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By Donation...

From: Rev. Barbara Hunter Parker

** History of the Birkenbeul/Berkebeil/Burkepile Family file: 100. BUR

** Descendant list of the Birkenbeul/Berkebeil/Burkepile Family file: 100. BUR

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** Appendix for Descend. Of Jacob B. & Mary Ann (Ricedorff) Burkepile file: 100. BUR

** CD's of 1830-1910 Perry Co. Census [not yet accessioned – no ability to use]

From: Historical Society of East Pennsboro

** Trainmen of Enola Yard file: 221.15

** Reliving the Past / A Tour of Enola (pictoral) file: 221.10

** Finders Book (contains lists of documents held by the Historical Society of East Pennsboro, Cumb. Co.) file: 221.08

** Postcards of East Pennsboro (pictoral) file: 221.10

** Souvenir Program East Pennsboro Twp. Celebrates 100 Years of the Enola Yard file: 221.10

From: Sylvia Orris Hocker

** Madison Avenue Church of the Brethren, 1936-1996 History, York, York Co., PA. file: 267.15

From: Mary Jane Strayer

** Susquenita Yearbook Hawk 1972 file: 250.05

From: Dr. Frank J. Berrier, Jr.

** Dobbs Family Bible file: 950. BIB

From: Howard Clemm

** The Reck Family History 1754-1982 file: 100. REC

From: Harry Focht

** Selected Cemeteries of Monroe Twp., Cumb. Co. file: 221.01

** St. Paul's Lutheran (Stone Church) Cemetery, Cumberland. Co., PA. file: 221.01

** Camp Hill Borough Cemetery, Cumb. Co., PA. file: 221.01

** Mechanicsburg Cemetery, Cumberland Co., PA. file: 221.01

Do you have an article or a family tradition that you think others would be interested in reading or knowing about? If so, send the editor the info.

INQUIRIES – members are invited to submit inquiries or interesting “articles” in the newsletter – as many and as often as they would like. This services is provided FREE of charge to our current members.

Continued from pg. 860 of History of Perry County, Pennsylvania by H. H. Hain

PERRY COUNTY'S NOTED MEN
THE BLOOD OF THE PIONEER.

Willis Sylvester Long, who left Perry County in 1879, “without anything,” as he says, and later owned a valuable quarter-section; David A. Grubb and Preston Grubb, who were successful agriculturalists near Ellsworth, Kansas; Blair Moul, who went West as a laborer, and by hard toil became the owner of a 200-acre farm, which he sold in war times for \$60,000, giving each of his seven children a present of \$6,000, and still retaining \$18,000; David Billow and his wife, Susan (Tressler) Billow, who left Perry County in 1860 and settled in Shelby, Richland County, Ohio, where was born their son, C. O. Billow, the noted consulting engineer, now located in Chicago; William W. Sheibley, of New Germantown, who located in Shelby, Ohio, in 1873, but later moved to Tiffin, where he was a prominent real estate dealer; Henry Albert, bereft of a father during the Sectional War, who located a claim in California in 1877, and later became an orange grower at Alta Loma, California. He was president of the Orange Growers' Association there for four years and of the Chamber of Commerce for two years.

The counties of Ogle and Winnebago, Illinois, include the names of many Perry Countians and their descendants. Among them were Jacob Barrick, who went West in 1851, settling near Byron, where the Wrays, William and Samuel Tate and their mother, from Donally's Mills, also first located in 1856. William Linn left Perry Valley in 1852 with his wife and five children, and also located near Byron, one of the sons, David W., now over eighty years of age, still living on his farm near there. Robert Bull and his family settled in

North Byron in 1851, as did John Hench and his family, some of these two families being sweethearts and later married. John Swartz Kosier, a venerable contractor of Byron, married on of the

