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A Note From The Editor

Hello Members,

I'm back! Yes, it's me, Joyce, back behind the keyboard and compiling the SCCOGS Newsletter! I must admit that I have missed doing the SCCOGS Newsletter these past 11 months! A very special "Thank You" to Bunnie and Pat for their hard work in my absence.

I see that some things have changed since I've been gone—such as the newsletter is now a quarterly edition instead of bi-monthly. That should give me more time to find interesting genealogy tidbits to pass along to all of you in the hopes that it will help you in your family search! This edition contains very detailed information on Milldale Cemetery, submitted by Eva Smith-Carroll.

A reminder to submit your surnames researching changes, address and email changes when you pay your dues this year so that we may keep our files updated. Dues should be paid by December 31st for the 2011 calendar year.

I am happy to be back at the "helm" of SCCOGS News and I would like to wish all of you a Merry Christmas and Best Wishes for a Very Happy and Prosperous New Year!

The deadline for information to be included in the next newsletter is February 15th.



Joyce M. Sadler
Newsletter Editor

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Next Meeting—December 11th

The December meeting of SCCOGS will be held Saturday, December 11th Robert Copley Meeting Room of the Portsmouth Public Library at 1:00 p.m.

Mr. Jim Henry of Piketon will be the speaker. Mr. Henry was born in Warren County Ohio. The family moved to Pike County in 1949. He has always been interested in history and railroads and his favorite Uncle was a Railroad Engineer. He is retired from Meade Paper Mill and worked on their internal railroad. We was in the Navy Reserve since 1955 in Portsmouth, spent two years on a Destroyer and retired after 30 years in the Reserve. He will be showing slides of: Railroads in Scioto County Past and Present.

Christmas Refreshments will be served.

We hope you will attend. Bring a Guest!



Special points of interest:

- Remember to pay your dues before December 31st!

The Nominating Committee has chosen the following to be nominated as the 2011 Slate of SCCOGS Officers:

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More Information Needed on Milldale Cemetery Burials

On page 3 of this newsletter you will find detailed information regarding those buried in Milldale Cemetery, (Also known as School Land Hollow Cemetery). This information was compiled and submitted by Eva Smith-Carroll of Frankfort, Kentucky.

Eva has some questions regarding some of those buried in Milldale Cemetery. Below is her query regarding these individuals:

The names and questions:

Elisa Bailey, daughter of Howard and Lettie Presley. Husband's name?

Joseph Bailey, 4, son of Elisa Bailey. Father's name?

Infant Bailey, six-month-old baby, child of Elisa Bailey. Boy/girl? Father's name?

Hazel Presley, infant daughter of Charles Presley and ?.

Albert Locher (already listed). Parents – Mary Presley Locher and ?

Floyd Neal (already listed). Hattie and Dan Neal -- father and mother's names? Floyd is "F Neal."

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Remember to Pay Your Dues before 12/31/10

Thank you for being a valued member of

SCCOGS!

Milldale Cemetery, New Boston, Scioto County, Ohio (Also known as School Land Hollow Cemetery)

Milldale Cemetery is accessed by climbing a steep embankment on Milldale Road. The cemetery, in a wooded area and heavily overgrown, is not visible from the road. According to a 1982 inventory provided by the Scioto County Chapter of the Ohio Genealogical Society, the cemetery covers about 1.2 acres with "graves scattered over a wide area, most of them on either side of a path that runs up a hill." Milldale Cemetery was inventoried by Virgil and Marguerite Ramsey. They found 44 fieldstones and 14 markers with inscriptions.

Names on the 1982 inventory

The information on these individuals is from the inventory unless otherwise indicated.

1. Pearlie Irena Webb

Pearlie Irena was a daughter of William and Weltha Webb. The baby girl died in New Boston, Scioto County, Ohio, on 06 March 1909 at age 1 month and 15 days. "Foot stone leaning against larger stone." Tombstone photo taken 2010. **Sources:** 1. Milldale Cemetery inventory done 20 Sep 1982 by Virgil and Marguerite Ramsey. Provided by the Scioto County Chapter of the Ohio Genealogical Society. 2. Place of death: Ohio Deaths, 1908-1932, 1938-1944, and 1958-2002.

2. Corpl. William M. Rice

"Co C 40Ky Mt Inf. Broken and leaning against tree." Tombstone photo taken 2010.

3. Lettie Presley

"Mother." 1856-1916. Tombstone photo taken 2010.

