# WCOMERSTOWN NEWS

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# Company To Build Plant Here



PLANT SITE. Pictured above he tract of land on which the erling Rubber Co., will build Vewcomerstown plant. The is in the lower left of the , bounded on the south by ennsylvania Railroad and on at st and north by U. S. Route



## **Operation Slated About Midsummer**

An official of Seiberling Rubber Co. announced this week in Akron that land will be acquired at Newcomerstown for a new plant site.

H. P. Schrank, Seiberling's vice president in charge of production, said that a one-story plant will be built on the land, a 12-acre tract located on the eastern edge of

Schrank did not reveal what will be manufactured in the new plant but said a company announcement would be made "within a few days." He said the plant is designed for a product "not in Seiberling's regular lines," and added that there are no plans erstown Chamber of Commerce to move tire and tube production from Mrs. Anna Zimmer, E. State to Newcomerstown.

CONSTRUCTION is expected to start soon, when legal details have been completed, Schrank said, and the company hopes to be in operation in the new plant "about midsummer of 1954." It will be the first new plant construction project outside Akron and Toronto for Seiberling.

The company manufactures tires and tubes, automobile mats and produces heels and soles and Canadian subsidiary at Toronto been underway. makes similar lines, plus a drug sundries product line.

ence to transportation, good water water in ample supply.

supply, and comparatively untapped labor sources, and because of "excellent cooperation and interest by the city's officials and its Chamber of Commerce."

LAND FOR THE NEW plant is is being acquired by the Newcom-

The company's news release did not mention how many would be employed in the new plant. Local Chamber officials stated the original factory building would be about 100 feet by 200 feet. There is ample acreage on the tract for expansion.

It is understood locally that the new plant will manufacture plastic products.

The Chamber first learned of accessories at its Akron plant, the Seiberling company's interest and another unit at Carey, O., in Newcomerstown as a plant site last July 20. Since then extenother molded goods. Seiberling's sive tests and preparations have

Wells drilled on the tract last summer proved that a good wat-Schrank said that Newcomers- er supply will be available. Detown was selected for the new spite the prolonged dry period, plant site because of its conveni- the wells continued to furnish

### Seiberling Rubber Co. Sixth

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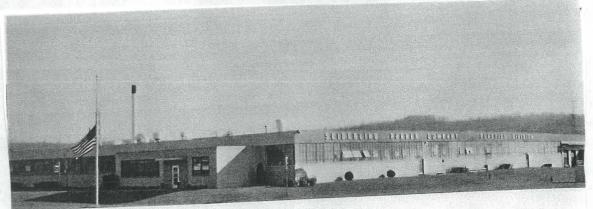


DEDICATION - OPEN HOUSE

Plastics Division Plant

SEIBERLING RUBBER COMPANY

DECEMBER 9, 1955 NEWCOMERSTOWN, OHIO .



SEIBERLING RUBBER COMPANY

1965

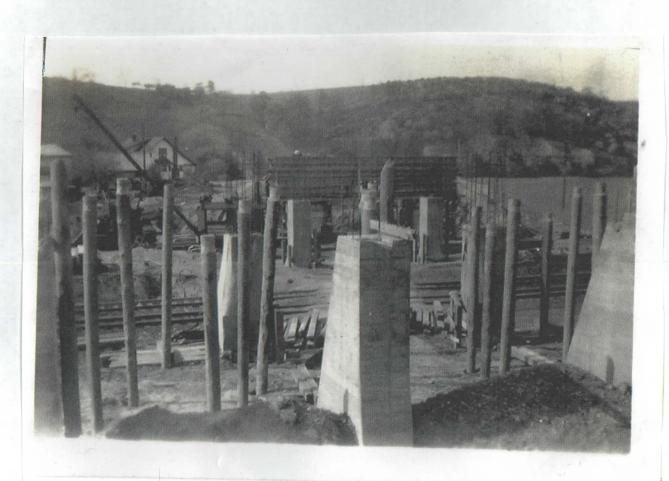




Thelma Starkey, standing on Pilling Street, Newcomerstown. 1930.

View looking south. Nugen Bridge and D.B. Moore tower, and the service station (back ground).





Construction of the Pilling Street viaduct bridge, 1929-30. The bridge was opened in 1931.

Elmer Nichols Eugene Wise ON Old Viaduct Circa 1938



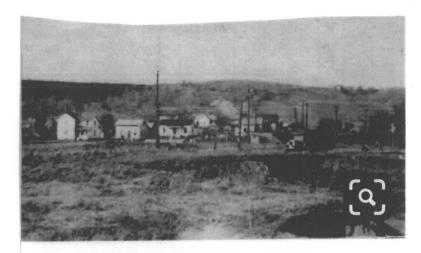


# THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 1981 PILLING VIADUCT OPEN

The W. M. Brede Co., local contractors have completed construction of the new overhead bridge on Pilling st., and the viaduct is now open for traffic. It is a splendid structure, and will eliminate a very dangerous which has already combat several lives.



Viaduct looking south - flood 1937 - Newcomerstown, OH



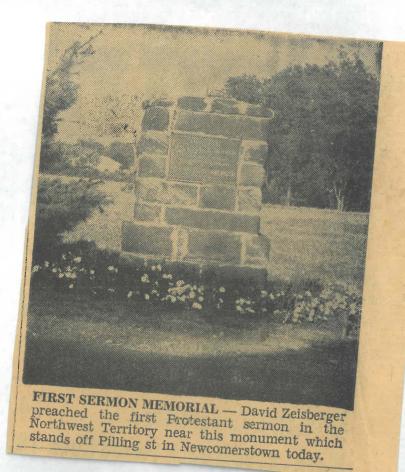
Viaduct Construction 1933 - Newcomerstown, OH

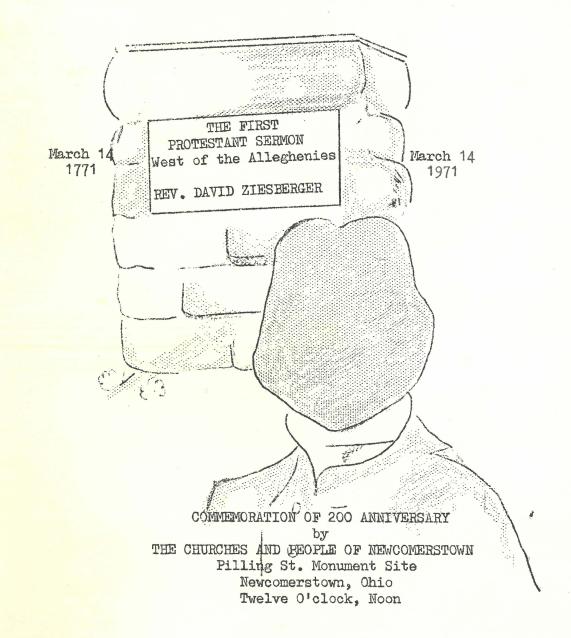




commemorative service. A crowd of more than 200 persons attended Sunday's ceremony at Newcomerstown commemorating the 200th anniversary of Rev. David Zeisberger's message to the Delaware Indians in the first Protestant sermon preached west of the Alleghany Mountains. Bishop Carl J. Helmich of Gnadenhutten (at microphone) delivered the main address next to the monument on Pilling st. which marks the site of the 1771 service. The event, sponsored by Newcomerstown's Ministerial Assn., also featured Revs. Wesley Frederick, Ralph Dennis, Tom Gamblin, Harvey Watts,

