

CLERMONT AND CLERMONTERS

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The Batavia Gold Mining Company.

In the year 1868 great excitement was produced throughout Clermont county by the unexpected discovery of gold along the East Fork of the Little Miami, in Batavia township. Some returned Californians, while hunting among the hills near the Elk Lick Mills, were the first to discover the precious metal and soon the news, spreading with lightning rapidity, brought scores of anxious prospectors to that locality, and the usual quiet of that almost isolated region, quickly presented the scene of an Eldorado panic, the diggings being literally overrun. Hundreds came from Cincinnati, whose papers published glowing accounts of the hidden wealth which might be so easily procured. In a short time gold quartz was found on the lands of Col. Wm. Howard and R. W. Clarke, near the village of Batavia, which directed attention to that place as the new theatre for mining operations; and, acting upon the report of Capt. J. W. Glass, an eminent chemist and assayer of experience on the Pacific slope, the above mining company was formed and duly incorporated under the laws of the State for mining gold or other minerals and for manufacturing the same. It was specified that the mining operations should be limited to the county, and the manufactory should be located in Batavia, where, also, the principal office was to be located. The capital stock of the company was fixed at \$50,000 to be divided into shares of \$100 each and the incorporators were J. W. Glass, D. G. Dustin, L. C. Moore, John M. Nealey and S. F. Dowdney. About \$3,000 were expended in digging for ore and in the construction of the necessary flumes and buildings for carrying on the mining operations. Gold ore and precious metals were found in various shapes and kinds, but not in paying quantities to warrant the continuance of the enterprise more than a few months.

EDENTON

Edenton is one of the comparatively young Clermont county town, having been laid out in 1837, nine years after the founding of The Clermont Sun. Silas B. Jordan, an early settler in the Woodville vicinity, was the original proprietor of the town. The original plat called for 18 lots, additions were made in 1870 and 1874, but the town never gained a great deal in size.

The first house in Edenton was built by James Dimmitt in 1837. Dimmitt, a farmer, was Edenton's first settler and he made the village his home for many years, rearing a large family. The next year after James Dimmitt settled, Robert B. Thompson erected an inn at this point on the old Milford and Woodville turn-pike.

Before the town was laid out, A. F. Morrison had a store on the site of the town. This served the people of the vicinity from the year 1834 on. The next store was kept by John Thompson and Robert Fuller, in 1843.

Before the days of settlement in Southern Ohio the site of Edenton was known to soldiers and pioneer travelers who took the old Xenia Trail leading from the mouth of Bullskin Creek on the Ohio River to the town of Xenia, then one of the largest settlements in this part of the country. When General Anthony Wayne led his soldiers along this trail driving the Indians before them they made the site of Edenton their camp headquarters for several days. Daniel Boone, Kentucky pioneer, is also said to have stopped at Edenton following his escape from the Indians. Suitable monuments erected in recent years by the Daughters of the American Revolutionary mark these historic spots.

ULYSSES S. GRANT

This eminent native of Clermont was born at Point Pleasant, in Monroe Township, April 27, 1882. His father was a tanner by trade. At the age of seventeen he entered West Point, and four years later graduated from the academy. In 1848 he married Julia ,daughter of Frederick Dent, a merchant of St. Louis. He was elected President in 1868 and reelected to the same office in 1872. After he had laid down his civil office, Gen. Grant went abroad, and in Europe was everywhere received as the guest and equal of Kings, Queens and Emperors.

We are told some men are born great, others have greatness thrust upon them, while others wring greatness from the world. Grant belongs to the latter class.

DR. W. E. THOMPSON

Dr. W. E. Thompson born and raised in Bethel, Ohio, was 96 years old in July this year. He is the oldest known practicing physician in the United States, having followed his profession for seventy years. Altho only a boy when Senator Morris and General Grant were living in Bethel, he clearly remembers them both. Despite his advanced age, Dr. Thompson is still hale and hearty. Almost any day he can be seen going about either in the village or country calling upon sick folk. Dr. Thompson is keeping on for sheer love of his work. Two years ago an automobile accident befell him, when he was thrown to the pavement breaking his collar bone. He recovered from the injury in a short time and again took up his medical practice.

State of Ohio, County of Clermont, ss: Jan. 22, 1930.