6. Howard Presley

"Father." 1846-1927. Tombstone photo taken 2010. The Rev. Howard Presley, 88, died 17 Feb 1927 in the Columbus, Ohio, home of his son John R. Presley. Rev. Presley was a retired minister. He was born 22 May 1839 in North Carolina, a son of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Presley. "Rev. Presley was well known throughout Portsmouth (Ohio) and vicinity, where he had spent the past 60 years of his life. Rev. Presley conducted services in churches in this city, New Boston, Sciobville and numerous other communities in the county during his many years of service in the ministry. He was born in North Carolina, where he spent his early childhood. He served during the Civil war and received his honorable discharge at the close of the war. Soon after he started his career in the ministry and was active in this work until forced to retire on account of his age." In addition to his son, Rev. Presley was survived by three daughters, Mrs. Joseph W. Bailey, Mrs. Charles Locher, Mrs. Dan Neal, Mrs. Harry Schomberg; two brothers, Sam and Robert, and two sisters, Mrs. Laura Lambert and Mrs. Mary Jones, all of North Carolina; 28 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. Note: Rev. Presley's tombstone has his birth year as 1846. But his death certificate says he was born in 1839. **Sources:** death certificate and obituaries, Portsmouth Daily Times, 18 Feb 1927, Page 3, 19 Feb 1927, Page 8, and 20 Feb 1927.

5. Floyd Neal

F. Neal 1913-1914. Tombstone photo taken 2010. Son of Mary Neal. Died 3 Jul 1914, Scioto County, Ohio. **Source:** information from family members; Ohio death records.

6. Edgar Fletcher

May 16, 1914 – June 27, 1917. He died in Scioto County, Ohio. **Source:** place of death, Ohio Deaths, 1908-1932, 1938-1944, and 1958-2002.

7. Goldie Sue Fletcher

In 1982 researchers found Goldie Sue Fletcher's grave marked by a "Sowards Funeral Home Sign." Birth and death: 1958. According to Ohio death records, Goldie Sue died two hours after her birth on 25 June 1958 in the Southern Ohio Medical Center, Mercy, in Portsmouth, Scioto County, Ohio. **Sources:** 1. Milldale Cemetery inventory done 20 Sep 1982 by Virgil and Marguerite Ramsey. Provided by the Scioto County Chapter of the Ohio Genealogical Society. 2. Additional death information: Ohio Deaths, 1908-1932, 1938-1944, and 1958-2002.

8. Bocker

"Piece of broken stone, lying down."

9. Rachel Samuel Walk

Rachel Samuel Walk was born 12 March 1963, a son of Temple Walk and wife Hazel Fletcher of Lick Run, Wheelersburg, Ohio, in the Southern Ohio Medical Center/Mercy Hospital in Portsmouth, Scioto County, Ohio. The four-month-old baby died 16 Jul 1963 in Mercy Hospital. In addition to his parents, Rachel was survived by seven brothers and sisters, Adam, Slenna, Rebekah, William, Raffin, Fred and Andrew; grandfather Van Buren Walk and grandmothers Dorothy Fletcher and Flossie Fletcher. Services were held in the Gill Funeral Home with the Rev. Wayne Sturgill officiating. Rachel Samuel Walk was interred in Milldale Cemetery, Scioto County. From a 1982 cemetery inventory: "Rachel Walk 1963-1963 SMS" **Sources:** 1. Milldale Cemetery inventory done 20 Sep 1982 by Virgil and Marguerite Ramsey. Provided by the Scioto County Chapter of the Ohio Genealogical Society. 2. Ohio Deaths, 1908-1932, 1938-1944, and 1958-2002. Death certificate No. 56843. Volume: 17366. 3. Obituary: Rachel S. Walk, Portsmouth Times, 17 July 1963, Page 20.

Milldale Cemetery, New Boston, Scioto County, Ohio (Continued)

10. Denver Gearheart

Denver Gearheart was born 21 Nov 1921 in Portsmouth, Ohio, a son of Lewis Gearheart and wife Martha Fletcher, both Kentucky natives. Denver died on 07 Dec 1921 in Portsmouth. Information from 1982 cemetery inventory: "Age 11 days. Homemade stone, almost unreadable. Down on ground." Note: The inventory states Denver was born and died in 1922. But a family member said Denver was born and died in 1921, which is confirmed by Ohio death records.

