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Blacksmith shop.
Newcomerstown, Ohio
circa 1940

Looking Back!



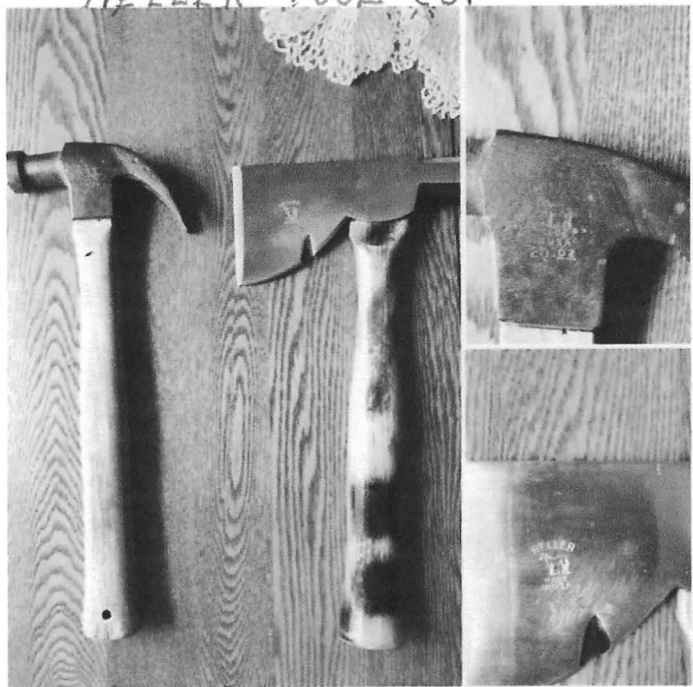
Photo courtesy of William Casteel, correspondent

This photo of the Newcomerstown High School Class of 1925 was taken in 1922-23 school year, freshman year. Sadly, photo has no names listed, and no yearbook published for 1923. I am only able to ID a few: Dildred Beiter, first from left in front row, Dean Wise (a relative to my mother), second from left, front row. Elizabeth Shaw (later Mrs. Elizabeth Portz) third from left in fourth row...Helen Keiser (sister to Bob Keiser) sixth from left in third row. Wayne Carney, third from left, back row, (wearing glasses). John Atkinson, first from left, in sixth row, (towards back row)...this was the last year that the High School was in the old High School which later was known as the old East School, destroyed by the tornado in 1955....the new High School (now the Middle School) was built in 1923-24.



Newcomerstown, Ohio
Jim King + Ralph Beers, circa 1910.
Canal bridge in background.

HELLER TOOL CO.



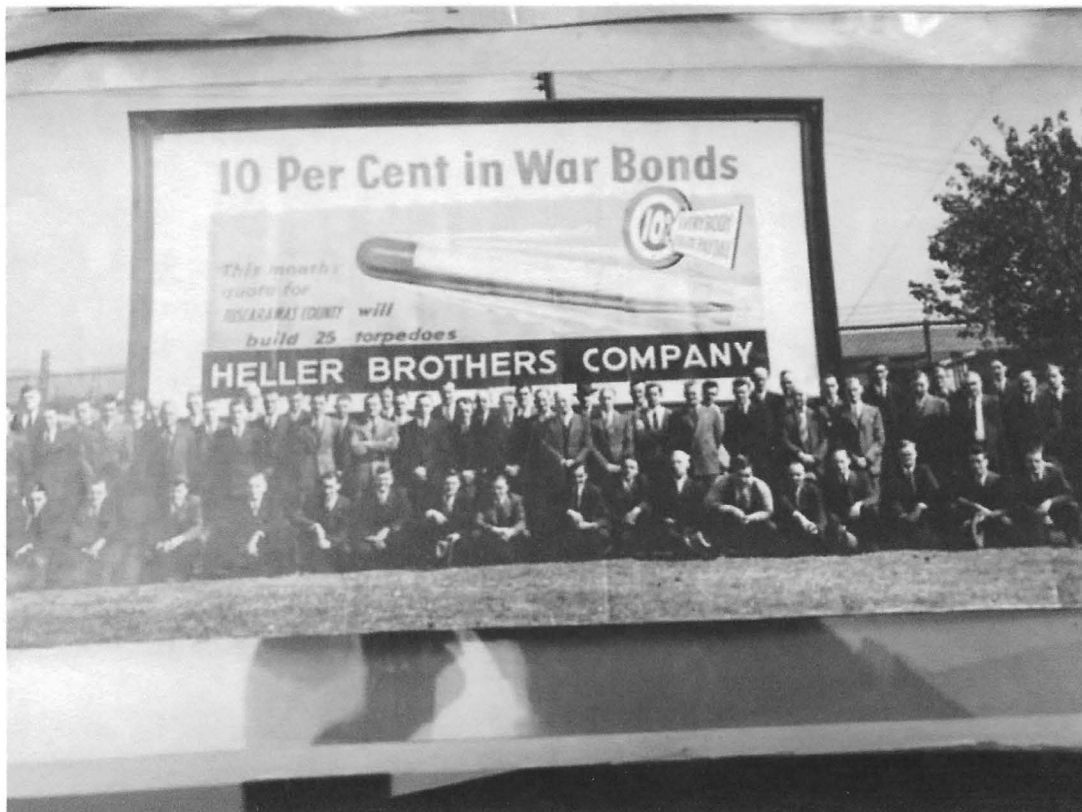
HELLER GRINDING STONES

Heller Tool Grinding Room 1967

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WWII era Heller employees.



Newcomerstown's Clow baseball team. Top row and third from the right, Cy Young as manager.

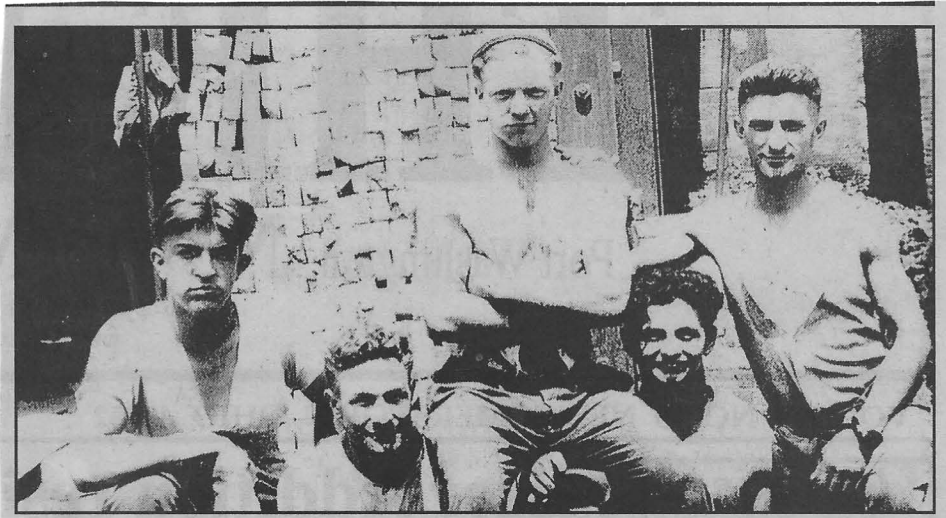
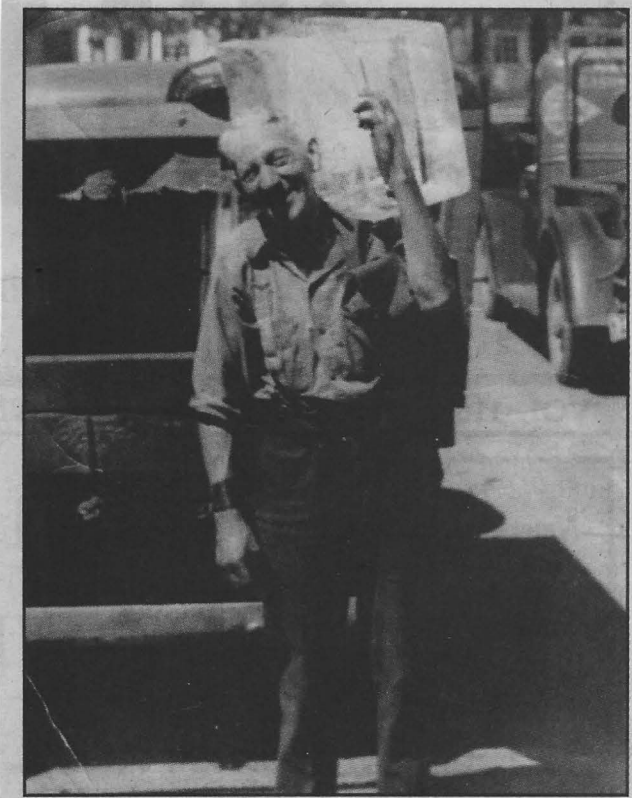


Photo courtesy William Casteel, West Lafayette
 Break time! This photo appears to have been taken at a brick yard, possibly the former Belden Brick Company. The young men in the photo were residents of the Newcomerstown-Port Washington area. The photo was taken sometime in the 1930s. Pictured, l to r, are Roy Merkel, Fred Gengnagel, Homer Loveless, John Miller and Lester Steinbaugh.



Mr. Iceman

Mr. Iceman of the 1920s, 1930s and early 1940s, was local resident Frank Callentine.

There were no refrigerators in those days. Blocks of ice were made in 50-pound chunks at the local produce company, managed by the Joe Gainer family.

Home owners would put signs in their windows stating how many pounds of ice they wanted that day, and Frank would use an ice pick to separate that amount from the 50-pound block.

He had a leather pad on his shoulder to carry the ice on. As he chipped the ice into small pieces, he would lay them in the bed of his truck and kids would follow the truck and take the small pieces in the summer time.

Frank would growl at them and they would run away. He would always make sure he let some left some for them and had fun watching them run.

Frank enjoyed a shot of whiskey that some customers would leave near the ice box.

He was an important part of Newcomerstown's history.



Newcomerstown Marshal Elmer Marhover. This photo was taken in the late 1930s in the Main Street square. Notice the Oxford Bank in the background.

In the days of Marshal Elmer Marhover, there were no radios in the police cars.

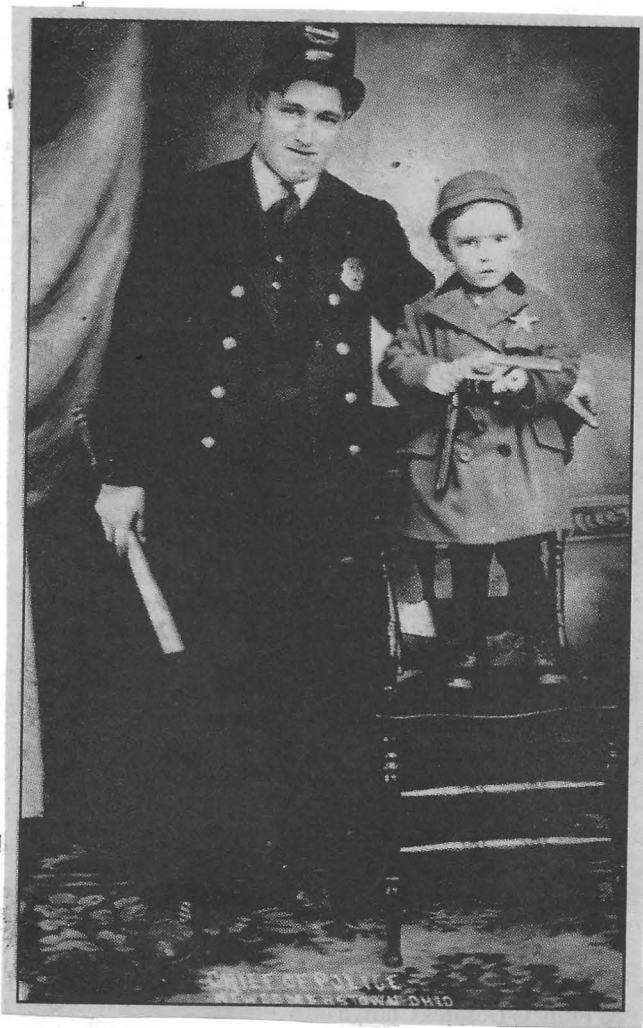
When a call would be made to the deskman at the Municipal Building, and the Marshal was summoned, a switch would be turned on at the Police Station and a red light on top of the town Library would glow.

Like the Bat Signal in Gotham City, the red light alerted the Marshal to his duties. Elmer Marhover served as Marshal and Police Chief

from 1940 to 1955. John Lawver, who became Chief upon Marhover's retirement, said Marhover was a "conscientious and well-liked individual." Lawver also cited Marhover's ability to handle a situation "just by conversation."

Marhover was appointed night policeman by the late Mayor Marion Mercer on January 8, 1929, and a year later he was assigned to the day force.

After retirement, Marhover accepted a state highway job of caring for the roadside parks on Routes 36 and 21.



1890s photo of Chief of Police in Newcomerstown, Ohio



Photo provided by William Casteel
Clow employees at Newcomerstown, circa 1945. In front, from left, are Richard Daugherty, Olden Passmore, Charles Parks; back row: Morton Williams, Harold H. Rothenstein, Osia Dansby.