I, W. E. Thompson, M. D., being first duly sworn, say, that my age in July, 1930 will be 95 years. That I have lived in Bethel, Ohio, and its vicinity since my birth. I personally knew U. S. Grant and his father, Jesse R. Grant, and well remember when Jesse R. Grant lived in Bethel, Ohio, upon property known as part in-lot 234, at Southeast corner of Plane and Charity streets in said town and said house being at this date gone and said lot now whereon stands a store and residence by J. L. Laycock. The house in which the Grants lived while in Bethel, Ohio, was erected by United States Senator Thomas L. Morris. I well remember having seen said Thomas L. Morris upon street in Bethel, Ohio, at a time while my mother was with me, she pointing out to me Senator Morris and telling me who it was.

I well remember that Jesse R. Grant was elected the first Mayor of Bethel, Ohio, in the year 1851 and as a boy attended a trial held before him in the building located upon the tannery yard lot on Charity street just south of Water street. I also well remember of seeing U. S. Grant upon the street of Bethel, Ohio, upon his visits home to his parents when he was a cadet at West Point and also remember of seeing him ride horseback over the streets of Bethel, Ohio, accompanied by a young woman by the name of Miss Josephine Morris.

I also remember of seeing him at this time wearing uniform of a cadet. I also remember of seeing him upon his return here from the Mexican War and at that time he brought home with him a young Mexican boy, this boy had great pleasure in lassoing the geese and domestic animals then permitted to rove upon the highway.

I desire also to state that Bethel, Ohio, was one of the places of refuge or a depot on what was known as The Underground Railroad over which fleeing slaves passed from Kentucky on to Canada and that I am one of the persons who aided them in their escape.

Signed by me and sworn to by me, at Bethel, Ohio, this 22nd day of January, A. D. 1930, and I further state that on this

GENERAL PENN

Colonel Julius A. Penn, U. S. Army, retired, formerly Brigadier-General, National Army, was born February 19, 1865, at Mattoon, Coles county, Illinois, the son of the late Major Julius A. Penn and Mary Brock Penn. He spent his boyhood in Batavia and was appointed a cadet at the U. S. Military Academy in 1882, by the late Hon. H. L. Morey. Graduate Batavia High school 1881, U. S. Military Academy 1886, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas Officers' School 1891 (Valedictorian), Army War College 1907. Served in all grades from Second-Lieutenant to Brigadier-General, and has wide experience in the duties of staff and line officers. He took part in expeditions after Mes-calero Apache Indians in New Mexico 1887. After Bannock Indians in the Jackson Hole country in Wyoming and Idaho 1895. He assisted at three opening of Indian Lands to settlement in Oklahoma, 1889-1891-92. On strike duty Idaho and Montana 1894. Instructor in Military Tactics Omaha High school, 1893-1896. Instructor in Tactics U. S. Military Academy, 1898-99. Instructor Army War College, 1906-7.

Quartermaster of Regiment of Brigade of Division, 1898. Major volunteer infantry, 1899-01, Philippine Islands. Major Penn was cited in order for gallantry in action in the rescue of Lieut. J. C. Gilmore, U. S. Navy, and twenty-five other Americans held by Filipino insurgents, and the rescue of General Penn and 2,000 Spanish officers and men. The rescue campaign was marked by hardships and privation. In action at Tugnadan Mountains, Baua Canyon and Gaset, P. I.

Since 1899, Col. Penn has served six years in the Philippines and three years in Hawaii, and in California, Nebraska, Texas, Illinois, Ohio, District of Columbia, and New York. He served as aide-de-camp with Lieutenant-General H. C. Corbin and with Major-General Leonard Wood. Captain General Staff 1906-09. His work in planning the expedition to Cuba, 1906, and as Chief of Staff to General Wint, at Newport News, Virginia, brought to the General Staff the first official commendation they had received from the President of the United States. President Theodore Roosevelt in his annual message to Congress in 1906 congratulating the General Staff. He was in charge for three years, 1907-09, of all questions pertaining to