Sources: 1. Milldale Cemetery inventory done 20 Sep 1982 by Virgil and Marguerite Ramsey. Provided by the Scioto County Chapter of the Ohio Genealogical Society. 2. Information from a family member. 3. FamilySearch Labs online, Ohio Deaths 1908-1953)

11. John Phillip A. Biars

John Phillip A. Biars was born 03 Feb 1875, Harrison County, Ohio, a son of Gustava "Gus" Biars and wife Kate Krause. He died in Scioto County, Ohio, in the Great Influenza Epidemic, around 1918-19, according to family members. Mr. Biars is buried in the Milldale Cemetery, Scioto County. He married Catherine Middleton (27 Aug 1887 Greenup County, Ky./18 Aug 1931, Bonser Run, Sciotoville, Ohio) 16 Oct 1905 in Scioto County. Mrs. Biars was a daughter of James Middleton and wife Eliza Sparks. (Alternative spelling of Catherine's name – Sarah Cathryn Middleton. Additional spouse: John Edward Rice.) Children of John and Catherine were Nora Marie Biars (1911-1980), wife of Earnest Frederick Morrison; Fanny Biars, (Born abt. 1906), wife of Wesley H. Purtee; Marion Jane Biars (1915-1916); Opal Biars (1917-1918); Pearl Biars; Lisa Biars; and John Henry "Jack" Biars (1909-1972). According to a family member, Pearl died as a child. No information is available on Lisa. The date of death and place of burial is not known for Fannie. Daughters Marion Jane and Opal Biars died in childhood of influenza and are buried with their father in Milldale Cemetery. Nora is buried in Sunset Memorial Gardens, formerly Floral Hills, in Wheelersburg, Ohio. John is buried in the Pine Creek Baptist Church Cemetery, also known as Clapboard Cemetery, Wheelersburg. Note: In 1982 a cemetery inventory was done by Virgil and Marguerite Ramsey. At that time Mr. Biars' tombstone was "Off base and down." The inventory information was provided by the Scioto County Chapter of the Ohio Genealogical Society. Family photos available. **Sources:** Randall and Kim Morrison

12. Infant Son Locher

This baby boy was a son of P & M Locher, according to an inscription on his tombstone. According to information online, the baby was a son of Philip Locher and Maud Neal. He was born and died 03 June 1910 in Porter Township, Scioto County, Ohio. Infant Son Locher was interred in Milldale Cemetery. **Sources:** 1. Milldale Cemetery inventory done 20 Sep 1982 by Virgil and Marguerite Ramsey. Provided by the Scioto County Chapter of the Ohio Genealogical Society. 2. Place of death, parents' names, Ohio Death 1908-53. FamilySearch.org

13. Albert Locher

Albert Locher was a son of G & M Locher, according to an inscription on his tombstone. According to family member's, Albert's mother was named Mary. Albert was born 09 Sept 1906 and died 29 Nov 1906. **Source:** family members.

14. Fred

"Piece of slab with 'Fred' died April ---"

Additional interments

The following are people who aren't included in the list of 14 names taken from inscribed markers at Milldale. The information is from newspaper obituaries, family members and vital statistic databases.

15. Amy Bailey

Amy Bailey, 17 months old, died 29 July 1921 of "summer complaint." Amy was the daughter of Mr. And Mrs. W.W. Bailey of Robinson avenue. She was interred in Milldale Cemetery, Scioto County, Ohio. **Source:** obituary, Amy Bailey, Portsmouth Daily Times, Ohio, 29 July 1921, Page 12.

16. Eva Bailey

Eva Bailey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W.W. Bailey, Ohio Ave., New Boston, Scioto County, Ohio, died 20 April 1916 "after a short illness of tubercular pneumonia. Had the deceased lived until today, Friday, she would have been nine months old. Besides the parents the deceased leaves four brothers, Ernest, Homer, Walter and William and one sister, Hilda, all at home. The father is a steel worker, The funeral will be Saturday afternoon at two o'clock from the Christian church with J.C. Harris in charge of services. Interment will be made in School Land Hollow cemetery." **Source:** obituary, Eva Bailey, Portsmouth Daily Times, Ohio, Friday, April 21, 1916, Page 10.

