

17. Numerous Newspaper clippings of Obituary Notices, in the possession of the family, (from unknown newspapers) regarding the death of Abner Hazeltine Sr.
18. The Centennial History of Chautauqua County New York Vol 1 pub. 1904 by the Chautauqua History Company pg. 162.
19. History of Chautauqua County and its People by J.P. Down pub. 1921 Vol II pg. 95.
20. Library of Congress, Washington, DC, Biographical Sketches of Americans pg 411 (Sketch of Abner Hazeltine Jr., Lawyer).
21. Abner Hazeltine Jrs.' Death Certificate, Lakeview Cemetery, Jamestown, NY.
22. Newspaper article, Jamestown Journal, Monday May 3, 1915 "Death of Judge Abner Hazeltine—Prominent Citizen of This City passed Away This Morning".
23. Newspaper article, Jamestown Journal, (unknown date) "Funeral of Abner Hazeltine—Fitting Tribute to One of Jamestown's Leading Citizens—Large Attendance".
24. Newspaper article, Jamestown Morning Post, Tuesday, May 4, 1915, "Well Known Citizen Dead—Judge Abner Hazeltine Passed Away at the Family Residence. Sketch of His Career, United States Commissioner for Thirty-six Year, Former District Attorney".
25. Newspaper article, Jamestown Post, Wednesday Morning, March 18, 1936, "Centenary of Birth of Judge Abner Hazeltine—Wreath is Placed in Lakeview Cemetery in Memory of Distinguished Citizen".
26. Newspaper article, Jamestown Evening Journal, Saturday December 16, 1905 p.16 "Mrs. Hazeltine Dead —Passed away at the family home this morning".
27. Olivia A. (Brown) Hazeltine's Death Certificate, Lakeview Cemetery, Jamestown, NY.
28. Olivia A. Brown's Diploma, dated September 05, 1860, from Cherry Valley Female Academy.
29. Ray T. Hazeltine's Death Certificate, Lakeview Cemetery, Jamestown, NY.
30. Mabel Lena (Molloy) Hazeltine's Death Certificate, Lakeview Cemetery, Jamestown, NY.
31. Newspaper article, Post Journal, September 19, 1944 "Ray T. Hazeltines Mark Golden Wedding Date".
32. Newspaper article, (from unknown newspaper) "Ray T. Hazeltine -91 (b 8-21-1871 Jamestown, NY) Ripley—Ray dies at 5:30 pm. Wed. Nov.7, 1962 at the Caldwell Nursing Home in Westfield, NY. He was a retired Rail-way Postal Clerk."
33. Newspaper article, (from unknown newspaper) "Mrs. Mabel Molloy Hazeltine 70 wife of Ray T. Hazeltine died unexpectedly at Clermont Florida on Wednesday".
34. Newspaper article, (from unknown newspaper) "BORN—HAZELTINE—In Jamestown, N.Y., Nov. 30, 1895 to Ray T. and Mabel Hazeltine, a daughter".
35. A Genealogical Index to the Presbyterian Church Records, Ripley, Chautauqua County NY 1818-1891.
36. Newspaper article (from unknown newspaper) "Farm Couple to Receive AG Award Ripley, N.Y.—A Ripley farm couple will receive a "Century Farm" award from Governor Rockefeller when the New York State Agricultural society meets January 11, in Albany. The award will be presented to Mr. and Mrs. A. James Cochrane farms in West Main Road, Ripley".
37. Newspaper article, Ripley December 20, 1962, "Andrew J. Cochrane, 72, Prominent Farmer of Ripley dies suddenly".

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## St Paul of the Cross Roman Catholic Cemetery

—by NoLo

This cemetery is in the Town of Dayton, just over the Cattaraugus county line. On LDS microfilm # 1292994 was what seemed to be (reconstructed) burial records. On microfilm #1437514 were "notes" in the possession of the Perrysburg Town Historian, probably gathered by the late Lorraine Marvin. Here we have merged the two; information from the record is in regular type and that from the notes in *italic*.

**Adamczyk** Stephen bur 9 May 1977; J N Adam; *d 5 May 1977 age 69, b NYS single; d Collins*

**Arragan** Thomas d June 9, 1871 age 37

Kate d Nov 23, 1873 age 27

James d Nov 01, 1874 age 75 *father*

Mary Mar 06, 1880 age 70 *mother*

**Anna Ball** *d 18 July 1937; 71y8m16d; mar; b Perrysburg; d Rochester*

**Ball** Leason bur 10 June 1929 *Leason J Ball 1894-1929*

Margaret 1935; note: reserved for mother of Leason

William Ball bur 15 Dec 1940; non-Cath, ok/Bishop

**Lewis E Ball** *d 13 Dec 1940 69y10m14d; mar; b&d Rochester*

**Antone Basinger** *d 6 June 1880 ae 71 yrs*

**Battaglia** Mary d 25 June 1914 in So Dayton, ae 2yrs

**Beckman** Ann with baby int 22 Mar 1978; *Denise Ann (Jagow)*

*Beckman plus baby girl (stillborn) d 3/19/78 b 15 Aug 1945*

*age 33, b & d in Gowanda; mother Rita Powers Jagow;*

*grandchild of Alice & John Powers*

**Bentley** John d 16 Nov 1969, furl 18 Nov 1969; parish: St John

Fisher; *age 90; widowed; d South Dayton*

**Bentley** (girl) 20 Mar 1913

Bentley Albert ae 2yr 31 Dec 1921

Bentley Richard 21 Aug 1925

Bentley Mrs Mary 27 Nov 1925

**Bessie Lydia Bentley** *d Dayton 8 Nov 1960 73; b Corydon PA*

*Liber Bentley b 1825 d 1896*

**Bersinger** Joseph bur 14 Dec 1866 ae 29; (*Antone*)

**Blaszak** Helen Ludwka d in Cherry Creek 22 Aug 1913 ae 2yr; *b 27 Mar 1911*

**Braeder** William d 1905 age 20

**Britton** Margaret bur 12 Mar 1976; non-Cath; *d 3/7/76 age*

*102; widowed; b Tenn d Helmuth*

**Buback** Agnes d 18 Dec 1877 *age 16y 7m 26d, dau of Geo & Caroline Bubach*

Mary d 1878 age 17

**Burns** Thomas d 14 Sep 1898 ae 80

Catherine d 24 Dec 1894 ae 80

James d Aug 1912 ae 54

**Burns** Michael d 14 Mar 1901 ae 72

Mary d 2 Mar 1912 ae 84

John d 5 June 1865 ae 2

**Anna Burns** *d 10 Jan 1943 age 78y 17d; single; b Dayton; burned to death*

**James Burns** *d 7 June 1943 age 76y 7d, single b Dayton*

**Michael Burns** *d 10 Jan 1943 age 74y 11m 21d, b Dayton, single; burned to death*

**Burns** *Mother 1850-1912*

*Michael 1828-1901*

*Mary 1828-1912*

*John 1863-1865*

*James 1866-1943*

*Ann 1864-1943*

*Michael 1869-1943*

**Cantillion** Sybel 1842-1907; James 1823-1893

*James 1828-1893; Syble 1842-1907*

*Syble 1842-1887 ??*

**Cantlin** William d 15 June 1887 ae 52 *age 56*

*Mary 1839-1910(71) wife*

*William d 18 July 1891 ae 23 y 3m 12d*

*James d 6 Nov 1895 ae 31 y 4m 3d*

*Mary d 3 June 1929*

**Carney** Andrew d 1 May 1889 age 68

Margaret wife of d 2 Feb 1891 ae 70

Margaret dau d 25 Jan 1879 ae 22 *d/o A & M*

Eliza " 3 Jan 1878 ae 25 "

