food during the summer. In 1916, William Nelms and John McCullough built a large building on the Nelms property near the water where they stored ice.

THE ICE HOUSE

This building was 60 feet long, 40 feet wide and 30 feet high. The walls were 10 inches thick and packed with shavings. The capacity of the ice house was 1,200 tons. By experimenting they learned that placing paper over the top of the ice kept it from melting. While trying out the experiment old newspapers were used on a space 20 feet square. The next year special paper was purchased and the entire top of the ice was covered.

HOW ICE WAS HANDLED

As soon as the water in the bay was frozen to a depth of 8 inches, the season for storing ice began.

Regular ice plows, drawn by horses, were used to cut the ice. These plows cut it into cakes 22

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inches square and 8 inches deep. The cakes of ice were then loaded on a sled or mudboat and taken to the conveyor which took it to the ice house. The *setters* stored it in the ice house setting each block on edge in an orderly and compact manner, thus making it unnecessary to use sawdust as packing. The setting of the ice was a more difficult task and the men assigned to it were paid 60 cents an hour. Other men working on the outside received 50 cents an hour. They worked about 9 hours a day storing 100 tons.

PRIVATE ICE HOUSES

Some farmers erected small ice houses on their farms. During the winter they helped one another to fill these individual ice houses. In storing the ice they used sawdust between the layers to keep it from melting.

SUMMER WORK

During the summer Mr. Nelms and Mr. McCullough delivered ice to people throughout the territory. The routes were long and they spent many a weary hour delivering their product to their customers. They continued the business for 13 years, then sold their routes to Roger VanHoose. He purchased ice from the City Citizen's Company who had a storehouse on Nevada Street in East Toledo.

JAMES THATCHER'S SAWMILL AND COOPER SHOP

James Thatcher came from New York to Toledo. For some time he had a sawmill on the bank of the Maumee River. He then moved to Bay Shore locating just west of the Ford farm on the north side of the road. This property was later owned by Wescotte who built the Tabernila.

Thatcher started his mill in approximately 1870. The mill was some distance from the road, but his cooper shop was at the edge of the road just west of the Ford line.

Mr. Nelms said that timbers of the old mill were used in building the Tabernila.

THE NELMS FAMILY

James Nelms came from England when he was a young man. He built a home on the Bay Shore Road. He had a family of three sons and a daughter. James Jr. died in his early teens. Nellie Nelms

married Nelson Pember. They lived in Oregon Township for some time. Both are deceased.

William Nelms married Nellie Phillips. They have a family of three daughters and a son. Opal and Edna married and moved to Michigan. Juanita is married and lives in Toledo. Eugene, the son, lives on Bay Shore Road. He married JoAnn LaBounty. For some time he has been employed as custodian of Coy School.

Charles Nelms, brother of William, married Irene Garvy and they lived on Bay Shore for a number of years. Mrs. Nelms is deceased. Their children are Charles, Mary Ellen and Melvin.

DUNN MOTOR INC.

Fire destroyed the former place of Dunn Motors. In spite of this great disaster, makeshift offices were erected and they continued business. Clifford Dunn, an enterprising and forward-looking business man, decided to build a larger and better business establishment. Accordingly, he chose a site on the corner of North Curtice and Brown Roads where he had ample space to erect his modern place of business.

His showroom accommodates space for the display of six cars with a spacious corridor leading to the repair department. On each side of the corridor are offices. A large office for the secretaries and bookkeepers is on one side and private offices of Mr. Dunn and his associates are on the other side.

The company is incorporated with Clifford Dunn as president, Alice Dunn vice president, and Richard Dunn secretary-treasurer. They serve a territory of about 6 miles square with a population of 12,000. The town of Curtice near by has a population of 550. They have 22 employees at present.

The company sells Chevrolets, Oldsmobiles and used cars. In addition to this, they service and repair cars.

Mr. Dunn is noted for his optimism, his friendly service and his desire to help make the community a better place in which to live.

FARM BUREAU — TOWN AND COUNTRY SHOP

The Lucas County Farm Bureau began their work in Lucas County in 1934. This is a Co-Op Association organized to help the farmers. It

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is a farmer-owned organization. Farmers buy stock and stores are established in various parts of the county. These stores handle seeds, fertilizers, and feed. They also sell garden supplies, appliances and household goods.

At present the officers are W. S. Woods of Maumee president, Clarence Hertzfeld of Waterville vice president, Muriel Kuhn of Martin secretary, D. B. Sattler treasurer and manager of the stores. There are three branches. The main store is at Maumee, another in Berkey and a third in Oregon.

The store in Oregon is located on Brown Road near the eastern boundary. This was opened in 1949 at which time it was a mill for grinding feed. In 1959 it was enlarged and the store added. They employ three people. They serve both country and town customers but about 75% of the customers are farmers.

The Board members are John N. Steen of Swanton, Ira Schwend of Berkey, Walter Fox of Oregon, and Owen Bartholomew of Berkey.

THE CLUB HOUSE AT RENO-BY-THE-LAKE

Some of the older residents can recall when Reno-by-the-Lake was being developed. As a means of attracting more people to the vicinity, a beautiful club house was erected. It contained two dance halls, one on the first floor and the other on the second. There was a large dining room where groups could dine, then dance. This project was sponsored by a real estate company. They succeeded in interesting a fraternal organization called Dokey in taking charge of the club house which was known as the Dokey Villa Club. This club sponsored activities for some time. Later it was closed. Through Mr. Corson it was reopened and Maude Kaufman was employed as hostess. Interest revived and large crowds came to dine and dance.



CHICKEN
DINNERS

CLUB
HOUSE

RENO BY THE LAKE



DINE

DANCE

CHICKEN DINNERS A SPECIALTY
FINE DANCE FLOOR AND CLUB ROOMS
JERUSALEM ROAD, ROUTE 2
(TURN AT HOWARD ROAD)

TEL. CURTICE 37-X

MAUDE M. KAUFMAN

Cards advertising the Club House were passed out and for some time it attracted many groups who were interested in the fine food, service and social times. A copy of the card will give a clearer picture of what took place.