17. Hilden Bailey

Hilden Bailey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Bailey of "Flat Hollow, back of Fullerton," died 20 March 1924. "The girl had been ill since January with appendicitis. Surviving are the parents and six brothers, Ernest, Homer, Walter, William, Gene and Willard. The family formerly lived at New Boston (Scioto County, Ohio). Funeral services will be held from the home Saturday morning at ten o'clock. Burial will be in School Land Hollow cemetery, New Boston." Hilden is probably Hilda who was listed as a survivor of Eva Bailey who died in 1916. Eva, the baby daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W.W. Bailey of New Boston, was also buried in Milldale Cemetery. **Source:** obituary, Portsmouth Daily Times, Ohio, Friday, March 21, 1924, Page 19.

Milldale Cemetery, New Boston, Scioto County, Ohio (Continued)**18. Mary Bauer**

"Mary Bauer, ten months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Bauer, who live in two wagons in Stewartsville, died about 11 o'clock Friday night of pneumonia. The family have lived in the wagons in Stewartsville for about two years. There are several other children in the family. The remains of the infant were buried in School Land Hollow cemetery Saturday afternoon." **Source:** New Boston column, Portsmouth Daily Times, Ohio, 01 July 1916, Page 8. Note: There are some similarities between Mary Bauer and Marion Jane Biars, a baby who died the same day and was also buried in School Land Hollow cemetery, also known as Milldale. Marion Jane was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Biars and had several siblings. The Biars surname has several spelling variations. Family members say Marion Jane died at seven months old, according to her death certificate, and the newspaper article says Mary died at 10 months.

19. John Amos Bevens

John Amos Bevens, the son of Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Bevens of Lakeside, New Boston, Scioto County, Ohio, died 02 May 1923. Joint funeral services were held for John and Amos Frederick Wilborn and Lucy Wilburn, children of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wilburn. The three children died of "pneumonia, following measles. A brief service was held at the home where the families live and burial was in School Land Hollow cemetery. Rev. Pearl Hughes of the Immanuel Baptist Church New Boston officiated. The Wilburn children were buried in the same grave and the Bevens child just a few feet away in the hillside burial grounds." **Source:** Triple Funeral Is Held, Portsmouth Daily Times, 04 May 1923, Page 10.

20. Marion Jane Biars

Marion Jane Biars was born 30 Nov 1915 in Clay Township, Scioto County, Ohio, a daughter of John Phillip A. Biars and wife Catherine Middleton. Marion Jane, seven months old, died 30 June 1916 in New Boston, Ohio, and on 02 July 1916 was interred in Milldale Cemetery, also known as School Land Hollow Cemetery, Scioto County, Ohio. Marion, sister Opal and their father died during the Great Influenza Epidemic, according to family members. John Biars and Opal Biars were also buried at Milldale. **Sources:** Randall and Kim Morrison; Ohio Deaths, 1908-1953, Film No. 1983749, Digital Folder No. 4021407, Image No. 2715, Certificate No. fn 39794

21. Opal Biars

Opal Biars was born 12 June 1917, a daughter of John Phillip A. Biars and wife Catherine Middleton. Opal, 18 months old, died 04 Nov 1918, in New Boston, Ohio, and was interred in Milldale Cemetery, also known as School Land Hollow Cemetery, Scioto County, Ohio. Opal, sister Marion and father John died during the Great Influenza Epidemic, according to family members. John Biars and Marion Jane Biars were also buried at Milldale. **Sources:** Randall and Kim Morrison; Ohio Deaths, 1908-1953, Film No. 1984538, Digital Folder No. 4021933, Image No. 2707, Certificate No. fn 82399.

22. Infant Son Coinwell

A baby boy born to Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Coinwell of New Boston, Scioto County, Ohio, died shortly after his birth on Sunday morning, 01 April 1917. "The funeral services were held Sunday afternoon and burial was in the School Land Hollow cemetery." The cemetery, also known as Milldale Cemetery, is in Scioto County. **Source:** obituary, The Valley Sentinel, Portsmouth, Ohio, 04 April 1917, Page 3.

23. John Henry Cooper

John Henry Cooper, four-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Cooper of Rhodes Ave., New Boston, Ohio, died on 29 March 1910. A news article published Saturday, 02 April, said the boy died early Tuesday morning. "The child died of measles and as both the parents and all of the other six children are bedfast with measles it was some time that the child's death became known in the neighborhood. An undertaker was not called until 5 p.m. The family are poor, coming to New Boston from Lewis county, Ky., last December. The baby's remains were buried in School Land Hollow." **Source:** Death Again Visits Home, The Portsmouth Times, Ohio, 02 April 1910, Page 9.