Misses Bull, who died many years ago, but he is still hale and hearty and ninety-one. The Meredith family settled in the Middle Creek region in 1852, Calvin being deceased, but David still resides near the old home on his farm, his sister Jennie living in Rockford. Adam Hamaker and Jacob Hetrick, from Perry Valley, settled near Byron, where their descendants still live. Ephraim Burd and his sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Kline, settled near Leaf River and now live at Byron. Two Millerstown teachers, Misses Ellen Jane and Caroline Wray, moved to Winnebago in 1871 and followed their professions. Both are now dead. Among the later emigrants to this territory were John M. Fry and family, from Donally's Mills, in 1880 – the parents of Judge Fry, of Chicago; J. Ambrose Leonard and wife, from Donally's Mills, in 1885, settled at Byron and engaged in general contracting, removing to Rockford in 1904, and continuing the business there; Emerson Martin Leonard, from Donally's Mills, in 1886, located north of Byron; Cameron Wesley Leonard, from Donally's Mills, in 1900, and Margaret (Leonard) Kennedy, in 1890, are Rockford residents.

To all parts of the world go Perry Countians. To the Klondike went David Shearer, of Spring. To help build the Panama Canal went Benj. Kuller and sons, of near Landisburg; Charles F. Lomman, of Duncannon, and C. Deane, Roy and Russell Eppley, of Marysville, and others. C. Deane Eppley yet remains there in a supervisory position.



Pictured above is the newest edition to our library, The Hoverter Archives. Carpet has been laid in the up-stairs but we are still awaiting the installation of the very expensive, special rolling shelving before we move anything into this new building. The Hoverter Memorial plaque has been received and will shortly be installed.
Continued from... Newport Ledger – 10-Nov-1883

LIST OF PENSIONERS, - The following is a list of the pensioners in Perry county, Pa., as shown in the Pension Office, January 1st, 1883, with the amount received per month:

NAME	PO ADDRESS	CAUSE	AM'T
J. C. Harris	Millerstown	disability	\$ 8.00
J. N. Sturdivant	"	inj l knee	6.00
J. B. Lahr	"	g s w nose	4.00
S. P. McClenican	"	not given	24.00
S. McClempson	"	"	8.00
M. G. Reed	"	"	2.00
Isaac Zerbe	"	inj back	6.00
W. H. Harman	"	disability	4.00
Henry Heckard	"	w l cheek	4.00
W. H. Woodburn	"	g s w l shoulder	1.00
Thos. Anderson	"	g s w l hand	4.00
James Brown	"	w l arm	4.00
Isaac Page	"	not given	4.00
Abram G. Kelly	"	g s w r foot	2.00
Martha Holliday	"	mother	8.00
Mary J. Heiser	"	"	8.00
Martha Bills	"	"	8.00
Susan Attick	"	"	8.00
Sallie R. Aufer	"	widow	8.00
Catherine Zong	"	mother	8.00
Sarah Thoman	"	widow	8.00
Elizabeth Feldman	"	"	8.00
Mary Page	"	"	8.00
Hannah J. Stahl	"	"	8.00
Aquilla Reed	"	father	8.00
John Shaffer	Montgomery's Ferry	disability	4.00
Wm. Kumler	"	dis heart	4.00
Henry Hammaker	"	w r shoulder	1.00
Philip Frank	"	father	8.00
Eliza Bair	"	widow	8.00
Elizabeth Liddick	"	mother	8.00
T. McConnell	Mt. Patrick	internal inj	4.00
J. K. Jones	Nekoda	inj l hip	8.00
J. H. Patterson	"	internal inj	4.00
Cath. Rumberger	"	widow 1812	8.00
H. Hinebaugh	"	g s w arm	4.00
Ephraim Clouser	New Bloomfield		18.00
Saml. Baxter	"	disability	8.00
J. J. Smith	"	"	18.00
J. F. Ayle	"	"	4.00
J. S. Garlin	"	chr dhr	4.00
J. S. Heston	"	disability	11.25
Francis Green	"	loss r arm	24.00
G. W. Anderson	"	g s w l leg	4.00