**Casten** Harold F; Martha M

*Cantlin Harold; Martha*

**Chamber** Anna bur 16 Oct 1976; (Catholic); *Anna Chambers d*

*10/11/26 age 71?; b Br W Indies; d at Helmuth*

**Christian** sec II grave 91 (no other info)

**Clark** Thomas & wife Mary

**Collins** Margaret w/o Timothy d 17 Dec 1887 ae 74 *b 5 May*

*1813 d 17 Dec 1887*

*Timothy d 29 Nov 1876 ae 60; b County Cork Ireland*

*Cornelius 1852-1909*

*Timothy Collins Jr d 6 Aug 1855*

**Connors** Johannah dau of J & E d 30 May/Mar 1883 ae 1

Jeremiah d 6 Jan 1910 ae 90

Ellen d 4 Jan 1923 ae 83; *b 19 Nov 1840*

John d 14 Apr 1921 ae 54; *b 1868*

Kate d 11 Jul 1919 ae 58; *Katherine b 22 Dec 1860*

*Vincent Powers [stillborn] 7 Feb 1917*

**Earl Connors** *d 8/3/1944 age 54y 4m 13d; divorced; b*

*Dayton, d E J Meyer Hosp, Buffalo; bro/o Alice C Powers*

*Ella Connors d 1 April 1943 age 69y 6m 28d, b & d at*

*Dayton; single; sister of Allice Connors Powers & Earl*

*Connors*

**Cooney** Lorinda wife of John C d 21 April 1887 age 30

Laura dau d 22 Sep 1887 ae 7 mos

Evangeline d 29 July 1887 ae 5 mos; twins

note: all these bodies were moved to Salamanca NY

**Craemer / Cramer** Thomas bur 29 July 1862 ae 55; d 29 July

1862 age 55y, native of Co Lxxxx, parish Killexxxx,

Ireland; came to America 1850

**Davis** (no given name) sec XI gr 19

Emma Dole (Davis) Blasdell bur 2 May 1964 gr 20

*Lynn B Davis 1887-1924; Emma J Davis 1897-19—*

**Dermont** Farron V d 30 June 1891 ae 17

Myrtle D d 5 Mar 1889 ae 21

Thomas Sr father d 25 Aug 1900 ae 78

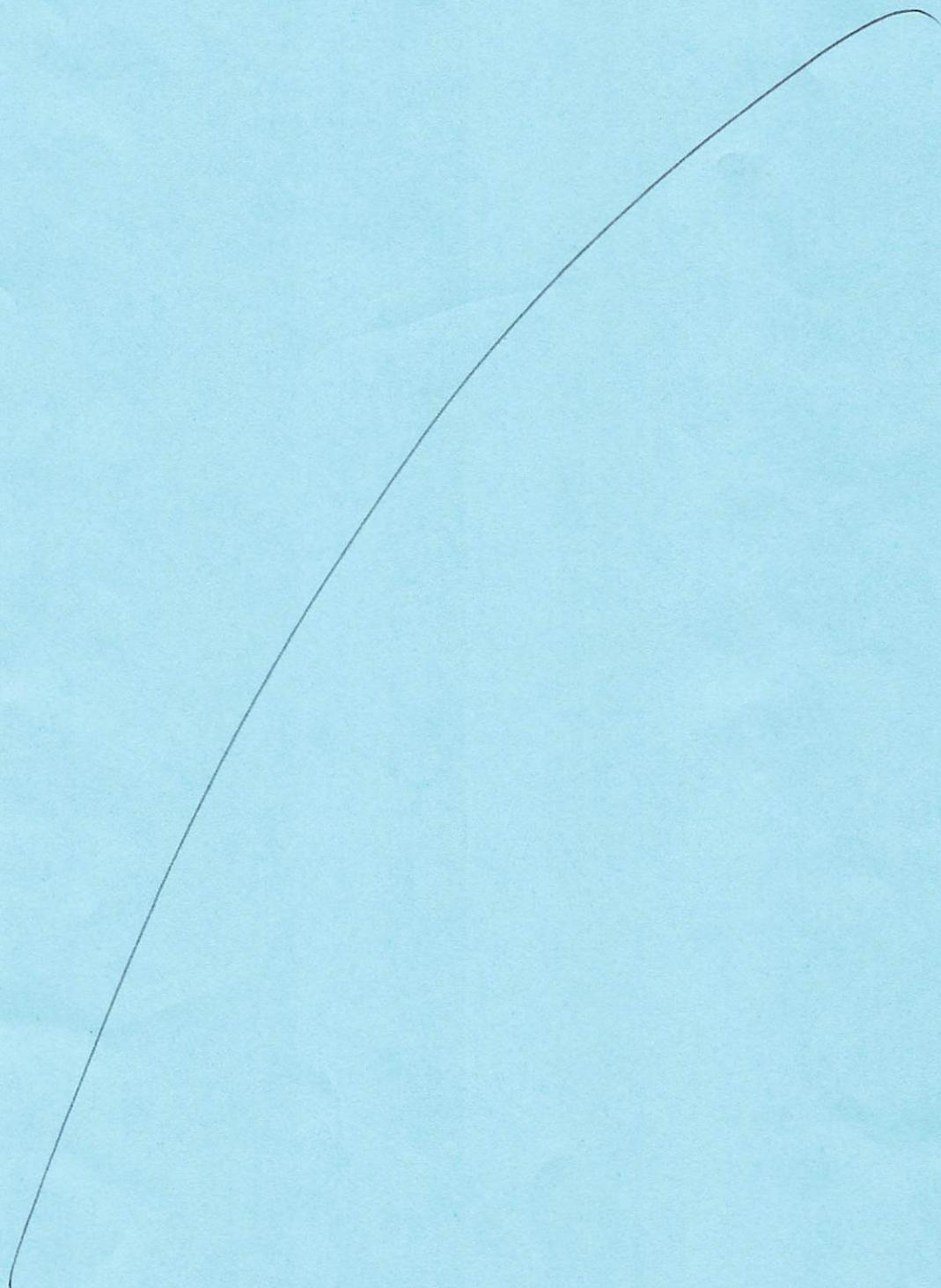
Irene (no info)

Thomas R Jr d 21 July 1929

*Farron Dermont b 20 Mar 1874 d 30 June 1891; McDermont is correct spelling*

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## The Ball Family of Harmony

—by Lisa Sedlmayer

I started to do this research as a gift for my nephew when he was confirmed. Eric's grandmother, Doris Forbes Hall, had given Walt some information many years ago and Walt had placed it in Barker Library. I copied it into my computer and started to look in the Dunkirk Evening Observer Indexes and the censuses for a little more information and it just mushroomed. Doris had more information on the family in the southern part of the county than the members in the Fredonia area. Her mother, Ida Ball Forbes was descended from Nelson G. Ball who was the second youngest son in this Ball family.

Isaac Ball and his wife, Sally Monross lived in East Hickory, Forest Co., Pennsylvania. They had ten children, Harriett, Phidelia, Clinton Monross, Isaac Jr., Sally, Lavina, David, Nelson G., Julia and William Wallace. Isaac Ball was born 15 April 1787 in Wilmington, Windham Co., Vermont. Sally Monross was born 8 May 1792 in Vermont. They married 2 October 1810 and eventually settled in Forest Co., Pennsylvania where Sally died 7 September 1853 in East Hickory. Isaac married Sally's sister, Lovina Monross Hiner. She was born in 1805 and died 4 March 1863. Isaac Ball died 26 March 1865 in East Hickory, Pennsylvania. Isaac, Sally and Lovina Ball are buried in Hickory Cemetery in East Hickory, PA. About half of Isaac and Sally's children or their descendants migrated into Chautauqua Co., New York.

Phidelia Ball married John Gilson and they settled in Sheridan for about fourteen years, returning to Pennsylvania in the 1880's and are buried there. They had 13 children, of whom several stayed in the area after their parents left. One of their sons, George S. Gilson, was killed during the Civil War. He fought for the last time on 27 June 1862 at the Battle of Gaines Mills. This was one of the Wilderness Battles fought near Richmond, VA. He was 20 years old.

Clinton Monross Ball married Cynthia Dale and settled in Fredonia. They had 12 children. Among these was Jasper Clinton Ball whose granddaughter was Lucille Ball.

Nelson G., which is either George or Greene, married Martha Hunter. They had 8 children. Ida Ball Forbes, his granddaughter, is the great grandmother of my nephews.

Julia married William Richardson and settled in Sheridan.

Of their 7 children 4 lived to adulthood. Their daughter, Harriet Richardson, married the Rev. Walter G. Allen. She had the only grandchildren. The sons were Ernest F., Dana C., and Herbert C. Richardson.

This brings us to the subject of this essay. William Wallace Ball was the youngest child of Isaac and Sally Monross Ball. He was born 17 July 1831 in East Hickory, PA. On 9 August 1850 in the town of Harmony, Chautauqua Co., NY, he married Emaline Adelia Wells. She was born 8 April 1828 in the town of Chautauqua on the site which now holds the Magnolia Cemetery. Emaline was the daughter of James and Jane Hopwood Wells. After their wedding, William Wallace and Emaline Ball went to Tionesta, Venango Co., PA for about 15 years. Six of their children were born in Pennsylvania and two in New York. William Wallace Ball died 12 January 1898 in Harmony, Chautauqua Co., New York. Emaline Wells Ball died 7 October 1913 in Harmony, Chautauqua Co., New York at the home of her only daughter, Addie Smiley. William Wallace and Emaline Wells Ball are buried in Magnolia Cemetery. Emaline is buried only a few yards from where the house stood that she was born in.

The oldest son of William Wallace Ball was Willard C Ball. He was born 25 June 1852 in Pennsylvania. He was married twice. His first marriage was to Sarah who was born in 1853 in Ireland. His second wife was Clara, who was born in 1870 in Pennsylvania. In 1880 Willard is living in Harmony. In 1898, when his father died he was living in Oil City, PA. He was a truck gardener; living on Lake Road in North Harmony in 1920, where he died on 9 April 1922. Clara was the sister of Mrs. Mary Gordon and Mrs. T.J. Kain of Oil City, PA. Willard is buried in Magnolia Cemetery.

The next child of William Wallace Ball was Lewis Marshall Ball. He was born in October 1853 in Pennsylvania. His first marriage was to Adelia who was born 22 April 1855 and died 27 October 1876 in Harmony. She is buried in Magnolia Cemetery. Marshall's second marriage was to Hattie Urison. She was the daughter of William H. and Adelia Urison and was born in 1861. Lewis Marshall Ball was the first of the family to die. He contracted consumption and died 29 August 1884, leaving a son, Fred Alton Ball who had been born in April 1879 in PA. Tragedy struck young Fred a second time when Hattie died 1 November 1892 in Harmony. Fred was brought up by his maternal grandparents with help from the Ball family. Fred Alton Ball never married and died 15 January 1924 in Westfield, NY. Lewis Marshall Ball

stillborn ch of Bernard Spires 1 Mar 1913

Anna w/o Herman Quackenbush d 22 Aug 1894 ae 22

Mrs Andrew Spires d 28 Nov 1915 ae 78

*Pauline D 1845-1915*

*Christine Spire d 14 Nov 1879 age 36y 2m 17d, wife of Peter*

*John Spire d 14 Feb 1944 age 80y 3m 26d; d at Dayton*

*Leopold Stevanja(Leo Stevania) d 22 Jan 1962 age 68*

*Antonia Stavano d 10/22/74 age 72; b Yugoslavia, d Angola*

**Strazzanti** Carmella bur 20 Apr 1977 JN Adam d 4/15/1977

age 81; d *Helmuth*; moved to Angola 9/12/77

**Vail** Katie d/o Mich & Susan d 2 July 1885 ae 7

**Wachter** Frederick d 30 Apr 1894 ae 59 age 69y

William H s/o F & J d 4 June 1891 ae 34

Julia w/o Fred d 1903 ae 59 1833-1901

William **Braeder** d 1905 ae 20

Joseph **McCort** infant gr 4

Frederick s/o F W small stone

**Wagner** Theodore d 15 Oct 1868 age 31y 3m 8d

Susana his wife d 12 Sept 1868 age 20y 4m 11d

**Ward** John 1826-1866

Mary w/o John 1831-1890

Bridget w/o Wm S Town 1852-1877

*Bridget Ward wife of M\_\_\_ S\_\_\_ Hogen 1852-1877*

*John Ward 1836-1906*

**Ward J** 1856-1904 1855-1934

JJ 1858-1905 1857-1936

T 1871-1895

mother 1836-1899

JH 1876-1895 *HG Ward 1876-1885*

father 1834-1897

W 1862-1891 1862-1881

Patrick d 1909 ae 42

Michael d 11 Feb 1916

Owen d 14 Mar 1923

*Josephine Wells, daughter of M M & J H Geiger 1877-1900*

*Clara Wells 1899-1900*

*Emma B (daughter of M M & J H Geiger) age 22 1908 age*

*14y 3m 7d Arthur H Geiger 1908*

*Joe Yancic b 6 Dec 1911 d 29 June 1924*

## Bookmarks!!!!

—by Donna Mills

<http://www.vanished.com/pages/unusual.html>

This is a great site - lots and lots of interesting and unusual information - not just genealogy but mostly related to it. History etc. I love this one.

<http://homepages.rootsweb.com/~sebring/index.html>

This address will take you to a war information site. Covering WWII, Korea and Vietnam. There is a place to access those soldiers who received the Purple Heart and if anyone in your family received same - you may submit their name to this site.

<http://worldconnect.genealogy.com/>

This site will allow you to search a large database of Gedcoms currently online. You may also encouraged to submit your own Gedcoms to add to the database. Access is free to all.

<http://www.almshouse.com/>

This is a Civil War Interactive site and contains many pages. A trivia question of the week is featured. Check out "The Cook Book" - for some historic recipes - which appear to be pretty modern. A new recipe is added daily to those already on the site. Happy cooking and Enjoy!!

<http://www.sos.state.il.us/>

Illinois Gateway. Links to The Virtual Illinois Catalog (VIC) from which the holdings of 600 Illinois libraries can be searched; a searchable index of 250,000 Illinois men who volunteered for the Union Army; the Illinois State Archives; the Illinois State Library; and more.

[www.ok-history.mus.ok.us/archives/indianrc/a4essen.html](http://www.ok-history.mus.ok.us/archives/indianrc/a4essen.html)

Native American Roots. Tracing Your Indian Ancestors

<http://freepages.history.rootsweb.com/~newspapr/>

Newspaper Abstracts and Links(U.S.A., pre-1923)

<http://www.channel4.com/untold>

Tracing Black British Roots

<http://raims.com/home.html>

If you have ties to Ontario county, New York - Here is a great website.

<http://www.cslnet.ctstateu.edu/canada.htm>

this is Conn. state library- on line catalog.