24. Rexo Gibson

Rexo Gibson, four years old, died 07 June 1923 after a "twelve days' illness of pneumonia and brain fever." Rexo was a son of Ollie and Addie Gibson. In addition to his parents, Rexo was survived by brother Ezra and sister Myrtle. He was interred in Milldale Cemetery, Scioto County, Ohio. **Source:** obituary, Rexo Gibson, Portsmouth Daily Times, Ohio, Friday, June 8, 1923, Page 21.

25. John Herald Jr.

John Herald Jr., 18-month-old son of John and Nancy Herald of Lakeside, New Boston, Ohio, died 20 Sept 1916. "The funeral was held Friday from the home. Interment was made in School Land Hollow Cemetery." **Source:** obituary, Portsmouth Times, Ohio, 23 Sept 1916, Page 8.

26. Mary Katherine Horsley

Mary Katherine Horsley died 29 April 1942 in her Rhodes Ave., New Boston, Ohio, home. She was the one-day-old infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Horsley. Mary Katherine was interred in Milldale Cemetery, Scioto County, Ohio, "under the direction of A.C. Sowards."

Source: obituary, Mary Katherine Horsley, Portsmouth Times, Ohio, 29 April 1942, Page 15.

27. Ella Hylton

Ella Hylton of Eighth Street died on Sunday, 27 July 1924, "as a result of complications." She was the wife of George Hylton. Funeral services were held on Wednesday "from the home." Interment was in School Land Hollow cemetery. **Source:** obituary, Portsmouth Daily Times, Ohio,

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29 July 1924, Page 9.

28. Infant Son Keller

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Keller died 21 April 1946, shortly after his birth. The baby boy was interred in the Milldale Cemetery, Scioto County, Ohio, under the direction of Soward's funeral home. **Source:** obituary, Infant Keller, Portsmouth Times, Ohio, 22 April 1946, Page 8.

29. Mary Jane Mace

Mary Jane Mace, 56, of Bonser's Run, "back of Sciotoville," Ohio, died 21 May 1926 in Portsmouth General Hospital. She was born in Lawrence County. Mrs. Mace was predeceased by her father John Neal and husband Aaron Mace. Her obituary says her husband "died eight years ago." (Note: There is a 1915 obituary for Aaron Mace.) She was survived by a son who was living in San Jose, Cal., and her mother Susan Neal. "Death was due to complications, although the end is thought to have been hastened by a fall she sustained recently. Mrs. Mace was going to visit her mother on Bonser's Run when she fell from a bridge. She was removed to the hospital several days ago for medical attention. Mrs. Mace had been in failing health for some time." Funeral services were held "from the Christian church in School Land Hollow back of New Boston" with burial in School Land Hollow cemetery. **Source:** obituary, Portsmouth Daily Times, 22 May 1926, Page 2.

30. Aaron Mace

Aaron Mace, 52, died "at his home back of Sciotoville (Ohio)" on 6 Oct 1915 of dropsy. "He leaves a wife and one son." Burial was in School Land Hollow cemetery. **Source:** obituary, Portsmouth Times, 09 Oct 1915, Page 6.

31. Elizabeth Moore

Mrs. Elizabeth Moore, 75, died on 30 Oct 1912. She lived with her son John Moore in Star Yards, Ohio. Mrs. Moore was survived by her son and 13 grandchildren. "A married daughter died a number of years ago." Funeral services were conducted by the Rev. W.W. Weister of the Sciotoville Methodist church. Burial was at School Land Hollow. **Source:** obituary, Portsmouth Times, Ohio, 02 Nov 1912, Page 8.

32. Eugene Mowery

Eugene Mowery was a son of James Estel Mowery and wife Leota Gearheart. Eugene was born and died in 1930. He was interred in Milldale Cemetery, Scioto County, Ohio. **Source:** July 2010 e-mail from the Mowery family member. Mr. Mowery's first name is spelled "Estle" on a Mowery family tree on Ancestry.com. Brother Harold's obituary has their father's name spelled Estel.

