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SLATE OF OFFICERS ANNOUNCED

Mary K. Meyer, Acting Chairperson of the Nominating Committee, has announced the following slate of officers for consideration at the October 5, 1985, meeting of MAGS:

President:

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Nancy Mossburg (Leesburg, VA)

V. Pres. (Program):

Mary K. Meyer (Ellicott City, MD)

Rec. Secretary:

Ardyce E. Harrison (Bethesda, MD)

Corr. Secretary:

Phyllis Lott (Ellicott City, MD)

The election of officers will take place on Oct. 5, 1985, at the Fall meeting in Towson. Nominations from MAGS members will be accepted from the floor or by mail in advance of the meeting. Such nominations should be mailed to Mary K. Meyer, 5179 Perry Rd., Mt. Airy, MD 21771. (Mrs. Meyer will have moved to that address by late spring or early summer.)

The Committee does ask that you secure the permission of your nominee before you make the nomination.

IN THE FUTURE. . . .

Program Chairperson Mary K. Meyer has announced an exciting schedule of future programs for the Society.

The Spring 1985 meeting which will feature Mark Schwalm, will be held at the Holiday Inn, 10000 Baltimore Blvd., College Park, MD, April 27, 1985. Mr. Schwalm will speak on "The Hessians: who were they; where did they originate; and when did they appear in America," and "Authenticating a Hessian Ancestor."

Hessians are a much misunderstood group. Many of us have Hessian ancestors but fail to recognize or identify them simply because we fail to think, "Hessian." The spring meeting is a marvelous opportunity to learn from the founder of the Johannes Schwalm Society about the background of this not so uncommon group in America.

The Fall 1985 meeting will be held at the Quality Court Inn in Towson, MD, Oct. 5, 1985. (You may remember we had our meeting there two years ago.) Dr. Don Yoder from the University of Pennsylvania will be the featured speaker. Dr. Yoder is the author of numerous books and is well known for his translations of articles from German publications. Dr. Yoder is a frequent traveler to Germany and has done a great deal of research there identifying German ancestors of Americans. His subjects will be: "Origin and development of Pennsylvania German family names," and "Genealogical sources available from church registers, civil and personal documents."

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Our Corresponding Secretary, Paula Busick, resigned the first of January. The press of personal business became so great that she could not do justice to the job. One of those reasons was her recent marriage. We wish her all the happiness possible. In recent months, Paula fell into arrears regarding some of the correspondence which was sent to her. She turned everything over to me in the hopes it would receive the attention necessary. Either Anne Tenny or I will have answered all of the inquiries made to Paula's office regarding research, by the middle of February. Other items directed to her of smaller import, will have been taken care of before you receive this newsletter. If any member has written to Paula, but has not received an answer to their letter, please direct a letter to me so that I can clear whatever is necessary without having to place the burden on our interim Corresponding Secretary, Phyllis Lott of Ellicott City, MD. Phyllis has agreed to fill the post on an interim basis and to stand for nomination at the April meeting in College Park for the next two-year term. Please direct all correspondence concerning the Corresponding Secretary to Ms. Phyllis Lott, 12111 Mt. Albert Road, Ellicott City, MD 21043.

The Constitution Committee has been working over the past several months to revise and up-date the document to better serve the Society's needs. The committee is now reviewing many ideas to provide an instrument with which to serve our needs far into the future. The original document although well drawn, did not contain adequate and proper means for the officers to carry on business in the best manner. The new instrument should satisfy these needs. Copies of the revised document should be in the hands of the members for their review and voting sometime within the next several months. At the Fall

meeting in Towson, we shall vote to approve the new Constitution, wherein the votes by mail will be cast by the Chairman of the committee.

IN THE FUTURE. . . . (cont'd)

In the spring of 1986, we have a great treat in store for all our members and friends. Our meeting will be held at the New Windsor Service Center near New Windsor, MD, May 24, 1986. The Service Center is operated by the Church of the Brethren as an Interchurch Medical Assistance Program and an inter-faith collection point for clothing from the eastern portion of the United States for distribution to the needy throughout the world.