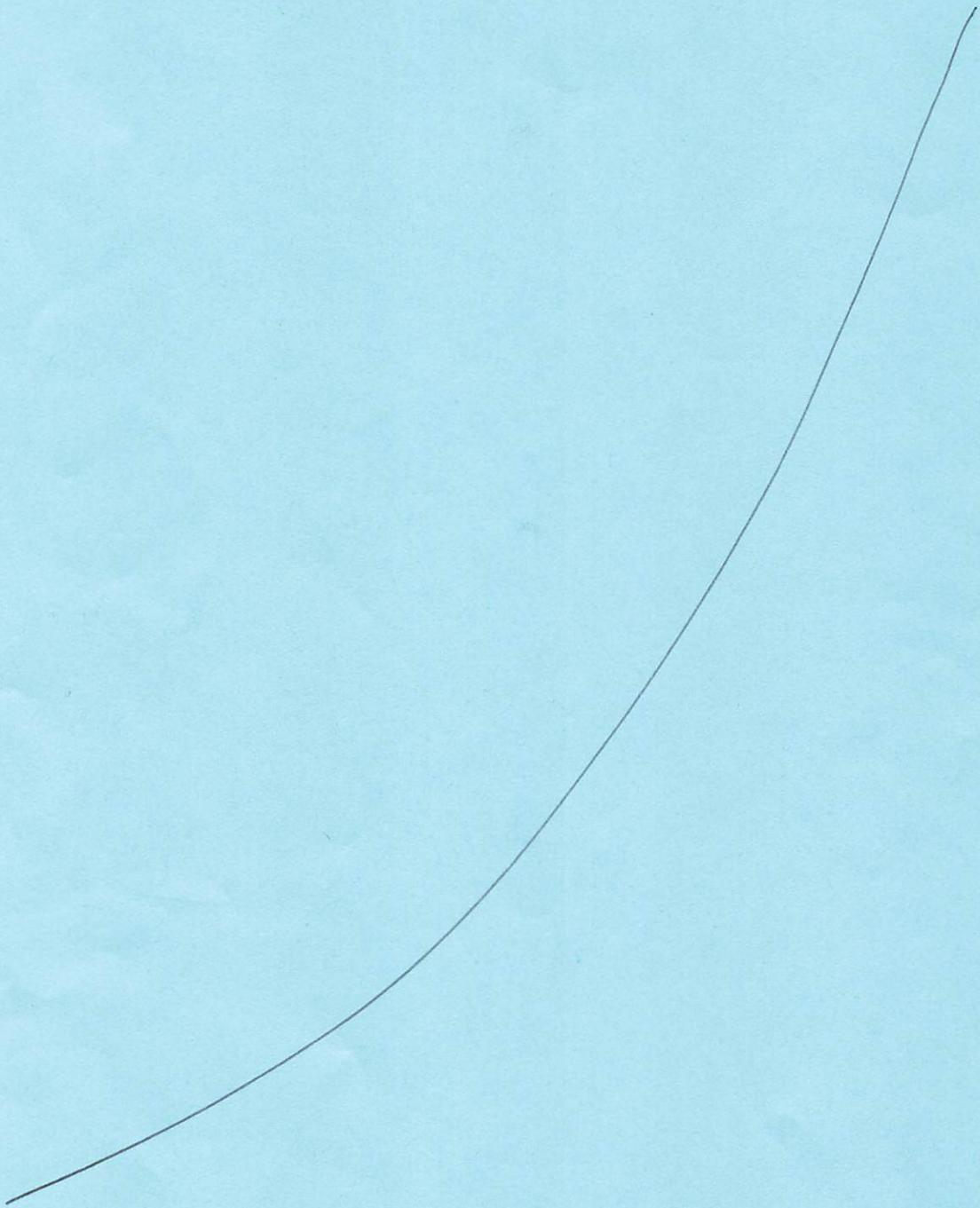
<http://www.sar.org/geneal/geneal.htm>

Website of the Sons of the American Revolution. Lots of links and good information about the Revolution and its soldiers.

<http://home.lca.net/~runesmith/gene/genelink.html>

another page of genealogical links.





# Sharing Your Heritage

# 1867 Obits., cont.

by Dawn Westfall

In addition to written history, photographs are a great way to share your heritage with the rest of your family.

Here are some examples of ways I have used photographs to share my heritage with family members:

~When my sister's daughter graduated from high school, I made 5 x 7 copies of her graduation photo, her mother's graduation photo and graduation photos of her grandmother and great-grandmother and placed all four of them together in one large frame with each woman's name and year of graduation written in calligraphy underneath.

~After my grandfather died, I found an old snapshot photograph of my father's childhood home. For his birthday one year, I had that photograph enlarged to 8 x 10 and framed and presented it to him.

~I obtained a large blank pedigree parchment sheet with spaces for photographs from the Everton Publisher's (publisher of the Genealogical Helper). I began with photographs of my children and added photos for five generations of our family. This has

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Holanes	Eber	April 4	3
Hungerford	Sextus	June 6	3
Husted	Ezekiel	April 4	3
Kilmorn	Nathan	May 23	3
King	George	May 16	3
Kingman	George	May 23	3
Kingsley	Orrin	March 9	3
Lehman	Noah	Feb. 14	3
Mason	Benjamin	April 4	3
Miller	Mrs.	June 13	2
Norton	Charles	April 18	3
Seabury	George	June 13	3
Sears	Selim	March 28	3
Shepard	C.D.	May 23	3
Snyder	Galusia	April 4	3
St. Clair	Sallie	April 18	3
Stark	Carlos	May 16	3
Steadman	James	March 28	3
Stewart	Horace	May 30	3
Tefft	Oliver	May 16	3
Timon	John	April 25	3
Vanhatten	Martin	June 6	3
Waterman	William	Feb. 21	3
Weber	A.P.	Feb. 7	3
Weller	Geoffery	April 25	3
Weller	John	April 4	3

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## Olean area Timeline to 1840

## 1867 Obituaries from the Cattaraugus Republican OCCGS REFERENCE ONLY

The city of Olean celebrates its 200th birthday this year. In a special supplement to the *Olean Times Herald* paper (in the March 21 and April 4 editions), a timeline was included chronicling some of the significant events in the region. Following are some of the listed events:

**1804** - Robert Hoops and Arthur Houston build the first log cabin on a site that is now East Olean. They named the site Hamilton (Alexander Hamilton had been killed in a duel with Vice President Aaron Burr that year, which may explain the selection of the name). The name Olean was eventually adopted, thought to be a corruption of "oleum", the Latin for oil.

**1806** - Franklinville, originally called McClure's Settlement, is settled. The name Franklinville was adopted in

| Last Name   | First Name    | Obit Date | Page |
|-------------|---------------|-----------|------|
| Alvoid      | Leonard       | June 6    | 3    |
| Austin      | Eddy          | April 25  | 3    |
| Bates       | Job           | March 28  | 3    |
| Brooks      | Orange        | June 13   | 3    |
| Browne      | Charles       | June 13   | 2    |
| Canfield    | George        | April 18  | 3    |
| Canfield    | George        | April 5   | 3    |
| Chamberlain | Ives          | March 21  | 3    |
| Childs      | Mrs. I.D.     | March 21  | 3    |
| Clement     | James         | April 4   | 3    |
| Cole        | Ransom        | April 11  | 1    |
| Darlington  | William       | May 30    | 3    |
| Day         | D.W.          | April 18  | 3    |
| Degert      | Hannah        | May 16    | 3    |
| Denton      | S.F.          | June 13   | 3    |
| Dickenson   | Charles       | April 4   | 3    |
| Doolittle   | (boy, 13 yrs) | May 23    | 3    |
| Edgerton    | Thomas        | June 6    | 3    |
| Fairbanks   | (male)        | April 4   | 3    |
| Forcythe    | Wilson        | Feb. 14   | 3    |
| French      | Cyntaia       | May 2     | 3    |
| Gotlieb     | William       | June 13   | 2    |
| Green       | Amanda        | May 23    | 3    |
| Green       | (son, 4 yrs)  | May 23    | 3    |
| Hall        | Josiah        | March 28  | 1    |
| Hamilton    | Frederick     | Feb. 14   | 3    |
| Hartsville  | Ada           | Feb. 14   | 3    |
| Hartsville  | Clark         | Feb. 14   | 3    |
| Hazen       | Ann           | April 18  | 3    |

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## Olean area Timeline, cont.

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1824, in honor of Benjamin Franklin.

**May 22, 1807** - The first child is born in Hamilton to the Shepherd family. She is named Olean. Her father, William Shepherd, is the first resident to die in the settlement in 1809.

**1807** - Little Valley is settled.

**March 11, 1808** - Cattaraugus County is formed.

**1808** - Ischua and Lyndon are settled.

**1809** - The first sawmill established along Olean Creek, three miles from its juncture with the Allegheny River.

**1818** - The first newspaper in Cattaraugus County, called the *Alleghany Mercury*, is published by Benjamin Smead in Hamilton.

The town of Little Valley is established. Mansfield, Napoli and New Albion are settled.

**1819** - The *Alleghany Mercury*

is changed to the *Hamilton Recorder* and folds after a few years.

**1820** - Ebenezer Reed of Connecticut settles near the mouth of Cattaraugus County's Five Mile Creek, the future site of the town of Allegany.

**October 2, 1820** - Nathan Reed is the first child born in the town of Allegany.

**1820** - The town of Hinsdale is formed from the town of Olean.

**1820** - Randolph is settled.

**1826** - Richard Hills starts the *Western Courier* newspaper in Ellicottville. A year later the name is changed to the *Cattaraugus Gazette*, but the paper folds.

**1827** - Red House is settled.

**1827** - The *Lodi Pioneer* newspaper is started in what is now Gowanda. Famed newspaper publisher Horace Greeley works as a

journeyman printer at the paper in 1930.

