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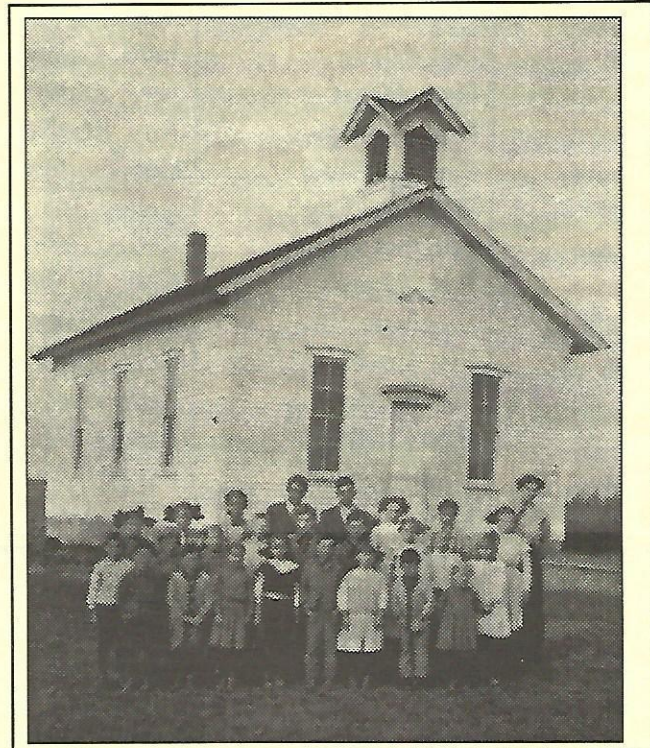
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## NEWSLETTER

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### Olive Center School - 1912

#### District No. 1

#### Olive Township, Clinton Co., Michigan

#### Pearl M. Bixby, Teacher

**Students: Addie Sperry, Marion Ward, Ernest Wallace, Zelma Taylor, Helen Barnes, Ernest Knapp, Bernice Hettler, Blanche Hettler, Alton Taylor, Clifford Mees, Floyd Ward, Clifford Wallace, Roy Harper, Clarence Davis, Dorothy Klaver, Lucile Sauvageot, Clyde Lapham, Violet Rose, Howard Sperry, Clarence Klaver, Noble Sperry, Lydia Klaver, Bertha Hiner, Oscar Mees, William Davis, Glenn Harper, Johnnie Klaver, Kenneth Hammond, Frankie Huguelet, Charles Mees, Clifford Lamberson, Gertrude Baker, Nettie Sperry, Jessie Rose, Neva Hettler, Hazel Treadwell, Glenn White, Mable Klaver, Florence Klaver, Gertrude Brya, Charlie Clark, Ivah Treadwell, Russel Rose, Carl Hammond, Myron Howe & Irene Walker.**

**A. Lapham, Director,**

**Wm Treadwell, Moderator,**

**J.B. Howe, Assessor.**

(Students listed are from school enrollment. All students are not pictured)