In time the project was such a failure financially that it was taken over by the bank. During the flood in July 1943 the club house was badly damaged. Prowlers carried away valuable portions of plumbing fixtures and other materials.

The Reno Company who had control gave Mr. Stoddard authority to sell it for what he could get. He sold it to James Millen who tore it down and used the lumber for building purposes. The inside finishing was of very fine material. Mr. Millen used part of it in making cupboards for the kitchen of the church community house at Bono.

Old Reno has changed so there is little or no evidence of the club house, the picnic tables, stands and bath houses along the beach. Lots have been sold and the signs "Private — Keep Out" greets one as he drives slowly along the beach road.

THE WEINER HOME ON WARD'S CANAL

Driving along State Route 2 as one continues eastward just beyond the intersection of Main Street of Bono and Route 2 one sees a bridge over Ward's Canal leading to a large home. The setting is beautiful and one becomes interested in the house. Surely this place should have an interesting history. But investigation proves that the first house was a long narrow poorly constructed home with few comforts. It became headquarters for Howard Farms. Mr. Howard took it over and remodeled it living there for some time.

In time Mr. Weiner, the new owner of the Howard Farms, had the old house torn down. On the same site he erected a new house which attracts the attention of travelers as they pass by.

A MINK FARM

On Cedar Point Road between Cousino and DeGant roads a mink farm has been developed on a 23 acre farm, 2 acres of which is used for the rearing of minks. This farm is owned by Joseph and Stephen Lesko. They began the raising of minks in 1952.

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They have at present 61 small minks varying in color which includes black, brown and gray.

From one to six minks are born in a litter. They are left with the mother for a short time, but must be taken away at an early age or she will destroy them.

The handling of minks requires special care as the animals are very vicious. Leather gloves are worn by the caretaker and he knows just how to take hold of each mink.

HOUSING

Minks must be placed in separate wire cages to keep them from destroying one another. The cages are kept in an open shed with a roof and a concrete floor. At one end of the cage is a box with a hole through which a mink may go in and out. They prefer a bare place in which to sleep. If straw is placed in their box to make them comfortable, the mink begins carrying the straw outside until the box is bare.

FOOD

The minks are fed scraps of meat. Mr. Lesko buys two tons of sheephead at one time and grinds it up for feed. In their wild stage they feed on frogs, crayfish, and fish. They also eat mice, birds that are on the ground, and other small mammals.

MINK FURS

The fur is beautiful and is used to make coats, capes, jackets, neck pieces, stoles and trimmings. The color often determines the value. According to the World Book the pelts are sold from \$15 to \$60 a piece.

MINK'S APPEARANCE

The mink is swift and agile. It is found on land and water. The male mink is from fourteen to twenty-five inches long with a bushy tail. It is four or five inches high at the shoulders and weighs about two pounds. The female mink is smaller. They have a strong, unpleasant odor but cannot spray like a skunk. However, the odor is strong and causes some people to be nauseated.

HONEYBEES

INTRODUCTION

From time to time some of the citizens of

Oregon have been interested in raising bees, often beginning the work as a hobby and gradually developing it into a business. Frank Ison on Pickle Road at one time had a large number of hives. Mrs. Henry Villhauer and Douglas MacPherson enjoyed working with the bees.

THE WORK OF DALLAS GREENLER

Mr. Greenler when a boy in high school became interested in the study of bees. He pursued this work as a hobby. In 1928 he and a vocational agriculture teacher worked together and owned a number of hives. Later he continued the work alone. He found it interesting and profitable summer work. This gave him employment during the summer with enough profit to make it worth while.

At present he has about 150 hives. His bees produce from five to eight tons of honey a year.

The hives must be purchased and then assembled. Bees are precise. They prefer a certain definite space in which to work. If the hives are larger than the space they desire, they fill up the extra space with wax. They prefer a space eight by sixteen inches. This is the reason that the smaller combs are not used to any great degree. Thus comb honey is more expensive.

The time of removing the honey varies depending upon the season. Some years the combs are taken out by the 4th of July. This season has been cold and wet, the bees delaying their work until late in July.

PREPARATION FOR SALE

These larger combs eight by sixteen inches are taken out and the honey extracted by a machine. These empty boxes are saved and used again. The small boxes cannot be used after comb honey is taken out. Usually the comb is left in the box when sold.

After the honey is extracted it is put into five gallon cans and sold to a Co-Op plant at Paris, Ohio. This company sells it to various dealers.

INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT BEE BUSINESS

Mr. Greenler has placed hives of bees at various points. He has some at Clyde, Elmore, Whitehouse and Oregon. Farmers are willing to have

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these hives placed on their farms as they need bees for pollination. Sometimes farmers rent hives of bees for such crops as tomatoes, muskmelons and pickles. One farmer told Mr. Greenler that he estimated that the bees had increased the value of his crop of melons by \$2500.

QUEENS

The total time taken for a queen bee to develop from the egg is fifteen or sixteen days because nurse bees feed her royal jelly. Queen bees lay as many as 2000 eggs a day. She may lay a million eggs before she dies. Her life span is from three to five years though some have lived fifteen years.

When young queen bees are hatched, the old queen leaves taking bees with her. They swarm and form a new hive. A swarm may contain as many as a thousand bees. The beekeeper furnishes a new hive for the swarm which they use as their new home. If the keeper fails to supply a hive, the bees choose a natural hollow in a tree or rock and prepare a new home.

CAFETERIAS AND PERSONNEL

The Mothers' Clubs were interested in providing a hot lunch for their children attending Coy, Clay and Wynn. To promote this project at each school, committees were appointed to plan menus, to arrange for a cook and committee members to serve.

In the beginning the clubs had little with which to work. Crude tables were made with benches. A makeshift kitchen was fitted up and the children were served a hot dish. Each child brought a sandwich from home and for five cents a day was served a hot dish.