The Service Center is located on the 26-acre former campus of the Blue Ridge College in Carroll County, MD. Overnight accommodations are available (single occup., \$38.25; double occup., \$28.25 ea., including three meals and coffee/tea!) At those prices, why not arrive early and make a weekend of it? Get acquainted with the Brethren and with Carroll County, home of many of our German ancestors. The speaker has yet to be announced, but Mrs. Meyer plans for someone worthy of the Service Center.

Mrs. Meyer has also arranged a special event for MAGS and non-MAGS members. John Heisey, well known columnist for the Tri-State Trader, will conduct a day-long workshop in his speciality, 17th- and 18th-century German script for genealogists.

The workshop will be held at the Rockland Arts Center, 8510 High Ridge Rd., Ellicott City, MD, Sat., May 18, 1985. The Arts Center, located three blocks off U.S. Rt. 40 West, is easily accessible from Baltimore City, Frederick, and the D.C. areas and has an abundance of free parking.

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There will be a charge of \$20.00 per person for registration. We must have an enrollment of 10 participants to enable us to hold the workshop but enrollment will be limited to 35. Tea and coffee will be served. Lunch by "brown bag" or local restaurants.

Reservations may be made by contacting Phyllis Lott, 12111 Mt. Albert Rd., Ellicott City, MD 21043 (301-988-9268). Deadline for reservation is May 1, 1985. A good time to make your reservation would be at the April 27th meeting in College Park. A reservation desk will be available at that time.

"I KNOW IT'S HERE SOMEWHERE. . . ."

Do you know the name of the village from which your ancestors came but can't find it on a map? Do you think you may have current relatives in Augsburg or Itzehoe? Are you looking for marriage records from Neuenberg, West Prussia? Don't despair!! John D. Bentz of the German Research Association in San Diego may be able to help you find that long-lost ancestor or that current cousin.

For little-known villages, send \$1.35 with all the information you have about the location of the village. If he finds it, he will send you a map with the village marked! If he doesn't he will refund your money! His batting average last year was 90 percent!

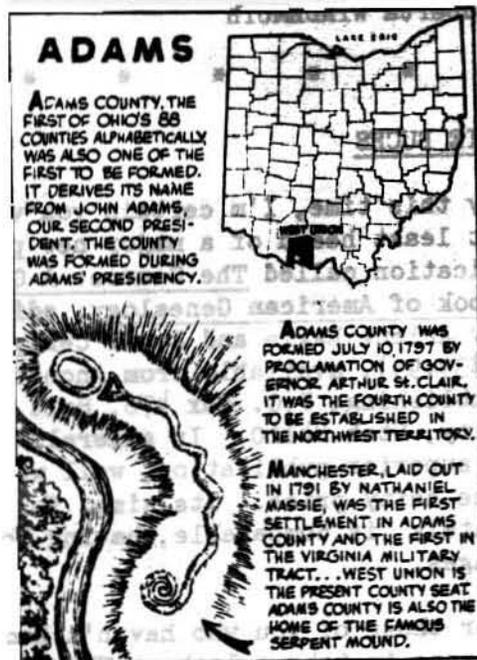
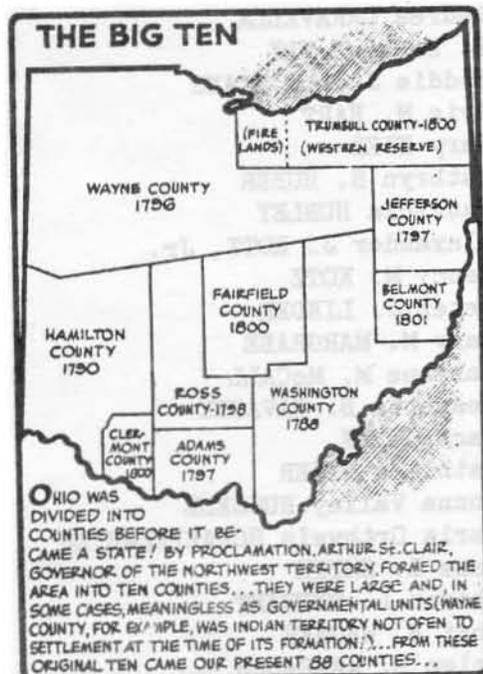
Mr. Bentz also has phone books for Augsburg and vicinity and for Itzehoe in Schleswig-Holstein. Send an SASE and an extra 22¢ stamp, and he will search the books and let you know if you've struck gold!