S. S. Clouser	"	indigestion	4.00
James McIlhenny	"	non given	18.00
Daniel Wertz	"		6.00
Nancy Elliott	"	mother	8.00
Amanda Morton	"	widow	8.00
Mary J. Rouse	"	"	8.00
NAME	PO ADDRESS	CAUSE	AM'T
Mary E. Orwan	"	mother	8.00
Mary A. Reed	"	widow	8.00
Margt. Sweger	"	mother	8.00
Margaretta Rice	"	widow 1812	8.00
Jere Anderson	New Buffalo	disability	6.00
Val Varnes	"	part'l deafness	6.00
John A. Albright	"	disability	12.00
John Shelly	"	"	24.00
Jacob Low	"	non given	8.00
Jacob L. Liddick	"	"	8.00
Danl. Liddick	"	dis heart	18.00
David Liddick	"	father	8.00
Rosanna Hays	"	widow 1812	8.00
Jacob Lehman	New Germantown	g s w thighs	6.00
D. H. Johns	"	g s w l thumb	12.00
Peter Reichler	"	disability	18.00
W. S. Berry	"	"	12.00
Catha. Burkett	"	widow	8.00
Drusilla Graham	"	"	8.00
Mary Philips	"	"	8.00
Mary E. Hart	"	"	14.00
Abigail Swails	"	"	6.00
Elizabeth Shaffer	"	mother	8.00
Robt. Finley	"	father	8.00

While driving bus for a field trip to Indian Echo Caverns near Hummelstown, Dauphin Co., PA. back in late May, I found a very interesting book titled, "**Indian Doctor – Nature's method of curing and preventing disease according to the Indians**".

The book was compiled and published by Nancy Locke Doane who wrote that the book was "dedicated to my grandmother, Minnie Susan Decker who used this book second to the Bible in the raising of her twelve children". Below you'll find a transcript of two of these "olde tyme receipts".

For the Cure of the Epilepsy.

If you cut and open the young ones of the swallows of the first next; you will find in their ventricle, two small stones, one of which is all of one color, and the other of several colors; before they touch ground, shut them up in a piece of goat or deerskin, and tie them on the arm and neck: they will cure the patient of the Epilepsy.

For Wind in the Stomach

Take equal parts of unicorn root, Indian turnip and prickley ash berries, and pulverize them and take one teaspoonful in a little liquor, and it is a very sure cure, or take one ounce of each of the above and put in one quart of gin and take as occasion requires.

The mean center of population in Pennsylvania – the point where the “weight” of every residence around the state would balance out – is located in rural Miller Twp., Perry Co..

Duncannon Record - 6-Apr-1883

CORRESPONDENCE

Up Along the Perry Boundary.

Changing Base. – Many of our neighbors have boxed up their worldly goods and flitted to other valleys, but we make up for it by others filling the vacancies.

A Fire Scare. – A flue in Daniel Titler’s house took fire and a general alarm was the result. Nothing serious however.

Dogtown Lawyers. – A set of would-be-sharpers who advised a debtor to drive away his stock after night and move his goods to Juniata county rather than pay his just bills. His creditor overtook him, and with his stock returned both to a justice of the peace who laid out the would-be runaway and his barking friends.

HEENY.

Spring Township to the Front.

“Who Stole the Ham?” – Some mean sneaks robbed Jacob Foose’s smoke house last week of about forty dollars worth of meat. Jake says, “If they come back now they can have the hooks and punch they dropped.”

James B. Foose is building a new saw mill. John Rynard is the millwright.

W. R. Dunn is in the bee business, he will devote his time to his apiary and if the honey season is favorable he expects several thousand pounds of the sweet.

A great many flittings in the twp. this spring. Some changed here and some moved to the west.

In our twp. there are six stores, three mills, eleven schools, and eleven places of worship. So we can live well, do better and be happy.

Our schools have all closed their winter term, and the teachers are again free for another seven months.

Success to the RECORD.

SPRING.

A special THANK YOU to Jim Kapp and his crew for the interesting tid-bids that they’ve been finding in the old newspapers while they’ve been working on various indices!

Here’s a very interesting idea for families to start if they haven’t already been doing it – like the SHENK family - who has been doin’ it for years.

The following transcribed letter is part of this Round Robin “packet” of letters that the Shenk family sends around to those family members who wish to participate.

It is their way of keeping up with family information and staying in touch.

For those of you who may be interested in starting such a mailing – here’s how the Shenk family does it.... They started by mailing a single letter to another family member. That family member reads the letter that was sent to them, then writes another letter to a different family member and forwards both of those letters on to the next person on the list. This procedure continues until the packet of letters gets back to the originator – or the first person on the list. At that point the person on the beginning of the roster takes out his/her original letter and writes another new one. Then he/she sends that new letter along with the others letters to the next person on the list. And it continues. Many times other family members will write notes on the letters answering or addressing certain questions or messages.