The Mothers' Clubs planned a canning project. Vegetables were obtained from some of the farmers. This helped to defray expenses. Bowls and spoons were purchased. The Board of Education built cupboards and in time furnished a room in each building as a cafeteria. They provided tables, chairs, and electric stoves for each. The mothers at each school did splendid work in serving the children. In 1939, the state inspector visited the schools and ordered the Board of Education to take over the management and control of the cafeterias. Accordingly, the clerk of the

Board took charge. Money taken in for the lunches was turned over to his office and all the bills paid by him.

The menus according to state regulation were to consist of a well balanced meal. Milk was supplied at a reduced cost to the children. Each cook worked with the clerk of the Board of Education. Later the Board of Education employed Gladys Spear, a teacher of Home Economics, to plan menus and supervise the cafeterias. When Mrs. Spear resigned, the Board continued to employ supervisors. At present to qualify for the position one must have special training.

Approximately 50% of the pupils buy lunches. Others purchase milk with which they supplement the lunch brought from home.

During the last 23 days of the school year 1960-61 46,771 meals were served at a cost of \$19,204.94 for the eight schools. 46,598½ pints of milk were sold to children who did not purchase a hot meal. This milk is subsidized by the government and is sold to each child for two cents.

During this time the Board of Education donated \$4,168.36 to cover the cost of light, heat, water, janitor and administrative services.

Each pupil pays thirty cents for his meal per day and adults thirty-five cents.

As one may observe, the operation of the eight cafeterias is a big business which requires the services of one supervisor, eight cooks and twenty-nine helpers with the assistance of a janitor in each building and the services of maintenance men when necessary.

PROBLEMS OF TRANSPORTATION

It is interesting to know that during the campaign for consolidated schools a number of parents opposed the issue because they did not think it would be safe to have children riding on the buses.

In 1926, when the Board of Education transported pupils to and from school, they included all pupils living one and one half miles or over from the school. The parents soon learned the transportation was satisfactory. A request was made to the Board for transportation of all pupils regardless of where they lived. After some discussion this policy was adopted.

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PRESENT TRANSPORTATION.

During the year 1960-61 the Board of Education transported daily 4633 pupils. This included 2807 elementary, 1102 junior high and 724 senior high students.

To accomplish this the services of 39 regular bus drivers, 20 substitutes and 43 buses are used. A schedule was arranged so part of the schools opened earlier in the morning and closed earlier in the afternoon. This made it possible for as many drivers as necessary to make double trips. This year 35 bus drivers made two trips in the morning and two in the afternoon with 4 drivers making one trip daily.

COST

The mileage of these buses amounted to 1529½. The cost per day including drivers, oil, gas, mechanics and supervisor was \$635.43. This amount does not include the cost of insurance and the initial cost of the buses.

BUS DRIVERS

For a number of years the Board of Education employed men who owned their own buses to provide the transportation. In 1935, the Board of Education bought one bus, then continued buying until by 1939 they owned all the buses.

Under both systems of transportation the drivers have been very conscientious with a fine record of safety to their credit.

On January 6, 1937 a very serious accident occurred on Route 2 when S. Brower, a driver for Mr. DeLisle, was delivering a group of high school students at the close of the school day.

A transport was following him. Mr. Brower watched him for some time expecting the truck driver would pass the bus at some convenient point. However, he made no effort to do so but continued to follow at a safe distance. When Mr. Brower made a stop to allow students to get off at their destination, the truck driver failed to stop. A crash resulted injuring a number of the students who were sitting in the rear of the bus.

The following students were taken to the hospital: Emerson Caris age 15 with triple skull fracture; Kathryn Johnson Moneghan 16, skull fracture; Edward Shortsle 17, severe scalp and face cuts; Naomi Harrington 17, head cuts; Harold

Olsen 16, cut on head; Caroline Foster 15, bruises and shock; Anna Krivak 15, cuts and bruises; Edward Lorigan 15, cuts and bruises; Kenneth Cannon 15, cuts and bruises; Ruth Morrison 15, cuts and bruises.

Of the above Naomi Harrington and Emerson Caris died. The others recovered rapidly. The entire community was shocked. A careful study was made and the driver of the bus was found blameless.

Minor accidents have occurred since with little damage to buses or pupils.

In our school system bus drivers play an important part. They are assuming their responsibilities and delivering over 4600 pupils to and from school safely. This year three women drivers have been added to the corps. A report indicates that they are efficient and are doing a very fine job.

Among the first drivers were James Pidgeon who transported pupils of Gardner School to Coy School and John Brown who transported pupils of Eckville and Warden to Momenetown beginning in 1918. Warden pupils were not transported until 1921.

Last year a banquet was held at which time the drivers were commended for their fine work and a pin was given to those who had served for a period of five or more years.

Drivers of the buses of Oregon School System who received pins were: John Baden, 35 years of service; Edwin Diekman, 20 years, Clarence Dippman, 15 years; Clement Metzger, 11 years; Aaron Newman, 6 years.

THE AUTOMOBILE CLUB PRESENTS AWARDS

About three years ago, the Automobile Club recognized bus drivers who had driven a number of years without any accident. Two of the Oregon drivers were given gold watches. They were John Baden who had driven 32 years and Ernest Brower 28 years.

OTHERS DESERVE OUR APPRECIATION

Recognition for long and efficient service should be given to those who served previous to the recognition services mentioned. This includes the following drivers: Henry Breno, Jesse Brown,

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John Brown, Thomas Cutcher, George Dippman, Cletus Dusseau, Harold Fields, Wesley Fields, Earl Fox, Walter Fox, Joseph Gates, Henry Helmke, Seth Hosley, Ray LaBounty, Edward Newman, James Pidgeon, Jeremiah Phillips, Russell Phillips, Walter Purser, Alfred Warnke.

CUSTODIANS, MATRONS AND OTHERS

As one looks backward into the 1800's, one finds that janitor service was a part of the regular teacher's duties with no extra compensation for the same.