33. Harold Mowery

Harold Mowery was born 29 Feb 1924 in Portsmouth, Scioto County, Ohio, a son of James Estel Mowery and wife Leota Gearheart of Star Yards, Ohio. Harold died in Portsmouth on 03 July 1924 at five months and four days old. "Mr. and Mrs. Mowery are grief stricken over the death of their only child and they have the sympathy of a wide circle of friends in their bereavement." Harold was interred in Milldale Cemetery, Scioto County. **Sources:** 1. Mowery researcher, July 2010 e-mail. 2. Ohio Deaths 1908-1953, FamilySearch.org 3. obituary, Harold Lowery, Portsmouth Daily Times, Ohio, Thursday, July 3, 1924, Page 14.

34. Ronald Lee Nash

Robert Lee Nash, son of Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Nash of Munn's Run pike, New Boston, Ohio, died short after his birth on 17 Oct 1916. The funeral was held in the Nash home with Rev. Frank Wolfe, pastor of the First Christian church of Stewartsville, in charge. Interment was in School Land Hollow cemetery. **Source:** obituary, Portsmouth Weekly Times, Ohio, 21 Oct 1916, Page 6.

35. Clara Pitts

Clara Pitts, 43, died of cancer on 22 July 1915 in the Joseph, Ky., home of her mother Alice Spriggs. "She had gone to her mother's home seven weeks ago in the hope of benefitting her health." In addition to her mother, she was survived by husband James Pitts, an employee of the C.F. Turner commission firm, and four children, Virda, Etta, Willie and Tora. "Mr. and Mrs. Pitts had made Portsmouth their home for the past seventeen years. She was a faithful member of the School Land Hollow Christian church, near New Boston (Ohio), and will be buried Friday in the cemetery there." Funeral services were held in the New Boston Christian church. She was a "true and loving wife, a good mother and a kind and obliging neighbor. Mrs. Pitts was popular with a wide circle of friends in the city, who will be saddened at the news of her death. The bereaved relatives have the consolation of knowing they have the sympathy of all and that she died sure of eternal salvation." **Source:** obituary, Portsmouth Daily Times, Ohio, 22 July 1915, Page 7.

36. Armenia Rigsby

Armenia Rigsby of 10th Street died 22 May 1933 in a Portsmouth, Ohio, hospital. Funeral services were held in the 16th Street home of her son. Mrs. Rigsby was interred in Milldale Cemetery, Scioto County, Ohio. **Source:** obituary, Mrs. Armenia Rigsby, Portsmouth Times, 23 May 1933, Page 11.

37. Benjamin Franklin Shafer

Benjamin Franklin Shafer, 75, died 26 July 1916 in the county infirmary of cancer, reported the Portsmouth Times, Scioto County, Ohio. "Mr. Shafer was born in Pennsylvania and was brought to Meigs county, Ohio, by his parents when three years old. Ohio had been his home from

Milldale Cemetery, New Boston, Scioto County, Ohio (Continued)

that time till death. He was well known in New Boston and Portsmouth. His wife died in New Boston (Ohio) seven years ago and shortly afterwards Mr. Shafer started wandering about the country from place to place. His children lost all trace of him until about two weeks ago when Superintendent Weidner of the infirmary notified Ira Shafer, a son in New Boston, that his father was in that institution. The deceased was a quiet man and never told of his troubles. He was a member of the Fourth Virginia Infantry in the Civil War." He was survived by six children, Ira of New Boston; James of Barberton, Ohio; Mrs. Francis Hill of this city; Ben of Boston, Mass.; Edward of Barberton; and Stephen A., who was in the U.S. marine service stationed in Haiti. Mr. Shafer was also survived by a brother, William Shafer of Gepharts, and two sisters, Mrs. Kate Yeley of Gepharts and Mrs. Edward Sheppard of Columbus. Funeral services were held in Ira Shafer's home with the Rev. Frank Wolfe in charge. Interment was in School Land Hollow cemetery. **Source:** obituary, Portsmouth Times, Ohio, 29 July 1916, Page 3.

38. Baby Shears

The three-day-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Elba Shears of Harrisonville Ave., near New Boston, Ohio, died 02 March 1921. The baby was survived by his parents and three brothers. "The parents are grief-stricken over the death of their baby, born Feb. 28. Burial was made Thursday afternoon in School Land Hollow cemetery near New Boston." **Source:** obituary, Portsmouth Daily Times, Ohio, 03 March 1921, Page 9.

39. Willard Shover

Willard Shover, the 13-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. William Shover of Spruce St., New Boston, Ohio, died 23 March 1916 of pneumonia. Willard was "laid to rest in School Land Hollow cemetery Saturday morning, the funeral services being held from the home at 1:30 o'clock with Rev. Frank Wolfe in charge." **Source:** obituary, The Valley Sentinel, Portsmouth, Ohio, 29 March 1916, Page 2.