Fred Schmidt and Glenn Shugars of Newcomerstown. According to information compiled by the Historical Society, Zeisberger, along with several Indian converts and guides arrived in the early spring of 1771, coming from Ft. Pitt (Pittsburgh). During his brief visit before returning to Pennsylvania, Zesberger preached to a great throng of Indians and a few whites. His sermon was the first within the Northwest Territory. Zeisberger returned to the Tuscarawas Valley the following year and founded Schoenbrunn.





COMMEMORATION OF 200 ANNIVERSARY
THE FIRST PROTESTANT SERMON WEST OF THE ALLEGHENIES
(The sermon was delivered to assembled Delawares at noon on March 14 1771
by the Reverend David Ziesberger.)

HYMN "Faith of Our Fathers" Led by Rev. Wesley Frederick Faith of our fathers! living still Inspite of dungeon, fire, and sword; O how our hearts beat high with joy When-e're we hear that glorious word!

Chorus: Faith of our fathers holy faith!
We will be true to thee till death.

Faith of our fathers! we will strive to win all nations unto thee; and through the truth that comes from God Mankind shall then be truly free.

Faith of our fathers! we will love both friend and foe in all our strife; and preach thee, too as love knows how By kindly words and virtuous life.

THE CELEBRATION AND CALL TO WORSHIP:

Rev. Ralph Dennis

Rev. Harvey Watts

Unison "O where are kings and empires now, of old that went and came?

But, Lord Thy Church is praying yet,

A thousand years the same."

Minister: God is light and in Him is no darkness at all.

People: Send out Thy light and Thy truth; let them lead me.

Minister: Sing to the Lord, all the earth. Tell of His

salvation from day to day.

People: Declare His glory among the nations, His marvelous

works among all people.

THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH "The Apostles Creed" Rev. William Gamble

Minister: Let us unite in this historic confession of the

Christian faith:

Unison: I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven

and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only son our Lord; who conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection

of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

UNISON PRAYER (An Old Indian Prayer)

Oh, Thou Great Mystery, Creator of the Universe, Whose powers are displayed by the glories of the sun,

Wonders of the moon, foliage of the forest, waters of the deep, and sigh of the winds.

Whatsoever four corners of the earth we may meet, let us be friends, pale face and red man. When we come to the end of the trail and step into the Happy Hunting Grounds, from which hunter neter returns, let us not only have faith in Thee, O Thou Great Mystery, but faith in each other.

THE HYMN "The Church's One Foundation" Rev. Frederick Schmidt
The Church's one foundation Is Jesus Christ her Lord;
She is his new creation By water and the word.
From heaven he came and sought her to be his holy bride;
With his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.

(The second verse will be sung by the ministers present)

Elect from every nation, Yet one o'er all the earth, Her charter of salvation, One Lord, one faith, one birth; One holy name she blesses, Partakes on holy food, And to one hope she presses, With every grace endued.

Yet she on earth hathunion with God the three in One, And mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won. O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we Like them, the meek and lowly, On high may dwell with thee. Amen.

#### COMMEMORATION MEDITATION

The Rt. Rev. Carl J. Helmich

THE HYMN OF DEDICATION "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" Rev. Jimmy Robbins O God, Our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come, Our shelter from the stormy blast, And our eternal home!

Under the shadow of thy throne still may we dwell secure; Sufficient is thine arm alone, An our defense is sure.

Before the hills in order stood, Or earth received her frame, From everlasting thou art God, To endless years the same.

A thousand ages, in thy sight, Are like an evening gone; Short as the watch that ends the night, Before the rising sun.

Time, like and ever rolling stream, Bears all its sons away; They fly forgotten as a dream dies at the opening day.

O God, our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come; Be thou our guide while life shall last, And our eternal home!

PRAYER OF DEDICATION (To be made by all)

Increase, O God, the faith and zeal of all thy people, that they may more earnestly desire, and more diligently seek, the salvation of their fellow men, through the message of thy love in Jesus Christ our Lord. Send forth a mighty call unto thy servants who labor in the gospel, granting unto them a heart of love, sincerity of speech, and the power of the Holy Spirit, that they may persuade men to forsake sin and return unto thee. And so bless and favor the work of thine evangelists, that multitudes may be brought from the kingdom of evil into the kingdom of thy dear Son our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

THE BENEDICTION (To be prayed by all in unison)
"May the Son of the Great Mystery always shine in your heart, in the morning, in the afternoon, and forever."
-Shawnee Farewell.

#### THANKS AND RECOGNITION

The Rt. Rev. Carl J. Helmich, Who represents the Moravian Church for this occasion in honor of the Moravian, David Ziesberger

The Newcomerstown Historical Society, Mrs. Alfred Marshall Chairman, who provided records for this service. The monument was erected by the Society in 1940.

The County Historical Society, Mr. Henry J. Spring, Chairman

The Newcomerstown Chamber of Commerce, Mr. B. K. Castle, Chairman

The Newcomerstown Garden Club, Mrs. Chester Best, President, who beautify the monument site each summer.

The Mayor and Newcomerstown Police Department, The Honorable Chester Sharrock and Chief of Police John Lawver.

The Newspapers, Radio and Television Stations.