In the early days each school room was supplied with a large fireplace in which logs were used as fuel. In time a long narrow stove was placed in the center of the room. Logs three or four feet long were used as fuel. Later a large round stove was furnished in which soft coal was used. In a few school rooms hard coal burners were installed.

Another improvement was the placing of a jacket around the stove to help distribute the heat to all parts of the room.

In the 1900's the Board of Education added \$2.50 per month to the teacher's salary for janitorial service. Later this was raised to \$5.00 per month.

SOME PROBLEMS

Many of the teachers who lived in the city had little or no experience in building and keeping a fire burning. To solve the problem some of them employed a boy to take care of the fire. Teachers who attempted to build their own fires often had difficulty in heating the room. Sometimes the room was filled with smoke which resulted in a holiday for the children. By reading between the lines you may learn what brought this about.

SUMMER OF 1926

The three new buildings were completed in 1926 and the Board of Education employed custodians to get everything in readiness for the opening of school.

Christ Meier was assigned to Clay, Henry Becker to Coy and Dewey Coon had charge of Wynn. These men were industrious, conscientious and eager to have everything in readiness. With

the help of members of their families they re-varnished the old seats, arranged and fastened them to the floor, washed the windows and scrubbed the floors. In addition to this, books, supplies, and other materials were placed in each room. To these faithful custodians we owe much. They continued to take pride in their buildings and depended upon the help of their families to keep things in readiness for children and teachers.

GROWTH BROUGHT CHANGES

The increase in enrollment made it necessary to hire matrons to help with the cleaning. Greater use of the buildings required extra custodians, repairmen and mechanics. Today a supervisor of buildings and grounds has charge of 12 custodians, 4 engineers, 18 matrons, 5 maintenance workers, and 1 man who delivers supplies to the schools and returns the money from the cafeterias to the clerk's office. In addition to these men, there are 2 mechanics who keep the buses in good repair under a supervisor of transportation.

Good service provided by these various departments is important. Their value to the system should be recognized and appreciated.

SECRETARIES

In addition to the secretaries and bookkeepers assisting the superintendent and clerk, each principal of the elementary schools has the services of a secretary, with three secretaries to assist the high school principal. The efficient service of these secretaries is a great help to the school system.

OUR WOMAN BUTCHER

A number of the older people recall when Mrs. Mosher drove through the country selling meat. She drove from one home to another ringing a large bell to get the attention of the family.

As she traveled from one place to another she often purchased a calf. This meant she would butcher the calf and load it in her wagon to take back to her shop.

OUR INDIANS ON DEARBORN STREET

Along the ravines on the hills overlooking Dearborn Street near the site of the canning factory one could see about thirty wigwams. Here where water was available a group of Indians lived

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during the summer. They gathered bark and made baskets which they sold at a trading post in Wood County.

WILMOT KETCHAM

Wilmot A. Ketcham, son of David and Phoebe Ketcham, was born in 1860. He died at the age of sixty-eight. Mr. Ketcham was a Quaker by birth and was among the remaining few left of that faith in Toledo.

He was a great sportsman, loved nature and spent much of his time along the lake among the French Canadians. He was an authority on French Canadian and Indian history of this territory. He studied the history of the French and Indians who lived in the vicinity of Little Cedar Point. He spent much time reading Parkman's history and the report of the Jesuit Missionaries who visited Little Cedar Point and northwestern Ohio. He wrote *The Dance at Joe Chevalier and Other Poems*. The poems were illustrated by The Toledo Tile Club of which Mr. Ketcham was a member. A copy of this book of poems is in the Local History Department of The Toledo Public Library.

You may enjoy reading them. To introduce you to this French dialect a copy of *Dat Blizzard* follows.

Dat Blizzard

"I'm on de mash, now, forty year,
Cept one year in de Pen;
But de win, she's blow on Monday
Lake I nevaire seen since when.

"Ol Pete Arquette got eighty year,
He say he seen some bigger
On Lac St. Pierre, near Montreal,
But dat ain't cut no figger.

"Cos dat ol Pete's a liar, sure,
An wen he go below,
He say: "She is more hot lak dis
Some time at Toledo."

"Dat water high lak eighteen feet,
My ol pon boat is sink,
My twine, she's hall bus up and torn;
I think I tek a drink.

"A good Frenchman drink whiskey
Wen de water is too high,
And wen she's low, he drink some, too;
She be higher bime-by."

MORE ABOUT INDIANS

An interest in the number of Indians and the tribes who lived in the Maumee Valley is frequently expressed. Waggoner in his history says, "The names of all nations and tribes who occupied the territory centering in Maumee Valley would form an intensive catalogue."

However, he gave a government report of the nations and tribes living in the Maumee Valley in 1796 as follows:

Wyandottes	350	Kickapoos	600
Shawnees	380	Choctaws	700
Pottawatomies	750	Foxes	300
Senecas	650	Sacs	450
Ottawas	950	Hurons	780
Delawares	390	Mohicans	275
Miamis	400	Catawbas	280
Sioux	560	Tonewandes	700
Cherokees	2700	Chikewas	5000
Eries	850	Mingoes	380
Iroquois	980	Tuscarawas	400

AN INTERESTING CONTRACT

A contract dated November 27, 1889 at Shepherdsville between Fred Murphy and Joseph Mundo provides for the following material to be delivered to the factory yard of J. N. Soncrant at Maple Shade.

\$1.25 per cord for the heading which Joseph Mundo cuts and delivers to J. N. Soncrant's factory yard at Maple Shade.

\$2.25 for each and every 1000 feet of Elm logs or other logs of various kinds to be delivered to factory yard of John Stang and Son.

\$1.55 for every cord of Elm Stair Boalts that he cuts and delivers to factory yard of John Stang and Son.

\$1.50 for every cord of Round Boalt Blocks cut and delivered to John Stang and Son's factory.

The above mentioned lumber to be cut in a saving and workmanlike manner to the interest of the owner of the timber, Fred Murphy.

Joseph Mundo agrees to cut or have cut as much of the above timber of various kinds as possible and to haul as much as possible which depends on the conditions of the roads.