40. Pearl Snyder

Pearl Snyder, 22, died 07 June 1916 in her Lakeside, New Boston, Ohio, home of measles. She was the wife of Isaac Snyder, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lafayette Brown and mother of Ruth. "The deceased had been ill only eight days, being forced to take her bed last Saturday. She was twenty-two years of age. Friends and relatives were shocked to hear of her sudden death," according to her obituary in the Portsmouth Daily Times. In addition to her husband, daughter and parents, Mrs. Snyder was survived by her a sister, Mrs. Esther Jackman of Peebles, and a brother, Mevel Brown. "Mrs. Snyder was recently converted to the Pentecostal religion. Rev. B.F. Craig and Rev. Joseph Graham, Pentecostal pastors, will conduct the funeral services." The Valley Sentinel obituary said she was buried in School Land Hollow cemetery. **Sources:** obituaries in the Portsmouth Daily Times, Ohio, 08 June 1916, and The Valley Sentinel, Portsmouth, 14 June 1916, Page 3.

41. James Walter Sparks

James Walter Sparks, year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Alva Sparks of Star Yards near Sciotoville, Ohio, died of pneumonia on 19 April 1926. Funeral services were held from the home. Interment was in School Land Hollow cemetery in Scioto County, Ohio. **Source:** obituary, Portsmouth Daily News, Ohio, 20 April 1926, Page 12.

42. Norman Sparks

Norman Sparks, 14-month old son of Mr. and Mrs. William Sparks of Milldale Road, New Boston, Ohio, died 12 June 1921 after a four-week illness. Norman was born 13 April 1920. In addition to his parents, Norman was survived by sisters Goldie and Hazel and brother Raymond. **Source:** Obituary, Norman Sparks, Portsmouth Daily Times, 13 June 1921, Page 9.

43. George Spriggs

George Spriggs, 78, of New Boston, Scioto County, Ohio, died on 16 Dec 1937. He was a former carpenter at the coke plant. Funeral services were held at the Cedar Street Church, New Boston. Mr. Spriggs was interred in Milldale Cemetery. **Source:** obituary, George Spriggs, Portsmouth Times, Ohio, 18 Dec 1937, Page 10.

44. Amos Frederick Wilborn**45. Lucy Wilborn**

Brother and sister Amos Frederick Wilburn and Lucy Wilburn died 02 May 1923 and were interred in the same grave at Milldale Cemetery, also known as School Land Hollow Cemetery, Scioto County, Ohio. They were children of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wilburn. Joint funeral services were held for Amos and Lucy and a third child, John Amos Bevens, who died on the same day and was also buried in Milldale Cemetery. John was a son of Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Bevens of Lakeside, New Boston, Scioto County, Ohio. The three children died of "pneumonia, following measles. A brief service was held at the home where the families live and burial was in School Land Hollow cemetery. Rev. Pearl Hughes of the Immanuel Baptist Church New Boston officiated. The Wilburn children were buried in the same grave and the Bevens child just a few feet away in the hillside burial grounds." **Source:** Triple Funeral Is Held, Portsmouth Daily Times, 04 May 1923, Page 10.

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August 7, 2010

Query—O'Brien; Location of Area In Photos

My grandmother was born in Henley, Ohio—Florence Ellen O'Brien born: April 28, 1895. Her parents were: Edmund A. O'Brien born: Nov 1861; Flora Rodenfels born: Jan 1865. Edmund O'Brien's parents: Patrick O'Brien born: 1822 in Ireland died: 1874 Scioto County; Ellen Dowd born: 1830 in Ireland died: 1876 Scioto County.

I am trying to find out any information about my family. I have attached some pictures of my family from when they lived in Henley. Some of them were taken near some railroad tracks. Is there any way to pin point the location? I have more pictures.

My research shows that many of my relatives are buried in St. Patrick's cemetery.

Thank you for your help

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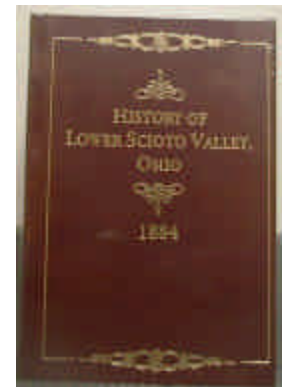
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