Canton Repository The Coshooton Tribune The Evening Chronicle The Jeffersonian The Times Reporter The Tower Communication Inc.
WHTC Canton
WJER Dover
WTNS Coshocton
Newcomerstown News The

#### THE FOLLOWING CHURCHES AND MINISTERS AND COMMITTEES WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE SERVICE AND HELPED TO PLAN THE SERVICE

Publicity

Rev. Daniel Graham, United Presbyterian Rev. William Calvert, St. Paul Lutheran

Programs

Monisgnor Ambrose Freund, St. Francis DeSales Catholic

Rev. John Benson, Christ United Methodist Church

Mrs. Charles Knight, Secretary, Christ United Methodist Church

Public Address System

Rev. Ralph Dennis, Calvary United Methodist

Monument Beautification for this occasion

Mrs. Paul Frye, Mr. Donald Frye, Mr. Virgil Fruchey,

Miss Gladys Alexander and Mrs. Alfred Marshall

The Mayor, Police, and Parking

Rev. Thomas Gamblin, First Baptist Church

Rev. James Porter, Peoli Charge, United Methodist

Ministers participating in the service

Rev. Wesley Frederick Rev. Ralph Dennis

Rev. William Gamble Rev. Harvey Watts

Rev. Frederick Schmidt

Rt. Rev. Carl J. Helmich

Rev. Jimmy Robbins

Rev. Glen Shugars Rev. Abraham Ballard

Nazarene Church

Calvary United Methodist Church

Scriptural Holiness Church

Trinity Baptist Church

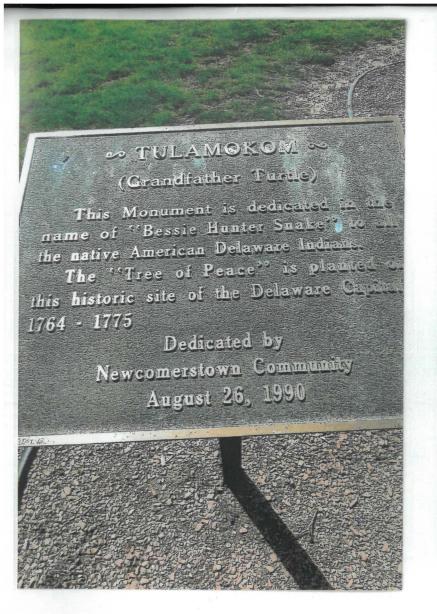
Assembly of God

Bishop of the Moravian Church

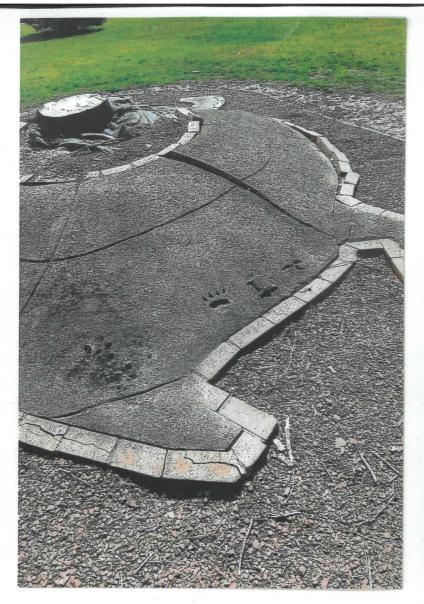
Valley View Baptist Church

Church of God

African Methodist Episcopal Church













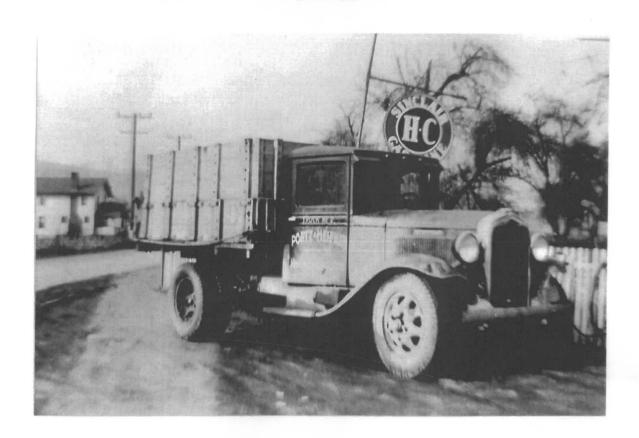


Sinclair service station, 1935 northeast corner of Pilling & State Street, Newcomerstown. William Heifner (seen in bottom photo) owned the service station from 1935-1939.

444 - 445 S. Pilling St.

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Rebecca Benton, widow of Thomas Benton deed.

80 ac. and 19 ac. last afsd. Consideration \$25.00

(12)To

Quit-Claim Leed Date July 28th, 1853 Volume 33 Page 694

James Pilling

Remise, release and forever quit-claim unto the said James Pilling his heirs and assigns forever all my title interest and estate legal and equitable, in (80 acres and 19 acres as last above described.) -Deed properly executed-

Filed and Recorded August 5th, 1853

Rebecca Benton Administratrix : Undivided one-half of the 80 ac. of the estate of Thomas Benton

and 19 ac. last aforesaid Consideration \$1340.00

Administratrix Deed Date July 28th, 1853 Volume 33 Page 695

To James Pilling

Deed first recites the Action at # 11 afsd. Have granted sold and conveyed and by these presents do grant sell and convey unto the said James Pilling his heirs and assigns the said undivided half part of the said two tracts of land mentioned in said petition, being all the interest of the said Thomas Benton at the time of his decease, and which is particularly described as follows: ( the 80 acre tract and the 19 acre tract are both described here, same as in the petition.)

- Deed properly executed -Filed and Recorded August 5th 1853.

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James Pilling conveyed a part of the aforesaid 80 acre tract to The Steubenville & Indiana Railroad Co. by warranty deed date Feb. 10" 1864, recorded in Vol. 61 page 449, as follows:

Situate in the County of Tuscarawas and State of Ohio and bounded and described as follows, to-wit: On the east by the boundary line between the said James Pilling and Robert H. Nugen, On the west by the boundary line between the said James Pilling and Robert H. Nugen, On the south by a line parallel with the center of the railroad of the said S. & I. R. R. Co. as the same is now surveyed and located through the premises of the said James Pilling and 44 feet distant therefrom, On the north by a line parallel to the center line of said railroad and 56 feet distant therefrom, containing 2.1/16 acres more or less, the same being part and parcel of the farm now occupied and owned by the said James Pilling in the Township of Oxford and County aforesaid.

Filed 4-25-1873. Recorded 5-17-1873.

# Articles From Old Newspapers

Mr. Benton Pilling, who lives about a mile above this place, a few days ago, while walking on the bank of the river, found a skeleton of an Indian. It was all beneath the ground with the exception of a part of the skull He states that it was wrapped in a blanket, the blanket was nearly all rotted. This makes two that have been found at the same place. (Taken from the Ohio Independent, May 29, 1872.)

Elisha Pocock had his dog killed the other day, by a passing train, — the train was uninjured, but we can't say as much for the dog.

Pocock's dog, which we, and not the train killed last week, still liveth, but has his constitution badly demoralized.

(Taken from the Ohio Independent, Sept. 11, 1872...)

Ladies who wear bustles should fasten the things down, and not meander the streets with a huge bundle bobbing up and down, and wriggling from side to side behind. It looks ridiculous, and besides, with so many beads and bugles on it, is apt to make a person walking in the rear crosseyed!