1920's photo of postman Kenneth Phillips in Newcomerstown Ohio

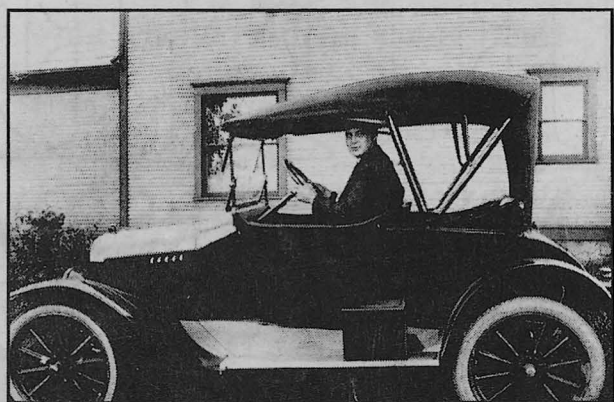


Photo courtesy of Ann De Fields, Lemon Grove, Calif., the granddaughter of Wilson
Former Rex Filing Company Superintendent Frank Wilson is seen in this circa 1915-16 photo. The Rex Filing Company was destroyed by fire in 1917 and later re-built. It was later known as Heller Tool Company, then Simonds. Wilson was in charge of the filing plant until 1924, when he later relocated to Cleveland to manage the Cleveland File Company.



Photo courtesy of William Casteel, West Lafayette
The two gentlemen in this circa 1950s photo are not identified, but the advertising on the side of the vehicle connects it with the former Wise-Atkinson Insurance Agency that was once located in Newcomerstown. The photo was taken at the intersection of River and Canal streets. The former Standard Oil Service Station is seen in the background.

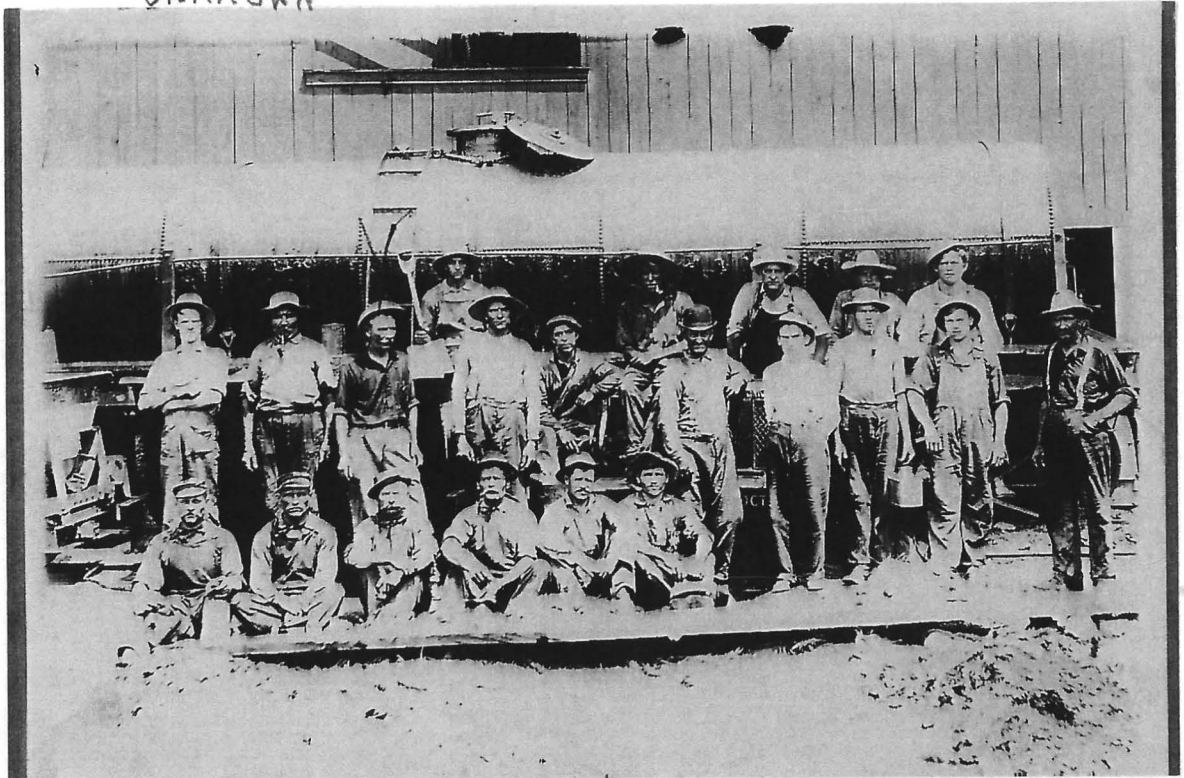


Photo Courtesy of Carol Widder

Sophomore Girls In Fall Of 1928 -- Graduated 1931,

Top Row - Irene Hothem, Gertrude Martin, Stella Brown, Margaret Maxwell, Lillian Asher, Jennie Martin, Ruth Berry. 2nd Row - Alice Opphile, Eva Johnson, Mildred Little, Frances Lyons, Marjorie Lafferty, Olive Leonard, Lulu Woodard, Helen Sharp, Eugene Johnson, Teacher. 3rd Row - Grace Wentz, Alice Fletcher, Alwilda Denning, Gladys Cramlett, Mildred Brown, Elizabeth Gombar, Elizabeth Hopkins, Mildred Opphile. 4th Row - Marjorie McDonnell, Alwilda Fenton, Margareta Stamm, Lillian Thompson, Marjorie Conrad, Laura Hudson.

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SEWER PIPE 1911



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Photo courtesy of William Casteel, West Lafayette
In the 1950s, Newcomerstown residents relied on Curly's Cab when they needed a ride. Curly was also known as Ralph Wise Sr. Standing beside the taxi cab is Curly's daughter, Doris Wise (later Mrs. Charles Fitch), and his daughter-in-law, Lavita Wise (Mrs. Bob Wise).

Richard M. Lacey

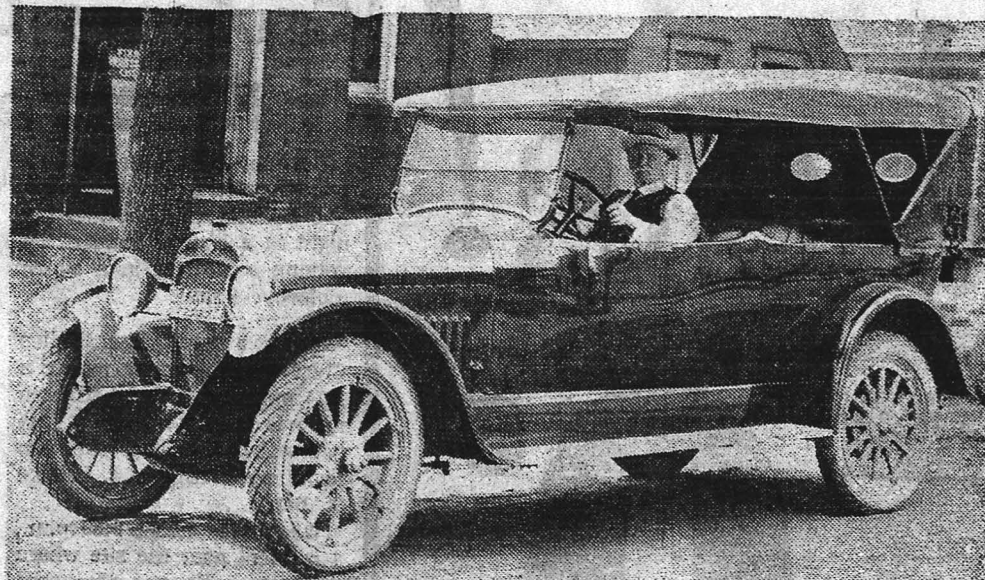
Richard Montgomery Lacey, born 26 July 1840 to John Mills and Ann Wallace Lacey, was married to Margaret (K) Custer at Dover, Ohio, on 18 May 1865. Margaret, born 14 June 1844 at Barchmat, Switzerland to Urs Kuster and wife whose name is unknown, sailed across the ocean when a mere three weeks old. Settling in Tuscarawas County, Ohio, her mother died when she was about four years old. Margaret was taken in by the Samuel Romics where she lived until her marriage. Her siblings were Mary (Johnson), Jacob, John, Elizabeth (unmarried), and Sarah (Shull). Urs Kuster died in 1883 in Tuscarawas County, Ohio.

The Lacey family originated in Delaware. Many were brick-masons. Richard Lacey was a shoemaker by trade, having his shop in Newcomerstown, Ohio. Known as



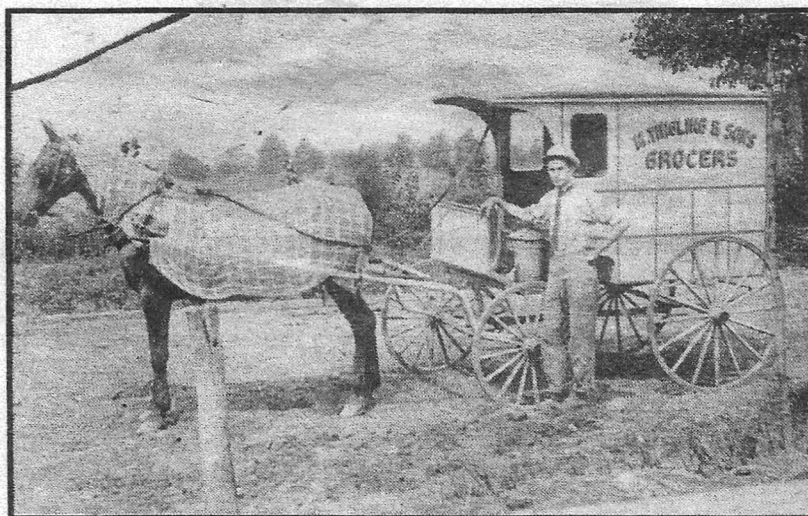
Richard Lacey's Shoe Repair

News Wed. Apr. 3, 1975



Can you identify the car or the man in this Bicentennial photograph? He is W.C. Clow, manager of the James B. Clow & Sons Co. plant in Newcomerstown. Is the shining auto a Packard?

The TIMES-REPORTER—Thursday, Sept. 22, 1988—DOVER-NEW PHILADELPHIA, OHIO



Home delivery with a well-dressed horse and wagon was a selling point for Newcomerstown's Manuel Yingling. This photo was taken about 1912.

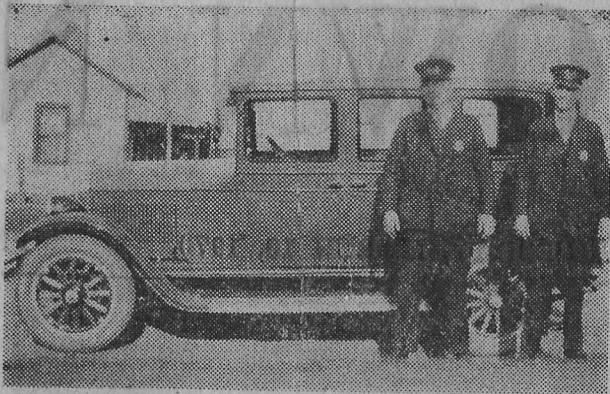


The J. Theadore Muma Oak Grove Dairy farm was located north of the College st. Methodist church on Route 21. It has been said that people set their container out on their porches whenever they needed milk with the pennies in it and then Mr. Muma would come down the street and fill their containers from a can he had in his wagon. In his right hand is the measuring cup he used.



This photo from the early 1900s was taken on Cross Street and shows three methods of transportation, including Perry Harding (left) with his oxen-power, E.D. Swigert Sr. (center) with horsepower, and Dr. Hosick behind the wheel of a 1913 gasoline buggy.

19 MAR 1970



FORMER MARSHALL DIES. John Blatt (left), former marshal here died, this week in Cincinnati at the age of 81. With him is the late Oscar Nicodemus, local policeman. The car is a Chrysler of mid-1920 vintage. The photo was taken on Mulvane St.