**1828** - Railroads begin to be built in New York

**January 24, 1829** - The town of Lyndon is formed from Franklinville.

**1829** - The county buildings are destroyed by fire.

**May 21, 1830** - The steam boat *Alleghany* is the first Allegheny River steamer to dock at Olean Point.

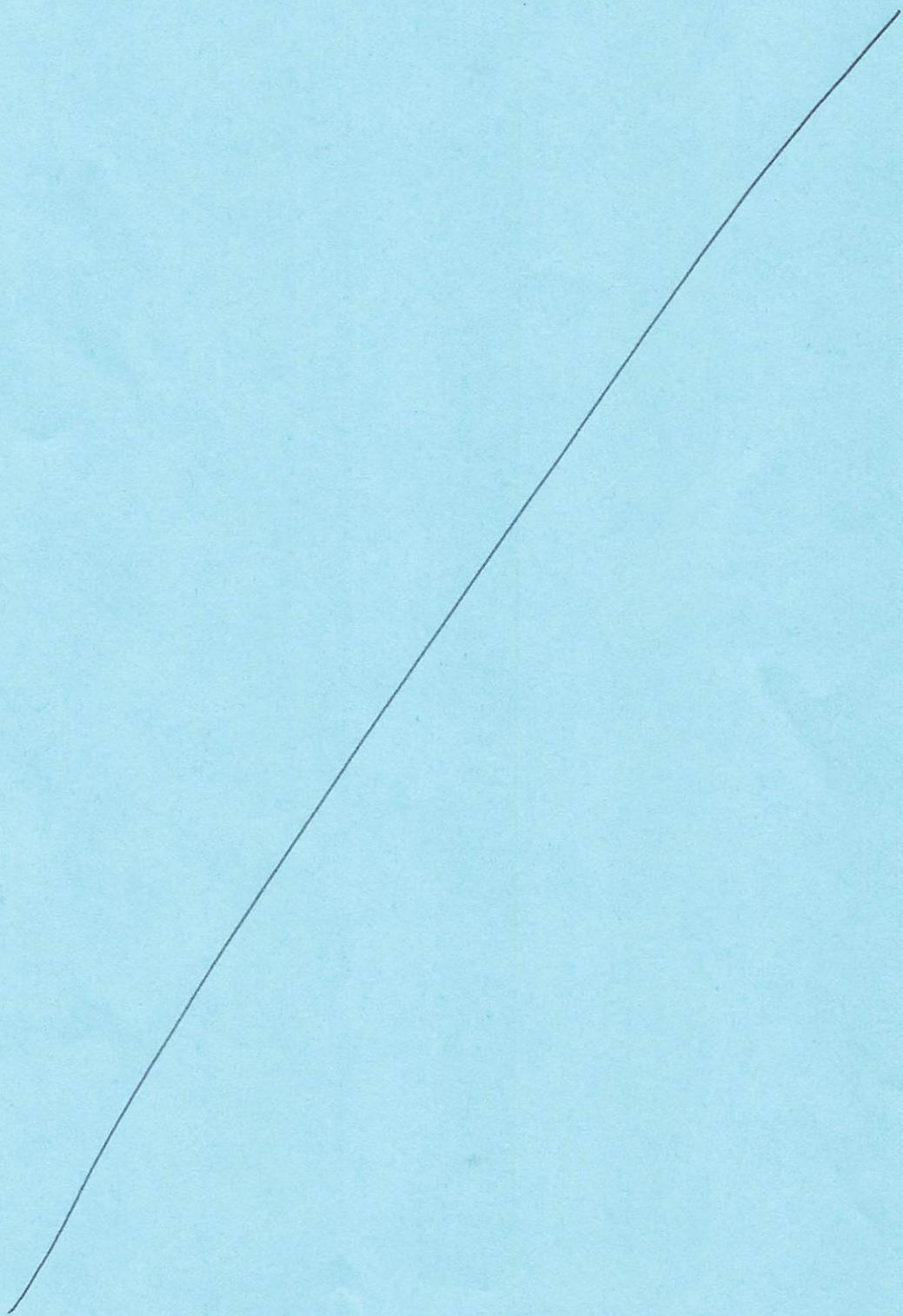
**1836** - The town of Humphrey is taken off the town of Burton (later Allegany).

**1837** - The town of Portville is formed from Olean, leaving the town of Olean at its present size.

**1840** - The *People's Gazette* is started in Hinsdale; moved to Livingston County.

**1840** - Delos E. Sill starts the *Cattaraugus Whig* newspaper in Ellicottville.





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## Descendants of John Yonder of Olean, New York

Compiled by Dawn Westfall, June 2006

1. **John<sup>2</sup> Yonder** (Frank<sup>1</sup> Jedrzejewski) was born May 2, 1875.<sup>1</sup> The 1920 US Census gave his birthplace as Austria, the birthplace of his parents as Galicia and his "mother tongue" as Polish. This census also indicated he came to the United States in 1891 and was naturalized in 1902.<sup>2</sup> He would have been about seventeen years old at the time of his immigration. It is not known with whom he immigrated with or exactly where he arrived. When John died July 20, 1937 in Olean, Cattaraugus County, New York, his obituary listed a brother Michael living in Erie, Pennsylvania and a sister Sophia living in Poland.<sup>3</sup> According to his grandson Raymond Rybicki, John's father was Frank Jedrzejewski.<sup>4</sup>

Around 1900, he was married to **Anna Corbran**, daughter of John Corbran and Pearl Gintromer. They were probably married in Clarendon, Warren County, Pennsylvania which was her birthplace. Their first child, Carl, was born in Pennsylvania about 1901. They had three daughters in 1902, 1904 and 1906 who were all born in Brookston (Forest County), Pennsylvania. The daughter born in 1906 was listed as Helen Sofia Andrzejewski on her baptismal certificate. She was baptized at St. Clara's Roman Catholic Church in Clarendon. The baptismal sponsors were Michael Andrzejewski and Sofia Kmietowicz. Michael was probably John's brother.<sup>5</sup>

By August of 1908, John moved his family to New York, where another daughter was born. In the US Census for 1910, the family lived on Pine Street. John's occupation was listed as the owner of a grocery store. His wife Anna was the bookkeeper. The 1911 city directory recorded the family at 122 Pine Street. John's occupation for the 1915 State Census was listed as justice of the peace. By 1916, the family was listed at 1306 North Union Street. His occupation was listed as justice, real estate and saloon. The 1920 US census listed his occupation as a retail merchant in the restaurant business.

In 1916, John's name was one of ten listed on the Olean charter of the ZPRK, the Union of Polish Roman Catholics. This union was founded in 1874 and had offices based in Chicago, Illinois. The ZPRK in Olean sponsored a marching band and two baseball teams. The group met once a month at the old stone and block building at the corner of Union and Franklin Streets in Olean. There were over one hundred members in the original group.<sup>6</sup>

John died at the Mountain Clinic on Tuesday, July 20, 1937. According to his obituary, John was

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## John Yonder Descendants, cont.

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affectionately known as the mayor of North Olean. He was active in political and civic circles, especially in the ninth ward where he lived. He was a member of the Republican Party, ZPRK, the Church of the Transfiguration, the National Slovak Society, Olean Aerie, No. 616, Fraternal Order of Eagles Olean Lodge No. 119 and the Loyal Order of Moose. He was buried in the St. Bonaventure Cemetery in Allegany, New York.<sup>7</sup>

**Anna Corbran** was born September 28, 1884 in Pennsylvania according to her death certificate. Her father's birthplace was given as Germany and her mother's as Poland. Her grandson Raymond Rybicki stated that Anna was born in Clarendon, Warren County, Pennsylvania. He also gave Anna's heritage as Swedish.<sup>9</sup> Her parents' names were listed as Bolas Corbran and Pearl Gintromer on her death certificate. The 1900 US Census lists a John Corbran in the Clarendon Boro of Warren County, Pennsylvania with wife Pelagia and four children.<sup>10</sup> The 1910 US Census listed a Boles Corbran in the township of Sheffield, Warren County, Pennsylvania with wife Pelagia and four additional children.<sup>11</sup> Information from these two census records indicates that John Boles Corbran was born in June 1855 in Poland, immigrated in 1880 and was a laborer in a tannery. The 1920 US Census indicates that Boles and his wife immigrated in 1879 and was naturalized in 1884.<sup>12</sup>

Anna died at the Mountain Clinic on August 26, 1962 in Olean, Cattaraugus County, New York. She was buried on August 28, 1962 in the St. Bonaventure Cemetery in Allegany, Cattaraugus Co, New York.<sup>13</sup>

The children of John Yonder and Anna Corbran were:

2. **Carl<sup>3</sup> Yonder**, born about 1901 in Pennsylvania.<sup>14</sup> He married Pauline —. He was also known as Carl Young. His wife later remarried a Delgado.<sup>15</sup>

3. **Edna Yonder** was born September 30, 1902 in Brookston, Forest County, Pennsylvania, and died October 25, 1970 in Olean, Cattaraugus County, New York. She was buried at the St. Bonaventure Cemetery in Allegany. Edna married **Joseph B. Kubiak** August 23, 1921 at the Transfiguration Church in Olean, Cattaraugus County, New York.<sup>16</sup> Her name was listed as "Jadwiga" in the 1915 NY State Census.<sup>17</sup> Joseph was born January 18, 1898, and died July 22, 1976.<sup>18</sup>

4. **Agnes L. Yonder** was born April 12, 1904 in Brookston, Forest County, PA, and died May 27, - 1961 in Olean, Cattaraugus County, New York. She was buried at the St. Bonaventure Cemetery in Allegany.<sup>19</sup> Agnes married **Charles Stanley Fisher (Rybicki)**, the son of Valentine Rybicki and Hattie.

5. **Helen Sofia Yonder** was born April 17, 1906 in Brookston, Pennsylvania,<sup>20</sup> and died March 14, 1979 in Rochester, Monroe County, New York.<sup>21</sup> Helen was buried in Section 5, Row 11, second from right in the St. Bonaventure Cemetery. Headstones for her son-in-law and daughter Ozzie & Ann F. Jones are

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next to hers. Her headstone reads "Helen K. Biehler."<sup>22</sup> She married (1) **Glen Claire Biehler**, the son of Henry and Elizabeth M. Biehler. He was born July 26, 1904 in Olean, Cattaraugus County, New York, and died January 4, 1956 in Williamsville, Erie County, New York.<sup>23</sup> She married (2) **Charles Stanley Fisher (Rybicki)**, son of Valentine Rybicki and Hattie after 1961. She married (3) **John Charles Rybicki (Fisher)**, son of Valentine Rybicki and Hattie. Charles Fisher was first married to Helen's sister Agnes. Fisher is the angelized version of Rybicki. Charles Stanley and John Charles were brothers. One went by Fisher, the other by Rybicki. John Rybicki was first married to Helen's sister Jane.

6. **Jane Clara Yonder** was born August 21, 1908 in New York,<sup>24</sup> and died November 8, 1968. She married **John Charles Rybicki (Fisher)** August 29, 1929 in Olean, Cattaraugus County, New York,<sup>25</sup> son of Valentine Rybicki and Hattie. He was born 16 June 1907 and died 15 June 1987. John was buried in Section 5, Row 11, 4th from right with Jane C. Rybicki.<sup>26</sup>

7. **Henry Yonder**, born March 1910,<sup>27</sup> died 1913. Henry was buried near his parents in Section B of the St. Bonaventure Cemetery.<sup>28</sup>

8. **Sophia Josephine Yonder** was born May 24, 1912 in Olean, Cattaraugus County, New York, and died December 9, 1938 in Olean, Cattaraugus County, New York.<sup>29</sup> Sophia's last name was listed as Jedrzejewski on her daughter Barbara's baptismal certificate.<sup>30</sup> Sophia lived at 834 North Union in Olean when she applied for her marriage license.<sup>31</sup> According to her death certificate, she died at the Mountain Clinic of acute cardiac dilation after having an entero enterctomy on November 22, 1938 to remove an intestinal obstruction.<sup>32</sup> She was buried at the St. Bonaventure Cemetery in Section R.<sup>33</sup>

Sophia married **Frank Sam Jonak** September 22, 1931 in Olean, Cattaraugus County, New York, son of Florian Jonak and Victoria Polanek. They were married by Joseph Czerwinski, priest. Witnesses Adolph L. Jonak and Wladyslawa Zedrzyewski.<sup>34</sup> Sam was born August 24, 1899 in Olean, Cattaraugus County, New York and died April 10, 1946 in Bath, Steuben County, New York. He was listed as Francis Jonak on his daughter Barbara's baptismal certificate. At the time of daughter's birth, he was a mail messenger at the Olean Post Office. He lived at 1311 1/2 Walnut Street. According to his death certificate, he died at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Bath, NY. He was a veteran of WWI.<sup>35</sup>

9. **Florence Yonder** was born December 18, 1913 in Olean, Cattaraugus County, New York, and died October 28, 1982 in Buffalo, Erie Co, NY. She married **Chester J. Victor** August 29, 1940 in Olean, Cattaraugus County, New York.<sup>36</sup> Chester was the son of Walter and Sophia Zlotkowski.<sup>37</sup> Florence was listed as "Wladyslawa" in 1915 state census.<sup>38</sup> She and her husband were buried in the St. Bonaventure Cemetery. Chet was the proprietor of Chet's Tavern at 1306 North Union Street which was the same tavern his father-in-law John Yonder owned. John had left the building to his son John Yonder, Jr. Sam Jonak had it, then Chet and later John and Jane Rybicki/Fisher. The last proprietors called it Ben & Gen's Restaurant. The building is now an apartment house.<sup>39</sup> Florence and Chet had one child, Chester Victor, born August 1941 in Olean, Cattaraugus County, New York. Chester died unexpectedly at the