military instruction in schools and colleges and personally inspected 73 of the 91 institutions at that time having military instruction. His work received the commendation of the Chief of Staff. Instructor-inspector Nebraska Militia, 1911-12. Commanding War Strength Battalion, Hawaii, 1914-15. Organizer and commanded new Regular Regiment San Antonio, Texas, 1916-17. Mustered in Ohio Militia, 1917. Organized and commanded 170th Infantry Brigade, 85th Division, Camp Custer with Brigade to France July, 1918. The 339th Regiment 170th Infantry Brigade was ordered left in England, was refitted for arctic service in England and accompanied an English Expedition to Arch Angel, Russia. The 85th Division on arrival in France, was used as replacements. General Penn was made Chief of the Personnel Bureau at General Pershing's headquarters at Chaumont, where he served August 25 to October 23, 1918. Assigned to command the 76th Brigade 38th Division he was sent to the front for ten days as observers and was with the 2nd Division in the severe fighting of Nov. 1, 2, 3, in the Argonne. Returning to Chaumont on November 3, he found that his new brigade had been used as replacements. An armistice was asked for on Nov. 7, and granted Nov. 11. From Nov. 13 to 29 he attended the Center of Information for General Officers at Langres. He sailed from Best December 9, in command of the Cadre of the 38th Division. On arrival at Newport News, Va., December 20, proceeded to Camp Taylor, Kentucky. He commanded the forces at Camp Taylor and Camp Knox until March, 1919. Reverting to his regular grade of Colonel, he was detailed to duty in the Adjutant General's office, Washington, D. C., and for three years had charge of Military Prisons and prisoners. After three months as Adjutant 3rd Corps Area at Baltimore, he was assigned to command the U. S. Disciplinary Barracks, Governor's Island, New York. He was retired for disability in line of duty in December, 1924, and has since resided in his old home near Batavia. President Harding, a few months before he died, referring to Col. Penn and his prison work, called Col. Penn "the most humane officer in the U. S. Army."

W. F. FOMORIN

Mr. Fomorin, the subject of this sketch, was born in Marathon, Ohio. He acquired his education in the Junior High at Marathon and the high school at Hillsboro, Ohio. All during his school career, Bill, as he is known to many throughout the county, took an active part in all school athletics. He was extra efficient in base-ball athletics. Mr. Fomorin has since leaving school, taken an active part in party organization work and upon the election of our County Clerk of Courts Claude Coyle, he was appointed Deputy Clerk of Court. This position he has filled with much credit. He is courteous to all who come to transact business with the Clerk's office. He might well be termed as one of our younger officials of the county, and if the usual practice of the Deputy in county offices be followed in Mr. Fomorin's case, it certainly can be said that Mr. Fomorin will continue the high standards of efficiency by which the Clerk of Courts office is now being conducted.

Mr. Fomorin married Grace Snell. They have one child, John Richard Fomorin, and reside in Marathon.

HON. ORVILLE WILLIAM HALBISCH



Mr. Halbisch, newly elected Mayor of Batavia, and at present Official Court Stenographer of Clermont county, was born in Batavia, Ohio, November 5, 1898. He attended Batavia High school, graduating there in the class of 1916. Upon graduation from Batavia, Ohio, he completed a commercial course in bookkeeping and stenography at Campbell's Commercial School, Cincinnati, Ohio in March, 1917. Also graduating in the Law Class of June, 1931 from the Y. M. C. A. Law School, in Cincinnati. Also on August 21, 1931 he was

admitted to the bar to practice law in Ohio.

Mr. Halbisch was first appointed Official Court Stenographer of Clermont county in December, 1920, and served until late in 1922. From 1922 to 1929 he served as clerk and stenographer for the law firm of Nichols, Speidel & Nichols. From 1930 to the present time he has served as Official Court Stenographer and record clerk of Probate Court.

Fraternally Mr. Halbisch is a member of Batavia Lodge No. 104 F. & A. M., Batavia Chapter No. 112, R. A. M., and a member of the U. B. Church, Batavia, Ohio.

He married Mary C. Wiederhold in 1923. They have one daughter, Rosemary Halbisch, born in 1924. He resides in Batavia.



MAJOR-GENERAL ASHBURN

One of Clermont county's most noted sons is Major-General Thos. Q. Ashburn, of the United States Army. General Ashburn is the head of the Inland Waterways Corporation of the United States, and is considered one of the foremost authorities of the nation on the subject of river transportation. He took charge of the corporation when it was losing money fast, and was virtually bankrupt.

Under his leadership, the concern has grown to a place

where it now earns some \$50,000 each month, and has properties valued at \$20,000,000. General Ashburn was born in Batavia, a son of Doctor A. W. Ashburn. He attended the West Point Military Academy, and was commissioned immediately upon graduation. He served during the World War with the grade of Colonel, and was cited for bravery in action.

General Ashburn makes his home in Washington, D. C.