Fred Murphy agrees to let Joseph Mundo draw

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money to pay for cutting of the timber, after it is cut in the woods, at following prices: 50 cents for heading boalts; 80 cents for Elm Stair Boalts with bark off; 60 cents for Basswood Stair Boalts; 75 cents for round boalts.

The balance to be paid by Fred Murphy as soon as it is delivered in yard and measured, less what Joseph Mundo may be indebted to Fred Murphy.

Signed: Joseph Mundo
Fred Murphy

EARLY DAYS IN SHEPHERDSVILLE (Bono)

Henry Murphy operated a livery stable in the early days. He made scheduled trips to and from Shepherdsville and Toledo. He used a surrey to take his passengers.

A large boarding house was built in the grove where men working at the shipyard or sawmill found accommodations. This was in charge of George Murphy. This building has been divided into two parts. Both parts have been remodeled and are now used as homes.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF OREGON TOWNSHIP

INTRODUCTION

Records previous to 1885 are not complete. However, an interesting statement was recorded in 1840 which stated that the clerk appointed district heads. They were Robert Denman, John Con-saul, and Elizar Woodruff.

For many years each school district had a representative on the Board of Education. Thus, the number of members were equal to the number of schools in the township.

Beginning with 1885 records show the following served as members of the Board of Education.

1885

Jeremiah Clay	Charles Rideout
C. B. Jameson	Thomas Garrigan
D. W. McGinnis	Jacob Johlin
John St. John	A. L. Metzger
C. Tuckerman	Toussaint Navarre
Jonathan Wynn	

Note: The sub-districts are omitted as a few of them could not be verified.

1886

Andrew Metzger,	District 1
E. A. Moritz,	" 2
C. E. Rideout,	" 3
Charles Shovar,	" 4
G. C. Bartley,	" 5
John St. John,	" 6
T. J. Webb,	" 7
Jonathan Wynn,	" 8
Jacob Johlin,	" 9
D. W. McGinnis,	" 10
C. B. Jameson,	" 11

1887

Erastus Norton,	" 2
Ira Kent,	District 1
C. E. Rideout,	" 3
T. D. McNitt,	" 4
G. C. Bartley,	" 5
Peter Arquette	" 6
Henry Norden,	" 7
I. N. Keller,	" 8
Joseph Schmidt,	" 9
G. Gladioux,	" 10
J. Allen,	" 11

1888

Henry Cook,	District 1
Erastus Norton,	" 2
Thomas Munday,	" 3
T. D. McNitt,	" 4
G. C. Bartley,	" 5
Charles Miller,	" 6
Gideon Vincent,	" 7
H. S. McCleary,	" 8
Jacob Johlin,	" 9
George Gladioux,	" 10
C. H. Cole,	" 11
Reuben Grant,	" 12

1889

Henry Cook,	District 1
Erastus Norton,	" 2
Thomas Munday,	" 3
T. D. McNitt,	" 4
G. C. Bartley,	" 5
Charles Miller,	" 6
Thomas Garrigan	" 7
H. McCleary,	" 8
John B. Kohne,	" 9

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<p>George Gladieux, " 10 Alfred Yenser, " 11 Reuben Grant, " 12</p> <p>1890</p> <p>Henry Cook, District 1 Erastus Norton, " 2 Thomas Munday, " 3 T. D. McNitt, " 4 G. C. Bartley, " 5 Peter Arquette, " 6 Thomas Garrigan, " 7 H. S. McCleary, " 8 Jacob Johlin, " 9 Perry Coy, " 10 Alfred Yenser, " 11 George Murphy, " 12 O. B. Dean, " 13</p> <p>1891</p> <p>Jacob Brand, District 1 A. O. Johnson, " 2 Thomas Munday, " 3 T. D. McNitt, " 4 G. C. Bartley, " 5 Peter DeCant, " 6 Thomas Garrigan, " 7 H. S. McCleary, " 8 Henry Lalendorf, " 9 Perry Coy, " 10 Alfred Yenser, " 11 George Murphy, " 12 O. B. Dean, " 13</p> <p>1892</p> <p>Jacob Brand, District 1 Peter Navarre, " 2 Charles Rideout, " 3 T. D. McNitt, " 4 G. C. Bartley, " 5 Frank Navarre, " 6 Patrick Garrigan, " 7 James Dupont, " 8 Henry Lalendorf, " 9 John Klag, " 10 Alfred Yenser, " 11 Reuben Grant, " 12 W. F. Bumpus, " 13 Albert Fellows, " 14 J. S. Metzger, " 15</p>	<p>1893</p> <p>1894</p> <p>1895</p> <p>1896</p> <p>1897</p> <p>1898</p>	<p>C. H. Cole, District 1 Ernest Diekman, " 2 Horace Coy, " 3 George Gladieux, " 4 Henry Lalendorf, " 5 G. C. Bartley, " 6 A. O. Johnson, " 7 Henry Norden, " 8 H. S. McCleary, " 9 J. S. Metzger, " 10</p> <p>Note: In 1893 the eastern half of Oregon became Jerusalem Township and part of the school districts were then in Jerusalem.</p> <p>Same members who served in 1893.</p> <p>C. H. Cole, District 1 Fred Bury, " 2 Horace Coy, " 3 George Gladieux, " 4 Henry Lalendorf, " 5 G. C. Bartley, " 6 A. O. Johnson, " 7 Henry Norden, " 8 Frank Comstock, " 9 J. S. Metzger, " 10</p> <p>Same as above except District 9 represented by I. N. Keller.</p> <p>William Textor, District 1 Fred Bury, " 2 Horace Coy, " 3 Perry Coy, " 4 Henry Lalendorf, " 5 G. C. Bartley, " 6 A. O. Johnson, " 7 Jacob Berger, " 8 B. F. Gilger, " 9 Fred Muenzenmeyer, " 10</p> <p>Same as above except District 2 — Henry Helmke, District 6 — John Schrag, District 9 James Dupont.</p>
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1899

Fred Bury,	District 1
Henry Helmke,	" 2
Horace Coy,	" 3
D. W. McGinnis,	" 4
Henry Lalendorf,	" 5
Fred Gentz,	" 6
A. O. Johnson,	" 7
Jacob Berger,	" 8
James Dupont,	" 9

George Miller resigned and the vacancy was filled by Charles Cook District 10.