## Roll of Honor

### A list of Pupils Who Have Neither Been Absent nor Tardy During the Term Ending March 24, 1893

*St. Johns News* - March 28, 1893

submitted by Tom Thiel

Adams, Linda	DeWitt, Lucile	Hilliker, Roy	Moss, Will	Shulters, Edith
Ash, Ethel	Dodge, Earl	Holton, George	Nickolson, August	Shulters, Louis
Baines, Frank	Dutcher, Ford	Hornung, Fred	Nickolson, John	Shulters, Will
Baines, Wesley	Dutton, Ross	Horton, Grace	Norton, Fane	Simonson, Ward R.
Baldwin, George	Emmons, Claud	Hull, Raymond	Osgood, Clarence	Skuse, Mable
Baldwin, Ralph	Emmons, Grace	Jamison, Paul	Oleson, Flora	Smith, Fred
Ball, Norena	Fell, Glenn	Judd, Georgie	Oleson, Mary	Smith, Robbie
Baylis, Edd	Finn, Floyd	Jury, Arthur	Padley, Harry	Snow, Mable
Bingham, Floyd	Fisk, George	Jury, Stanlake	Padley, Irving	Squair, Harry
Bingham, Pearl	Fleagle, Ella	Keeney, Florence	Palmer, Barney	Steel, Glen
Bingham, Maud	Fortress, Ray	Kelley, Ina	Parker, Grace	Stephenson, M.
Blizzard, Grace	Fortress, Rita	Kelley, Jay	Patterson, Ambra	Stocker, Julia S
Bradner, Curtie	Fox, Charlie	Kellogg, Gertie	Patterson, Chas.	Stowell, Loah
Branch, Edwin	Freeman, Ray	Kelly, Effie	Peca, Lena	Sturgis, Adah
Brown, Bula	Fry, Lucia	Kelly, Elva	Pepple, Emma	Sturgis, Iva
Buck, Ethel	Fuller, Mary	Kimmond, Alex	Pepple, LuBelle	Talmadge, Elsw.
Buck, Frank	Fynn, Gertie	Knapp, Ella	Pouch, Henry	Thomas, Bertha
Butler, Frank	Gibbs, Carrie	Krepps, Loa	Powell, Andrew	Todd, Pearl
Campbell, Burke	Gibbs, Grace	Lake, Maud	Pruden, Innes	Tripp, May
Carr, Earnest	Gibbs, Paulde	Latting, Raymond	Pruden, Smith	Valentine, Frank
Casteel, Lizzie	Gilson, Clara	LeBaron, Clyde	Pulfrey, Bessy	Vansickle, Carl
Castle, Earl	Gilson, Lewis	Lewis, Carrie	Pulfrey, Gertrude	Vredenburg, Warn.
Chapin, Leora	Gilson, Pearl	Livingston, Eug.	Putman, Cora	Walker, Minnie
Church, Cora	Green, John	Lusk, Emma	Putnam, Rozelia	Walsworth, Harry
Clark, Bertie	Haines, Birdie	Lusk, Isaac	Reynolds, Eugene	Wandel, Nora
Clark, Hattie	Hamilton, Lulu	Lyon, Adelaide	Richardson, Geo.	Washburn, Loui
Clark, Nina	Hammond, Kittie	Lyon, Harry	Richmond, Willie	Watkin, Jay
Clavey, Lena	Harper, Jay	Mallery, Edith	Root, Nelson	Watson, Frank
Clavey, Maud	Harris, Anna	Malthouse, Alice	Rummel, Wright	Westbrook, Nina
Cline, Mary	Harris, Floyd	Malthouse, Ina	Sage, Floyd	Wheat, Eloise
Coleman, Alena	Harris, Louis	Malthouse, Maud	Sage, May	Wheat, Leon
Coleman, George	Harris, Willie	Marsh, Max	Scott, Harry	Wheeler, Ida
Cone, Guy	Hart, Hollie	Marsh, Mildred	Seibert, Amelia	Wheeler, Willie
Cone, Ray	Haynes, Sanford	Martin, Ida	Seifert, Mary	Whetstone, Mary
Cone, Vera	Henderson, Agnes	McCabe, Byron	Shaffer, Ida	Williams, Harry
Cowles, Austin	Henderson, Bessie	McFarlan, Katie	Shaw, Carl	Wilson, Artie
Davis, Glenn	Henderson, Glenn	McQuiston, Oliver	Sherman, Charlie	Winslow, Fred
Davis, James	Henderson, Ina	Merrill, Oliver	Shields, Cath.	Winston, Glen
Davis, Luella	Henderson, Louie	Miller, Myrtle	Shindorf, Martha	Winston, Nina
DeClaire, Harry	Henderson, Roy	Moris, Asa	Shreve, Charley	Woodruff, Sadie
DeGursa, Edith	Hilliker, Arthur	Mosher, Willie	Shreve, Vernie	Wyckoff, Jennie

## **DOUGLAS CLARE HUGGETT**

Douglas Clare Huggett has been accepted into the National Soc. of the Sons of the American Revolution (NSSAR) and has furnished a copy of his application for the archives files. Mr. Huggett stresses that the information on his application could be used to apply for membership in the NSSAR by many Clinton Co. residents who are also descendants of **Silas Halsey, Jr.** He was a surgeon in Hospital Co. of the Suffolk Co. Militia, 1st Reg. of Minute Men from NY. Those with the following surnames and their descendants probably are eligible: **Waidelich, Spayde, Haagen, Huggett, Gerberich, and Cheney.**

Mr. Huggett suggests, "For a complete view of the Halseys, use the Internet to find Halsey Family Resources Page. This includes most of the Clinton County Halseys. This is also connected to other Clinton County genealogy. Look up personal web page."