This is such a wonderful way for families to keep in touch! A sincere Thank You to Frank Myers of Newburg for allowing me to show you this great piece of information.

*Mr. Hugh J. Carlson
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Dear Robins: 20-Jan-2005

The big letter arrived about a week ago from Judy Chapman, so I better get my letter started. Congratulations to Kenneth on your 90th Birthday. Also congratulations to Gloria when you officially become a senior citizen. Don’t forget to ask for the “Senior Citizen Discounts.”

I don’t really have anything new to write about so will try and fill in some SHENK family history for the younger generations. The Shenk Family was originally from Cumberland County, Pennsylvania where our grandfather John C. Shenk was a farmer. The aunts and uncles generation were all born there. Gloria and Wanda, your grandfather Daniel was the nomad of the family. When he was in his late teens his wanderlust took him west and he found work during the harvest season as part of a crew on a threshing machine. They followed the harvest north through Iowa and the Dakotas.

My mother Elizabeth remembers how their mother Sarah would worry about him as his letters were few and far between. When Dan returned home he was full of praise for what he had seen. After several years of traveling like a hobo (hitching rides on freight trains) and working the harvest season in the mid-west, Dan convinced the whole family that they should give the mid-west a try.

In 1902 they moved west where they had rented a farm near Blairsburg, Iowa. With the exception of Harry who was then an adult, the family went west by passenger train. My mother recalled what an experience that was. After several years in Iowa they moved again to a farm in Clark County, South Dakota.

My mother graduated from Clark High School in 1913. Then she got a job teaching in a one room school with 8 grades. After teaching for one year and saving her money she and Emma took a trip back to Pennsylvania to visit relatives back there. After returning to S.D. my mother decided that teaching was not a good job to meet a prospective husband so she looked for an office job. She found a job at the King Midas Flour Mill at Arlington, South Dakota. Uncle Roy was also working there at that time (about 1915).

My father John Carlson was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and had finished his schooling there. He had come west and was also working at the mill. In 1917, my parents were married at the family farm in Clark County, S.D.. My father was transferred to the King Midas office in Minneapolis, Minnesota and my parents moved there. Shortly after my father was drafted into the Army during World War I. My mother returned to Arlington, S.D. and worked there until my father returned from France in 1919.

It was 1930 or 1931 when we as a family drove out to South Dakota to visit my mother's relatives. I remember we visited Uncle Jake, Aunt Lottie, Dorothy and Janice, Uncle Roy, Aunt Adeline, John and Louise, Uncle John, Aunt Mae, Harlan and Margret, Uncle Dan, Aunt Trinkie, Lloyd, Ray and Mavis. The rest of the relatives had already moved on. Grandpa John C. Shenk and Ant Emma had moved to Los Angeles. Aunt Emma met and married Ray Rhoads after moving to California. Uncle Clarence, Aunt ?, Glenn and Esther were settled in Terry, Montana. After Aunt Daisey was widowed she and Vera and Ruth moved to Compton, California. Uncle George, Aunt Hazel, Kenneth, Lyle, George and Elva had moved to Compton, CA.. Uncle Dave, Aunt Zella, Wier and Darrald had moved to Minnesota. Darrald maybe you can fill us in as I remember you folks had moved to California and then back to Minnesota. I remember seeing California license plates on the basement wall.

As you can see Wanda, the family were a bunch of nomads and a way of keeping in touch was needed. Who started the letter and who named it the Robin – I don't know, but it has worked over the years.

Getting back to the family history. Sometime in the 1930's Uncle Roy and family also moved to California. After several years they moved on to Oregon. After Uncle John died, Aunt May and her kids moved to Oregon also.

When World War II started Uncle Jake and family moved to California for work. After my father died in 1943, my mother's doctor advised her to move to a warmer climate as the Minnesota winters were hard on her arthritis. Mother and Uncle Jake got together and bought a duplex in Compton, California.

When I got out of the service after World War II, I also settled in southern California, and have lived at the Long Beach address for the past 43 years. My brother Roger and wife, Helen live in San Diego, California. Their daughter Ruth lives in Bremerton, Washington and their son Roger Jr. lives in the Sand Diego area.