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Mountain Clinic on January 25, 1942 in Olean, Cattaraugus County, New York. He was buried at the St. Bonaventure Cemetery, Allegany County, New York.<sup>40</sup>

**10. John Frank Yonder**, born May 22, 1915 in Olean, Cattaraugus County, New York; died February 25, 1980 in Olean, Cattaraugus County, New York. John never married. He was buried in the St. Bonaventure Cemetery.<sup>41</sup>

**11. Lillian H. Yonder "Lottie"** was born October 02, 1917 in New York, and died January 05, 2006 in Johnstown, New York. She married (1) **Sigmund "Jiggs" Victor**. He was born July 22, 1914, and died November 10, 1964. She married (2) **William George** before 1968. She was buried at St. Patrick's Cemetery in Johnstown, NY.<sup>42</sup>

**12. Clara R. Yonder "Aunt Kenny"** was born February 25, 1919 in Olean, Cattaraugus County, New York, and died September 28, 1968 in Olean, Cattaraugus County, New York. She married **Louis C. Myslinski**.<sup>43</sup> He was born in 1915 and died in 1983. They are buried in the St. Bonaventure Cemetery in Section 5, Row 4, 3rd from right.<sup>44</sup>

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## Seneca Indian Penned Lee's Surrender

by Mary Elizabeth Dunbar

Ely S. Parker (pronounced "E-lee") born in 1828 was a Seneca Indian from the Tonawanda Reservation, near Akron, NY and a descendant of prominent ancestors. He was the great-grandson of the Seneca Chief and orator Red Jacket and a great-great grandson of Handsome Lake, the prophet. From an early age, Ely was determined to succeed in both the Native American and White man's world. And succeed he did, not only in a variety of careers, but in both the Iroquois and white cultures.

Ely was a law student, engineer, Seneca chief and Grand Sachem (peacemaker) of the Six Nations of the Iroquois Confederacy. He went on to become a Brevet General of the US Army, a close friend of Ulysses S. Grant and his military secretary. At age 37, he penned Lee's surrender at Appomattox Courthouse, Virginia. Parker was one of the last persons to speak with President Lincoln before he was assassinated and the First Native American to serve as U.S. Commissioner of Indian Affairs.

Ely was education at a Baptist mission school adjoining the Tonawanda Reservation, at Cayuga Academy in Aurora, NY on Cayuga Lake and Yates Academy in Orleans County, NY. Bright and articulate, his fluency in both English and Seneca led to his being an interpreter during the Tonawanda Seneca's fight to keep their homeland. He made his first lobbying trip to Albany when he was 15 years old and to Washington, DC at 18, dealing there with a successor of presidents and congressmen over the next ten years and eventually negotiating a deal allowing the Indians to use their relocation money to buy back three-fifths of the reservation. According to William H. Armstrong, author of a biography on Parker titled, "Warrior in Two Camps: Ely S. Parker, Union General and Seneca Chief," Ely took great pleasure the rest of his life that he had helped save the Tonawanda reservation.

During his life, Ely encountered racial prejudice and stereotypes, legal barriers and physical violence. His early efforts to aid his people inclined Parker to the profession of law. As a young man, Parker came to Ellicottville, NY in the late 1840s for several years to study law in the firm of Angel and Rice. Ely was asked to assist District Attorney Angel with his work as a federal Indian agent and at the same time to study law with him and his partner. Learning that he could not be admitted to the bar because Indians at that time were not considered U.S. citizens and a Supreme Court ruling that prohibited anyone other than white men to be eligible, he turned to the study of civil engineering at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. This led to his employment on public canal projects, i.e., Chesapeake and Albemarle Canals, and throughout New York State, including the Erie Canal.

In 1852, after the death of Wolf Clan Sachem Chief John Blacksmith, Parker was chosen to succeed him. Clan mothers who watch children as they grow up put names up for consideration for leadership. A candidate is approached to see if they will consider and be their voice in the Grand Council in Syracuse, NY. In accepting, Parker assumed the name Do-ne-ho-ga-wa (Keeper of the Western Door). He was proclaimed last Grand Sachem of the Six Nations of the Iroquois Confederacy (Onondaga, Oneida, Cayuga, Mohawk, Seneca and Tuscarora) which was a lifetime responsibility.

During the struggle by the Tonawanda Seneca to save their homeland, Ely met Lewis Henry Morgan

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and became the principal collaborator for Morgan's book, "League of the Ho-De-No-Sau Nee or Iroquois" published in Rochester, NY in 1851). This book was a product of their combined intellectual contributions.

In 1857, Parker was hired to assist in the construction of a custom house in Galena, IL. While working on this project, he met a then-obscure army officer named Ulysses S. Grant. After the Civil War broke out, Parker tried to join the army but was refused at first because he was an Indian. Finally, in 1863 he succeeded in securing a commission as Captain of Engineers. By the end of the year, he was assigned to Grant's staff, serving as his adjutant. Parker was present when Lee surrendered at Appomattox Court-house and Grant entrusted him with the honor of writing down the terms of surrender from his rough draft. When General Lee was introduced to Parker, he remarked, "I'm glad to see one real American here" to which Parker replied, "We are all Americans." Parker rose from rank of Lt. Colonel and later was brevetted a Brigadier General.

After the war, Parker stayed in Washington, DC and married an eighteen-year-old Washington socialite, a white woman named Minnie Sackett on Dec. 25, 1867. They had one child, a daughter named Maud Theresa Parker. Because the Iroquois are a matrilineal people, meaning tribal lineage follows the mother's side, Maude was considered white, not Tonawanda Seneca.

When Grant was elected president, Parker became the first American Indian to be appointed Commissioner of Indian Affairs on April 13, 1869. During a controversial three years, he spearheaded Grant's "peace plan," which emphasized mutual responsibility of the federal government and the Indian nations in preserving peace.

In 1871, political opponents opposed to these policies leveled charges of fraud against him in Congress. Although acquitted, he resigned and moved to New York City and Fairfield, CT, spending the last years of his life in relative obscurity as a clerk in the New York City Police Department. Parker died on August 30, 1895, was buried in Fairfield but was re-interred in Forest Lawn Cemetery in Buffalo on January 20, 1897. His grave is located next to several other Seneca chiefs by the Red Jacket Memorial.

The Ellicottville Historical Museum has a special exhibit on Ely Parker. It was researched and designed by Cathy Lacy, Vice President of the Ellicottville Historical Society and Art Teacher at Prospect Elementary School in Salamanca. The museum is open June through September, Saturdays and Sundays from 1:00 to 4:00 pm.

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## Austin Family Information

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### "Crushed to Death in a Machine"

This headline appeared in the Cattaraugus Republican newspaper of Salamanca, on 23 November 1900, above the following news story:

"Fred H. Austin, an employee in the E. C. Fisher Tanning company's tannery, met death in a horrible manner yesterday morning. One of the fleshing machines was out of order, and Mr. Austin went inside the wheel to make some repairs; another workman started the machine, not knowing Mr. Austin was inside. The unfortunate man was badly crushed before the machine was stopped. He was removed in an unconscious condition. Dr. Bourne was summoned, but could do little for the injured man, who died 30 minutes after the accident without regaining consciousness. The ligaments in the back were torn, and there was a bruise over the right eye, besides internal injuries.

The body was taken home to the wife, who had bade her husband good bye but a few short hours before in the full vigor of health. Mr. Austin is also survived by four children between the ages of 3 and 16 years.

Mr. Austin came to Salamanca about four years ago from Otto, where he had lived for some eight years or more. His parents reside in Rushford, Allegany county. A brother, A. L. Austin, lives in Salamanca.

The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon

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## IN THE WORKS: Genealogies of Cattaraugus County Families

A proposal has been suggested to compile a book of Genealogies of Cattaraugus County Families. The proposed guidelines for such a project is as follows:

The goal would be to publish genealogies as presented in a suitable format described below:

- Pages oriented in portrait position: 8 1/2 inches wide by 11 inches tall.
- Copy-ready only. No editing, typing or proofreading by compilers.
- Photos encouraged but limited to a 3.5" x 4" for an individual shot and 4" x 6" for a group shot.
- Photos should be included in the copy-ready submission.

Acceptable family trees for inclusion:

- Family trees beginning with people who were born or raised children in Cattaraugus County. The residents' parents may be included. Trees should end the generation following the families departure from Cattaraugus County.
- Typed or computer-generated format are preferred, meeting the above defined format.
- Family trees should exclude all living persons or those born after 1910.

Scope of information which may be included:

- Title page with submitter's name, address and other contact information.
- Vital statistics and place of occurrence.
- Township(s) where events occurred.



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conducted by the Maccabees. Interment will be made in Wildwood cemetery."

Fred H. Austin, the subject of this death notice, was the son of Perry Austin and Jane Dickinson. According to Austin family information gathered by Edith Austin Moore, he was born 26 January 1857, and Wildwood Cemetery records state that he was born in Little Valley, Cattaraugus County. He grew up in the area of Little Valley, where his parents were enumerated in the New York State Census in 1865 and the federal census in 1870.

Fred's wife, unnamed in his death notice, was Frances Cool, who was born 25 September 1856, the daughter of Isaac and Ruth Cool. The family was enumerated in the 1860 Census in Lyndon (Post Office Farmersville) in Cattaraugus County, where Isaac was engaged in farming. Frances was the youngest of four children, her older siblings being Harriet, Horace and William.

Fred and Frances were married, according to Edith Austin Moore's information, 18 March 1878 in Franklinville, Cattaraugus County. In the 1880 Census Fred and Frances were enumerated in East Otto, Cattaraugus County, where Fred worked as a "hired hand." At that time they lived in the home of Pearl Safferd, and Fred's occupation was "works on farm." By 1900 they had moved to Salamanca and their four children had been born. The 1900 Census tells us that they resided on West State Street. At this time Fred was an engineer at the tannery. The fatal accident described above ended Fred's life at the age of 43, and he was buried in Wildwood Cemetery in Salamanca.

Fate dealt Frances a cruel blow. At the age of 44 she found herself widowed, with four young children to support. Sometime between 1900 and 1910 Frances moved to LeRoy, a village in Genesee County, New York. Here she was enumerated in the 1910 Census, along with her three youngest children. She later made her home with her youngest son, Murl Austin, and was listed with his family in LeRoy in the Census of 1920 and 1930. Wildwood Cemetery records tell us that she died 27 August 1935, at age 78, and that she is buried in Wildwood Cemetery in Salamanca.

Fred Austin's death notice states that he was "survived by four children between the ages of 3 and 16 years." The four children, unnamed in the death notice, were: Glenn R. Austin, Allen H. Austin, Perry L. Austin, and Murl D. Austin.

Glenn Randolph Austin was the oldest child of Fred and Frances. His World War I Draft Registration tells us that he was born 8 December 1884. He married Laura Peet, who was born in January 1886, the daughter of Abram and Sarah Peet. Laura was enumerated in the 1900 Census, age 14, single, living with her parents in Farmersville Town, Cattaraugus County, and attending school. Her father was engaged in farming.