## **DANIEL HANDY SON OF THE UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR**

On Veterans Day, November 11, 2001, the Sons of the Union Veterans of the Civil War will hold a ceremony at the gavesite of Daniel G. Handy, a veteran of the Civil War. He is buried in a previously unmarked grave in Beach Cemetery in Essex Township. He served as a Private in Co. G, 5th MI Calvary Volunteers. Through the efforts of Betty Driscoll and the Cemetery Restoration Project and the SUVCW a government issued headstone will be placed in his honor.

A Ceremony will be held at 11:00 a.m. On November 11 in keeping with the Armistice of 11th month, 11th day, 11th hour. The public is welcome to attend this moving ceremony.

## **TRIPP FAMILY**

Time has wrought some changes since **J.H. Tripp** arrived in Greenbush Twp., some 64 years ago. Mr. Tripp was a lad of 13 years when he came with his parents, **Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Tripp**, from Pennsylvania, the trip being made in a covered wagon. Mr. Tripp served two years in the Civil War.

In 1868, he was married to **Alice Mills**, daughter of **Jason Mills**, of Greenbush. For a number of years, Mr. and Mrs. Tripp have lived on the Ovid-Elsie Road, 1 1/2 miles north of Ovid. They had two daughters--one having died; the other living in Detroit. There are five grandchildren and nine great grandchildren, and at one time there were five generations living.

Mr. Tripp tells an interesting bear story, the scene laid in the early days in Greenbush. It seems that a bear was known to be in a certain piece of woods and young Tripp was prevailed upon by two older men with guns to go into the woods and chase the bear out that they might kill the animal. J. H. says he did as directed, and that after crawling through the thick underbrush, he found the bear all right. As bruin emerged from the woods, both hunters fired at the same time and each claimed he had fired the fatal shot. The matter was finally amicably adjusted and J. H. came in for his share.

Mrs. Tripp said she too had a bear story to tell. It happened in Greenbush when Mrs. Tripp was a young girl. She was searching in the nearby woods for hens' nests when she heard a man's voice say, "Run! Run!" Without hesitating, she did as directed, not looking back until she was climbing the fence in front of her home. What was her surprise to see a big bear coming directly after her and but a few yards away. The man who had called to her then raised his gun and shot the animal. Mr. Tripp is now in his 78<sup>th</sup> year, while Mrs. Tripp

is in her 74th year. In the main they are enjoying good health, spending the summers on their farm and the winters with their daughter in Detroit. They have many friends who wish them many more years of health and happiness. *The Clinton Republican*; 30 Sep 1920

**EDWIN TRIPP**, a respected pioneer of Greenbush, died of inflammation of the lungs last Friday, after a week's illness, aged 70 years. He came to Greenbush from Ohio 30 years ago and had a large acquaintance here, having followed the business of threshing for the past 20 years. He leaves a wife well provided for and six children: Mrs. **David L. Eaegle**, Mrs. **Irene N. Eaegle**, Mrs. **Wesley Carter**, **W. B. Tripp**, and **Edwin A. Tripp**, all of Greenbush, and **John H. Tripp** of Ashley. Mr. Tripp was not a member of any church but believed in and practiced the highest religion: honesty, morality, temperance, and kindness. *The Clinton Republican*; 26 Jan 1888.

**MRS MARGARET J. TRIPP** died at her home in Greenbush of stricture of the bowels, Dec. 29, 1892, aged 70y 5 m 7 d. Deceased was born in Columbiana Co., OH, is the mother of seven children, six surviving her: **John H. Tripp** of Flushing, MI; **Walter B. Tripp**; **Carrie E.**, wife of **D. L. Eaegle**; **Margaret E.**, wife of **I. N. Eaegle**; **Edwin A. Tripp**; and **Irene M. Carter**, widow of **C.W. Carter** (deceased)-- all of Greenbush. The children were all privileged to be with her during her last illness. Her husband passed to the other side about five years ago. They suffered the hardships of pioneer life, emigrating from Ohio in 1835.