Fred Bury	Horace Coy
Henry Lalendorf	A. R. Fassett
J. S. Metzger	

1906 and 1907
Same as 1905

1908

Fred Bury	Horace Coy
Henry Lalendorf	P. O. Hopkins

George Navarre appointed to fill vacancy caused by Enos Momenee's refusal to serve.

1909

Same as that of 1908.

1900

Fred Bury,	District 1
Henry Helmke,	" 2
Horace Coy,	" 3
D. W. McGinnis,	" 4
Henry Lalendorf,	" 5
Fred Gentz,	" 6
George Navarre,	" 7
Charles Stamman,	" 8
James Dupont,	" 9
Henry Kohne,	" 10

1910

Fred Bury	Horace Coy
Edward Navarre	P. O. Hopkins
Samuel Bullock	

1911

Christ Ackerman	Fred Bury
Horace Coy	Edward Navarre
Samuel Bullock	

1912 and 1913
Same as 1911

1901

Same as above except District 6 served by A. R. Fassett and District 9 by Amos Fellabaum.

1914

Christ Ackerman	Samuel Bullock
Henry Lalendorf	George Navarre
C. A. Tracy	

1902

Same as in 1901 with two changes, Henry Weidner District 1 and George Hick District 4.

1915, 1916, and 1917
Same as 1914

1903

Henry Weidner,	District 1
Henry Helmke	" 2
Charles A. Burt,	" 3
George Hicks,	" 4
Henry Lalendorf,	" 5
A. R. Fassett	" 6
Henry Lauman,	" 7
Jacob Berger,	" 8
Amos Fellabaum,	" 9
Henry Kohne,	" 10

1918

Christ Ackerman	Samuel Bullock
Henry Lalendorf	George Peach
C. A. Tracy	

1919

Same as that of 1918

1920

C. A. Tracy	George Peach
Henry Lalendorf	Frank Ulrich
Henry Weidner	

1921

Same as that of 1920

1922

C. A. Tracy	George Peach
Richard Bruggeman	Henry Weidner
L. H. Shovar	

1904

Same as above

1905

A change in law specified that five members serve on Board of Education.

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1923	Same as that of 1922.		1938	Addie Navarre	R. J. Gilger
				E. R. Callihan	Paul Lederman
1924	C. A. Tracy	Harry Phillips		G. O. Mathewson	
	L. H. Shovar	George Peach	1939	Same as that of 1938	
		Henry Weidner			
1925	Same as that of 1924.		1940	Carl Ackerman	E. R. Callihan
				R. J. Gilger	Charles Henderson
1926	C. A. Tracy	George Peach		Paul Lederman	
	Harry Phillips	Henry Weidner	1941, 1942, and 1943	Same as that of 1940	
	Frank Coy				
1927	Same as that of 1926		1944	Charles Henderson	Gladys Ehram
				E. R. Callihan	Paul Lederman
1928	George Peach	C. A. Tracy		Carl Ackerman	
	Frank Coy	Glenn B. Draper	1945	Same as that of 1944	
	Addie Navarre				
1929	Same as that of 1928		1946	Carl Ackerman	Gladys Ehram
				Frank Daney	Carl Reif
1930	George Peach	Glenn B. Draper		Robert Douglas	
	Addie Navarre	Richard Bruggeman	1947	Same as that of 1946	
	Frank Coy				
1931	George Peach	Glenn B. Draper	1948	Carl Ackerman	Frank Daney
	Addie Navarre	Richard Bruggeman		Carl Reif	Robert Douglas
	Paul Schmaltz			Mildred TenEyck	
1932 and 1933	Same as that of 1931		1949	Carl Ackerman	Frank Daney
				Carl Reif	Lawrence Fisher
1934	Glenn B. Draper	Addie Navarre		Mildred TenEyck	
	Paul Schmaltz	G. O. Mathewson	1950	Same as that of 1949	
	W. R. Kowalka				
1935	Same as that of 1934		1951	Carl Ackerman	Carl Reif
				Lawrence Fisher	Mildred TenEyck
1936	Addie Navarre	R. J. Gilger		Milton Swanson	
	George Mathewson	Paul Schmaltz	1952	Carl Ackerman	Carl Reif
	W. R. Kowalka			Lawrence Fisher	Milton Swanson
1937	Same as that of 1936			Erwin Hagedorn	

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1953

Same as that of 1952

1954

Erwin Hagedorn	Roland Lamb
Mildred TenEyck	Edward Metzker
Richard Baumgartner	

1955

Same as that of 1954

1956

Erwin Hagedorn	Roland Lamb
Mildred TenEyck	Richard Baumgartner
Clair Huss	

1957

Same as 1956

1958

Mildred TenEyck	Richard Baumgartner
Clair Huss	George Ackerman
Frank Wolf	

1959

Same as that of 1958

1960

Mildred TenEyck	George Ackerman
Frank Wolf	Roland Lamb
Tom Robinette	

1961

Same as that of 1960

SUMMARY OF OFFICES OF OREGON SCHOOL SYSTEM 1960-61

Superintendent's Office

Superintendent of Schools
 Administrative Assistant, Curriculum and
 Supervision
 Administrative Assistant, Special Services
 Administrative Assistant, Public Relations
 Elementary Supervisor
 Cafeteria Supervisor
 Supervisor of Maintenance
 Secretary
 Receptionist and Telephone Operator

Clerk-Treasurer's Office

Clerk Treasurer
 Bookkeeper (2)
 Secretary

Principals' Offices

Clay High School

Principal
 Assistant Principal
 Dean of Women — 1
 Dean of Men — 1
 Counselor — 1
 Secretaries — 3
 Teachers — 42