(Taken from the Newcomerstown Argus, Feb. 8, 1875.)





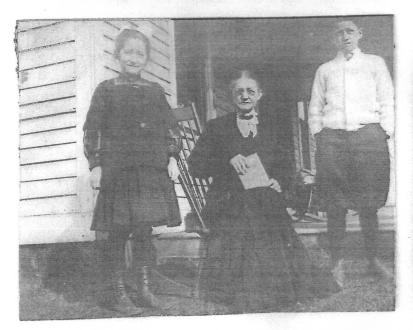


The Pilling Woolen Mill, circa 1920 Formerly located on East State Road, Newcomerstown.



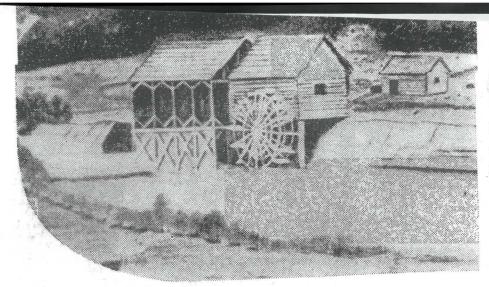


Maria Pilling Moore with grandchildren Lois, and Frederick Zimmer

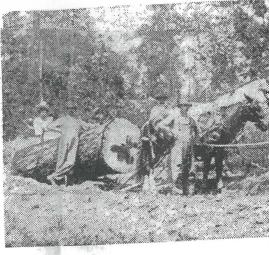




Lois Zimmer (later Mrs. Lois Craig), circa 1920, standing near the old Pilling Woolen Mill.



The first mill in the Northwest Territory. This picture was the frontispiece of "Johnny-cake, etc.," by Elizabeth Thorniley Owens.



An early logging s

"Johnny-cake, etc.," this first mill was built on the west branch of Wolf creek not far from Marietta and the wheel began turning in March, 1790. So venturesome was this undertaking, however, that in less than a year the mill had to be abandoned because of Indian hostility.

No definite record of sawmills is available from that time until 30 years later, when the U. S. census of 1820 revealed that 136 were then operating in Ohio.

This sawmill census as recorded in Defebaugh's History of the Lumber Industry is extremely interesting, inasmuch as it is recorded by counties. A few, picked at random, will serve as illustrations.

FRANKLIN COUNTY then had two sawmills, while Delaware county, had five which employed nine men in all. Times really must have been good up in Delaware county, and while a footnote adds that there was ready sale for the product but no cash, this wasn't of much consequence, since the majority of trade was carried on by barter anyway.

Athens county's eight saw-mills were sawing up poplar, oak, cherry and maple logs for which the operators paid \$1 each and which when turned into boards and 'scantling had an average annual value of \$5700. Its eight sawmills represented an investment of \$5300 and the 12 men employed to operate them received a total annual wage of \$1425.

THESE conditions with slight variations were no doubt representative, too, of the two mills in Coshocton county, the two in Muskingum, the one in Richland, the three in Logan, the 11 in Champaign and the five in Tuscarawas. The price of \$1 per log which the operators paid seems to have been rather general throughout Ohio at that time, although in some of the

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counties along the lake, the price was lower.

All the saws at this time were run by water power. They were long, and were mounted in frames to move up and down tearing the logs apart in a series of swishes and perks far different from the singing whine of today's circular saws.

Most of the mills in 1820 still had single saws, but later on as the demand for lumber became greater, the up-and-down saws were mounted in gangs of increasing numbers.

THE price of logs must have remained fairly constant in eastern Ohio over the next 20 years for, when James Pilling came to Newcomerstown in 1841 and bought a sawmill already operating on the bank of the Tuscarawas river east of the town, his daybook shows that he paid 87½ cents each for 50 logs in the yard, and \$30 for 47 logs in a raft in the river.

Settlers living up the river above this mill would fasten the logs they cut into rafts, and float the rafts down the river to the sawmill.

A MAN always rode the raft, and as he was rounding the last bend up the river beyond the mill would begin calling, "Hey-y-y, Jimmie!" The minute the mill owner heard this shout he'd hustle down to the water's edge, ready to catch the rope which the raftsman threw. With this he would snub the raft, allowing it to drift in to the bank, and together the two men would roll the logs up onto the bank.

There the logs would be piled to await the time when the bark would be peeled from them and they would be cut into boards and scantling.

The daybook shows, too, that little cash was exchanged even in the 1840's, for frequent entries are made of credits for logs in the form of an order on some

store in the town, perhaps for a side of leather, 10 yards of "musling," a gallon of whisky, or some "shugar."

LITTLE if any attention was paid to the kind of log which was being sawed, so far as ultimate use was concerned. It mattered little then, whether red or white oak, cherry, black walnut, yellow poplar or white ash went into the bill of timber for a neighbor's barn. No one foresaw in 1840, the day when veneer manufacturers would buy black walnut stumps, and the wood handle industry would develop a headache over the increasing scarcity of white ash.

They say so much sawing was to be done back in those days, that sometimes Jimmie Pilling ran his mill by moonlight, and that once in a while when the saw was silent, he'd see a deer come to the opposite shore of the river to drink. And many nights he could hear wolves on the dark hills bordering the valley on the south.

James Pilling's mill was just one of the 2883 in Ohio in 1840. Lumber was produced and consumed locally, and therefore every town had at least one sawmill.

AFTER that, things changed rather rapidly, and never again was there so large a number of separate establishments in the state, although the number of saws kept increasing. Both steam power and circular saws had been introduced to the industry in Maine in the early 1820's and once their value had been proved in the great lumbering regions of New England, New York and Pennsylvania, smaller operators farther west were quick to take advantage of the improvements. Steam was soon being used to power the old up-and-down saws and more saws could then be added to the

Then, too, increased transportation facilities — canals and railroads — made it possible to

haul logs longer distances to larger mills. When the logs ceased to come to the old waterpower mills they fell into disuse and eventual decay.

Better transportation facilities, too, brought about the introduction in Ohio of yellow and white pine as a building material. This was a welcome change so far as carpentry was concerned. But so well did people like softwood that it was gradually allowed to displace hardwood in almost all phases of home building.

Today's numerous old-fashioned frame houses with glowing, highly varnished yellow pine interiors are glaring reminders of this era. In the meantime the state's hardwood supply continued to be depleted by cutting for heavy timbers, manufacturers needs and charcoal fuel for southern Ohio's iron furnaces.