CHARLES BERG MOWER SHOP
262 WALNUT ST. 1960s-1970s



George Kerdleburger

637 W. STATE ST.

ABOUT 1956
LARRY THOMAS



213 W. CANAL

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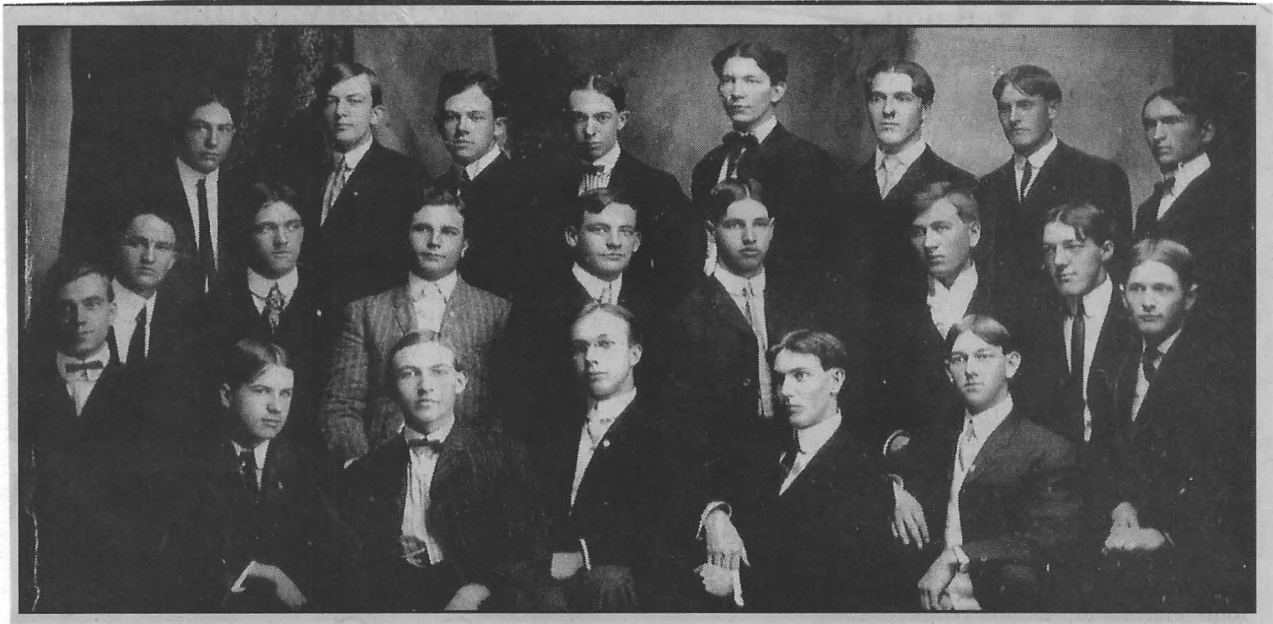
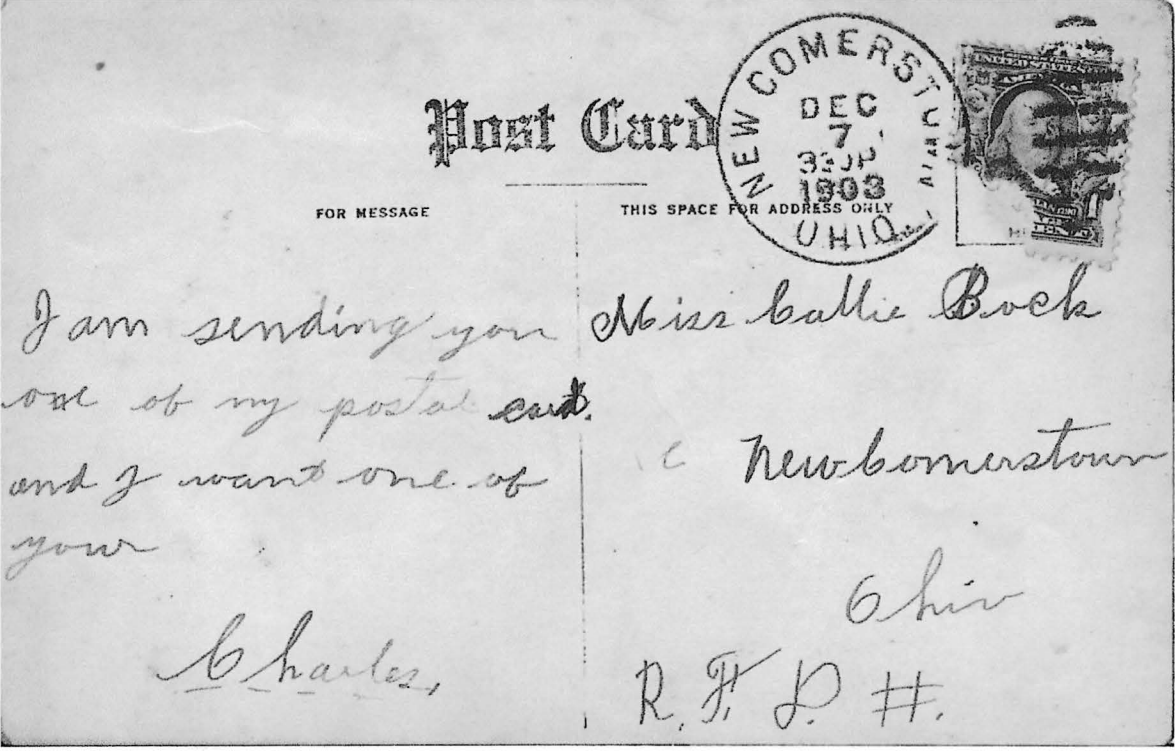


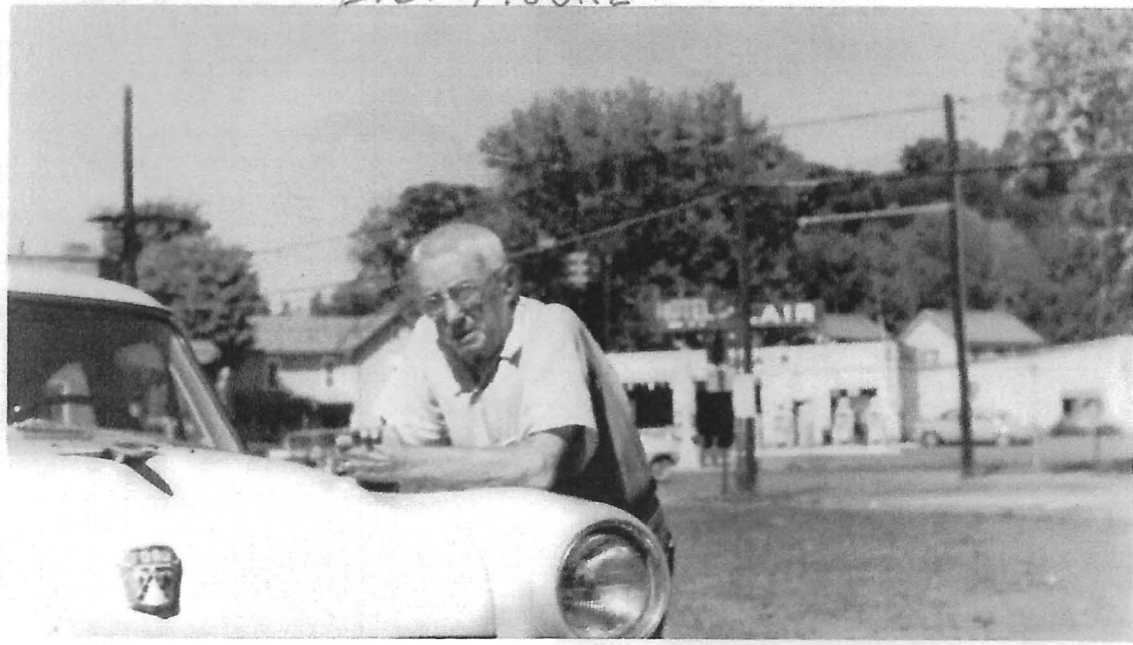
Photo courtesy William Casteel/Newcomerstown News
 A group of well-dressed, young men from Newcomerstown High School are seen in this circa 1903 photo. Charles Leiser is fourth from left in the front row. He formerly directed the Boy Scout band in Newcomerstown for several years after he graduated from high school and college. Charles Crater is identified as fourth from left in second row, directly behind Leiser. The others are unidentified.





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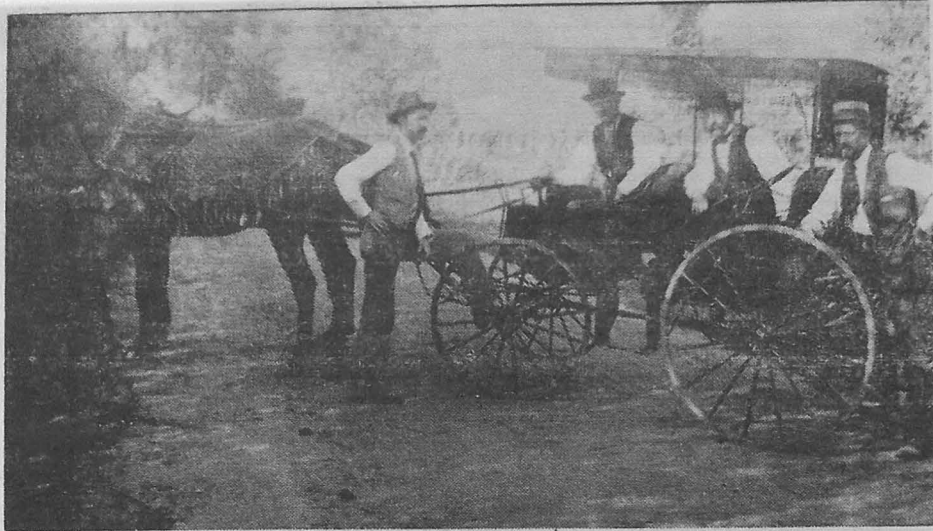
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D.B. MOORE



This 1952 photo of Newcomerstown's new "American LaFrance" fire engine was taken in front of the Clow plant office on State St. (now the Kurz-Kasch office). Left to right are: Fire Chief Russell Bicker, Clow Supt. E.L. White, Chester Leonard, Cecil Gardner, Elmer Wise, Wilbur Marlatt and Mayor Lorin Gadd.



Marshal Stops Gay 90's Horse-and-Buggy Driver

Bill Tidrick, left Newcomerstown marshal in the 1890's, apparently has stopped the driver of this surrey with the fringe on top. The driver is unidentified. The next two are George Mulvane and Frank Mulvane. Chances are the scene was staged for the benefit of the photographer. It is believed this photo was made in 1895.



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Photo courtesy of William Casteel, Correspondent

Members from the Newcomerstown Fire Department are seen in this 1944 photo. The fire engine is a 1936 Ahrens-Fox. New equipment that had been obtained by the Fire Department was being displayed during a summer picnic that was held by the Fire Department the firemen and their families. Left to right, each row. Front row: Jack Walters, Walter Fillman, George Ames, Cecil Gardner, Harry Berg. Back row: Ed Warner, Otto Haxton, Fire Chief; Russell Bicker, Burton DeWitt, Cecil Haver, Everett MacElhane, John Tidball.



Buress Moore, circa 1900-1905

BURESS



William Casteel/Newcomerstown News

It wasn't just at Easter that you displayed your Easter bonnet. In the early 1900s, hats were in vogue for every day wear, the fancier, the better. This young lady was the former Miss Grace Van Sickle of Newcomerstown. She later became Mrs. Floyd "Boat" Rogers, and they were the parents of two daughters, Charlotte and Jean. Charlotte was later known as Mrs. Bill Heifner, they were the owners of Heifner's Paint & Sporting Goods on River Street for many years. Photo was taken in the spring of 1912 on West Main Street. The building noted directly behind Grace was formerly where the Union Hall is now located. The other building to the right houses the chiropractic center (on the corner of Main and River streets).

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Newcomerstown is pictured at the intersection of Bridge and Canal streets in 1908. The C&M Railroad train is carrying William Howard Taft who had passed through the area during his Presidential campaign. President Taft was the 27th President of the United States, 1909-1913. The railroad bridge in the background crossed over the Ohio-Erie Canal.



Photo courtesy of William Casteel

The Newcomerstown High School Class of 1913, l to r, front row, Eva Neumeister, Zella Eagon, Nellie Titus; second row, Anna McKenzie, Ernest Asher, Ada Norman, Raymond Chaney, Harriet McCleary, Oval Beiter, Alma Dull; and third row, Augusta McConnell, Wilma Palmer, Russell Schear, Wilma Coutts, Twila McElroy, Walter Sperling, Frances Barcroft, Mary Haverfield. (Photo was originally taken by Danford Studio, Newcomerstown.)



This photo, dated July 1955, features a group of employees from the former Heller Tool Company that was located in Newcomerstown for many years. There is no identification for the photo. If any readers can identify anyone in the photo, contact The Newcomerstown News office.



Photo courtesy of Jean (Besst) Oldt
 Members of the Newcomerstown Fire Department are seen in this photo dated May 8, 1950. Pictured, l to r, front row, Ralph Wise, Cecil Gardner, Cecil Haver, Leslie Besst, Walter Coulter; and back row, Junior Marlatt, Walter Fillman, Everett MacElhane, George Ames, Otto Haxton, and Fire Chief, Russell Bicker. Raymond Goodwill, grandson of Chief Bicker, is on the tricycle. The photo was taken in front of the Municipal Building.



Clow's Little League team is pictured in 1953, Newcomerstown's first year of Little League baseball. On the team were: (kneeling, L to R) Bill Hootman, Kenny Shaw, John Palmer, Jr. Williams, Leonard Hart, Steve Myers, Dave Brown, Paul Morrison. Back row, Mgr. Paul Parks, Steve Weisbrod, Terry Wise, Bobby Brown, Jim Pappas, John Watson, Russell Ashkettle, Kenny Brenneman. (Photo courtesy of Terry Wise)



Photo courtesy of Carol (Wiandt) Cramlet
 The William Wiandt family members are seen in this circa 1908 photo in front of their home on the corner of Ray and east State Street. Pictured, l to r, front row, daughters, Lucille and Bernice; middle, William and wife, Margaret (Brown) Wiandt; and back row, sons, Grant, Charles, and Jesse. The Pioneer Cabin, the first log home in Newcomerstown, was located just behind their place of residence. At the time this picture was taken the old cabin was in great disrepair and was being used as an out building. Sadly, the structure was demolished some years later.



Photo courtesy of William Casteel/Newcomerstown News
 This circa 1901 photo shows a group of Newcomerstown men dressed in their Sunday best. The photo was reportedly taken somewhere near the Main and Bridge Street intersection. Take note that the street was still not paved with the red brick yet! The structures in the background were known as the Longshore building (left) and the Case building (right). The Longshore building was once located where Huntington Bank now stands and the Case building was located where a parking lot is now (formerly the site of the original Baltimore Clothing Store). A few of the men in the photo are identified as, l to r, Herschel Bassett #4, Otto Julien #9, and Superintendent Cope #12. The others are unidentified.