The funeral was held at the late residence, the Rev. A. Ostroth, pastor of the E.V. Church, officiating. In the 1843

she embraced religion and joined the Disciple Church of which she was still a member. The cares of home and family were characteristic of her life, always trying to make home pleasant. Truly it can be said of her, "She has ceased from her labors and her works do follow her." D.L.D.

## **CHARITY (DEAN) MILLARD**

*The Clinton Republican*; 18 Sep 1913

Few people in Gratiot or Clinton counties know that we have in our midst a lady, Mrs. **Charity Millard**, who on Sept. 10 passed her 98<sup>th</sup> birthday. Mrs. Millard is residing with her daughter, Mrs. **Lovina Winans**, at the center of Fulton Twp., her husband, Mr. **John A. Millard**, having died 28 years ago, just one year after they had celebrated their golden wedding. Mrs. Millard came from Yates Co., NY, to the farm which she still owns in East Plains Twp., of Lebanon, Clinton Co., MI, in 1837.

About this time the tide of immigration was flowing toward Michigan, the great west of that day. Elated with the glowing report, borne upon every breeze, of golden opportunities to amass wealth, or at least to secure comfortable homes, Mr. Millard decided to cast his lot with the new settlers of Michigan and in the year, 1837, he started with his wife and two children, one a babe a few weeks old, for their distant home.

It took six weeks to accomplish this journey, coming all the way with teams by the way of Canada. Arriving at Detroit, the hardships of the adventurers were just begun. It was not a pleasure trip in those days to come from Detroit to East Plains. Much of the way a road had to be chopped and cleared in advance of the teams, and as settlements were few and

far between, they slept more than once in the forest with only the blue vault of heaven above them, reserving the canvas shelter of their wagons for the women and children of their party.

After six weeks of weary travel they arrived at their destination July 6, 1837, and soon the log house was reared to shelter the family and active pioneer life began, stimulated by the prospective farm in the future, redeemed from the unbroken wilderness spreading out so grandly around them.

The Indians, so numerous in that day, were near neighbors and attracted by Mr. Millard's skill as a musician, they named him Ta-wa-gum (their name for a drummer), by which he was always known to them. He made them his friends by the kindness of heart he manifested for them, and even when Mr. Millard died a few that had remembered him all these years came to the house as he lay a corpse and went away weeping his loss.

Mr. Millard and wife endured the hardships incident to the life of the early settlers and they were not few or easy to be borne. Very different their experiences from that of the new settlers of today. When provisions became scarce, no well laden train of cars came rushing on to the rescue bearing the supplies needed, but a weary drive to Detroit or Grand Rapids must be accomplished to purchase the food to sustain life until land was cleared, crops raised, and the needful supply produced. At one time provisions became so scarce that **Moses Dean**, father of Mrs. Millard, went to Grand Rapids and paid \$40 in gold for one barrel of pork and \$100 in gold for three barrels of flour, which he divided between his two sons-in-law, **John Vance** and John A. Millard.

Those were times that tried men's souls and required heroic fortitude to

endure. But by patient persevering industry, these hardships became things of the past. The wilderness was made to blossom as the rose, beautiful farms covered the expanse where once the wild beast and the red man held undisputed sway.

After a few years the log house gave place to a more comfortable structure where they lived until his death and she still resided until about eight years ago when she came to live with her youngest child, Mrs. Lovina Winans.

Mrs. Millard possesses a strong mind and is able to be about the house most of the time aided by her cane. Her stories of early adventures are very interesting. She was remembered on her birthday by her many friends and neighbors who showered her with post cards.