 $\mathrm{B^{Y}}$  1850, the number of sawmills in Ohio had decreased to 1639, although the value of the sawed lumber was showing a steady increase. A new phase of sawing had its birth about this time, however, and once again the number of establishments increased. For with the introduction of steam to the sawmill business, the possibility of taking the saw to the logs first became feasible, and portable mills soon became numerous. Even today they dominate the lumber industry in Ohio.

At first the logs were dragged to the portable steam mill with teams of oxen; gradually the oxen were displaced by horses and today the horses have given way to caterpillar tractors which claw paths through sections at one time thought impenetrable.

Now, according to F. W. Dean, state extension forester, there are approximately 1350 portable sawmills in the state of Ohio.

But steam power is soon to be a thing of the past. A new

#### DEATH'S VISITATIONS

Are Without Discrimination and Come Without Bidding.

#### IT'S THE DOOR THAT OPES

To a Better Life, Wider Fields of Usefulness and Greater Achlevments---Why Dread It?

JOHN P. PILLING.

John P. Pilling, one of the oldest and most respected citizens of this community, passed pencefully away at his home in the northern suburbs of this city at 3:15 a. m., Friday, Jan'y 17, 1908, being afflicted with dropsy, and having been in poor health the past 4 or 5 years. He was born at Lancashire, Eng., March 16, 1838, and came to this country when 21, locating a few miles east of Newcomerstown. In 1864 be married Jane Elizabeth, daughter of Henry King, and to them was born eight children, five of whom are living-Grant Pilling and Mrs. Lillie King of Macedonia. Iowa, Mrs. Oscar Lucey and Mrs. Biglow Dorsey who reside north of town, and Mrs. Foster West of this city. He is survived also by wife, one brother and three sisters, the latter living in England. When Mr. Pilling first came here he engaged in carding wool and weaving blankets in a building near Smith's bridge, the machinery being operated by water which passed through a canal wasteway; the same building being later converted into a barn by the late D. B. Moore. For some years past Mr. Pilling, not being of a rugged constitution, was principally engaged at weaving carpet, which he did with remarkable skill and ingenuity. He had been a member of the U.B. church since 1865, and lived consistently with his profession. He was a kind husband, indulgent parent, obliging neighbor and worthy citizen. The funeral services were conducted at King's church, Sunday afternoon, by his pastor, Rev. Jus. Jones, and interment was made in the church-

yard, where three children of the deceased were buried when quite young. The funeral cortege was quite lengthy and the floral (rib-utes beautiful, both expressing great esteem and deepest sympathy.

MARCH 26, 1919.

#### DIED AT DENNISON

Mrs. Geo. Graham of Dennison, sister of Mrs. Maria Moore of Newcomerstown, died Thursday, March 20, of paralysis. Mrs. Graham was first stricken last December, from the effect of which she had only partially recovered, when she was again attacked March 12th.

Mrs. Graham, nee Pilling, was born in Brownsville, Pa., Sept. 22, 1837. While yet a child she removed with her parents to Newcomerstown where her father, James R. Pilling, was owner of one of the first woolen factories in this section.

In 1864 she was married to Geo. Graham, residing here until the family moved to Dennison 34 years ago.

She is survived by her husband, one son, Chas. V. Graham of Columbus, and two daughters, Bessie at home, and Mrs. Ada E. Welch of Dennison. Beside her sister, Mrs. Maria Moore, she also leaves one half-brother, Richard L. Pilling of Eawah, Tenn.

She was a member of the Dennison Presbyterian church, and a woman especially devoted to her home.

Funeral services were held Sunday. Burial in Union cemetery.

## THURSDAY, M TAKEN BY DEATH

Mrs. Maria Pilling Moore, 82, widow of the late David B. Moore deceased, and a member of one of Newcomerstown's oldest pioneer families, passed away Friday, Mch. 8, at 10:15 p. m. at her home in the East End, following an illness of pneumonia and infirmities. She had been ill since last December.

Maria Pilling Moore was born June 24, 1847, in a log cabin near the home in which she passed away. She was the youngest daughter of James and Sarah Cunard Pilling, who came from Brownsville, Pa., to the present home-site in 1842, coming by wagon over the National Pike. James Pilling, the father, had migrated from England in 1828, coming to America in a sailing vessel which required 6 weeks time, during which time he earned his way across by working as a sailor. Upon the arrival of the family at Newcomerstown, James Pilling established a saw mill, also a woolen mill, operated by water power. At the age of 7 Maria Pilling entered the school at Newcomerstown on the first day the Union School building was opened, passing the various grades and spending four years in High School. Upon completion of school, she taught school for 2 years.

On April 19, 1868 she married David Burress Moore, who passed away May 16th, 1904. The 12 years following their marriage was spent in operating the Lone Star Hotel on the corner of Main and Bridge streets, Newcomerstown, O., after which they removed to the old Pilling homestead for the remainder of their lives. Surviving are three children, Mrs. Alvin Eckfeld of Dennison, Mrs. Albert Zimmer of the late home, and D. B. Moore of this city. She also leaves 10 grand children, 7 great grand children, and one half-brother, Richard Lord Pilling of Louisville, Kentucky.

Mrs. Moore was a member of the Methodist Protestant church for many years, also a member of the Woman's

Club.

Mrs. Moore was a great reader and student, maintaining to the very end a keen interest in the world's progress and the events of the day. During her long illness, she was in full possession of her faculties, conversing intelligently and with her characteristic conviction on any subject. broached. . Funeral services were conducted at the late home Sunday at 2 p. m. with Rev. C. E. Jeffers officiating, with interment in the family burial plot in the local cemetery.

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Pilling - Zimmer - Craig home 1950 Corner Pilling ST & ESTATE Road



Mrs. Lois Zimmer Craig, a Newcomerstown native, who has returned home after working several years on the Cambridge Jeffersonian, spends many hours at her typewriter as vice president in charge of public relations of the Ohio Arts and Crafts Guild, which she helped found.

Daily Reporter 28 Feb 1967



## Nc'town care facility to expand



Michelle Glazer/Newcomerstown News The former home of Marian and Lois Craig of Newcomerstown was recently torn down on E. State Road, Newcomerstown, across from Riverside Manor Nursing and Rehabilitation Center. The demolition of the house is part of the care facility's expansion project.

The former Craig home on E. State Road was demolished recently in order to make way for the Riverside Manor Nursing and Rehabilitation Center to extend their facilities.

The new "green wing" as it will be known will become a state-of-the-art

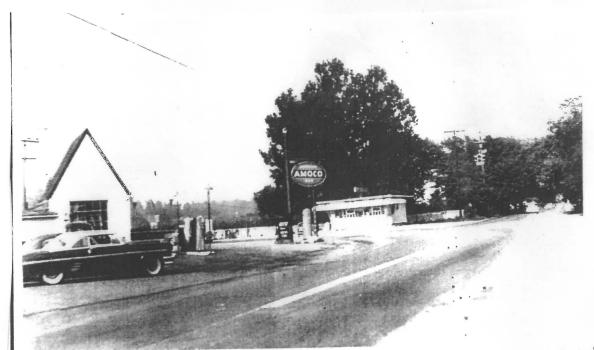
rehabilitation area consisting of 19 private suites for short-term Medicare rehabilitation stays.