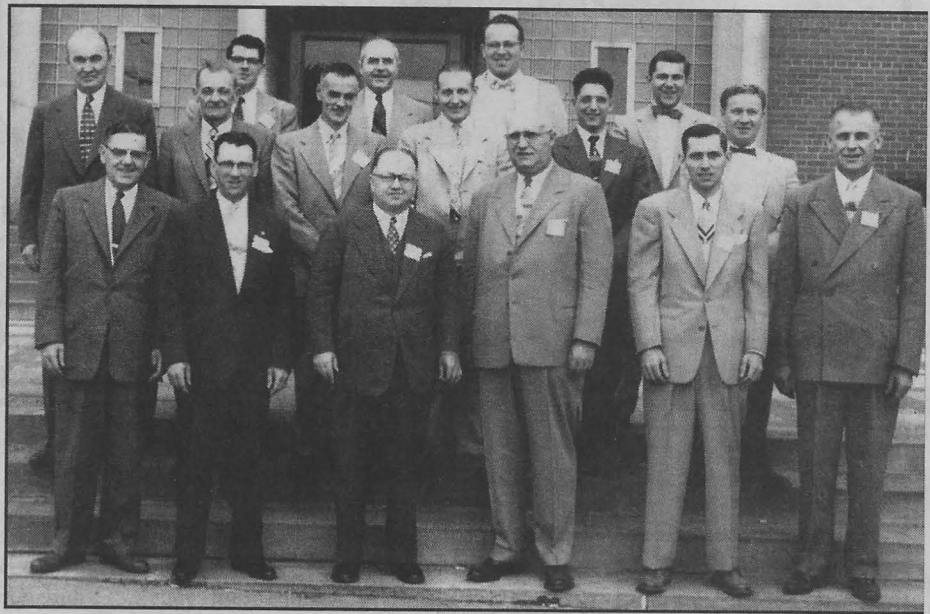


Photo courtesy of Edna R. Cramblet of Columbus
Pictured in the mid 1950s are a group of businessmen in Newcomerstown. They are, l to r, front row, Melvin Little, Mayor Lorin Gadd, Willis Havor, unknown, unknown, unknown; second row, unknown, unknown, Mr. Roe, Robert Cramblet, unknown, unknown, unknown; and third row, William "Bill" Palmer, unknown, unknown, unknown. If anyone can identify any of the unknown individuals, contact the *Newcomerstown News*.



Photo courtesy of Glen and Connie Frye, Newcomerstown
Newcomerstown Police patrolman Paul Frye is seen in this February 1948 photo holding his son, Glen, in front of their residence on Dewey Avenue.

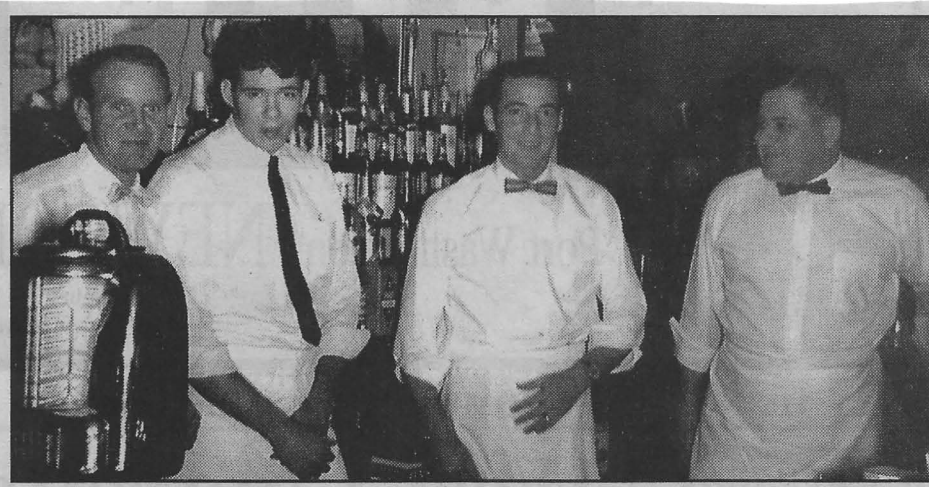


Photo courtesy of Betty Bliss, Newcomerstown
Some of the employees of the Touraine Club are seen in this 1962 photo. The Touraine Club has been a popular night club/diner in Newcomerstown for many years. It was originally located in the building on north College Street/Route 21 that is now occupied by the ODOT (near the on-ramp for State Route 36, west) Pictured, l to r, are Jack Walters, Jim Fillman, Virgil Bliss and Joe Lenzo.



Photo courtesy of William Casteel/Newcomerstown News
Graduates of yesteryear — members of the Newcomerstown High School Class of 1914. They are, l to r, front row, Helen Leech, Frank Henderson, Irma Shurtz, Ralph Leighninger, Melva Keast, Willis George, Odessa Walkenspaw, John Kistler; second row, teacher Miss Cora Knapp, Grace Beeks, Ella Kay Rogers, Anna Reed, Ida Delong, Charlene Hart, Mary Brown, Grace Rennard, Principal Mr. R.W. Marlowe; and third row, Charles Ray, Myron Hayes, Lloyd Cole, and high school custodian Mr. Reese Stoffer.



Some Newcomerstown area boys and their bicycles are seen in this unique photo, circa 1922-23. The first boy on the left end is believed to be the late Phillip Van Sickle. Phillip was well remembered in Newcomerstown as being one of the older members in the community. He was active in the Masonic Lodge and the Lions Club for many years.



Photo courtesy of William Casteel, West Lafayette
 Down by the station, waiting for the train ... this view of the Newcomerstown Union Depot was taken in November 1952. Sadly, the depot was demolished by Conrail in November 1981. Much history was lost with the demolition of the structure but it had slowly fell into disrepair over the years prior to its demise.



Photo courtesy of William Casteel, West Lafayette
 School days, school days! Pictured in this circa 1915 photo is a group of students from the former Stocker Ridge School that was once located south of Newcomerstown. The two older boys in the back row, left, are twin brothers, Madison and Emerson Casteel. The class appears to be comprised of several different grades, first through eighth grade. The teacher, nor other students are identified.



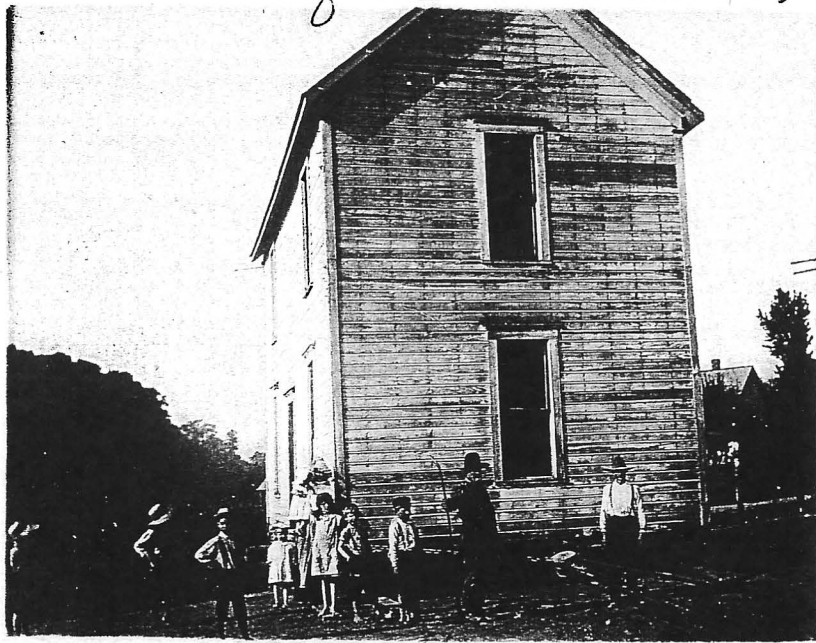
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Grandpa Murphy



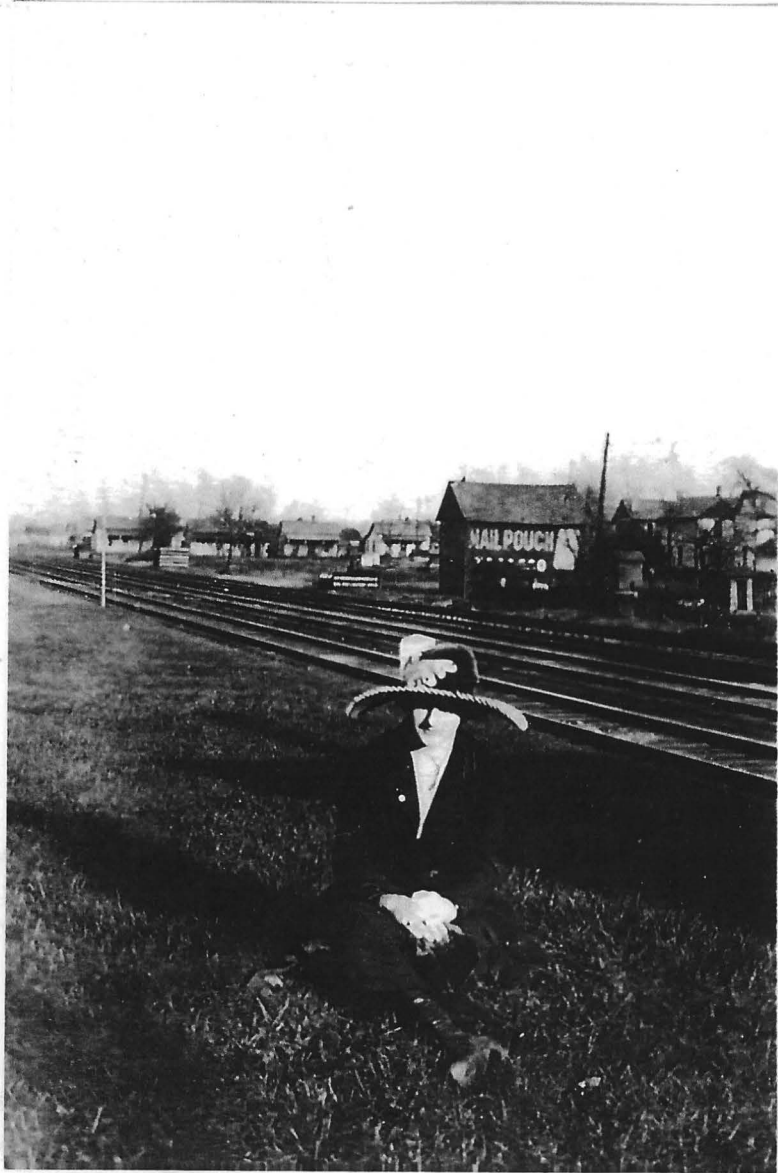
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Corner of Jusc & Mill Alley



Simpson
Grandpa Murphy
House mover



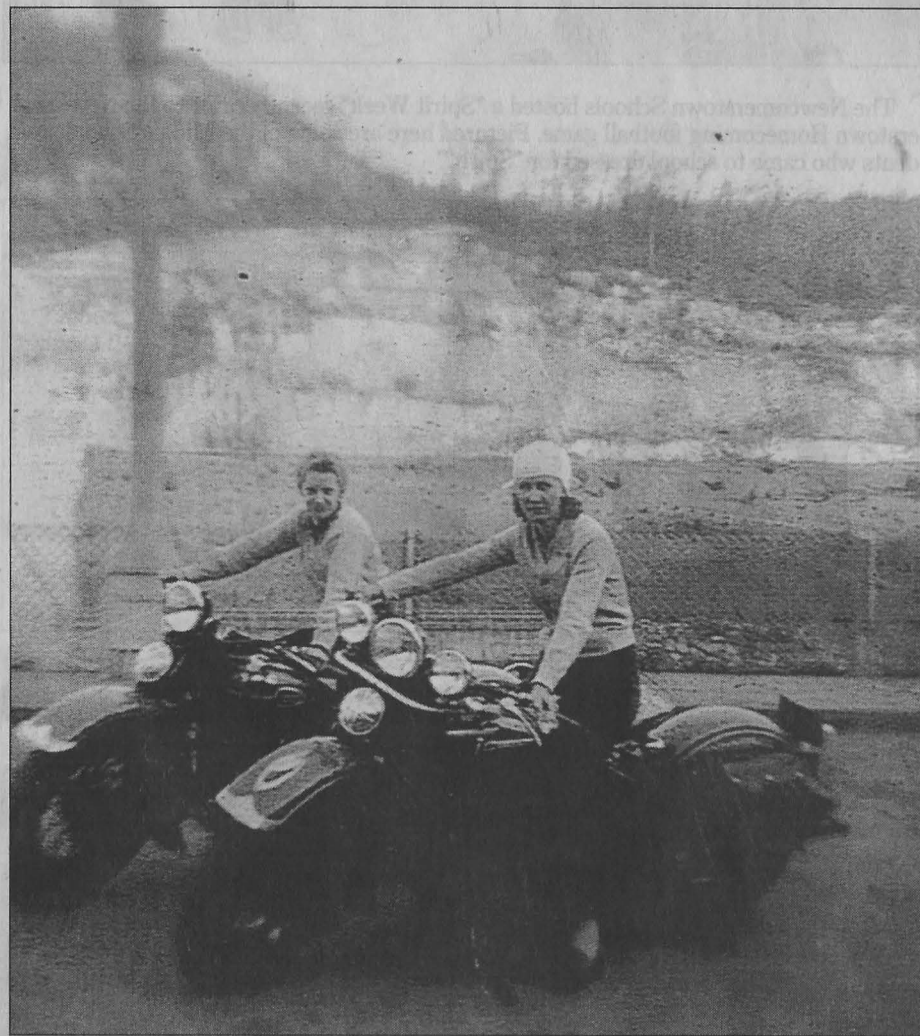
CHESTNUT R.R. CROSSING
BARN LOCATED BEHIND WALNUT ST.
DOROTHEY (SWIGERT) MARSHALL 1923



BACK SIDE OF
OXFORD BANK
150 W. MAIN ST
JANE (SELLS) DENNIS 1930



MARCIA ANNE SCHROVISH
1847 - 1942



Former Newcomerstown resident Evelyn Riggle Shalosky is pictured on the right. The other woman is not identified. The photo was taken in 1947 at the Dover Dam. Evelyn died the following year as the result of a motorcycle accident. Her father owned Riggle's Dairy which later became Russell's Dairy on Canal Street in Newcomerstown. Her mother was a relative of William Casteel, Newcomerstown News correspondent, through his Wiandt family.