## HENRY MARTYN LYON FAMILY

edited from essay dated 24 Oct 1969 and probably written by **Cyril Don Lyon**  
Clinton Co. Born \_\_\_\_\_

### Died

**Henry Martyn Lyon**

6 Jun 1854 |25 Feb 1942 Homestead, FL

**Cora Ellen (Dimon) Lyon**

29 May 1868 |13 Sep 1942 Homestead, FL

**Irving J. Lyon**

14 Mar 1891

**Alta Maud Lyon**

8 Apr 1897 |1898

**Virgil Dimon Lyon**

16 May 1898

**Harold Berton Lyon**

8 Jul 1900

**Cyril Don Lyon**

19 Jul 1902

The above names are the family of **Henry Martyn Lyon**, youngest son of **Hervey Sr.** and **Elizabeth Jane Lyon**. Henry married the second time. His first wife was **Clara**

**Wright** who died at childbirth of their third child. They were married in Clinton Co., MI. A boy and two girls were born to the couple. The boy, **George**, and his sister, **Clara**, died in their infant years. **Rose Alice Lyon** was born 25 Feb 1885 and died at Homestead, FL, 11 Jul 1922. She was a graduate TB nurse of Michigan Howell Sanitarium.

**Hervey Lyon, Sr.**, and his wife, **Elizabeth**, were born in New Jersey in or near the town then called Elizabethtown. All of the children but Henry were born in New Jersey. Henry was born in Michigan, the family having migrated there in the early 1850's.

In 1890 Henry married **Cora Ellen Dimon** of Maple Rapids. A better mother never lived. She was a devoted Christian woman. To this union were born one girl and four boys. The girl died about one year of age. In 1906, leaving their farm in Clinton Co., they moved to Stanton where they remained till the First World War. They moved to Homestead, FL, in 1919.

Henry's father was a shoemaker all of his life. His mother learned the tailoring trade while real young. For years she made all of the family's clothing including all of the suits for her boys and husband.

As Henry grew up he became interested in setting out a peach orchard which eventually covered almost the entire farm. The peach orchard flourished during the 1890's and barely into the 1900's when it was wiped out in about 1904, when for weeks the temperature dropped to way below zero with no snow for protection for the root systems of the trees. Not one tree blossomed the next spring. The hard work of years was gone.

Upon arriving at Homestead, Nov. 20, 1919, the family soon erected a home on Longview Road. It was there Mr. Lyon

continued his experiments in fruits, mostly trying to introduce fruit from the northern climate. After some years, about 1924, he developed a prolific blackberry by hand pollination. Often twelve berries equaled the length of a foot rule. The berries are still grown in South Dade Co.

The four sons had already formed a quartet known as "Lyon Brothers Quartet." They continued to sing together for over 45 years. Besides appearing as professionals at fairs and celebrations in the northern states, they appeared all summer in Florida Hall at the Chicago World's Fair in 1934 as special entertainment representing the Redland Chamber of Commerce of South Dade Co.

On Thanksgiving Day, 1952, **Irving Lyon** married **Mrs. Nina Hazzard** of Pen Yan, NY. She died 21 Aug 1965 in Hendersonville, NC, where they were spending the summer at their mountain home. They had no children. Irving retired several years ago after having served many years as chief building inspector for the city of Homestead, FL. On 19 Nov 1966, Irving married **Mrs. Betty Kelley** of Los Angeles, CA. She has five sons, each holding a job or position of high rank.

On 12 Feb 1938, **Virgil Lyon** married **Ella M. Ward** of Williamsburg Co., SC. She graduated from Roper Hospital of Nursing in Charleston, SC. In a few years she completed a 2-year, post graduate course at Johns-Hopkins. In 1944, by a court order, they were given custody of Mrs. Lyon's sister's two children a boy, **Ronald**, and a girl, **Sarah Elizabeth "Betty."** Ronald was born 1 Aug 1944, and Betty was born 17 Nov 1940. Ronald served three years in the U.S. Army of which one year was spent in Korea. Upon completion of service, he

joined the Lansing, MI, police force. He has served 2 1/2 years with that organization.

On 9 Jan 1966 Ronald married **Miss Adella Schoals**, daughter of **Miles** and **Dorothy Schoals** of rural DeWitt, MI. Their son is **Timothy Scott Lyon**, born 13 Dec 1967. A daughter, **Annette Marie**, was born 13 Jun 1969. On 12 Feb 1959 Betty married **Lawrence "Gene" Wight** of Crystal, MI. He is a water and construction engineer for the Layne Northern Co. They have offices throughout the U.S. Betty and Gene have a girl, **Brenda**, and two boys, **Michael** and **Stephen**.