It will be designed with a large area convenient to servicing in-patient and out-patient needs.

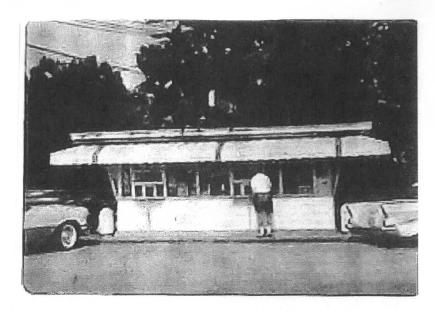
There will be a Dementia Unit with staff trained specifically for dementia, as well as offer "Comfort Care" rooms to meet the end-of-life needs for patients.

So far, the architectural plans and land survey are complete.

Construction is expected to start soon.



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E. State St. East of Route 21 Zimmer House

## **Nursing Center** Groundbreaking Scheduled Aug. 5

Groundbreaking for the 74-bed Riverside Manor Nursing and Care Center here will be held at 6:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 5, at the site of the corner of County Road 15 and Pilling St., it was announced today.

During a meeting held last week, the contract for construction of the \$880,000 nursing and care center was awarded to the Gundy Construction Co. of New Philadelphia.

Initial construction work on the facility, being built by the Newcomerstown Development Corp., was expected to get underway earlier this week.

Plans and specifications in connection with the contract call for the erection of a 74-bed nursing home facility to be built of brick, concrete and steel. The building will be fireresistant and is expected to be completed within 10 months after construction begins.

The C.M. Corp., of Sioux City, Iowa, is serving as con-

sultant on the project.

Wide community interest and participation has been shown in the health care facility, which will serve all residents of the Newcomerstown area. All interested persons are invited to attend the Aug. 5 groundbreaking ceremony.

The eight percent debenture bonds issued by the Newcomerstown Development Corp. can be picked up at the Reeves Banking and Trust Co., Newcomerstown, by the

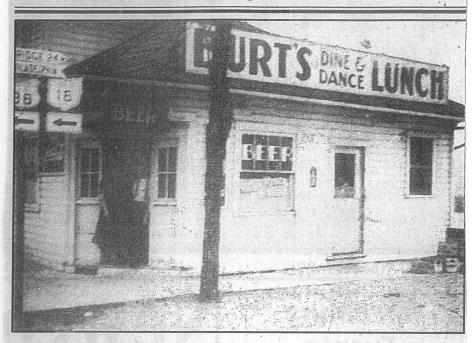
When the bond sales campaign reached its goal, Chairman Charles Yingling thanked everyone for their assistance in helping promote the project. Particular thanks went to W.E. Ourant, who received the idea some three years ago and formed a nine-man group to further the idea. The nine men

The late Lorin D. Gadd, Roy D. Fletcher, Clarence Watts, William Heifner, Cecil Haver, Dr. W.R. Agricola, Dr. R.L.

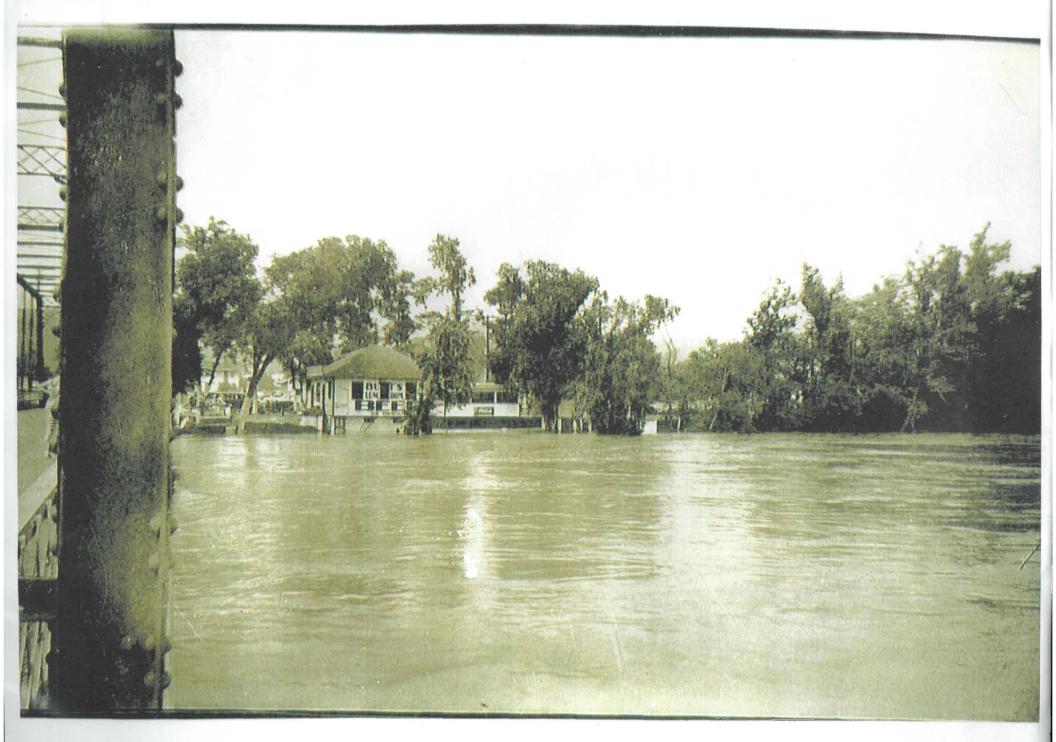
McCulley and John S. Heller.

Working with the group were Robert Snader, Don Rutledge, Gary Chaney and Lois Craig, along with News Editor Jerry Wolfrom and Nancy Babcock of Tower Communications.

## **Memory Lane**



Many readers may remember Burt's Lunch Cafe once located in Newcomerstown at the corner of East State and Pilling streets near the Rt. 258 South bridge. This 1939 photo was loaned to The News by Bill Casteel, West Lafayette. The building was torn down years ago.



Burtis Diner, 1937 E. state st. Newcomerstown

E. state st. Newcomerstown Facing Tuscarawas River

#### Bottleneck Bridge To Be Replaced

NEWCOMERSTOWN, Ohio (Special)—Scheduled for completion in mid-November is a new bridge carrying Rt. 21 across the Tuscarawas River here.