Clay Elementary School

Principal
 Secretary
 Teachers — 23

Coy Elementary School

Principal
 Secretary
 Teachers — 25

Dwight D. Eisenhower Junior High School

Principal
 Secretary
 Dean of Girls — 1
 Dean of Boys — 1
 Teachers — 28

Josephine Fassett Junior High School

Principal
 Secretary
 Dean of Girls — 1
 Dean of Boys — 1
 Teachers — 34

Jerusalem Elementary School

Principal
 Secretary
 Teachers — 23

Starr Elementary School

Principal
 Secretary
 Teachers — 18

Wynn Elementary School

Principal
 Secretary
 Teachers — 18

Administrative Assistant, Special Services

Bus drivers (39)
 Substitutes (20)
 Bus mechanics — 2

Supervisor of Maintenance

12 custodians

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4 engineers
18 matrons
3 senior maintenance
2 junior maintenance
1 deliverer of supplies to schools and
to office
Cafeteria Supervisor
8 cooks
26 assistant

DEPARTMENT OF STATE PROCLAMATION

STATE OF OHIO DEPARTMENT OF STATE PROCLAMATION

The results of the November 5, 1957, General Election in Lucas County, Ohio, having been officially made known to me, I, Ted W. Brown, Secretary of the State of Ohio, pursuant to the provisions of Title VII, Chapter 703, Section 703.011, of the Revised Code of Ohio do hereby make proclamation that in the municipality of

OREGON LUCAS COUNTY, OHIO

5,233 resident electors were registered at the time of said election with the Board of Elections of LUCAS COUNTY, and that said municipality shall from and after thirty days from date of this proclamation be known as a

CITY

by virute of and in accordance with said Title, Chapter, and Section 703.011 of the Revised Code of the State of Ohio.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF,
I, TED W. BROWN, as Secretary of State of the State of Ohio, do hereby set my hand and affix the official seal of the Secretary of State of the State of Ohio, at Columbus, this Twenty-Second day of November A.D. 1957.
Ted W. Brown,
Secretary of State

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Information on Electric Lines — Karl Berkebile, Perrysburg, Ohio

Builders — Harrisburg, Pa., the poem giving the Indian's interpretation of the 23rd Psalm

In addition a number of individuals have loaned pictures from which copies were made

Loan of Books

History of the City of Toledo and Lucas County, Waggoner — Elma Wiemeyer
History of Northwest Ohio Vol. 3 — Mrs. Ida Bruggeman

History of Northwest Ohio Vol. 1 and 2, Josephine Fassett Branch, Oregon, Lucas County Library, Maumee, Ohio
Toledo and Lucas County, Killets, complete set — Dale Redd, Sr.

The First Directory of Toledo — Edward Momenee

Historical Atlas of Lucas County and Part of Wood, 1875 — Gilbert Koch
Atlas of Lucas County, 1900 — Mrs. Roy Phillips, Mr. Roy Carter

Minutes of Trustees, Jerusalem Township — Trustees Jerusalem Township by Alden Drier Clerk

Minutes of Board of Education, — Oregon Township — Board of Education, Oregon Township by Erwood Shanks, Clerk

Minutes of Board of Education, Jerusalem Township — Board of Education, Jerusalem Township, M. R. Stout, Principal, returned to Oregon Board of Education

Minutes of Trustees of Oregon Township and Oregon — Oregon City by Hildred Fox Clerk-Auditor

Muza R. Grove — information on early post offices

Carl Reif — information on electric lines
Bess E. Wonnell — daughter of Samuel Soncrant, information about Soncrant's Mill

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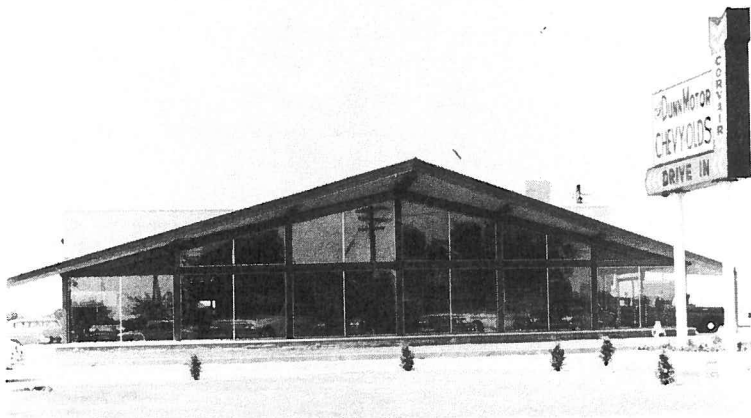
SOME HELPERS

In addition to C. D. Keller who loaned his films and G. Clinton Larson who developed them, credit should be given to the following: Myrtle Fassett who did much in the field of research; Ella Porter who designed the cover and supplied some of the pictures; Fern Ray Morse who proof read the manuscript; Elma Wiemeyer who typed

the manuscript; Roy Fassett who supplied a number of pictures; Terressa Fassett who assisted in research and proof reading and Leta Wescotte who proof read part of the chapters.

Friends, too numerous to mention, have cooperated by answering questions and supplying information. To each of these friends I wish to express my appreciation.

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A new place of business, corner of Brown and North Curtice Road.

Dunn Motor Sales

Old landmark becomes useful to community.



Ohio Citizen's Trust Company

The Toledo Trust is serving the territory with a branch bank on Navarre.



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A reminder of the old days when grandmother fed 25 to 30 hungry men.



Ella Porter designed the cover. She also spent time and energy taking pictures.

Myrtle Fassett spent many hours reading and taking notes.



Mrs. Morse gave many hours in proof reading the manuscript.