Mr. Bentz has also copied the surnames off the marriage records of Neuenberg, West Prussia (30 miles

south of Danzig, now Gdansk). There are almost 1800 names!! Send SASE with an extra 22¢ stamp! Submit as many names as you like! For any of the above inquiries mail to: John D. Bentz, Research Director, 13139 Old West Ave., San Diego, CA 92129.

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HOW OUR COUNTIES GOT THEIR NAMES
by Jim Baker



NEW MEMBERS

We welcome all our new members, and especially our first member from the state of Alaska, KARLA SCHAEFERMEYER.

Barbara A. ADT
Kathern ALLEMONG
Samuel M. ANDRUSKO
Dorothy BOWERSOX
Pamela J. BUNN
Annette K. BURGERT
Andrea CARAVELLA
E. Herbert EBY
Buddie Jacoby EVANS
Avis M. HART
Gary HIEL
Kathryn S. HUBER
Patricia HUBLEY
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Jack QUINN
Kathleen RIZER
Donna Valley RUSSELL
Karla Orthwein SCHAEFERMEYER
Anne L. SMITH
Sharon L. STEWART
Lori B. WAGNER
Helen L. WANBAUGH
Roberta WINDEMUTH

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DIE BUCHS

By this time, I'm certain you've at least heard of a major new publication called The Source: A Guidebook of American Genealogy, edited by Arlene Eakle and John Cerny (\$39.95), available from Ancestry Publishing, P.O. Box 476, Salt Lake City, Utah 84110. In general, it's a superior publication, well worth the hefty price. Its size, fortunately, is comparable, having 786 pages.

For those of you who haven't had a chance to take a look at The Source

and size it up for yourselves, let me say that, as MAGS members, you'll undoubtedly find portions of it to be of great interest and/or convenience. There's a very fine list of special collections that pertain especially to German immigrants to this country, in all time periods, and a good, but selective, introductory bibliography on the Germans. Unlike many of the other immigrant groups covered in this volume, the Germans are, justifiably and copiously, dealt with in other ways as well.

One of the very few criticisms that I can make about The Source is that there is, in general, a total lack of concern with providing a "good" listing of genealogical periodicals, current and non-current, specialized and non-specialized. Perhaps, that deficiency will be rectified in a future revision. And, I am sure that such a revision will be forthcoming. The Source, indeed, will be around as as an increasingly familiar reference work for some time to come.

HISTORICAL CALENDAR

JANUARY

15--1777, Settlers in New Hampshire tried to establish a new "republic" called New Connecticut.

26--1784, Benjamin Franklin expressed disapproval of the eagle as a national symbol.

31--1784, Robert Morris, financier, celebrated his 50th birthday.

FEBRUARY

3--1778, Washington wrote to Congress from Valley Forge requesting supplies.

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tion, write to Laurel Miller, 14A, 20th St., Reading, PA 10606.

14--1784, South Carolina Gazette advertised a two week passage to England.

28--1780, Russia proclaimed armed neutrality in the American Revolution.

MARCH

6---1784, Will's Almanac predicted a visible lunar eclipse.

23--1775, Daniel Boone set out from Fort Wautaga bound for the mouth of the Kentucky River.

25--1784, Congress considered a plan to create ten new states from the Western territory.

Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society is holding its 7th Annual Genealogy Conference March 30, 1985, at the Lancaster Mennonite High School. For more information, write Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society, David J. Rempel Smucker, 2215 Millstream Rd., Lancaster, PA 17602.