It will replace a narrow one-lane bridge which has produced a bottleneck on the busy Marietta-Cleveland road.

This road is due to revert to the state highway system eventually when Interstate Rt. 77 is built, 1½ half miles to the east.

THIS STRETCH of Rt. 77 is not on the highway department's immediate building program, however.

The first segment of the interstate highway will by-pass New Philadelphia and Dover to the west.

The contract for this fivemile stretch is to be awarded Nov. 28. Plans are now being drawn to extend this highway north to the Stark County line.

Work is already progressing on Rt. 77 in Guernsey County, east of Cambridge.

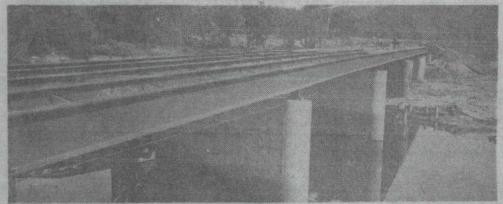
THE RT. 21 bridge across the Tuscarawas River is being built by the W. M. Brode Co. of Newcomerstown at a cost of \$208,475.

NINETY YEARS AGO - 1930
Frank Carmen, 41, actor and former area resident, dies in Virginia, en route to Florida.

The Highway Dept. makes plans to eliminate the Piling Street crossing.



NARROW BRIDGE TO GO — This narrow one-lane bridge across the Tuscarawas River (Newcomerstown is being replaced. It is bottleneck on the Marietta to Cleveland highway.



NEW SPAN UNDER WAY—The new Rt. 21 bridge is being built by the W. M. Brode Co. of Newcomerstown at a cost of \$308,000. This road probably will revert to the state highway system when the parallel Interstate Rt. 77 is completed.—(Dispatch Photos)

SUN., SEPT. 3, 1961 \*\* Columbus Dispatch

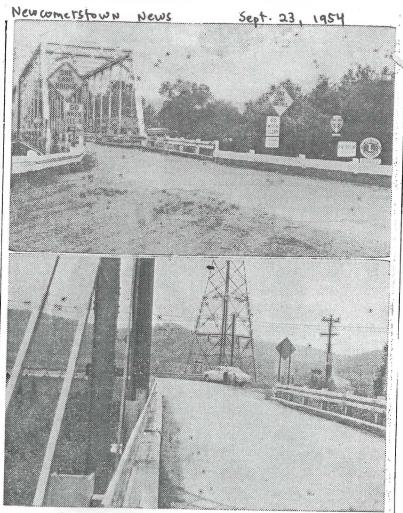
#### NINETY YEARS AGO - 1930 4

Newcomerstown council passes a new liquor ordinance raising the maximum penalties.

Tuscarawas County agrees to pay one-fourth of the cost for a bridge on Pilling Street.

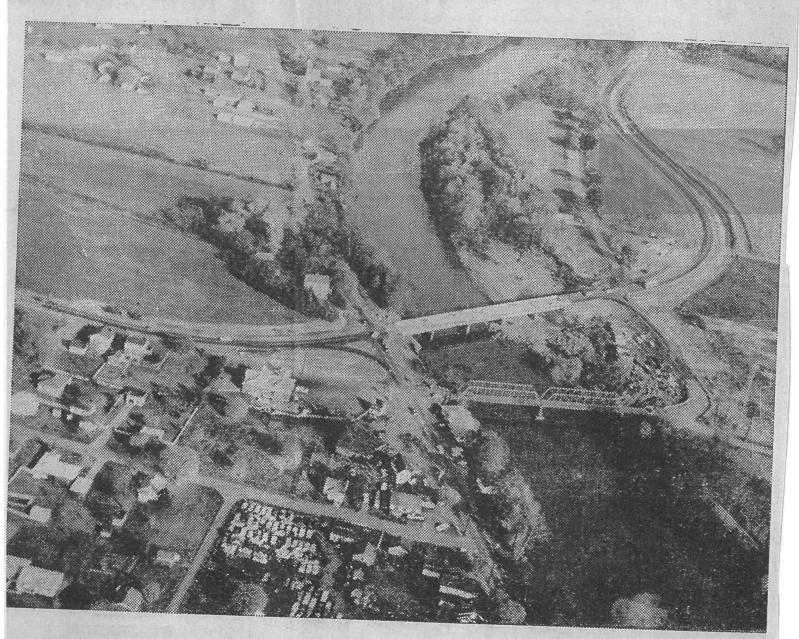






PILLING ST. BRIDGE is an example of improvements needed on U. S. Route 21, according to Mayor Lorin Gadd. Above is a scene showing the many signs which say "Go When Clear" and "One Lane Bridge" that confronts motorists on this through highway. The same signs are on the south end of the span. The bottom photo shows the right angle turn at the south end of the bridge. Such traffic facilities do not seem right for a federal highday, according to Mayor Gadd who has been named to a six-man committee from the U. S. Route 21 Association to seek improvement. —Lenzo Photo





## New and Old Pilling Street Bridges In 1961

This aerial photo shows the new Pilling St. bridge (center) over the Tuscarawas River. Built by the W. M. Brode Co., it was opened in November of 1961. Just below it is the old bridge which has been removed.



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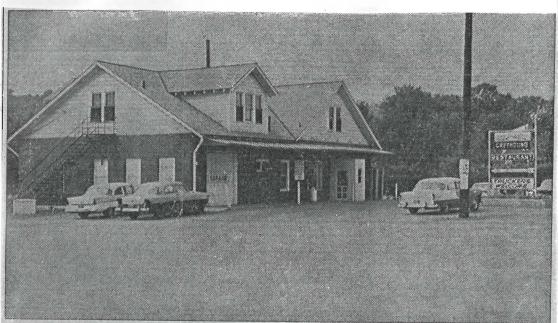
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## Greyhound To Establish New Post House Here



Greyhound Post House is a landmark in highways, it has long served as a place of Newcomerstown. Situated in the east end rest and refreshment for weary travelers. of the village at the intersection of main

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was noted that Lacey Harvey is erouting of the Greyhound bus line relinquishing operation of the depol and Mayor Robert Hall has offered the bus company the right to use the municipal building corridor until By MRS. IRIS FRUCHEY citizens attended.

#### **Purchase Property** Of E. O. Phillips On Pilling Street

Greyhound Post Houses, Inc., has purchased the E. O. Phillips properties on Pilling street and will soon locate a post house there for patrons of Greyhound bus lines and other customers, it was announced this week.

Pending for several months white the deeds were being abstracted, the deal was closed last Friday, Mr. Phillips said. Greyhound Post Houses, Inc. is a subsidiary of the Greyhound Bus Lines and was represented when the sale was completed by Joseph Edwards, general manager, with headquarters in Cleveland.