Glenn and Laura were married about 1903, since Glenn states in the 1930 Census that his age "at first marriage" was 19. On 12 September 1918, the day that Glenn registered for the draft, he and Laura were

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residing at Farmersville Station, Cattaraugus County, where he was a farmer working his own farm. In the 1910 and 1920 Census, Glenn and Laura were engaged in dairy farming in Farmersville Town. By 1930 they had given up farming and had removed to Bradford, in McKean County, Pennsylvania, where Glenn worked as a laborer and Laura was a pastry cook in a restaurant. They became the parents of six children: Abram, Eudora, William, Mildred, Francis, and Glenn.

Allen Herbert Austin was the second son of Fred and Frances. The Social Security Death Index and his World War I Draft Registration record that he was born 14 October 1891 in Cattaraugus County. Allen was enumerated in the 1910 Census in LeRoy, Genesee County. He was single and living at home with his mother, and was employed as a laborer in a stone quarry. He married, on 23 June 1914, in Rushford, Allegany County, Marguerite Smith. Marguerite was born in August, 1892, the daughter of Grant and Elizabeth Smith. She was enumerated in the 1900 Census, age 8, living in Rushford Town, Allegany County, where her father was a farmer. On 5 June 1917, the date that he registered for the draft, Allen and Marguerite were living in LeRoy, in Genesee County, where Allen was employed as an engineer. In the 1920 and 1930 Census Allen and Marguerite were living in Rushford Town, Allegany County, where they were engaged in farming. Allen and Marguerite became the parents of four children: Frederick, Allen, Millard Eugene, and Howard. Allen died in August 1967.

Perry Lee Austin was the third son of Fred and Frances. For some reason, unknown to the present writer, Perry changed his name to Percy, and he is consistently referred to by that name after 1910. His Draft Registration shows that he was born 8 September 1893 in Otto, in Cattaraugus County. He was enumerated in the 1910 Census in LeRoy, Genesee County, age 16, single, and living at home with his mother. He was employed as a laborer in what the census taker calls a "plan works." This must refer to a planing factory, of which there were several in LeRoy at that time. On 5 June 1917, the day that he registered for the draft, Percy was working as a hired farm hand on the farm of D. S. Baker, Farmersville, New York. About 1918 or 1919 Percy married Lena Leonard, who was born in June 1888, the daughter of Melvin and Mattie Leonard. Her father was a farmer in Freedom Town, Cattaraugus County. In the 1920 and 1930 Census Percy and Lena were living in Farmersville, Cattaraugus County, where Percy was employed in a milk plant. They were the parents of a daughter, Marion.

Murl Dewey Austin, the youngest son of Fred and Frances, was born 26 November 1897. Less is known about him than about his three older brothers. The 1910 Census lists him as age 12, living at home with his mother in LeRoy, in Genesee County, and attending school. He continued to make his home in LeRoy, where he was living at the time of his World War I Draft Registration, and also at the time of the 1920 and 1930 Census. He married Elsie (last name unknown). We can estimate that they were married about 1919, since Murl gives 22 as his "age at first marriage" in the 1930 Census. Murl and Elsie had a son, Robert M. Austin. The 1930 Census tells us that Murl was a foreman in the Jello

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Factory in LeRoy, and Elsie was a saleslady in a bakery.

Fred Austin's death notice states that, in addition to his wife and four children who survived, "a brother, A. L. Austin, lives in Salamanca." Adelbert L. Austin, age 44, residing on West State, was enumerated in the 1900 Census in Salamanca. He was employed as a freight handler.

The Salamanca tannery, where Fred Austin met his tragic death, was an important industrial installation in Salamanca. Franklin Ellis, in his *History of Cattaraugus County (1879)* relates that the tannery "was built in 1863 on 20 acres of ground well located for this business, near the Erie Railroad, in the eastern part of the village. The present arrangement of the tannery is very complete, embracing several buildings 200 feet long, with which is connected the yard, containing 320 liquor-vats. There are also a large dry-house, shipping rooms, 14 tenements, and two residences.... The motor is steam, which drives an 80 horse-power engine. 3,000 cords of hemlock-bark are consumed annually in tanning sole-leather.... The average number of men employed is 30."

Fred Austin's death notice states that "Dr. Bourne was summoned." Phillip H. Bourne, age 31, a physician residing on Wildwood Street, was enumerated in the 1900 Census in Salamanca. It was presumably he who was summoned to the tannery after the accident, and it was he who had the sad duty of attending the dying workman.

Finally, we must say a word about the Maccabees, who, we are told, conducted the funeral service. The Knights of the Maccabees was a fraternal benefit society. Membership in the society gave the members an opportunity to meet together in friendship to enjoy each other's company, and to exemplify the various rituals of the society. Life insurance was an important aspect of membership in the society, and families of deceased members received an insurance benefit. So we know that Frances was not left entirely without resources, and that Fred was laid to rest in his final resting place by his fraternal brothers.

*Editor's Note:*

*Thanks for the submission of a very well-written article. The attention paid to researching details was superb in helping to complete an accurate picture of this family.*

## Early Farmersville

The following information was taken from the book, *Pioneer History of the Holland Purchase of Western New York* by O. Turner (Buffalo: Jewett, Thomas & Co., Geo. H. Derby & Co. 1849)

A sketch drawn from some reminiscences of primitive settlement in Farmersville, Cattaraugus County, will furnish the reader with a pretty distinct view of pioneer life. In 1816 and '17, Richard Tozer, Peleg Robbins, Peter Ten Broek, and Cornelius Ten Broek begin the settlement which they called Farmersville. They were all unmarried men except Richard Tozer. Isolated, as they were in their wilderness home, they found it necessary to make some local laws for the government of their small colony. They drew up a code, signed it themselves, and induced other settlers to sign it as they came in. One section of their mutual statutes, was as follows:—"If any single woman who is over fourteen years of age, shall come to reside in our *village*, and no one of this confederacy shall offer her his company, within a fortnight thereafter, then and in such case, our board shall be called together, and some one shall be appointed to make her a visit; whose duty it shall be to perform the same, or forfeit the disapprobation of the company, and pay a fine sufficiently large to buy the lady thus neglected, a new dress." Few towns upon the Purchase have been more prosperous; and it is quite likely that this early regulation aided essentially in the work of founding a new settlement and speeding its progress.

These pioneer adventurers carried their provisions ten and even twenty miles upon their backs, through the woods; and as a contrast between the past and the present; as an example of what industry and enterprise will accomplish, it may be remarked, that one of them (Judge Peter Ten Broek,) is now the owner of three thousand acres of land, and in the raising of stock and grain is not excelled by any farmer west of the Genesee river.

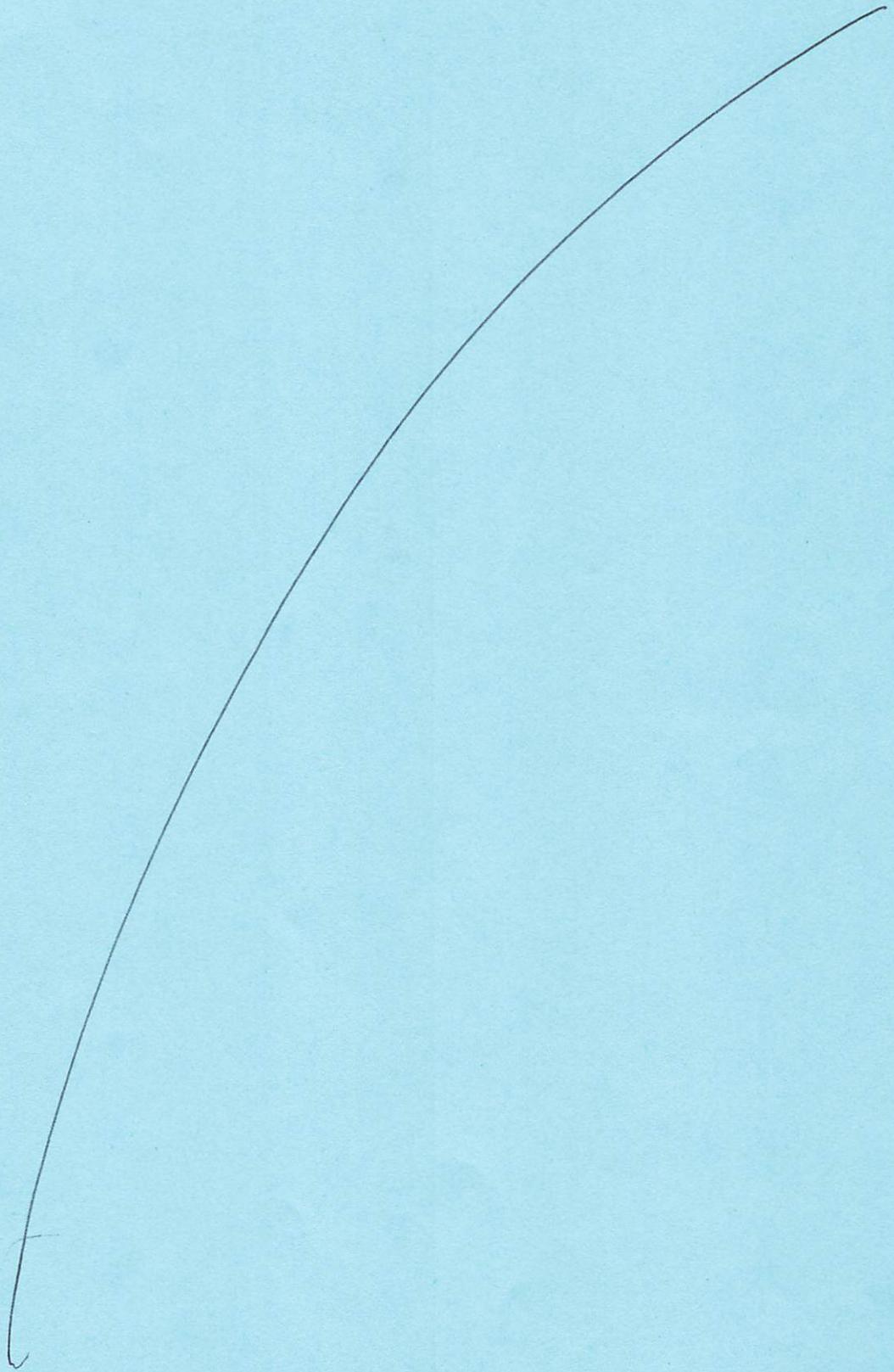
Richard Tozer built the first framed house in Farmersville; Levi Peet the first framed barn, and planted the first orchard; Joseph A. Tozer was the first born in town. Rev. Elijah Going preached the first sermon. Richard Tozer was elected supervisor, on the first organization of the town, in 1822, and Elijah Price, town clerk.

Farmersville is upon the summit, embracing within its limits, the tributaries of the Allegany and Genesee Rivers, and Cattaraugus Creek, which is a tributary of Lake Erie. There are two small streams that rise in the town, one running due east, and the other, nearly due north. They *cross each other at right angles*; flowing on as if undisturbed, though their waters must be supposed to have lost their identity, in the singular blending. There is one spot in the town, where a man can stand still and spit in the waters of the Gulf of St. Lawrence and the waters of the Gulf of Mexico.