My sister Elizabeth had three sons. Tim's wife Leslie carries on the Robin letter tradition, Steve's wife Sue

Jane also carries on the tradition. The 3^d son Paul and his wife Katie live in Phoenix, Arizona.

By the late 1940s there was some more moving of the aunt and uncle generation. Aunt Daisey and her second husband Roy Baker moved to Butte County and settled in Oroville, California. Later in the 1950's the cousin generation showed some movement. Vera and her husband Chester McCreary also moved to Oroville, Calif., followed by Ruth and her husband Matt Rojas moved to Paradise, CA.. Later in the late 1950's Aunt Emma and Ray Rhoads also moved to Paradise, CA..

With 2 pages full on both sides – that's enough of this history lesson.

Cousin Hugh

Note: Frank is a SHENK descendant and has been researching the following families – SHENK – FRITZ – BENDER – HESS – HOCKENBERRY – ASHWELL – FULLER. Should anyone wish to contact him – he can be reached at:

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Juniata Tribune - March 3, 1877

AN UNFORTUNATE "SUNDAY" LOVE. -
Some time since, a young man - a rural gay Lothario - was complained of before Esquire Henry Smith, of East Waterford, for having evinced an affection for one of the frailer sex, which somewhat prematurely, and without ceremony which gives sanction to such occurrences, developed itself. For this too demonstrative affection, the Squire decided that the regimen of Castle Walls for a short time would be beneficial, or at least until the amende was made, satisfactory to the fair one who became a mother ere she had been a wife. Samuel Sunday was the name of the deceptive swain, who began to realize that forbidden love was not all sunshine; so with in the seclusion of his retreat he began to devise plans by which to regain his freedom, and son realized his dream by scaling the prison walls and hieing him to the rural shades of Perry county. Squire Kreider, being advised of his whereabouts, issued a writ for his capture, which was placed in the hands of Constable J. P. Calhoun. The youth was readily found, arrested, and started on his return to his abandoned quarters, with hands tied; but, despite all this precaution, Mr. Sunday managed to escape from the officer, while on Tuscarora mountain. The officer fired three shots at him, but with what effect we are not advised. At present writing he is still

at liberty. What the upshot of the business will be is a matter of the most uncertain conjecture.

Note: We have – in our library, on the back wall in the vault area above the Lenig Files cabinets – a “shadow box” with various pieces of artifacts and pictures of this very same fellow. Take a look, the next time you visit!

Advocate & Press - 30-May-1894

THE SILENT ROSTER.

“How sleep the brave, who sink to rest,
By all their country's wishes blest.”

For the benefit of our patrons, and especially the surviving veterans of the late war, we print this week a complete list of all the soldier dead interred in this county. The roster is a long one, and the silent muster shows a considerable increase since we published the list one year ago.

We are perfecting, as far as in our power lies, the list yearly, and one who knows of deceased soldiers of Perry county interred within its boundaries and not now enrolled will confer a favor by sending us the names with place of interment. The historical value of this work will be apparent to all and by the veterans will doubtless be greatly appreciated. We are satisfied if we shall add to their pleasure. Memorial Day should witness the decoration of every grave in which a patriot lies. The list:

BLAIN

Union Churchyard

Geo. Gutshall, 1812	Wm Bower, Jr.
Peter Kessler, 1812	Jos. Bistline
Philip Stambaugh, 1812	Georg Fry
Wm Hime, 1812	Andrew Shreffler
Samuel Baker	John Wegenost
Samuel Berrier	Ed. Smith
John DeLancy	John D. Rinesmith
Wm. Lay	John Shambaugh
Solomon Bower, Jr.	S. S. McKee

Church Hill Graveyard

Capt. Moreland, 1812	Alex. Noel
A. Dobbs, 1812	Geo. Roddy
Jas. Endslo	John Woods
Harry Gehr	

M. E. Graveyard

Abram Kistler	Samuel Hartman
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BLOOMFIELD
Cemetery

W. B. Sponsler, 1812	W. B. Dorrell
Meredith Darlington	L. W. Orwan
George Huss	Samuel Reed
John Ownings	James Clegg
Simon S. Clouser	John Black
Dr. W. D. Ard	Finlaw Witherow

Henry Smeigh
Albert Gallatin
George L. Arnold
B. F. Clegg
Carson Gotwalt
John Harper
Dr. J. Kimball
Jeremiah Hipple

Wm Wallace
Israel Smith
Wm. Flemming
John Eberly
J. Heston
Wm. N. Eby
Jacob Reeder
William Lupfer

Bloomfield Cemetery continued...