**Harold Lyon** spent nearly fifty years as a watch repairman in Homestead. At the young age of fifteen he was out on the road as a professional musician, making his own living. As a hobby he took up amateur radio. When the Japs bombed Pearl Harbor 7 Dec 1941 he was tuned in on another ham operator at Pearl Harbor who was never identified. The operator paused when terrific explosions were heard coming over the radio. Upon his return to the microphone he excitedly exclaimed, "It's the real thing. The Japs are over our ships and bombing them right now." In exactly 45 minutes the official announcement from Washington D.C. was made over commercial radio stations. The Pearl Harbor operator was never heard on the air again. Harold never married.

**Cyril Don Lyon** has always been known as "**Don**." He owns a men's and boys' wear store in Homestead. His hobby is magic. He has appeared many times as a professional. He is a member of IBM, International Brotherhood of Magicians. He is first tenor of the quartet and a member of the choir at the First Presbyterian Church of Homestead. Don never married.

Note: The archives holds an extensive collection of photographs of this family.

## **JULIA A. (NETHAWAY) LITCHFIELD PRESTON**

Mrs. Julia Preston, the oldest resident of Elsie, can remember when the settlement, which later came to be known as Elsie, was one mile west of the present location. This old lady brings a personal and innate touch to a history that many have heard over and over again but which is all new to younger folks. She tells of coming to Craven's Mills with her parents at the age of six. That place was the original settlement on the waterway in that district and is now the mill pond. Later Mrs. Preston said that **J. D. Ackles**, whose place was one mile east became the center of gatherings; and as the mail, which had to be brought in from Pontiac, was distributed at his place under his influence the settlers moved to this spot and in 1857 platted the land and named the new village Elsie after one of the daughters of **Franklin Tillotson**.

However, Mrs. Preston says that the settlement was established for about 10 years before it was named Elsie and she remembers the times well as she was a young woman at the time. Mrs. Preston was born in 1844 in Medina Co., OH, town of Brunswick, and came to Duplain Twp. in 1850 with her parents. Her father was a Methodist minister. She began teaching at the age of 16 and continued in that profession until her marriage.

She was 22 years old when she married **Joseph Litchfield**, an Englishman who spent his summers working for a railroad in Ohio and his winters in this district clearing a farm which he had purchased. He took his new bride to Ohio with him that summer, but in the fall they returned to stay. He had his place east of the town of Elsie on Meridian line which was also known as the Chesaning Trail.

The trail was on a ridge through the swamps and covered with beach, maple, and pine timber, and had been the path for Indians on their way to Chesaning. When the young couple returned to their home which was a log cabin, they stayed to make a living out of timber and farming. To them were born three children: **Ebenezer**, in 1867, who now resides in Elsie; **Henry** in 1873, with whom she now makes her home in Elsie; and a daughter **Adella** in 1876. The daughter died that same year.

In 1887 she accompanied her husband to England for a visit with his sister who had been married and had remained there at the time his parents came to the United States. Shortly after their return in 1888, Mr. Litchfield died and in 1892 she married **Charles Preston**. No children were born to this union.

Mrs. Preston has a keen mind in spite of her 92 years and can well remember the wild country to which her parents brought her at the age of six. Clinton Co. and this whole section of Michigan was long overlooked by settlers because of the swamps and marshes, dense timber, and Indians. All these things Mrs. Preston remembers from her girlhood and she tells a story of her girlhood when she was so frightened it stuck in her memory until this day. In those days the dampness of the country caused a great amount of ague or chills and fever and her oldest brother was badly taken with it one day when her parents had gone to the store. Only the children were in the house and as they lived close to the road many Indians passed. Her brother, stricken with the fever, imagined he saw an Indian lurking behind a tree in front of the cabin with a

gun. He became so excited and made so much of it that all the children were nearly frightened out of their wits. He took his father's gun and would have shot at the Indian but could not keep his eye on the fellow long enough. There was no Indian, but when their parents returned they found a group of very frightened children and a boy sick with the ague.

Another incident she tells of concerning the Indians indicates how peaceable they were. If a passing family of Indians came to the house, the brave would send his squaw ahead and knowing that he would be apt to frighten the family he always stuck his hatchet in a stump quite a distance from the house and slowly followed his squaw to get the food or water they desired.