Pennsylvania Department of Transportation publishes maps of the counties of Pennsylvania which include small towns, streams, roads, cemeteries, churches, etc. The maps are 36 x 49 inches. For information on cost, write Pennsylvania Dept. of Transportation Publication Sales Store, P.O. Box 134, Middletown, PA 17057. Phone is 717-787-6746.

Meyer's Directory of Genealogical Societies in the U.S.A. and Canada (5th ed. 1984) has just been published. The directory tells which genealogical society services the area in which you are interested, what projects they are carrying on and what they can do for you. Lists which societies are interested in your contributions, articles, queries, family histories, Bible records, and cemetery records. Fifteen hundred genealogical societies in the U.S. and Canada with current addresses as well as 200 independent genealogical periodicals listed. Also lists those societies and periodicals which have ceased to exist. Order for \$19.00 + \$1.50 postage and handling (air mail, overseas, add \$4.00), Maryland residents include 5% state sales tax, from Libra Publications, Mary K. Meyer, Prop., 5179 Perry Rd., Mt. Airy, MD 21771.

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TIDBITS, MORSELS, AND CRUMBS

Want to place queries in German genealogical magazines? Write for information to Pauline Albers, P.O. Box 97, Barnhart, MO 63012. SASE please.

Pennsylvania German Research is sponsoring a tour to Austria, Germany, and Switzerland for the summer of 1985. A professional genealogist will assist tour members with research, and advance arrangements for research in Speyer, Kaiserslautern, Karlsruhe, Lucerne, Geneva, Vienna, Munich, and other cities as been arranged. For more information write to Carolyn B. Dryfoos, Pennsylvania German Research, Rt. 1, Sugarloaf, PA 18249.

Berks Co. Genealogical Society is also sponsoring a tour to Germany from June 21-July 7, 1985. "Option days" will be available for tour members to visit the cities of their ancestors. For more informa-

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*SPRING MEETING APRIL 27th, COLLEGE PARK*****
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SANDHILL CEMETERY CONTINUED

Last issue we gave you a brief history of the Sandhill Cemetery in Derry, PA. This issue we begin giving information on the tombstones at Sandhill.

Abbreviations:

- S - Son
 Dau - Daughter
 W - Wife
 Bu Pe - Date of Burial Permit
 Y - Year
 M - Month
 D - Day
 *-1 - Body moved to Fishburn's Cemetery
 *-2 - Bodies moved to Hummelstown Lutheran Cemetery
 ? - Not certain

<u>NAME</u>	<u>BORN</u>	<u>DIED</u>	<u>AGE</u>		
			<u>Y</u>	<u>M</u>	<u>D</u>
Bahl, David	Oct. 27, 1775	Feb. 17, 1798	22	3	19
Balin(Bahl), Catarina W. of Ludwig Bahl	Nov. 8, 1734	Sept. 24, 1795	60	10	14
Bahl, John Ludwig	1736	Nov. 3, 1789			
Bender, Elizabeth W. of Jacob	1768	Oct. 2, 1846			
Bechtel, Mary Ann W. of Solomon	Feb. 25, 1817	Nov. 22, 1878	61	8	27
Bechtel, Solomon	Sept. 4, 1819	Feb. 13, 1900	81	5	9
Black, Frances	1767	Jan. 14, 1838			77
Blessing, Absalom	May 18, 1821	Jan. 31, 1892			
Blessing, Antony	Apr. 25, 1783	Apr. 7, 1884			
Blessing, Mrs. Catherine	Aug. 12, 1841	Apr. 30, 1864	22	3	23
Blessing, Christian	Jan. 18, 1797	Feb. 23, 1850			
Blessing, Christian .Son of Absalom	July 28, 1844	Aug. 29, 1845			
Blessing, Emma Jane Dau. of Jacob and Mary	Jan. 30, 1861	June 13, 1873	12	4	13
Blessing, Frederick Son of Antony	Oct. 25, 1823	Feb. 15, 1824			
Blessing, Henry Son of Absalom	Mar. 7, 1846	Apr. 4, 1862	16	0	27
Blessing, Jacob	Dec. 25, 1822	Jan. 18, 1908	86	0	23
Blessing, Magdalena	Oct. 5, 1800	Aug. 12, 1802			
Blessing, Mary D. (Polly) W. of Absalom	Dec. 27, 1822	Nov. 1, 1911	84	4	4
Blessing, Mary Magdalena	Mar. 13, 1813	May 7, 1881			
Blessing, Margaret Salome	Sept. 29, 1718	Aug. 2, 1797	76	10	2
Blessing, Mary Wife of Jacob	May 2, 1835	Jan. 16, 1905	69	8	14