1914

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Boy Scout Band, Newcomerstown, O.

Morgan Pharmacy. Circa 1965.



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Ohio Vintage

Postmarked 1910 in Newcomerstown OH

Family awarded flag for service during World War

A flag hung for years in the window of the late Elmer and Helen Schworm who lived at Park Hill Drive, Newcomerstown. The flag was unique — it was a small flag and had six stars — but the Schworms were one of the rare families to be presented such a flag; each star represented one of their sons who had served his country in World War II.

The photograph is of the six Schworm sons. They are (top row, left) Tech-4 Clark E. (N.H.S. 1934) U.S. Army Medics, Feb. 23, 1945-Aug. 27, 1946, Asiatic (Pacific) Theater; Electrician First Class Roland G. (N.H.S. 1938) U.S. Navy, Oct. 19, 1939-Nov. 19, 1945, Jan. 1946-Nov. 1948 & Jan. 1951-May 1952, Asiatic (Pacific) Theater and European Theater; T-Sgt. Stanley F. (N.H.S. 1936) U.S. Army, March 13, 1942-Oct. 4, 1945, European Theater; Sgt. Lorin W. (N.H.S. 1941) U.S. Army, Jan. 2, 1943-Jan. 6, 1946, Asiatic (Pacific) Theater. Bottom, left, Cpl. Donald C. (N.H.S. 1946) U.S. Army, June 26, 1946-Nov. 1, 1947, Asiatic (Pacific) Theater and Seaman First Class Robert Wayne (N.H.S. 1944), U.S. Navy, June 2, 1944-June 5, 1946, Asiatic (Pacific) Theater.

Clark Schworm died in 1971. He is survived by his wife, former Irene Finley of Bethesda, three children, seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Roland Schworm is married to the former Alicia Flores of Los Angeles, Calif. They have three children and one grandchild. He is retired from the State and lives in Paradise, Calif.

Stanley Schworm married the former Orpha Hammersley of West Lafayette. They have two children and one grandchild. He is retired from Universal Cyclops and now resides in Coshocton.

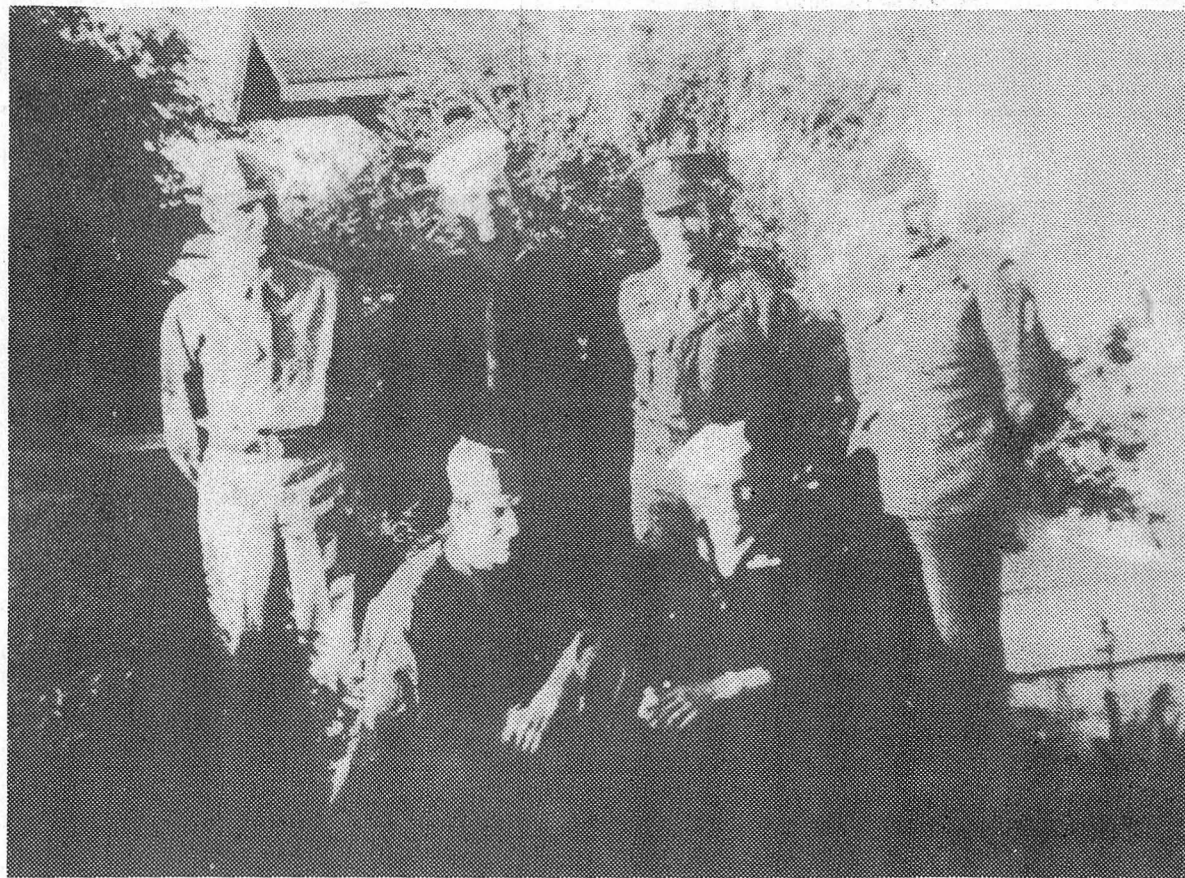
Lorin Schworm, who now lives in Westerville, is married to the former Twilva Black of Newcomerstown. He is retired from Conrail. They have three children and two grandchildren.

Don Schworm resides in St. Clairsville and is married to the former Sarah Snow of Plainfield. He is employed at the Bank of St. Clairsville. They have three children and seven grandchildren.

Wayne Schworm is married to the former Mary Ann Caldwell of Newcomerstown and is employed at Diversitech General. He has one child and two grandchildren. He resides in Newcomerstown.

The six-star flag has been loaned by the family for display at the Old Temperance Tavern Museum.

Another son, Richard, and a daughter, Elinor, complete the family.



SIX SONS SERVED IN WAR

NEWCOMERSTOWN NEWS



Ohio Power Employees - Linemen
Newcomerstown, Ohio - 1940's



New Group For Cradle Roll Of Local Church

A new group for the Cradle Roll Department of the Assembly of God Sunday School was presented in dedication Sunday morning, June 21.

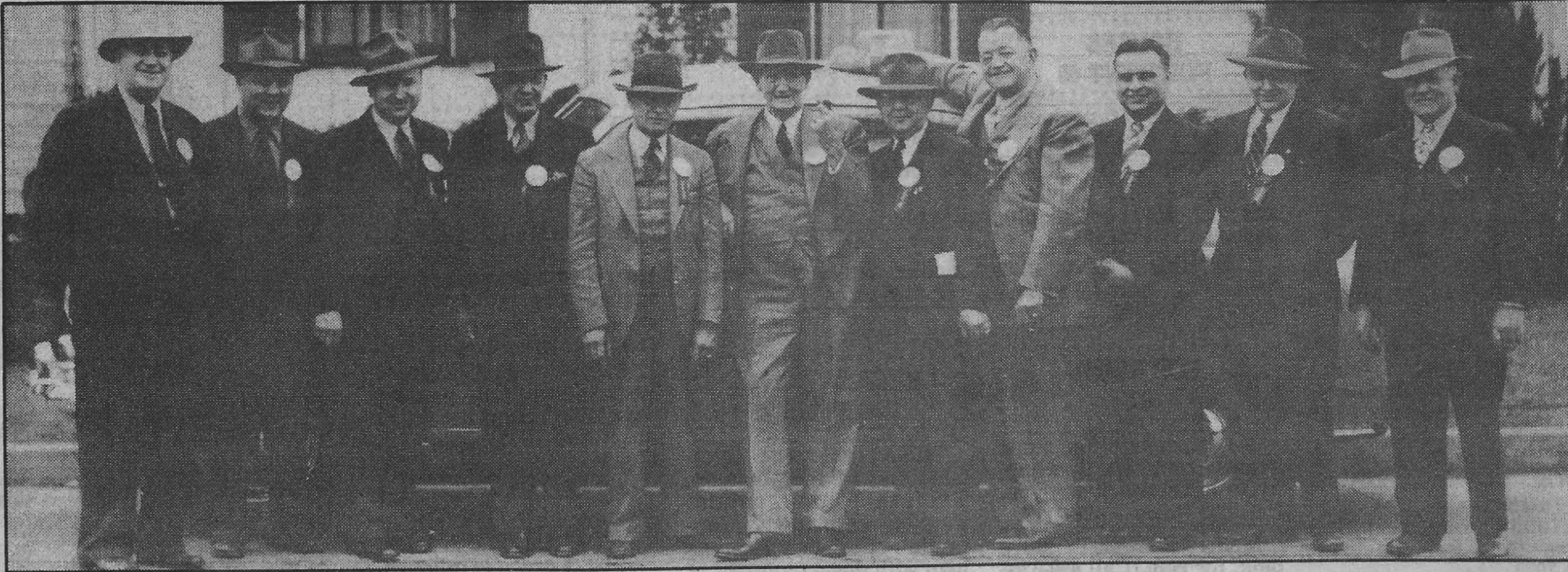
The six infants shown are the youngest members of the seven

presented.

The Rev. Clifford Sutton is the minister of the Newcomerstown Assembly of God Church.

In the photo, from left, are Mrs. Donald Affholter, Goldie Carolyn; Mrs. Harold Lawver,

Rita Kay Lawver; Mrs. Ralph Smith Jr., Shari Denise Smith; Mrs. Kenneth Porcher, Robert Wayne; Mrs. Gary Matthews, Jacquelyn Jeanne Matthews, Mrs. Charles Stocker, Brent Elliott.
—Lenzo Photo



62 YEARS AS AN ELK MEMBER

Charles R. "Hoppy" Leech, second from the left in this 1947 picture, recently completed his 62nd year as a member of the Elks. Leech, 84, joined the Uhrichsville Elks Lodge in 1925. He recalled the secretary was Lynn McCort and the exalted ruler was the mayor of Uhrichsville at the time. Leech then transferred to Newcomerstown in 1929 when a charter was granted to the local Lodge, after much work by Ralph Scott and Basil Smith. Leech has been a life member of the Elks for 19 years. Most of his time in Newcomerstown was as an automobile dealer and he was very ac-

tive in many of the area projects. This picture is from one such project, a "Cy Young" Celebration in 1947. From left to right in this picture are: R.L. Shoemaker, Leech, Charles Yingling, Ellis Barthalow, Paul Atkinson, Cy Young, Ralph Scott, Buck Dilehay, Charles Phillips, D.B. Roeder, and John Benedum. Leech now spends much of his time "taking things easy," but does still make it up to the Elks Lodge for one of his favorite steaks.



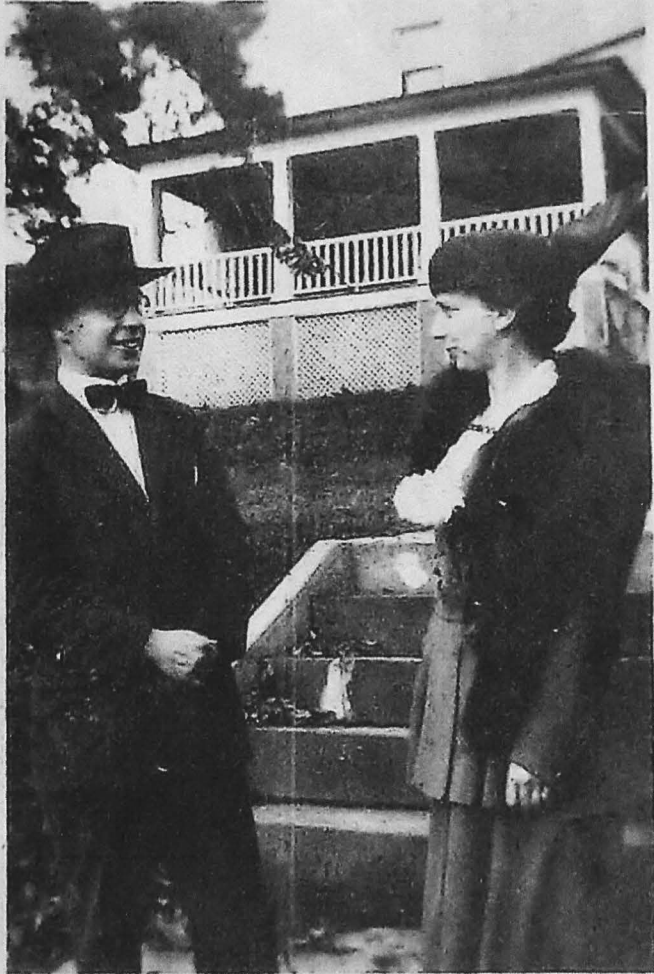
M. & Mrs. A. J. Creter

202 S. BRIDGE ST.



LILOYD & CLEMENTINE'S
HOUSE AT 403 E.
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Their Home



749 Cross St. Nct. Oh.

CHARLES LIESER

332 S. RIVER ST
CHARLES AND RUTH CRATER



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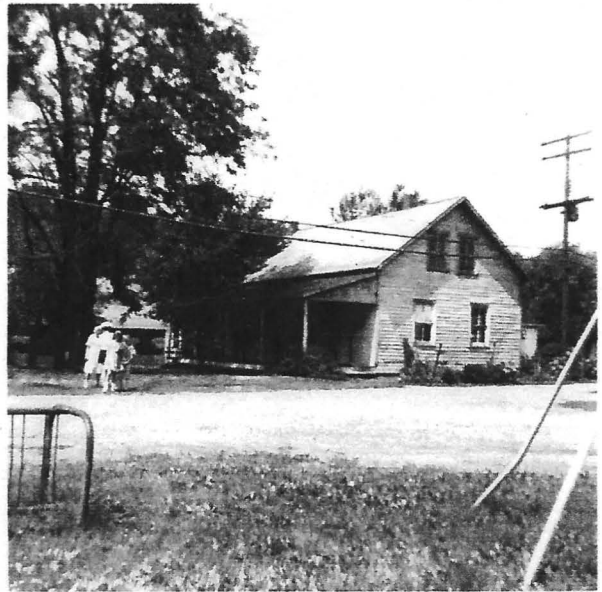


Early residence formerly located on South College St. before
South College was re-routed farther to the east of this location
photo taken circa 1910-15. Blow Pipe Works to left, background.