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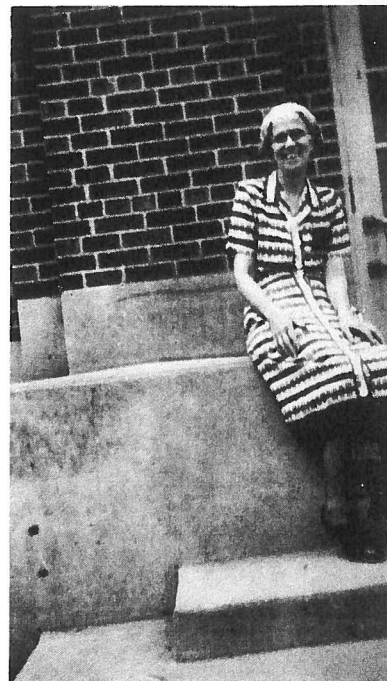


Elma Wiemeyer
Elma devoted much time to help
make this history possible.



Roy Fassett
Ray gave much time in taking pic-
tures. Much time was spent in
taking a picture of Frank Bunno
and Mrs. Catherine Navarre. In
addition, many other pictures were
taken.

As proofreader, critic and helping in
numerous ways, she was *tops*.



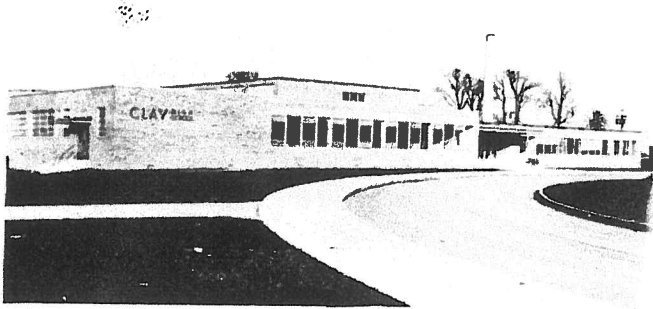
Teresa Fassett

Leta Wescotte
She proof read the last chapter.



Mr. and Mrs. Wake Matthews
See story in Chapter XI. — from England to America.

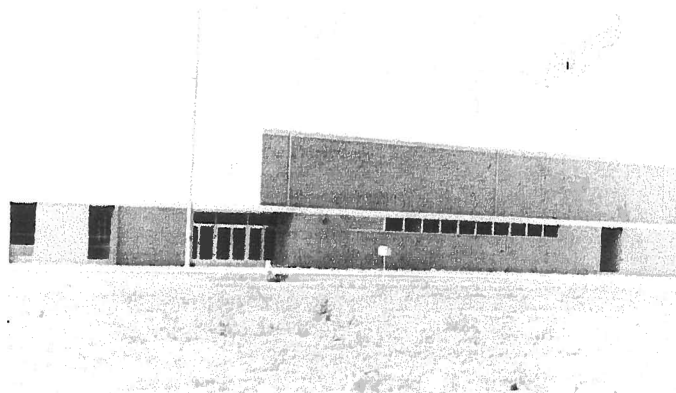
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Our new Clay High.

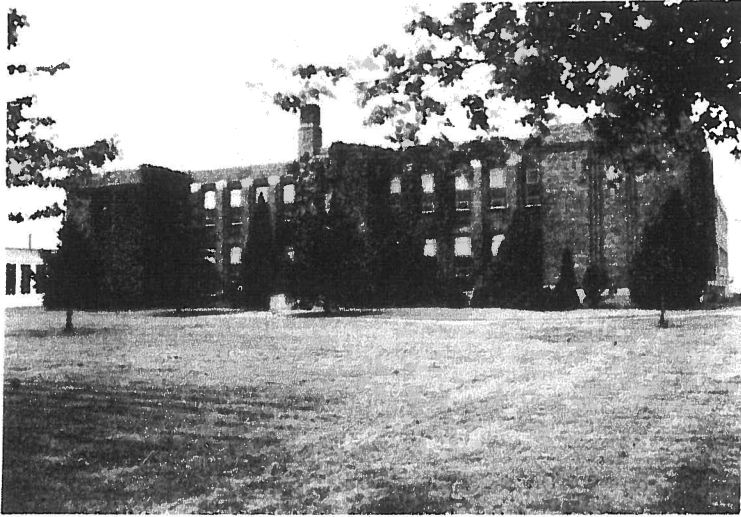


Our new elementary school on Starr Avenue.



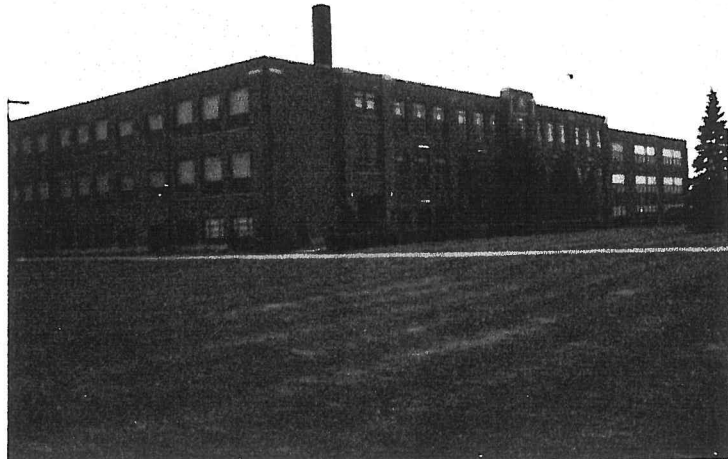
Josephine Fassett Junior High — opened in fall of 1960

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Clay Elementary
— opened in 1937

Jerusalem was opened in 1937



Guess Who — Had experience in
changing tires and cleaning spark plugs.

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A Pioneer Family — Thomas Ames
 Back Row from left to right — Rueben, Alex, Rollie, Lawrence, Verner, Albert and Arthur. Front row — Blanche Ames Turnow, Thomas Ames, Mrs. Thomas Ames and Ida Ames Krueger.



Etta Metzger, a pioneer, lives on Pickle Road. She still drives her own car.
 —See story in Chapter XI.



From left to right: Mrs. Andrew Metzger, Mrs. Vick Metzger, Margaret Elliott. Miss Elliott taught in Oregon Township. She was among those listed in 1882. Her pupils loved and respected her.