Mrs. Preston can remember the first settlement and how the people took their grain to the mill at Pontiac and brought all their supplies from there also. However, she says it was only about a year before a mill was built and the long trip to Pontiac was no longer necessary to have flour and grist ground. She can remember the slow development of the community which remained mostly farms until the railroad came to change it all. Now she bridges the time of pioneers with our period when automobiles, telephones, radios, and electricity have so changed the conditions of living that we of this time cannot imagine the work and struggles of those early ancestors who built this section.

Mrs. Julia Preston (photo and caption) Unable to walk for the past four years, this grand old lady moves about home in Elsie in a wheel chair and dreams of the days when the family had to go to Pontiac for flour and supplies. *Clinton Co. Republican News*, 9 Apr 1936.



## QUERIES

- Submitted by **Richard B. Brown**, 13250 Miami St., Omaha, NE 68164  
dickbrown@tconl.com : Requesting obituary and biographical information on parents of Timothy Sargent; b 11 Nov 1794; d Nov 1858 in MI, bur Oak Ridge Cem; m to Susan. Is he son of Timothy Sargent b Amesbury, MA, 10 Feb 1764?  
Submitted by **Elizabeth Oatley**, 185 Chute Rd., Windham, ME 04062:  
Seeking info on **Vredenburg, Spicer, Oliver, or Olmsted** who may be connected to **Mary Oliver Spicer Vredenburg**.

### Archives Moved to New Room - We know how the pyramids were built!

Between June 11 and June 22 the contents of the archives were moved to a room at the west end of the building now called the DeWitt Township Community Building. This is the same building which we have long occupied and which is presently undergoing major renovation. It was formerly the office of DeWitt Charter Twp.

To accomplish this move various crews worked to transfer and assemble shelving and files; then lifted, carried and reorganizing their contents until the job was done. Those people were: Mary Lou Courtland, Jan Dunn, Carole Henry, Becky Idzkowski, Jerry Post, Bill & Jean Serviss, Rowlan Smith, Kim Sperry, Tom Thiel, Neil & Myrna Van Epps, and the DeWitt Twp. maintenance staff.

Michael Pease devised a room arrangement plan. The men installed enough wall shelving units to make it possible to shelve all of the large tax roll books and the newspapers. Bill Serviss made the electrical connections convenient. He installed the computer equipment and photocopier. Tom Thiel hung pictures and

maps. Tom Thiel and Bill Serviss covered the holes which were left in the floor after the removal of communication cables. The building maintenance staff removed a wall and other unnecessary structural items. Carole Henry was able to visualize the best placement for some of the storage components. DeWitt Twp. officials allowed us to utilize storage units they no longer required. The volunteers remained cooperative and congenial even when locations were "adjusted" one more time.

The job was immense--labor intensive, hot, dirty!

The archives staff is extremely grateful for the generous, willing help, (much of which is not detailed here). THANK YOU to everyone who contributed advise, equipment, time and effort in any way.

We are grateful also to the DeWitt Twp. officials who thought the archives was important enough to occupy a room in their renovated building and who kept us well informed of demolition and building plans so that we could move in the least disruptive manner.

Although we will continue to adjust the storage trying to organize our facility conveniently and logically, the archives room is currently functional.

### 1880 US Census

Tom and Netta Thiel have given the archives the **1880 U.S. Census and Index**, published by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 2001, on 48 CD's. Researchers using this computer resource are able to search for and print out census records very efficiently.

Date September 10, 2001  
 Name Mrs. Carol Henry  
 Address 116 Amor Ln.  
 City Saint Johns, MI 48879 n as  
 Per on chart No.  
 No.



b. Date of Birth  
 p.b. Place of Birth  
 m. Date of Marriage  
 d. Date of Death  
 p.d. Place of Death

2 Willis M Salisbury  
 b. December 30, 1887  
 p.b. Ferris Twp Mont Co  
 m. November 25, 1911  
 d. February 19, 1955  
 p.d. Fowler, Mi

1 Howard F Salisbury  
 b. February 18, 1919  
 p.b. Clinton Co Mi  
 m. March 1, 1941  
 d. Warengo, Mi  
 p.d. September 2, 1998  
 St Johns, Mi

3 Effie Mar Falor  
 b. August 26, 1892  
 p.b. Clinton Co Mi  
 d. July 8, 1960  
 p.d. St Johns, Mi  
 (Husband or Wife of No. 1)

Pedigree Chart No. ....