The Newcomerstown post house will be the only one on the Greyhound line between Pittsburgh and Columbus.

The Greyhound company will take possession of the Phillips property Tuesday, July 1, Mr. Phillips said. He and his wife plan to retire in a country home they own five miles west of Newark on Route 16. They will move sometime this week.

The property purchased by the Greyhound firm extends from the brick building on Pilling street, where Mr. Phillips operated a service station, to State street and includes the land now occupied by Wilson's Lunch and the Standard Oil Co. station at the corner of Pilling and State streets.

Mr. Phillips said that the Standard Oil Co. holds a lease on the corner and that Wilson's Lunch in turn holds a sub-lease from the Standard

A few fixtures were moved into the Phillips building Saturday by Greyhound workmen. It was understood that extensive remodelling is

402 Pilling

# The Old Delaware Indian Town GEKELEMUKPECHUNK Stood here until after 1775. Leni Lenape Capital under Chief Netawatwee, also called KING NEWCOMER, of the Turtle Tribe.

SITE MARKED. A plaque commemorating the Indian village which was here before Newcomerstown, was erected last week at the Greyhound Post House on Pilling st. In the photo a bus driver reads the inscription.

—Lenzo Photo

## Plaque Is Erected Here To Mark Site Of Old Indian Town

By Frank Schlupp

A magnificent metal plaque marking the site of the old Delaware Indian town Gekelemukpechunk now catches the eye of the traveler as he alights from a bus at the post house on the eastern edge of our town.

The marker stands not only as a monument to the old Indian town but also to the public spiritedness of J. F. Edwards, vice president and general manager, and C. H. Gohde, vice president and chief engineer, Greyhound Post Houses, Inc. Without the support and ready financial backing of these officials, the project would not have been possible.

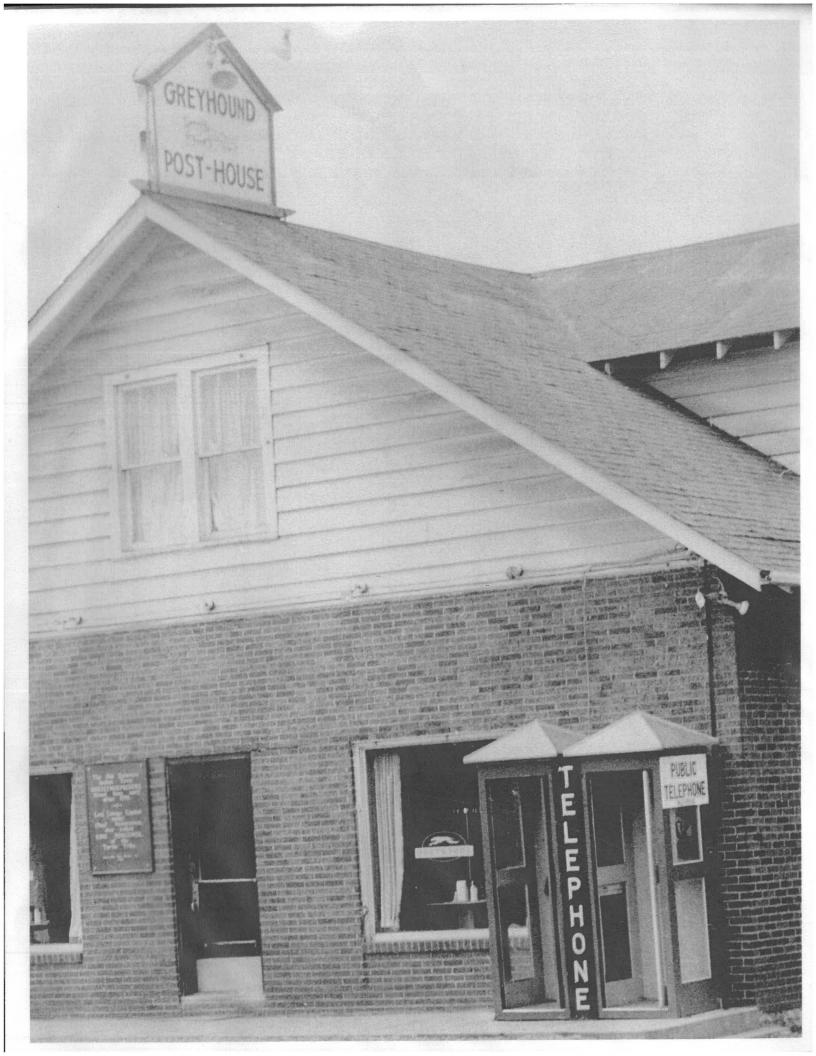
The Artists

The plaque, an exceptionally large one, was cast by Sewah Studios of Marietta, O. With a heavy base of cast aluminum covered by baked-on enamel, it should last indefinitely if protected from abrasion. The general finish is a two-color dark polychrome bronze with contrasting letters faced with 23 K. gold leaf which is said to be the most resistant of all finishes to the ultra yiolet rays of the sun.

STARTED IN 1953

Frank Schlupp, RD 1, conceived the idea for the marker at the Greyhound Post House and tool up the matter with the company nine months ago. The company delegated to Mr. Schlupp responsibility of the designing, manufacturing and erecting of the plaque. It was placed on the post house wall April 7. Equipment and labor for putting up the plaque was donated by the Home Equipment Co.





The year 1963 saw the beginning of the fifteenth church in the community. This new church organization which was formed was called the Baptist Chapel Mission.

The group first met in the Powell Building on West State Street. In 1965 it was incorporated and moved to the Leading Building on Main Street. (This is presently Dr. Schrickel's Office). At that time the name we know the church by today "Valley View Baptist Church" was also changed from the Baptist Chapel Mission.

In 1967, the Greyhound Post House became available and the congregation decided to purchase this building. This church is located on Pilling Street just south of the Route 258 viaduct.

The building has had some remodeling done and the congregation has enlarged over the years. The first pastor was Reverend Jimmy Robbins, who has since started another church in Port Washington, Ohio.

The present minister is Reverend Leslie Hicks.



School. Greyhound Post House closed in New-

comerstown after 26 years.

Trojans win second consecutive contest, defeating Zanesville Rosecrans 25-8,

Community Improvement Corp. of Newcomerstown retained officers William Ourant, Richard Roe, Robert Zimmer and B.K. Castle.

Married: Olive Belle Craigo and Jonathan K. Wilkin; Janet R. Purkey and Willam B. Starkey; Anna Faye Oakley and Carl R. McMullen.

Deaths: F. Bruce Wallace, 49, owner of WTNS Radio and former publisher of the Coshocton Tribune; Mrs. Cora J. Lippincott, 90.

Pilling St.