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## Ischua Valley Historical Society Harvest Dinner

The Ischua Valley Historical Society will hold their annual Harvest Dinner on Wednesday, November 15th at 6:00 pm. It will be held at the First Baptist Church on Main Street in Franklinville, New York. Members are asked to bring a dish to pass. The guest speaker will be Candace Broughton, the Historian of Otto, whose topic will be the Murder Hill Mystery.



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## NORTH OLEAN AND THE ERIE DEPOT

By Liza Wheeler

Recently, I was surfing the internet for some historical information about North Olean, New York and the Erie Depot. In my search I discovered a wonderful website <<http://www.eileenshistory.com/>> with lots of old pictures and history about the area. I sent an email to the publisher of the website, Eileen McCartan Smith, who is a volunteer member of the Olean Historical and Preservation Society and received her permission to reference her website here. I would be remiss if I didn't also reference Eileen's granddaughter, Dawn Reckard, as the technical expert behind the website. It is terrific she is assisting us computer-challenged elders make the transition from musty cellars and library back rooms to the internet.

One of the things that I discovered through Eileen's website was that not only did the name 'Erie Depot' refer to the train station itself but much of the surrounding area as well. This was significant for me as I have several news articles on my relatives stating they had died at the 'Erie Depot'. Until now, I just couldn't understand how they all could've died at the train station. In reality, they had died at their homes in the area. In February 1888, through a meeting of the Board of Trade, the Erie Depot was officially renamed as North Olean.

Many Irish immigrants lived in the Erie Depot. The streets of Union, Pine, Oak, Elm, and Water, River, Walnut, Spruce, Vine, Maple and Forest Avenue originally made up this area. Eileen provided the names of the streets and as the true historian here, I must agree with her. However, many of my Irish ancestors such as the Curry's, Donahue's, Morton's, and Farney's lived on North Sixth, North Seventh, and Wayne Streets and they claimed residence to North Olean as well.

Many of the children living in the Erie Depot used the moving trains as their playgrounds leading to accidents that caused maiming and/or deaths. H. Frank Curry, my great uncle had his hand severed when he was jumping from a train during play at age 11 on December 10, 1891. My great-great-grandfather, James Curry, H. Frank's father, died at the age of 53 when he was struck by a train and had his legs severed. He was returning home after seeing one of his sons off at the station. He died Sept. 24, 1889. The newspapers were full of tragic stories about illnesses, amputations, and horrible accidents causing deaths. What a different and difficult life it must have been.

Beyond the tragedies, many first generation Irish Americans were born and raised in North Olean/Erie Depot. Many stayed and second and third generations were born and raised. Some moved 'uptown' into the City of

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ORANGE COUNTY CALIFORNIA  
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## Bryant Hill Cemetery Ellicottville, New York By Lois Siggelkow

Have you ever driven past an old cemetery and wondered about the people buried there?

If old cemeteries intrigue you, take a ride up Bryant Hill road. Approximately four miles to the top of the hill is a cemetery, the oldest burial plot in the township of Ellicottville. Who were these people? Where did they come from? What kind of lives did they lead?

Research from census records, libers, genealogies, diaries, letters, and conversations with descendants give us profiles of these families.

The settlement had its beginnings in 1817 when two brothers -- **Freeman and Nathaniel Bryant**, ages 25 and 23 -- came from Chesterfield, Massachusetts, looking for land. Each purchased acreage on the top of what would become Bryant Hill.

Meanwhile, the village of Ellicottville was also taking shape. Nathaniel was hired by **Baker Leonard** as a chopper. Working for one dollar a day, he helped cut down timber the entire length of Washington street. Tree stumps were leveled to the ground for the street that was four rods (22 yards) wide.

Freeman built a log tavern on his land so families had a place to stay as they traveled by stage coach or covered wagon on the historic Chautauqua Road. Now known as the Bryant Hill Road, the route ran from Mayville to Ellicottville and over the hill to Franklinville.

Thousands of potential settlers, who came from Eastern New York and New England states, passed over it on their way to Ohio. Later, it was used by drovers, who herded cows and sheep from the west to the New York market.

The existence of the road perhaps motivated the Bryants to locate on the top of the hill. Soon after 1817 other Chesterfield residents would follow. All, members of the Baptist church, were related. Homes were built within walking distance of each other, and every family was involved in the formation of the Bryant hill community.

School was conducted in the home of Nathaniel Bryant. Classes, held only during the summer months, were originally taught by a 14 year old girl. Later a school building was constructed on the site of the present, abandoned one room school house, probably the third one built on the same location.

The first tangible evidence of an organized religious society in the Township of Ellicottville is recorded on June 26, 1824. The purpose of the meeting was to form a church of the "Regular Baptist Order." The signers were all from the Bryant Hill community.

Sunday services were held in the home of Nathaniel Bryant for two years. After that, until 1836,

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services were conducted in the schoolhouse on the hill. When the membership outgrew the school, the organization moved to the village to worship in the Court House. By then there were 122 members.

Shortly before the organization of the church society, **Samuel Bryant** gave a parcel of land to be used for a burial plot. This was the first cemetery in the Township, and 44 burial sites have been identified. When we first visited the cemetery we were fascinated by the names and inscriptions on the remaining stones still standing. Following is a brief summary of six families. Each is unique in certain respects, but shared common values bound the individuals together as a community.

### **The Rusts**

**Quartus Rust**, with his family, came to the hill soon after the Bryant boys. "He paid a neighbor \$50 to bring his family and goods to his home in the woods with a yoke of oxen and a heavy wagon, and they were six weeks in making the journey", reported the Historical Gazetteer and Biographical Memorial of Cattaraugus County (1893),

As a young man, Quartus learned the carpenter's trade and always listed his official occupation as a "joiner." After his wife Martha died he married Sarah. The three lie side by side in the cemetery.

Justin and Margaret, his parents, lie nearby. They lived with Quartus. Margaret was the only non-Baptist in the group. She was one of the original organizers of the Presbyterian Church in the village in 1829. On her stone, we read: "Adieu my friends and kindred dear .. My sleeping dust lies moldering here, my spirit gone to Worlds above ... To sing free grace and dying love."

Justin enlisted in the colonial forces at age 17, and fought under General George Washington in the battle of New York City. After sending documentation to the Office of Veterans Affairs, an appropriate marker was provided for his grave. A public commemorative service was held in 1981.

### **David and Huldah Rust**

David, the brother of Quartus, also listed his occupation as "joiner." David and Huldah had five children. A single stone tells the story of their sorrows. One child died at birth, another lived 13 days, one was taken at 12 years, another lived to be 6, and the last died at age 10. A nearby stone marks David's grave.

### **Barbara Olin Walker**

Barbara's father fought "with valor" in the Revolution at the Battle of Bennington. She married **Gideon Walker**, who was bayoneted to death on the parade ground at Fort Niagara during the War of 1812. She was left destitute, and her three small children had to be farmed out. Barbara spent her last years with a daughter who lived on Bryant Hill

When she died her grandson expressed his devotion by placing the largest gravestone in the Bryant Hill cemetery, where time and weather all but destroyed it. Each Memorial Day a flag and potted geranium are placed on the grave of this woman to whom fate was so unkind.

### **Peter Drown**

He purchased 100 acres on the hill. Using an axe he cleared 31 acres and built a home on the site.

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According to the 1835 Agricultural Census, he had three horses, five hogs, and 22 sheep. Wool was woven into 72 yards of cloth, and a few acres of flax produced 72 yards of linen. Eight hundred lbs. of maple sugar were made from the sap drawn from the trees. Other crops listed were typical of the self-sufficient farmers of the day. He lived to be 83.

### **Samuel Bryant**

In 1820 Anna and Samuel Bryant, with their seven children, came to Ellicottville in a covered wagon drawn by a pair of oxen. His principal agricultural interest was fruit trees. From New England he brought a bushel of apples. The seeds were carefully saved and a large nursery was planted on the Bryant place. Each spring some of these trees still bloom. He also kept bees. The 1825 Agricultural Census showed a production of 130 lbs of beeswax and honey. Fittingly, his nickname was "Honey". In his will (1851) Samuel decreed his grandson and ward, James, was to receive "a good common school education", and a new suit of clothes.

The Civil War touched the lives of the Batts, Rust, Bryant, and Kingsley families. Hamilton Bryant served in Tennessee. **William Batts** was wounded at Williamsburg. **Warren Kingsley** and Lewis Rust were never to return to the hill; Warren fell at Chancellorsville and Lewis was killed during the second battle of Bull Run. Both lie in hallowed ground.

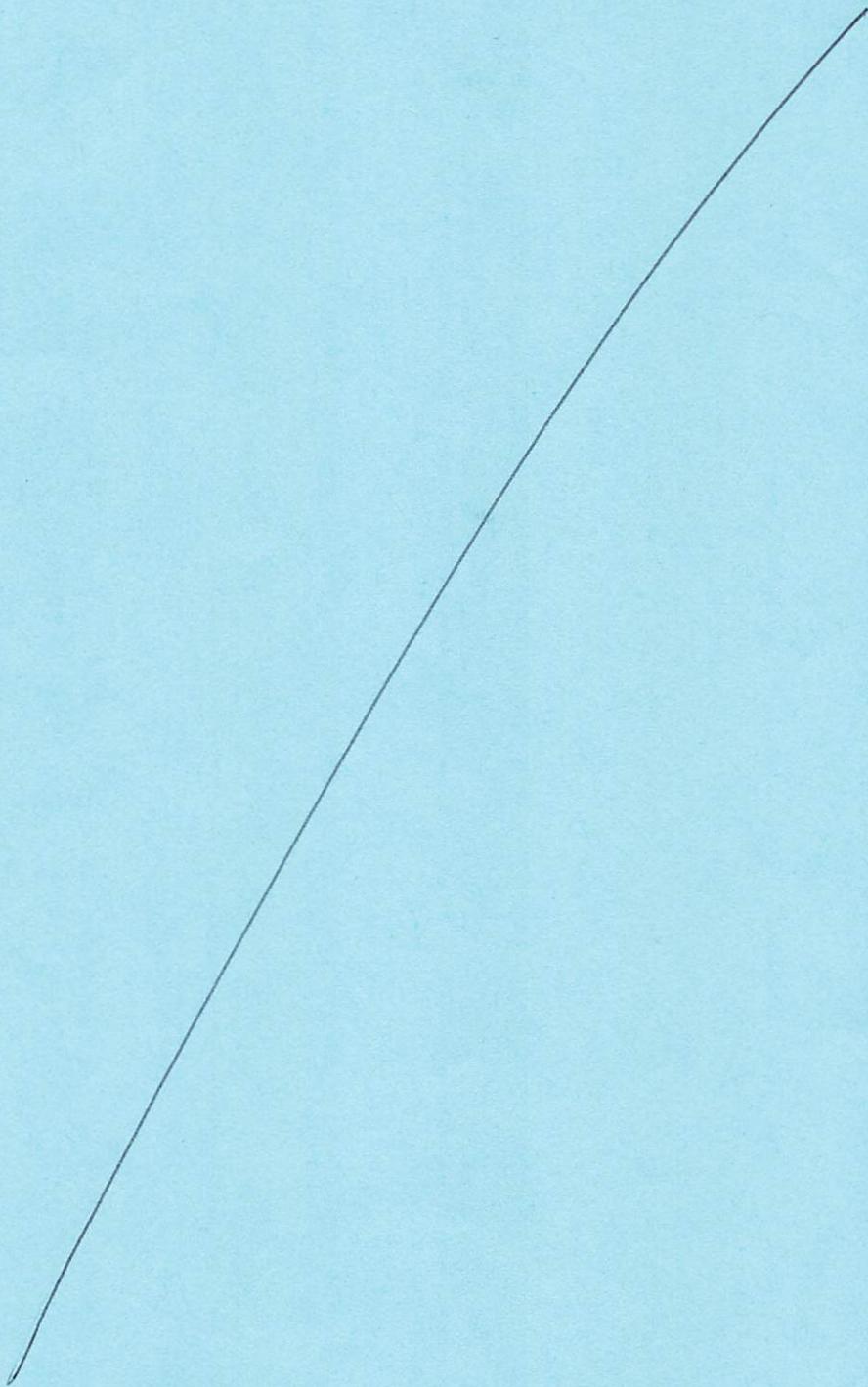
The church went into decline. A bitter controversy over where to build a church resulted in complete disintegration of the organization. All but 16 left the congregation. On November 16, 1864, the final entry of the First Baptist Church and Society was entered into the church records. No church was ever constructed. Some of the original members moved away. New ones came. Descendants of Peter Drown and Samuel Bryant lived on the hill into the twentieth century.