MILFORD HIGH SCHOOL

Members of the Class of 1932

Eugene Anstaett	.....	Newtonsville, Ohio
Richard Brower	.....	836 Center, St., Milford, Ohio
Frances Collins	.....	602 Main St., Milford, Ohio
Freda Conley	.....	Loveland, Ohio, RFD. 3
Ralph Cooper	.....	545 Hudson Ave., Milford, Ohio
Edna Curry	.....	437 Garfield Ave., Milford, Ohio
Albertine Dennison	.....	830 Center St., Milford, Ohio
Margaret Fitzsimmons	.....	116 Mound St., Milford, Ohio
Hayward Gatch	.....	431 Garfield Ave., Milford, Ohio
Aline Hair	.....	Milford, Ohio, RFD. 1
Shirley Hill	.....	811 Walnut St., Milford, Ohio
Ethel Kelsey	.....	Milford, Ohio, RFD. 1
Katherine Kernohan	.....	Perintown, Ohio
William Killinger	.....	421 Lila Ave., Milford, Ohio
Marie Kuhn	.....	65 Mound St., Milford, Ohio
Katherine Owen	.....	911 Center St., Milford, Ohio
Louis Reynolds	.....	42 Cleveland, Ave., Milford, Ohio
Charles Roudebush	.....	122 Laurel Ave., Milford, Ohio
James Stagg	.....	Batavia, Ohio, RFD. 7
Wilbur Stroup	.....	733 Center St., Milford, Ohio
Donald Taylor	.....	Loveland, Ohio, RFD. 5
Marjorie White	.....	Milford, Ohio, RFD. 1
Florence Laudeman	.....	Perintown, Ohio

THE KIWANIS CLUB OF MILFORD

John Hardoerfer, Jr., President
 W. M. Rauscher, Immediate Past President
 Raymond Riehle, First Vice President
 Dr. R. D. Pinkvoss, Second Vice President
 L. L. Harding, Secretary
 Frank Rey, Treasurer
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 Stuart Scott
 J. A. Nordman
 Joseph Pugh
 John Clark
 Miles Eveland
 O. E. Canter
 F. C. Hartsock
 Rev. Wm. Dern

Harley Delano
 M. S. Dennison
 Roger Early
 J. S. Granducci
 Sam Rosenzweig
 V. Shumard, Sr.
 H. E. Milligan
 Dr. H. W. Albers
 Charles Davis
 Rev. R. Ferrill
 Rev. E. J. Creager

T. D. Louvis

HOMER CLEVELAND JOHNSON



Mr. Johnson's parents were Allen and Hattie Ireton Johnson. He was born in Jackson township, Clermont county, O., September 26, 1894. He attended school in Jackson township. Farming to Mr. Johnson has always been a hobby as well as a method of living. He has always taken an active interest in all farm organizations and is at present an ardent member of the Grange.

Welfare work has also been one of Mr. Johnson's worthy endeavors. He is a member of the State and National Probation Societies. He is a member of the Masonic order, and of the Methodist church. Mr. Johnson owns and resides on the same farm settled by his great-grandfather, Isaiah Johnson, back in 1802, which was one year before Ohio was admitted to the Union.

He is now a member of the Jackson township board of education. Married, and as herein before stated, resides on his own farm.

His present occupation is Probation Officer of Clermont county and county visitor for Welfare Board.

W. T. Stall; Clerk, Ivan Motsinger; Justice, Scott Johnson.

Franklin Township—Trustees, A. Bartlett, C. W. Norris, Arthur Sargent; Clerk, Edna Hite; Justice, Amos Abbott.

Ohio Township—Trustees, Henry L. Hawkins, T. B. O'Neill, Elmer Miller; Clerk, Wm. J. Graser; Constable, Walter Perry; Justice, H. J. Arnold.

Stonelick Township—Trustees, George Apgar, Albert Krantz, Frank Vogt; Clerk, Wm. H. Rosselott.

Union Township—Trustees, C. R. Gaskins, Finley Jacobs, C. H. Ludlow; Clerk, Fred Aicholtz; Justice, John Strimple.

Monroe Township—Trustees, Harry Clark, W. P. Corbin, Wm. Knowles; Clerk, Dale McKinley; Justice, L. H. Butts.

Jackson Township—Trustees, Robert Brothers, W. L. Stevick, W. D. Davidson; Clerk, Minnie Snell; Constable, Gaylord Needham; Justice, W. R. Aber.