Newcomerstown, Ohio
Pennsylvania Railroad,
looking east,
July, 1964



Newcomerstown, Ohio
Minden Court, near East School
House that was once part
of the Union school house,
that was dismantled in 1930.
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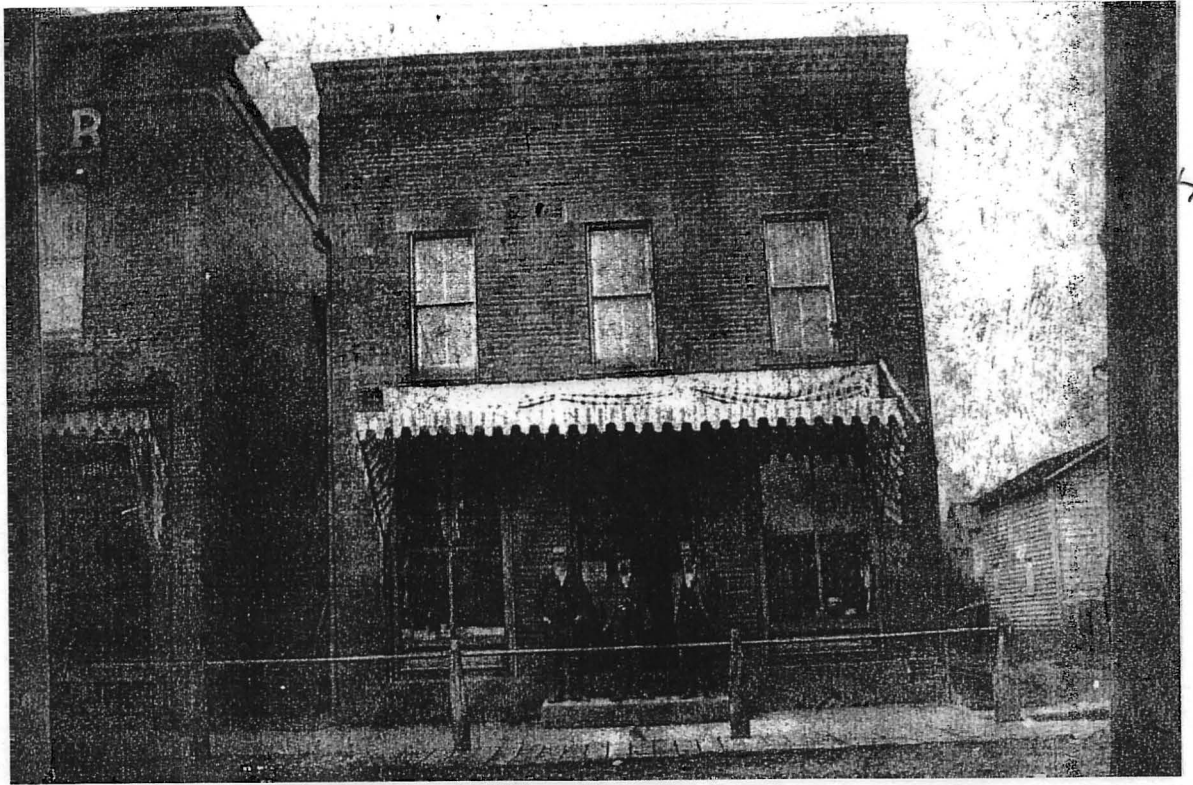
MINDEN COURT
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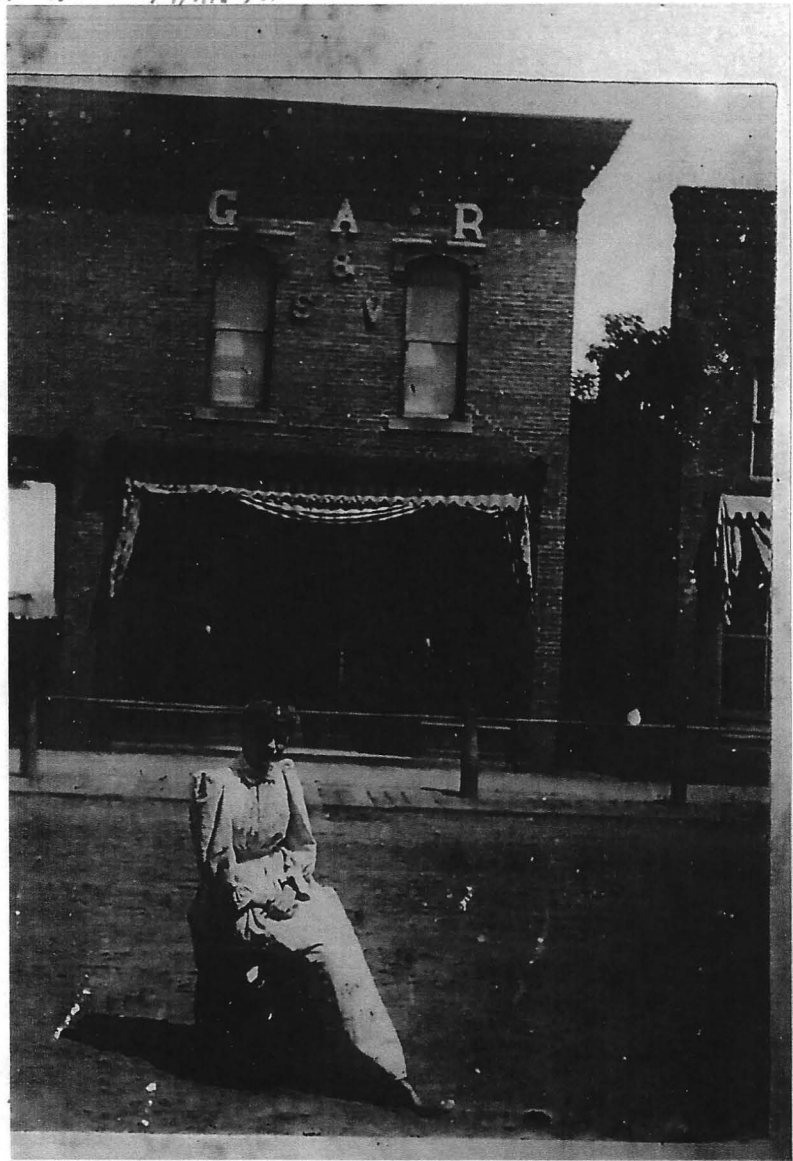
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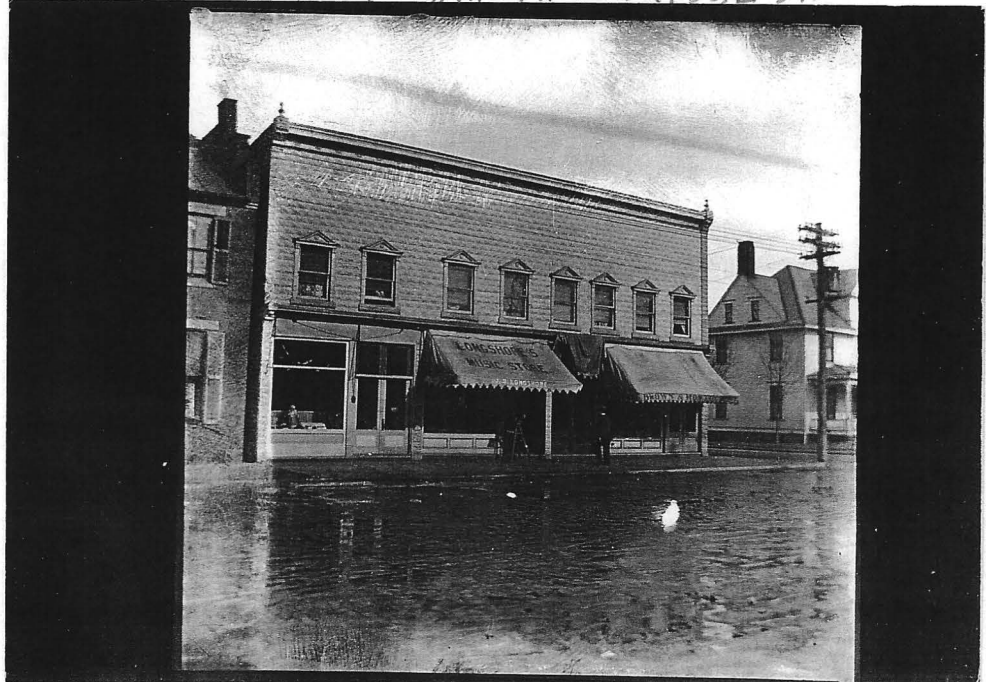
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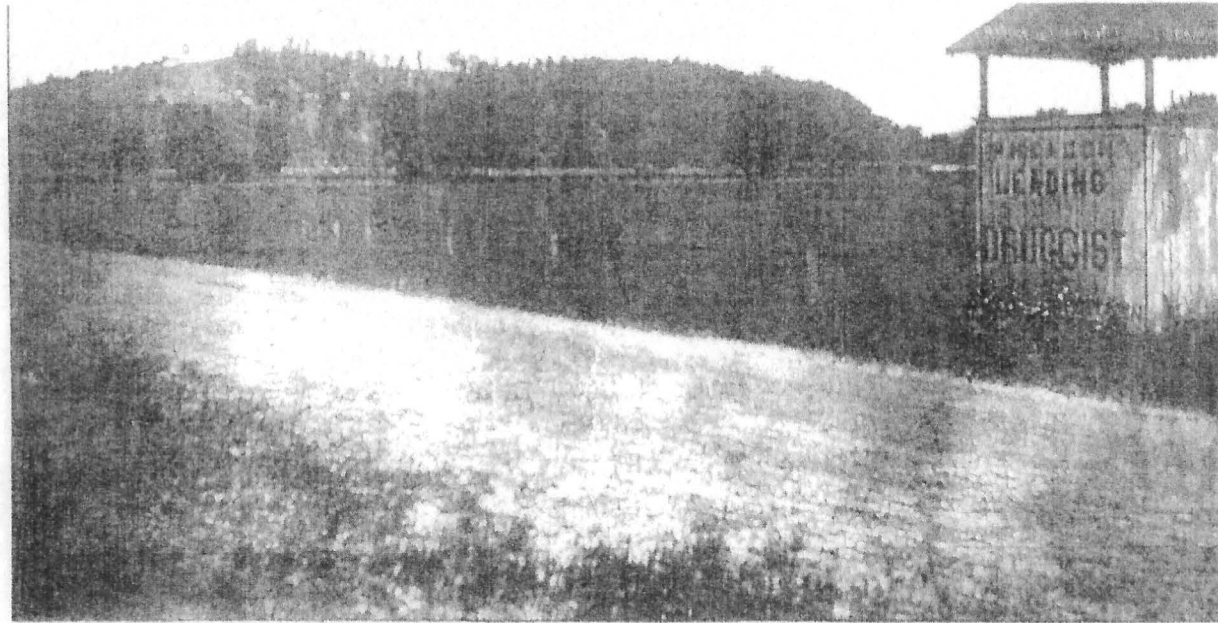
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"Everyone was completely surprised and could not suppress amazement at the wonderful showing of fruits, vegetables, fine arts, cattle, sheep, hogs, and horses. The pen cannot unfold to the eager eye of the reader the brilliant attractions that existed upon the great occasion. The people are already well advised by its many eyewitnesses from every quarter of the grand success of "The Fair." (Argus, October 14, 1874)

The horseracing it appears was the main event of the fair but there were also exhibits as well.