Allen Jacobs	Joseph M. Shatto
William Smith	W. Curtis Miller
Capt. B. F. Miller	James P. Donley
Jesse March	

Graveyard

Nicholas Sweger	John Rice, 1812
Casper Lupfer, Revo.	Josiah Lenig
Abraham Holman	Samuel Orwan
S. Orwan	Ephraim Sands
Alexander Magee, 1812	Henry Sweger
Andrew Hensel	Jacob Hostetter
Robt. Beatty, Revo.	G. Wm. Power
Wm. Holman, navy	Ambrose Magee
Henry Shad	Michael Lupfer
Capt. F. M. McKeehan	Isaiah Skivington

Middle Ridge

John Jones	W. H. Berkstresser
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Rodenbaugh Church

G. W. Wise	J. K. Haney
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Jacob Brown

Poplar Hill Graveyard

Wilson Darlington

Pine Grove Graveyard

William A. Gussler

DUNCANNON

Lutheran Cemetery

John Stotten	Alex. Geller
Bernard Graff	William Haines
Peter Lehman	Sampson King
Edward Dame	Benj. F. Garman
Abram Garman	James Brown
John Kirkpatrick	Michael Coup
Samuel Reamer	James Diven
John A. Shade	Wm. H. Depugh
Wm J. McMurry	George W. Charters
Washington Work	John Burns
David Miller	Socrates Green
Casper Robinson	P. E. Keiser
John Lewis	George W. Garman
James P. Cromleigh	George H. Toland
John Gelbach	Josiah Mummert
John McAllister	George H. Spahr
Thomas J. Foose	Jacob Graybill
Thomas Ellis	Ed. S. Milliken
Martin Foster	Joseph Swartz
Jere. Brechbill	Abe Bierbower
David D. Osborn	J. Smith
Henry Haverstick	Daniel Harrigan
Gilbert Branyan	James A. Branyan
John M. Toland	Levi Foreman
Augustus Sieg	Oliver Cummings

U. B. Cemetery

George W. Cook	Samuel Spence
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G. W. Albright
G. W. Brady
G. W. Parsons
George River
G. H. Weaver
James Kennedy

Carson Swisher
Charles Summers
Samuel Wagner
Cyrus McKay
Winslow Jones
Joseph Duncan

[To be continued in future installments...]

From an unidentified newspaper dated June 1875...

FOUND A REDEEMER. – Sometime ago a young lady of Blain, this county, Miss ELIZABETH HOSTETTER, had the misfortune of having a dog get possession of her money – six one dollar greenbacks. Not having the fear of the law before his eyes, but instigated by the spirit of mischief, he willfully and deliberately tore into the very smallest fragments these evidences of Uncle Samuel's indebtedness to the rightful owner thereof. These bits of what had been the similitude of money were carefully collected and by a friend sent to Mr. WILLIAM WILLIS, the obliging cashier of the Perry County Bank, who found it impossible to join the fragments together. He advised Miss H. to make oath to the amount of money and the method of reducing it to its fragmentary condition, which she did. Mr. W. then forwarded the affidavit and "doggonned" scraps to Gen. SPINNER, Treasurer of the United States and owner and author of the most barbarous autograph known to modern times. A few days since a draft was received from him for the full amount sought to be destroyed by the anti-inflation canine – making glad the heart of her who had given up all hope of ever finding a redeemer of such badly used up currency.

A little bit of info on an elusive Perry County family:

David Kindell was born in Perry County in 1832 and married Lydia Ann Gutshall, who was also born in Perry County in 1834. Their birth years figured from the 1860 Census where she and David and their two sons, John Franklin (born 15-May-1856) and Andrew (born in 1857) lived in Toboyne township.