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			<u>Y</u>	<u>M</u>	<u>D</u>
Blessing, Mary Shiley	May 2, 1835	Jan. 18, 1905	69	8	16
Blessing, Peter Son of Absalom	July 8, 1843	Sept. 17, 1843	0	2	9
Blessing, Peter	July 8, 1848	Sept. 17, 1848	0	2	9
Blessing, Sallie Wife of Christian	1804				
Blessing, Samuel Son of Jacob and Mary	Nov. 6, 1857	May 12, 1873	16	6	6
Bolles, Harriet F.	Feb. 10, 1891	Sept. 6, 1975			
Bollinger, George	Sept. 25, 1795	Sept. 8, 1863	67	11	13
Bowman, Peter	June 8, 1717	Aug. 11, 1792			
Brenner, William	Buried on April 27, 1851				
Bucks, Anna Margaretha	June 21, 1727	Mar. 25, 1807			
Bucks, Anna M.	Apr. 2, 1843	Aug. 28, 1879			
Books(Bucks), Elizabeth Wife of Henry	1797	March 28, 1847			
Bucks, Hanna	Sept. 15, 1762	Sept. 13, 1799	36	11	28
Bucks, Jacob	June 21, 1761	June 19, 1819			
Bucks, J. Jacob	Nov. 5, 1794	May 2, 1875			
Bucks, John S. Son of Jacob & Julian	May 15, 1836	Feb. 15, 1837	0	9	0
Books(Bucks), Julia Wife of Jacob	May 16, 1813	Apr. 25, 1850			
Bucks, Macks	Jan. 28, 1766	July 14, 1830			
Bucks, Maria	Dec. 14, 1801	Dec. 28, 1827			
Bucks(Books), Peter	May 7, 1730	Apr. 17, 1776			
Bucks, Peter Son of Jacob	Oct. 5, 1821	Jan. 9, 1828			
Burdhard, Francis Son of Erasmus	Dec. 12, 1812	Aug. 29, 1813	0	8	17
Buser, Elizabeth	Apr. 5, 1810	Oct. 29, 1825			
Calley(Cailey), Fanny Dau. of Mary Flaich	Feb. 14, 1861	Apr. 14, 1862	1	2	0
Caplinger, William R.	1878	Bu. Pe. May 26, 1937			
Clark, Anna	Died between 1857- 1865, with no burial date		67	7	0
Cleneden, John	Apr. 1, 1794	Sept. 11, 1824	29	1	27
Connelly, John Son of Michael & Susan		Dec. 24, 1862	1	2	24
Connolly, Susan Wife of Michael	Apr. 8, 1825	Oct. 29, 1861	36	6	21
Conrad, Henrich					
Dizel, Philip	July 6, 1763	Sept. 2, 1769			
Domer, Henry Son of Jacob & Rosabel	May 22, 1861	Jan. 22, 1863	1	8	0
Dove, Allen L.	1936	May 2, 1937	1	5	14

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QUERIES

Please mention at least one time, one place, one German surname with known variant surnames. Limit each query to one family and use no more than fifty words, not counting your name and address. More than one query may be sent at a time, but each should be clearly written or typed on a separate sheet of 8 1/2 x 11 clean, white paper. Please indicate desired priority for printing. MAGS reserves the right to edit. Neither MAGS nor DER KURIER assumes any responsibility for accuracy. Send your queries to: Query Editor, MAGS, 9421 Warfield Road, Gaithersburg, MD 20879.