Timber was cut and sold to lumbering industries. The side hills were put under cultivation. Farmers turned to dairying. In the early years of the twentieth century 2200 pounds of milk were reportedly taken from the hill each day to the village.

Today, no descendant of the original families lives on the hill. Many of them have never visited the place, but they are proud of their ancestor's "beginnings" here. Lilacs bloom every spring, reminding us about the once thriving community known as Bryant Hill. A deserted school house still stands; we fervently hope the fallen stones in the cemetery will stand upright again.

We pay tribute to these stalwart people who cleared the land, planted crops, and raised their families. Life was a never ending cycle of work for survival. The most noble values -- church, family, education, service to our country during the Revolution, The War of 1812, the Civil War, and forming a community -- are all exemplified in this tiny burial plot.

Restoration of this cemetery brings honor and respect to these pioneers, to ourselves and to our national spirit. ❖❖❖



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## The Western New York Home for Homeless and Dependent Children

By Sharon Fellows

Most of us grew up knowing this institution as the Randolph Children's Home. Today it is called New Direction Services.

Back in the 1870s, Reverend Charles Strong, chaplain of Sing Sing prison, envisioned a home in a rural community to care for and educate neglected and orphaned children away from the bad influences of the crowded cities. Several citizens of Randolph, New York supported the endeavor. The Reverend's plan began on September 29, 1877, when he took two boys into his home. The first building for the Home was completed within two years, housing over thirty children. The building was destroyed by fire but rebuilt and reopened May 1, 1882. One hundred and fifteen children lived at the Home by 1892.

Most of the children in the Western New York Home for the Homeless were between the ages of five and ten. Children under five and babies were adopted quickly. What happened to those thousands of children aided by the Home over one hundred twenty-six years?

I asked Brad Sande, the Development Director of New Direction Services, how to find out about someone who had resided at the Home. As with other information, New York State considers the information classified. The information is available upon written request by a descendent. Submit your request to the Home and the staff will assist you as much as possible.

I knew there had to be more information somewhere, and the first person I thought of that might help was Marlynn Olson-Ray. Marlynn wrote *A Guide to Burial Sites, Cemeteries and Random Stones for Cattaraugus County*. She was also the Randolph Town Clerk for many years and has family connections to the Home. In a letter replying to my question, she wrote, "My dad came to Randolph in 1929 as a teacher at the Children's Home. He was still teaching at the Home when I was a little kid and before he went to work for my gramp in the hardware store. So the Home was a topic of conversation at our house. When I was writing my Cemetery Book back in the early 1990's, I found several references in the Randolph and East Randolph Cemetery records that made mention of the fact that the deceased had been a resident of the Children's Home and was buried on a lot owned by them (the Home). As time went on I found small obits in the Randolph Register [stating to the effect that] 'so and so, a two year old ward of the Children's Home but currently making their home with the family of so and so, died on such and such a day and was buried on the family lot in the Sample Hill Cemetery.' So here are all those references and nary a mention anyplace in the Home itself of what happened to the babies and small children that died when they lived there...I wanted to learn about what happened to those that died."

Marlynn, working under the direction and for the Home, compiled information about many of these children. The information is still considered confidential but the Home did something special with it. A marker was placed at each of three Randolph cemeteries engraved with the names of children known to be buried on the site and the years of interment. Information was found for children in the East Randolph Cemetery 1892-1902, the Randolph Cemetery 1883-1911 and the Sample Hill Cemetery 1898-1906. In addition to listing some of the known burials on the markers, each marker has an inscription that reads: "This monument is also in memory of other children who have found their rest in this cemetery. Their names are known only to God."

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## The Western New York Home ..., cont.

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I took my dog to the cemeteries to read the names. They appear on the monuments as follows:

East Randolph Cemetery: Frank **Perkins**, George **Orr**, Percy **Webber**, Arthur **Schume**, Mabel **Edington**, Thomas **Brady**, Baby **Ellis**, Joseph **Pifer**, Claude **Connelly**, Harry **Kalpen**, Ruth **Bergren**, Charles **Ellis**, Ruth M R, Clayton W. **Bunce**, Ernest **Sykes**, **Frankston**, Holly **Abers**, Vera **Carter**, **Lytle**, **Williams**, Lynn **Randall**, Lillian **Sweet**, Nelson **Davis**, James **Holtz**, John B. **Newell**, Berstrand N. **Chipman**, Gerald **Sweet**, Carter **Smith**, Eleanor Mae **Smith**, Robert **Fral**, Hazel E. **Reader**, Earl Hagen **Hues**, Edwin, Clifford **Edward**, Paul **Farnworth**, Frank **Olson**, Baby **Ronald**.

Randolph Cemetery: John Wesley **Brain**, Carrie Maud **Baker**, Delbert Jack **Harris**, Moses **Pittsburgh**, Peter **Schumaker**, Minnie **Hawkins**, John **Winters**, Irene Augusta **Steckman**, William **Alcord**, H. Lawrence **Bayles**, Florence **Furlong**, Josephine **Viola**, Clarence **Gratsy**, Mary E. **Smith**, Lillian Louise **Miller**, George **Robinson**, Pauline **Martin**, Paul **Martin**, Walter **Hitchcock**, Mary **Smith**, Bertha **Ostrander**, Emery Harrison **Clark**, Laura Aletha **Ecke**, Georgianna **Reeves**, Krestena Amanda **Balauri**, Celestine **Vaughn**, Baby Helen **Lewis**, Genieve Mildred Francis **Anderson**, William Franklin **Phillips**, Laura Bell **Brooks**, Grace **Scofield**, Helen Drake **Thompson**, Faith **Swanson**, Richard Finger **Strickland**, Jack Elmer **Cook**, Charles **Wilcox**, Lawrence **Warner**, Gertrude Phyllis **Swegles**, Harry **Sullivan**, Albert **Lof**, Arthur **Burns**, Floyd **Green**, Charles E. **Fisher**, Doris Abican **Crandall**, Alice **Johnson**, Cecil **White**, John **Carey**.

Sample Hill Cemetery: Raymond **Chipman**, Henry Rudolph **Nelson**, Fern **Babcock**.

The listing is not complete and probably never will be. Marlynn continued in her letter, "I went through thousands of entries but if they (the child) died at a private home, there is no entry. The final entry (in the Home's books) being when they (the child) went to live in a private home...Some of them had no name, maybe a first name or a last name or just baby boy."

Background information for this article was found in the *Historical Gazetteer and Biographical Memorial of Cattaraugus County, N.Y. 1893*. Write to Randolph Children's Home, New Direction Services, 356 Main St. ER, Randolph, N.Y. 14772 to request information.

For Olean Chapter NSDAR membership information, contact Miss TK Simon, P.O. Box 883, Olean, NY phone 716-373-6219; <tksimon@wnyip.net>. Miss Simon is also the membership committee chair for the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War Emma Bigelow Tent #66.

Genealogy Workshop for Enrichment Kids  
by Ms. Holly Richardson

(taken from the *Ellicottville Central School District Newsletter*  
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In November, Dawn Westfall led a two-day workshop genealogy workshop for fourth and fifth grade students involved in the Enrichment program. Students learned about family trees and the significance of tracing family roots. On the first day, Mrs. Westfall shared some of the work she has done on family history with the students, and talked about some of the surprising stories she discovered in her search. On day two, students headed to the computer room to tap into some of the online resources available to assist in genealogical research. Many of the students were able to find information about relatives they'd never had the chance to meet. It was truly a valuable experience. Thanks, Dawn!

## Where Can I find Copies of Old Newspapers?

A recent query in the newsletter asked about copies of newspapers for the town of Gowanda, New York. Newspapers are an excellent source of genealogical information and, since researchers need papers from various towns and cities, the following list should aid you in your searches.

Listed is the name of the library or society where the information is stored, the name of the newspaper and the years available. If there is an \* after the paper's name, it means that a physical copy only is available. All other entries are for records on microfilm.

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| Allegany Area Historical Society                  | Allegany Citizen            | 1896-1976                 |
| Allegany Public Library                           | Allegany Citizen            | 1879-1977                 |
| Dayton Historical Society                         | Gowanda Observer*           | sporadic                  |
| Franklinville-Blount Library                      | Machias Sentinel*           | 1949-1959, 1960-1967      |
| Franklinville-Ischua Valley<br>Historical Society | local newspapers*           | 1875-present              |
| Gowanda Historical Society                        | Gowanda Enterprise          | 1914-20, 1922-32, 1935-41 |
|                                                   | Gowanda News                | 1935-1939, a few 1940     |
|                                                   | Gowanda News & Observer     | 1965-1980                 |
| Olean Public Library                              | Olean Journal               | 1852-1856                 |
|                                                   | Olean Times                 | 1884-1931                 |
|                                                   | Olean Herald                | 1881-1931                 |
|                                                   | Olean Times Herald          | 1932-to present           |
| Portville Free Library                            | Portville Autograph         | 10/1900-12/1911           |
|                                                   | Portville Review            | 1909-1952                 |
|                                                   | Portville Star              | 1957-1969                 |
| Randolph Free Library                             | Randolph Register           | 1879-1997                 |
| Salamanca Public Library                          | Cattaraugus Republican      | 1867-1923                 |
|                                                   | Cattaraugus Times           | 1901-1978                 |
|                                                   | Salamanca Daily News        | 12/1896-12/1898           |
|                                                   | Salamanca Press             | 10/1993-present           |
|                                                   | Salamanca Republican Press  | 1924-1993                 |
|                                                   | Salamanca Saturday Inquirer | 1919-1926                 |

The Cattaraugus County Museum also has a collection of twenty-eight microfilmed newspapers. These are listed below by city, newspaper name and dates available.

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| Ashford, N.Y.       | Ashford Gazette        | 1903-1906 |
| Cattaraugus, N.Y.   | Cattaraugus Times      | 1901-1978 |
| Delevan, N.Y.       | The Willard            | 1906 only |
|                     | Yorkshire Press        | 1892 only |
| Ellicottville, N.Y. | Ellicottville Post     | 1884-1902 |
|                     | Cattaraugus Republican | 1834-1954 |
|                     | Ellicottville Herald   | 1931-1934 |
|                     | Ellicottville News     | 1884-1901 |
|                     | Whig and Freeman       | 1844-1866 |