Boards of Education

County School Board—W. H. Gaskins and J. C. Scott.

Edenton—Fred Sutton, George Miller.

Westwoodville—W. E. Lucas, Lee Goodwin.

No. 8—Fred Hunt, Joe Pierson.

Newtonsville—Shirley Conover; Manley Hill, James Vearil.

Amelia—John Slye, E. C. Burnett, J. W. Taylor, F. B. Weaver, Earl Binning.

Batavia Township—Jos. Bauman, Oliver Bauer.

Branch Hill—Walter Roat, Arthur Reese.

Paxton—J. H. Cole, Bert Creager.

Miami Consolidated S. D.—Chas. Shaw, R. R. Earley.

Miamiville—Jos. Motsinger, Dana Washburn.

Perintown—John F. Davis, W. H. Hall.

Moscow Consolidated—Lon Wade, Frank Jarman.

Neville—W. H. Johnson, C. F. Thompson.

Pt. Isabel—Wm. Beckelheimer, Otis Smallwood.

Williamsburg—C. L. Kellum, C. W. Snell.

Bethel Village—L. D. Kennedy, Fred Shields.

Pierce Township—Albert Ilhardt, A. Spitzmueller.

Goshen Township—Robert Roudebush, S. P. Wade.

Felecity-Franklin—R. F. McKinney, Arch C. Houser.

New Richmond—Chas. M. Frey, Lawrence Robbins.

Mt. Pisgah—John Wheeler, Earl Cox.

Stonelick Consolidated—Leonard Anstaett, Henry Barnickle, John H. Schultz.

Union Township—Fred L. Zeller, C. F. Hyser.

Monroe Township—J. W. B. Carnes, Rufus Buckler and Earl J. Johnson.

Jackson Township—J. N. Collier and W. C. Varney.

Batavia Village—S. L. Larkin, Eli H. Speidel.

Milford Village—O. C. Jackson, Samuel Bateman.

Loveland Village—Jas. Montgomery, A. C. Lovell.

CLERMONT COUNTY'S NEWLY-ELECTED TOWN AND TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS

Village Officers

Newtonsville—Mayor, Carl Anstaett; Clerk, H. L. Losey; Treasurer, I. N. Dumford; Marshal, Will Grossnickle.

Batavia—Mayor, Orville Halbisch; Clerk, W. C. Griffith; Treasurer, Amelia Griffith; Marshal, H. M. Reynolds.

Williamsburg—Mayor, H. E. McKeever; Clerk, G. P. Medary; Treasurer, P. E. Elrod; Marshal, Harris E. Turner.

New Richmond—Mayor, Ria Schmidt; Clerk, Fred Buchtman; Treasurer, John S. Day; Marshal, Jos. Colonel, jr.

Owensville—Mayor, Philip Snider; Clerk, George Yeager; Treasurer, Harriett Lohrer; Marshal, Pierce Henry.

Felicity—Mayor, C. E. Houghton; Clerk, A. L. Clark; Treasurer, Mary C. Moyer; Marshal, Melvin Swope.

Moscow—Mayor, Wade Cushard; Clerk, W. J. Hughes; Treasurer, Chas. Kempien; Marshal, John Cushard.

Neville—Mayor, C. Duncan; Clerk, Clara Singer; Treasurer, Ethel Camery; Marshal, George Henderson.

Bethel—Mayor, G. A. English; Clerk, Ralph Parker; Treasurer, Alice Gray; Marshal, C. G. Little.

Milford—Mayor, A. C. Christopher; Clerk, H. L. Schroeder; Treasurer, Mary Lotz; Marshal, J. L. Pierson.

Loveland—Mayor, R. M. Thomssen; Clerk, A. G. Bryan; Treasurer, Minnie Clinton; Marshal, John Parker.

Amelia—Mayor, G. C. Reed; Clerk, Imo Hutson; Treasurer, Irma Eppert; Marshal, C. Schuttleworth.

Township Officials.

Wayne Township—Trustees, Clarence Flischel, J. S. Grossnickle, Jesse McCullum; Clerk, Leslie Pardue; Constable, Thos. Leverton.

Batavia Township—Trustees, B. F. Kain, W. W. Lewis, M. F. Ross; Clerk, Stanley Anstaett.