Lydia was the daughter of Jacob and Mary Kessler Gutshall. David may have ties to the KINDELL and KENDALL families found in the Centre Presbyterian church records of Rev. John Linn, but to date no exact proof has been found.

Prior to the taking of the 1870 Census, David and Lydia along with their increasing family – Jacob (born in March 1861), George (born in 1865) and David (born in 1869) moved to Newton township, Cumberland County, where David's personal estate had a value of \$700. Also at that time, it was noted that neither David nor Lydia could read or write.

Sometime after the recording of the 1870 Census but before the 1880 Census, David moved all of his family, except his son, John Franklin – who by this time was married to Mary Catharine Holtry - to Richland, Wyandot County, Ohio.

David and Lydia had the following children before moving from Pennsylvania: Catharine (born in March 1870), William (born in September 1872), and Jennie (born in 1877).

It is presumed – really don't like to do that!!! – that David and Lydia both died between 1880 and 1900 as they can not be found on a census anywhere.

Some of their children, however were able to be found in the 1900 Censuses....

The eldest son, John Franklin Kendall remained in Pennsylvania – having lived in and reared a family of nine children in Franklin County. His children are: Jacob Walter, William David, Savilla May, Abram Willis, Arthur Roosevelt, John Franklin, Jr., Fannie Mary, Lydia Jane and Sue Catherine.

The third son of David and Lydia, Jacob Kindell married a woman by the name of Mary and had two children, William H. and Velma C.. As per the 1900 Census, Jacob owned a farm – mortgage free – in Jackson township, Wayndot County, Ohio.

The fourth son of David and Lydia, George Kindell was married in January 1891 to a Florence A. Corbin and had the following ten children: Jennie O., Fremont W., David Nelson, Donna E., Amanda M. Clarence E., Ferra R., Cora D., Inez M. and Leoma S.. During the 1900 Census, George and his family lived in Dudley township, Hardin County, Ohio. George died in 1929 and is to be buried in the Hales Cemetery, Mt. Victory, Hardin County, Ohio.

The sixth son of David and Lydia, William (aka Willie) Kindell was married in 1888 to a woman by the name of Mary. As of June 1, 1900, when the 1900 Census was recorded, he and Mary were living in the South Precinct of McDonald township, Hardin County, Ohio where he was renting a farm. At that time there were no children listed.

FARMER'S LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT

Included in a farmer's last will and testament was the following:

TO MY WIFE - - My overdraft at the bank. Maybe she can explain it.

TO MY SON - - Equity on my car. Now he'll have to go to work to meet the payments.

TO MY BANKER - - My soul. He has the mortgage on it anyway.

TO MY NEIGHBOR - - My clown suit. He'll need it if he continues to farm as he has in the past.

TO PCA - - My unpaid bills. They took some real chances on me and I want to do something for them.

TO ACSC - - My grain bin. I was planning to let them take it next year anyway.

TO THE FARM ADVISER - - 50 bushels of corn to see if he can hit the big market. I never did.

TO THE JUNK MAN - - All of my machinery. He's had his eyes on it for years.

TO MY UNDERTAKER - - A Special request... I want six implement and fertilizer dealers for my pallbearers. They are used to carrying me.

TO THE WEATHERMAN - - Rain, Sleet and Snow for the funeral, please. No sense in having good weather now.

TO THE GRAVE DIGGER - - Don't bother! The hole I am in should be big enough.

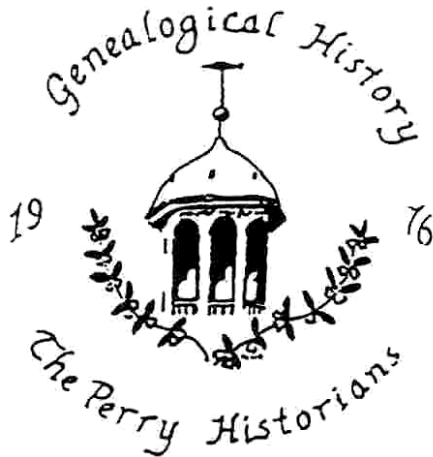
TO THE MONUMENT MAKER - - Set up a jig for the epitaph, "Here lies a farmer who has now properly assumed all of his obligations."

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