4 Hoyt Palmer Salisbury  
 (Father of No. 1)  
 b. June 11, 1854  
 p.b. Fowler, Mi  
 m. August 30, 1874  
 d. February 17, 1920  
 p.d. Stanton, Mi

5 Susan Wilmina Burch  
 b. September 13, 1856  
 p.b. New Haven, Grat, Mi  
 d. December 3, 1928  
 p.d. Stanton, Mi

6 Alexander Falor  
 (Father of No. 26)  
 b. September 26, 1858  
 p.b. Akron, Summit Co, Ohio  
 m. April 7, 1882  
 d. March 16, 1929  
 p.d. Leb, Clinton Co Mi

7 Martha O Smith  
 (Mother of No. 22)  
 b. January 22, 1857  
 p.b. Olive, Clin Co Mi  
 d. May 16, 1900  
 p.d. Leb, Clint Co Mi

16 Garner Salisbury Sr  
 (Father of No. 8)  
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8 Garner Salisbury Jr  
 (Father of No. 16)  
 b. May 1815  
 p.b. Marlborough Vt  
 m. August 4, 1833  
 d. December 25, 1888  
 p.d. Fowler, Mi

9 Julia Ann Portman  
 (Mother of No. 9)  
 b. February 17, 1817  
 p.b. Chat Co New York  
 d. November 22, 1905  
 p.d. Fowler, Mi

10 Eli Burch  
 (Father of No. 5)  
 b. 1821  
 p.b. Wayne, NY  
 m. February 1, 1872  
 d. Feb Twp Clint Co Mi  
 p.d. Mary Jane Phillips  
 (Mother of No. 5)

11 Susan Wilmina Burch  
 (Mother of No. 11)  
 b. October 10, 1862  
 p.b. Clinton Co, Mi  
 d. George W Falor  
 (Father of No. 6)

12 Alexander Falor  
 (Father of No. 26)  
 b. September 26, 1858  
 p.b. Akron, Summit Co, Ohio  
 m. April 7, 1882  
 d. March 16, 1929  
 p.d. Leb, Clinton Co Mi

13 Alexander Falor  
 (Father of No. 26)  
 b. September 26, 1858  
 p.b. Akron, Summit Co, Ohio  
 m. April 7, 1882  
 d. March 16, 1929  
 p.d. Leb, Clinton Co Mi

14 Martha O Smith  
 (Mother of No. 22)  
 b. January 22, 1857  
 p.b. Olive, Clin Co Mi  
 d. May 16, 1900  
 p.d. Leb, Clint Co Mi

15 Mary Jane Van Dyke  
 (Mother of No. 7)  
 b. Dec 23, 1853  
 m. April 18, 1894  
 d. DeWill, Mi  
 p.d. Mary Jane Van Dyke  
 (Mother of No. 7)

17 Huldah Newton  
 (Mother of No. 8)  
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16 Garner Salisbury Sr  
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18 James Portman  
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19 Lucy Gilson  
 (Mother of No. 9)  
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20 Eli Burch  
 (Father of No. 10)  
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21 Susan Wilmina Burch  
 (Mother of No. 11)  
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 (Father of No. 12)  
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- ◆ *The Canady/McCormick Families and Their Ancestors*; by Lois (Canady) Hupfer.
- ◆ *Rademacher Ancestors*, by Miriam Miller.
- ◆ *Gruesbeck Family History*, by Richard J. Gruesbeck.
- ◆ *The Kelch/Steinle Genealogy; Moody & Other Family Tales*, by Barbara K. Toy.
- ◆ Property tax receipts of Charles Rockwell and Clare & Waunita Hardman of Olive Twp., 1857-1954.
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- ◆ *Maple Leaves*, Maple Rapids High School annual, 1937.
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- ◆ *National Genealogical Soc. Quarterly*; 1983-1993.
- ◆ *New England Historical & Gen. Register*; 1978-1996.
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- ◆ *Naugatuck, CT, Congregational Church Records, 1781-1901*; 1987.
- ◆ Springer genealogy, 1909.
- ◆ Jessup family research.
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- ◆ LDS Family Registry on microfiche, 1992 edition.
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