Miami Township—Trustees, E. L. Carter, W. A. Cooper, Chas. Howell; Clerk, Tom Scott; Constable, John Parker; Justice, Joseph H. Wolf.

Washington Township—Trustees, F. B. Bureau, C. L. Collier, George Keller; Clerk, Lola Ireton; Constable, J. H. Collier.

Williamsburg Township—Trustees, A. R. Brown, Stanley Morel, W. L. Rose; Clerk, O. Chatterton; Justice, T. B. Davidson.

Tate Township—Trustees, Ed. Ellsberry, Chas. Frazee, J. D. White; Clerk, W. H. Banister; Constable, S. B. Stevens.

Pierce Township—Trustees, P. B. Hunter, R. C. Knause, Ernest Nash; Clerk, C. A. Waggal; Constable, Wm. Schwey; Justice, J. V. Waggal.

Goshen Township—Trustees, Guy Easley, W. E. McHenry,

A. W. MEINKEN

Mr. Meinken, one of Clermont county's officials, is now serving as Deputy Sheriff under Sheriff Robert Roberts.

He was born in Cincinnati, Hamilton county, Ohio, but later moved to Newtonsville, Ohio, where he has resided since. Mr. Meinken acquired his education in the First District, and Third Intermediate Districts, Clermont county. Mr. Meinken's first public service in office was clerk of Wayne township for ten years, also since 1925 he has been clerk of Newtonsville School Board. Mr. Meinken is a very active member of the following organizations: F. & A. M., No. 332, Edenton; Batavia Chapter No. 112, R. A. M.; Linden Chapter No. 658 O. E. S., Marathon Grange, Newtonsville Lodge No. 685, I. O. O. F., Edenton Encampment No. 232, and Rebekah Lodge No. 749.

As a Deputy Sheriff Mr. Meinken has proven his ability to fill the position. He is an officer of good sound judgment, capable and takes his work seriously. Since his appointment as Deputy by Sheriff Roberts, Mr. Meinken has been living in Batavia.