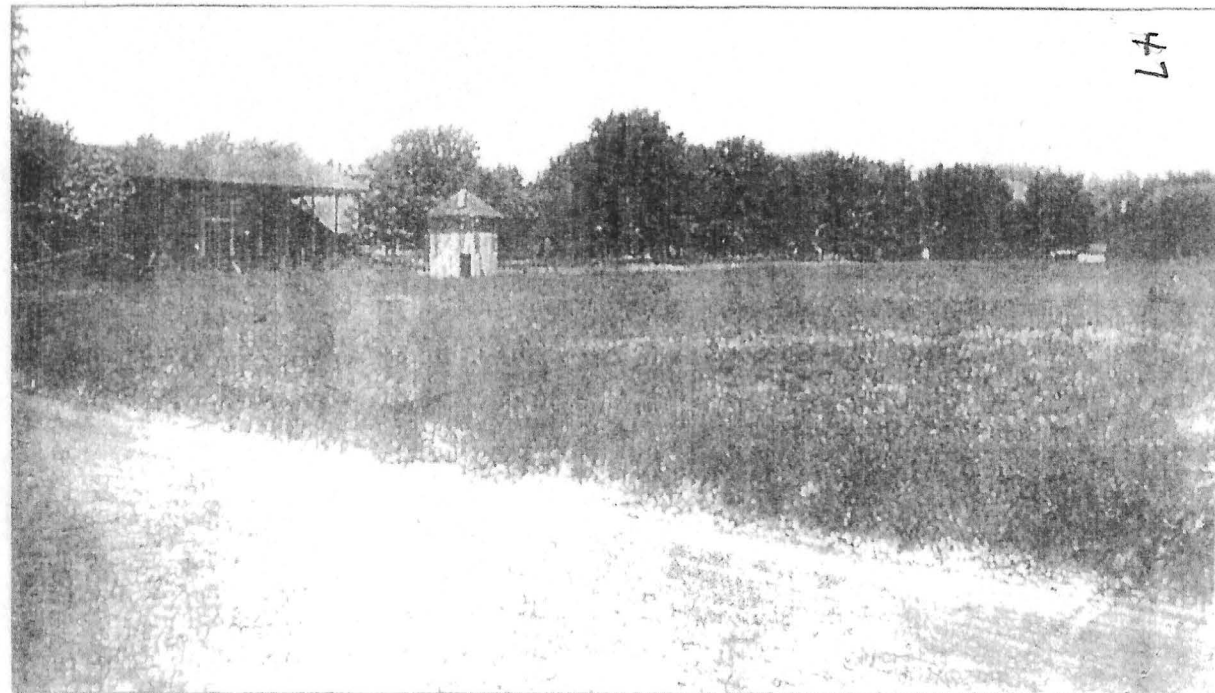
"Wagons loaded with products of garden, field, and orchard thronged the arenas leading to the different halls, where busy hands of men and women quickly assigned them to the appropriate places." (Argus, October 14, 1874)

The Argus article describes the Floral Hall where "the visitor's eye lightened on a most tempting arrangement of jellies, jams, preserves, pickles, marmalades, of all well known fruits, and some not so well known." Potted plants foliage and flower displays were place at



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The Great Fair of Central Ohio

MITCH WISE
NEWCOMERSTOWN NEWS

At one time going to the fair meant going to Newcomerstown. Shortly after the Civil War a fairgrounds was established on the west end of Newcomerstown in Coshocton County. The Central Ohio District Fair was held annually at the location of what is now Frog Town. The fairgrounds included a popular one-half mile horseracing track and according to current owner John Kistler, many famous horses and horsemen came to the area for the fair and other "doings."

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the center of the hall and "attracted a great deal of attention."

This hall also exhibited sewing, needlework, and some entertainment.

"Dr. B. W. Chapman of Bakersville, Ohio had a fine organ on exhibition, which produced sweet music for the multitude."

Agricultural implements were also displayed at the fair. H. Moore and S. Bassett of Newcomerstown displayed buggies, spring wagons, and road wagons.

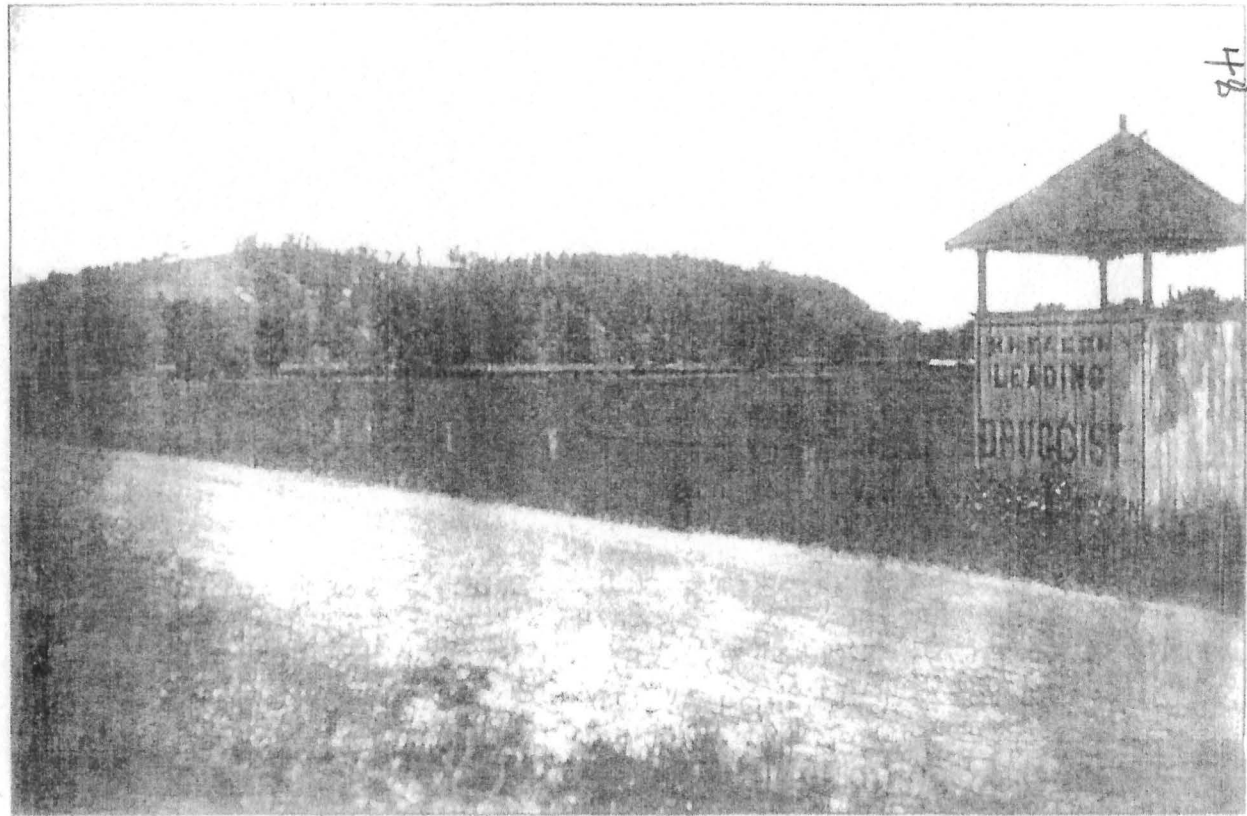
"Among the machinery we found washing machines, stalk cutters, corn shellers, plows, cider mills, and presses."

The Fair Association also employed the Newcomerstown Silver Coronet Band. "The boys enlivened the occasion and delighted all listeners by their most excellent music."

The original ticket box used at the fairgrounds was a wooden box approximately three foot square. Tickets were placed in a three-inch

wide slot on the top of the box revealed by a sliding door. This ticket box is now located at the Temperance Tavern Museum in Newcomerstown. The box still contains ticket stubs from the 1898 fair.

The fair grounds were sold to the Emerson family in 1899 and the house at that location was built in 1900. The fairgrounds continued to be used for "doings" and grudge horse races until about 1918 but not to the extent that it was during its heyday.



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'The old fair grounds' located near village

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Newcomerstown is the location of numerous points of historical significance, including what is known as the "old fair grounds." From 1875 to 1897, the first week in October brought people to the area for an annual four-day fair. History records the attendance sometimes reached as high as 9000 persons in one day, and receipts from the gate and exhibit entries would total \$8000 to \$10,000 during one fair week.

Known as the Central Ohio District Fair, it was started by John Pryor and Nathan Shepard. The grounds occupied 37 acres just west of the Newcomerstown city limits in Coshocton County. Today we know it as the Kistler property.

A half-mile race track was built, and for years, it was considered the fastest track in Ohio. Both running and harness races were held.

If fairs and races were not your bag, perhaps you would take a ride on the old Ohio Canal, another point of interest in Newcomerstown. The boats were about 14 feet wide and about five times that long. On a sunny day, one could see or join the

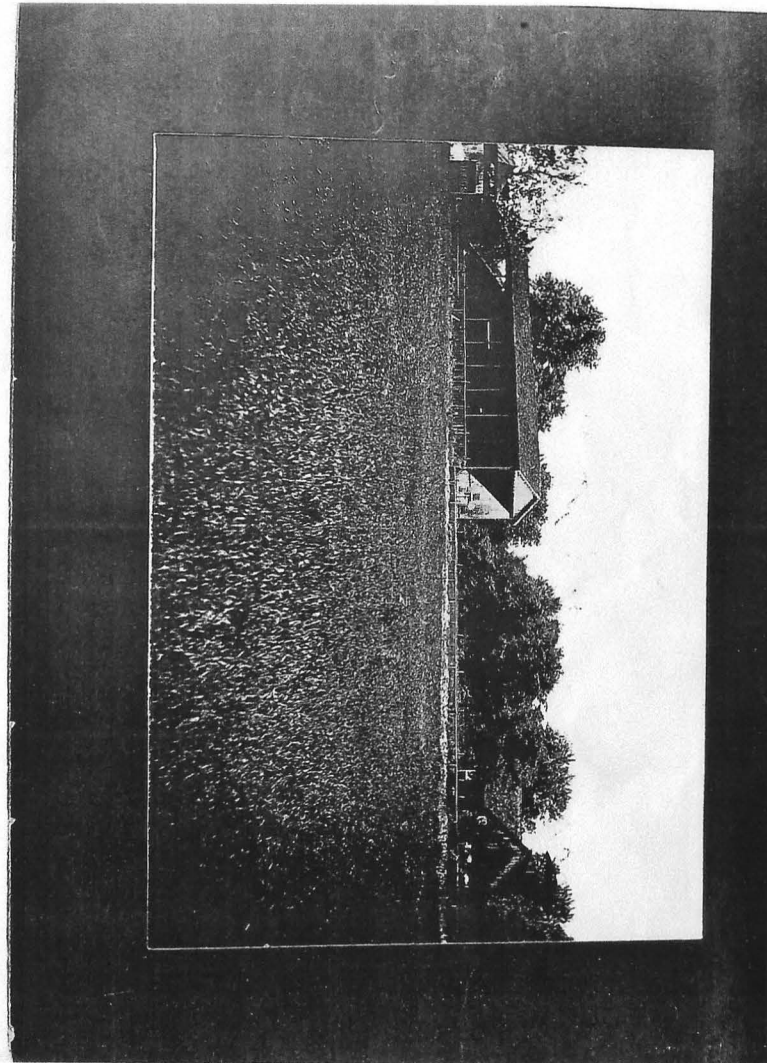
passengers, as they sat on the top deck on benches while the steersman guided the boat up and down the canal. Not only could one view the scenery along the banks but you could catch up on the gossip and exchange conversation with your old "cronies."

The Ohio Canal was built in 1827 and was a center of attraction until 1913 when the flood destroyed the locks.

The traffic on the canal reached its highest peak around 1860. In operation, two mules were hitched single file and walked along the tow path on the south side of the canal far ahead of the side of the boat. Sometimes the driver used pretty strong language and brisk cracks of the whip to keep the mules moving.

This too was a colorful focal point in the lives of the townspeople.

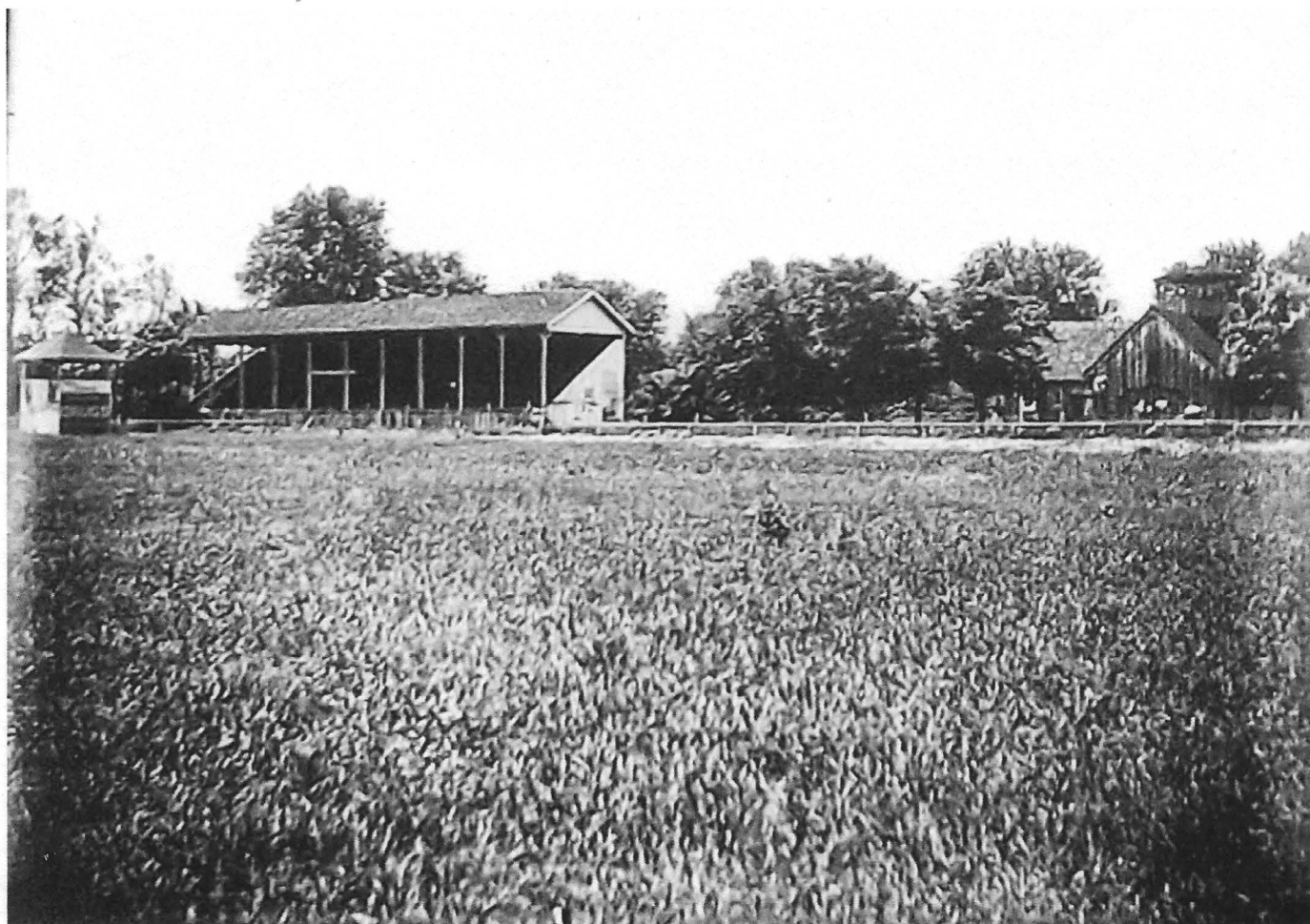
Jan 3, 1901
Newcomerstown fairgrounds



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FAIRGROUNDS



1910 Mulvane Free Park, Newcomerstown, OH



Mulvane Free Park.
Newcomerstown, Ohio. 1910

FLOOD OF 1898

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Flood of 1898
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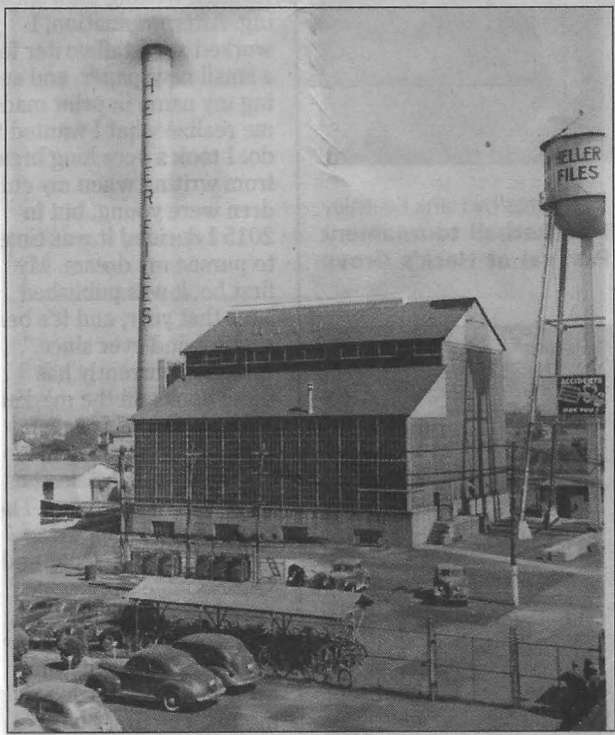
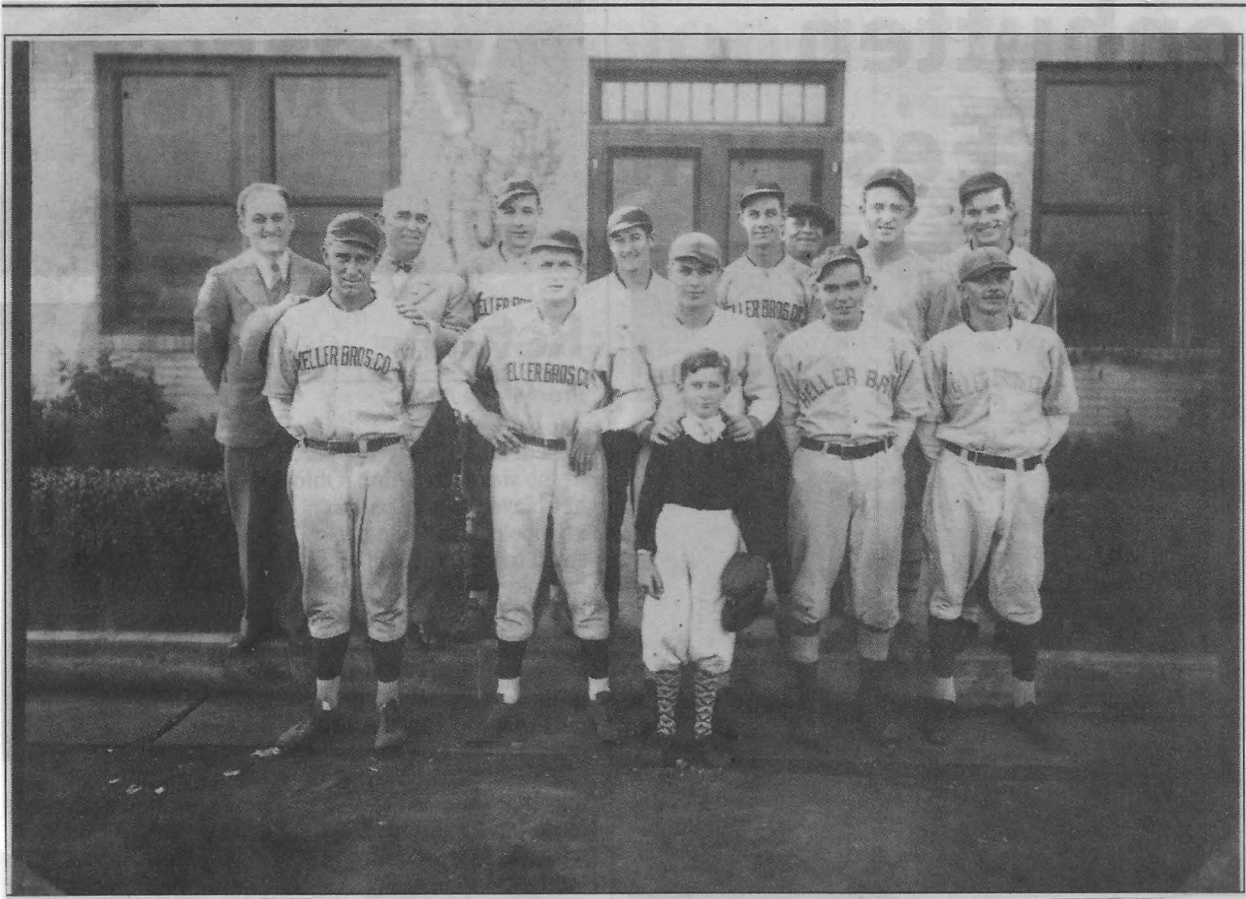
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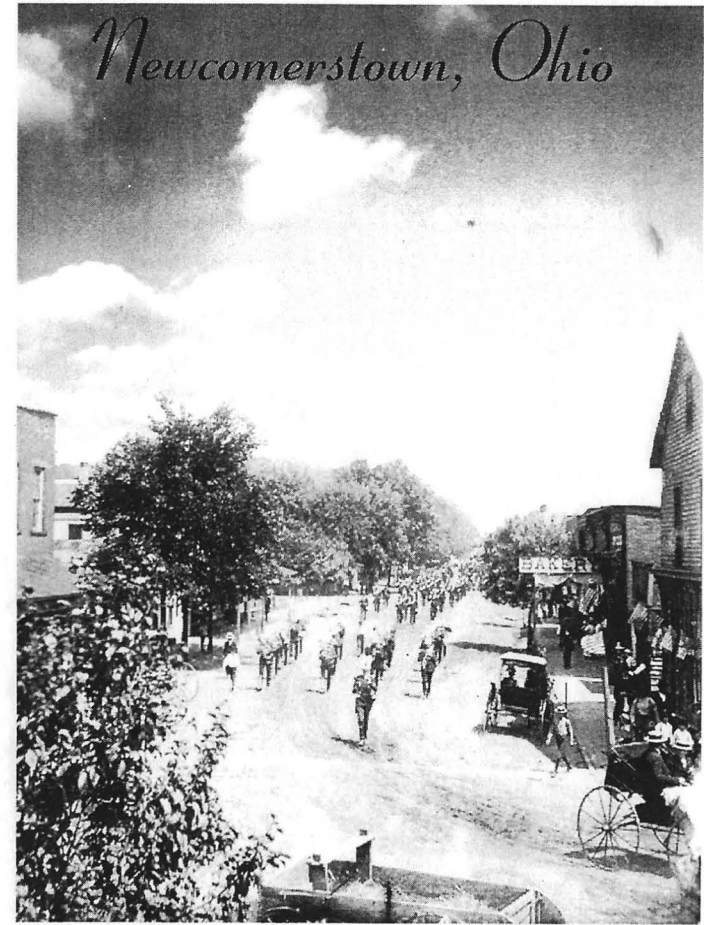
HELLERS GRINDING STONES





Country storefront in 1939.

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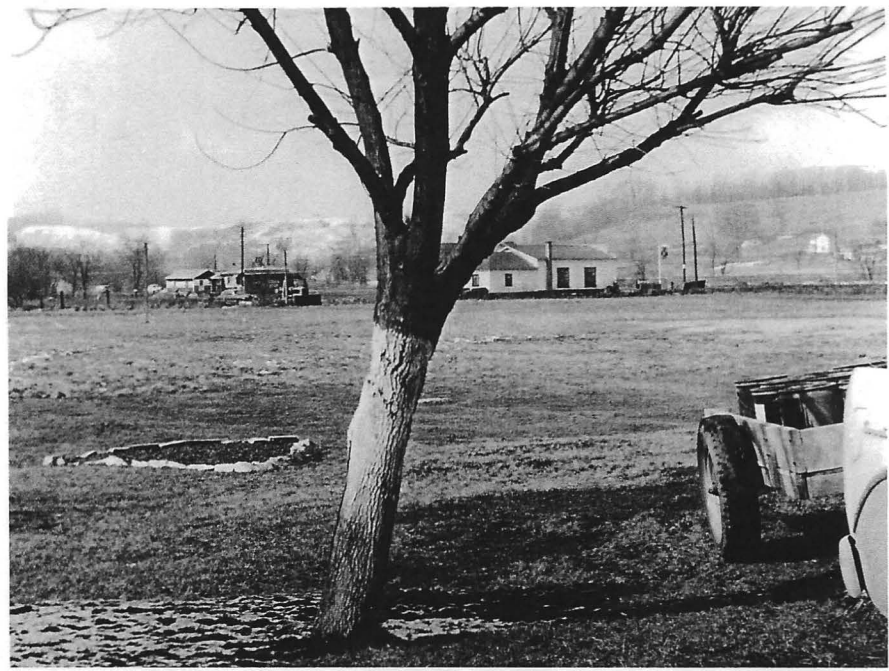


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BAKERS EXCAVATION
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N. COLLEGE ST.

Table 1: Timeline of Newcomerstown Events

1827	Newcomerstown formally laid out into a town.
1824	David, Nicholas, and William Neighbour live in "Neighbour's Town".
1796	Margaret Netawatwees dies in Pennsylvania.
1782	Gnadenhutten Massacre happens. Delaware Statehood Treaty ends.
1780	Brodhead razes Coshocton.
1778	Delaware Statehood Treaty with Continental Congress. White Eyes is murdered.
1776	Charles Beatty meets with Netawatwees in Newcomerstown. Netawatwees dies on October 31.
1775	Zeisberger granted land south of Coshocton by Delaware. Netawatwees declares he favors the Moravians over all other Christian groups.
1774	Dunmore's War breaks out. Netawatwees and White Eyes argue, and White Eyes gives up his Vice Chief position. Delaware capital moves from Newcomerstown to Coshocton.
1773	Preacher David Jones meets with Killbuck.
1772	Gnadenhutten and Schoenbrunn are founded.
1771	John Conner is born: he's the first white baby born in Ohio. Newcomerstown had 100 homes and over 700 residents.
1765	Tuscarawas region becomes known as the "Country of the Delaware."
1764	Bouquet's March happens.
1763	Prophet Neolin begins teaching. Pontiac's War breaks out.
1762	Famine and smallpox rips through the Delaware.
1759	Netawatwees founds Newcomerstown.
1758	England takes over the Ohio frontier. Netawatwees lives in Saukunk, Pennsylvania.
1756	Pennsylvania declares war on the Delaware.
1754	The French and Indian War begins. Netawatwees attends the meeting at Logstown, Pennsylvania.
1752	Shingas founds Shinga's Town near present-day Bolivar.
1750	Wyandots settle along the Tuscarawas and Muskingum Rivers.
1718	William Penn dies. Netawatwees signs treat at Conestago, Pennsylvania.
1705	Netawatwees's daughter Margaret is born in Pennsylvania.
1677-1686?	Netawatwees is born.
1610	Lenni Lenape gain their English name "Delaware".