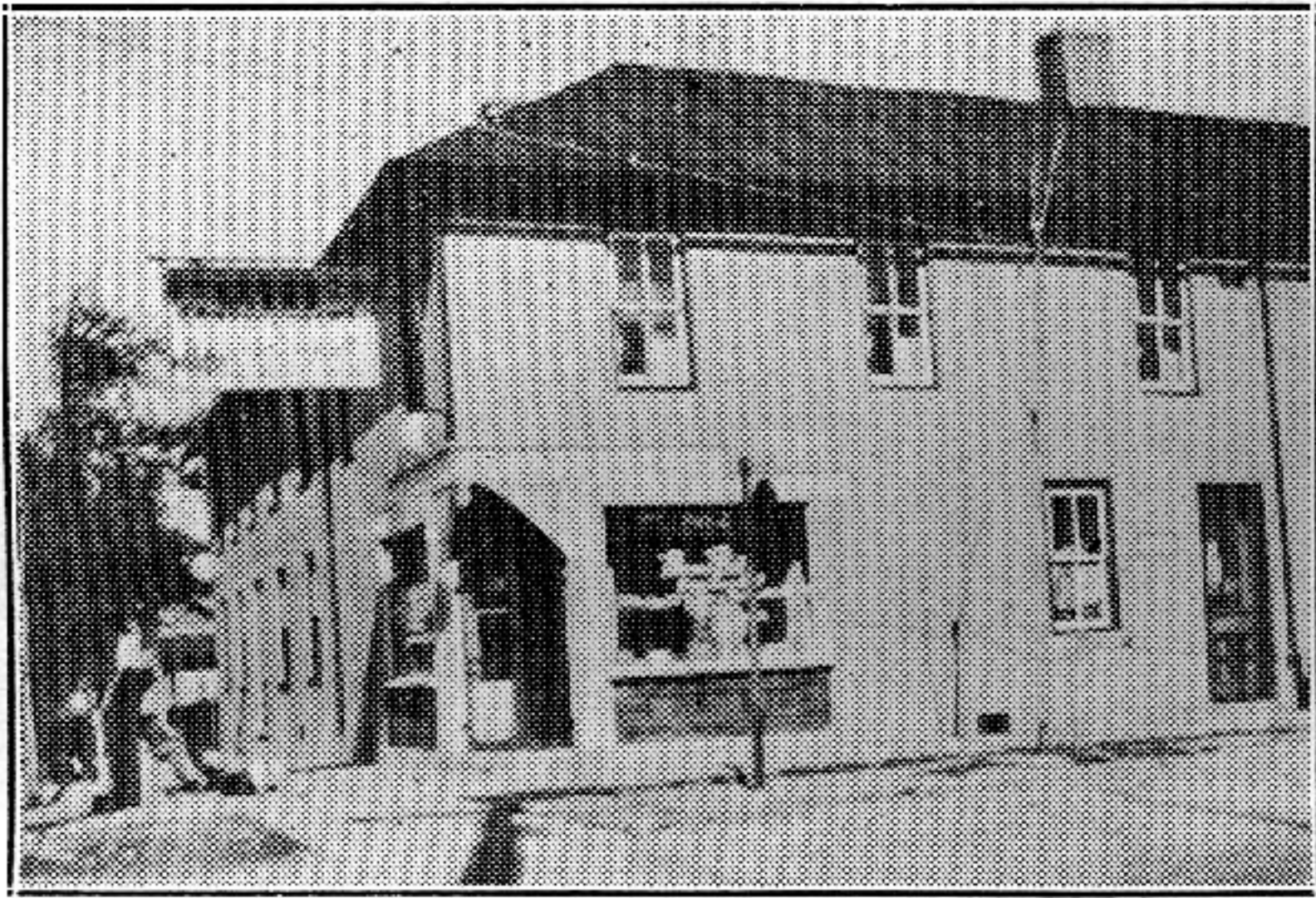
GRADUATES OF 1932 CLASS OWENSVILLE HIGH SCHOOL

Kenton Atwood	Chemistry
Lawrence Brown	Agriculture
Frank Duchemin	Masonry
William Jones	Business
Walter Krantz	
Glenn Leach	
Robert Rein	Mechanic
Charles Woodruff	Pharmacy
Madeline Benton	Normal Work
Jessie May Chaney	
Thelma Carpenter	
Kathryn Edman	Home Economics
Dorothy Luther	Business
Thelma Mabry	
Margaret Patchell	
Frances Riehle	
Helen Rosselot	
Viola Rosselot	Business
Naomi Snell	
Ernestine Varney	Business

JOHN MYERS

Mr. John L. Myers, who is conducting a prosperous cafe and hotel in Felicity, Ohio, is one of the progressive business men of Clermont County. His birth occurred in Franklin Township. The boyhood days of Mr. Myers were spent in Clermont County. He acquired his education in Clermont County schools.

Mr. Myers was joined in wedlock to Miss Louise H. Hoover also of Franklin Township. To the union of Mr. and Mrs. Myers has been born one child, Stanley Earl Myers, who is a Senior at Withrow High School, Cincinnati, Ohio.



Mr. Myers has had varied business experience, for several years he was a salesman, later he was in the hardware business. In 1925 he went to Florida where he entered the building and contracting business. He chose the little city of Sebring, Fla., for his field of operation, and he liked the highland section so well that he built a winter home in Sebring, which he still maintains. Two years ago he returned to Felicity and completely remodeled the building in which he now transacts business. The building is modern throughout and is considered one of the best equipped cafes in Clermont County. Mr. Myers has recently invented an ice cream cone holder, for which he has made application with the U. S. Patent Office in Washington, D. C., for a patent on the same. The idea is a very clever one and there is no question but what Mr. Myers has an invention of merit and will be in demand by all ice cream dealers throughout the country.

While Mr. Myers is of the younger men of this county, he displays keen discernment in business transactions, sound judgment and unfaltering enterprize, which promises success in his undertakings.

J. M. PATCHELL

J. M. Patchell, of Batavia, Ohio, is an outstanding authority on Insurance, writing "All Kinds of Insurance" in Clermont county and vicinity, and representing only the best companies. This agency has been writing in Clermont county for the past fifty years.

Mr. Patchell was born at Stonelick, spending his early life on the farm. Enlisted in the famous Rainbow Division at the outbreak of the World War, and was in five major offensives. Following the war, Mr. Patchell spent four years at Ohio State University, graduating with a B.S. degree in Agriculture. While attending the University he made letters in football and track.

Mr. Patchell is a member of the American Legion, Disabled Veterans of the World War, and F. & A. M. His keen judgment, with years of experience, higher education, and character beyond reproach, make him an outstanding man in the field of "All Kinds of Insurance."

Mr. Patchell resides in Batavia, Ohio.