AHRENDT
RICHTER #3-52 William & Clara (RICHTER) AHRENDT came to IL in 1858 from Orannienbaum, East Germany. William b. 1837, d. 1910 in IL. Clara b. 1840, d. 1909 in IL. Seeking names of other relatives that might have emigrated to the U.S. Mrs. Barbara Hanley, 2714 Belmont Canyon Road, Belmont, CA 94002.

STURIES
MECHBACK #3-53 Hans (John) STURIES, b. 1858 in Kaukehmen, East Prussia came to IL/IA in 1882 from East Prussia. Parents were Christoff and Johanne (MECHBACK) STURIES. Seeking names of other relatives that might have emigrated to the U.S. Mrs. Barbara Hanley, 2714 Belmont Canyon Road, Belmont, CA 94002.

OTTO
PFANNENSCHMIDT #3-54 Johann E. OTTO d. ca. 1864 in Union Army nr. Richmond VA, was hosteler & took care of horses & mules in Civil War. Died of fever but not listed in Natl. Arch. war records or Nat. Cem. records so poss. civilian. b. Ger. m. Sophia PFANNENSCHMIDT (PENNSMITH) ch: Johanna Elisabeth, Johann Frederich, Anna Katherine, Emilie Sophia. Seeking Ger. bp, date b. & d., place of d. & burial in U.S., etc. Mrs. Philip Hannon, 2416 McKenzie Rd., Ellicott City, MD 21043.

KEFAUVER/
KIEFHABER #3-55 Philip KIEFHABER purchased a tract of land near Middletown, MD in Nov. 1750. Became a naturalized citizen in April 1760. m. Anna Maria, d. by 27 Feb. 1779, when his will was probated. Need birthplace for this Philip. Was he born in Germany? Where? Schifferstadt Museum, Jean Strauss, curator, 1110 Rosemont Avenue, Frederick, MD 21701.

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DEPKIN/
DEPKEN/
DOEPKIN/
DOPKE/
DOEPKE
PAUL #3-56 George Frederick A. DEPKIN b. Hanover (?) 1827, m. Anna Maria PAUL b. 1829. Emigrated to Baltimore 1880/90. Desire info. on other family members who emigrated to U.S.A., village of origin, and original surname. Charles E. Depkin, Sr., 1718 Angleside Road, Fallston, MD 21047.

SCHWARZMANN/
SCHWARZMAN
CREICHER #3-57 Andrew b. 24 Sept. 1835, Wurtemberg? Stuttgart? Tailfingen? came to Philadelphia PA ca. 1851. m. Mary Margaret CREICHER, in Reading, PA: Had 11 children, 1865 lived 133 Walnut Street., 1867 lived Camel Hotel, 1869 234 Race St., 1888 114 Ash

St. Would like parents' names & where he was born. My grandmother gave me another name of town, it sounded like Talkein.
Georgia Ann Maggie, 1521 Gordon Cove Ct., Annapolis, MD 21403.

PFANNENSCHMIDT
 PENNSCHMIDT/
 PENNSMITH
 OTTO
 BECKER

#3-58 Sophia PFANNENSCHMIDT b. 16 Nov. 1829, Darmstadt (Ensheim?)
 Ger. m. Johann E. OTTO; ch: Johanna Elisabeth, Anna Katherine,
 Johann Frederick b. 4 July 1859, Emilie Sophia b. 6 Apr. 1854
 d. 2 Aug. 1872. Sophia d. 28 May 1913, Balto., MD. Father
 Heinrich PFANNENSCHMIDT b. Ensheim, Ger. 24 Jan. 1795, d. 2 Aug.
 1872 m. Elisabeth BECKER (BECHER?). Seek info on Sophia & esp.
 Johann E. OTTO. Mrs. Philip Hannon, 2416 McKenzie Rd., Ellicott
 City, MD 21043.

McFARRAN
 KNEPPER
 BLOOM/
 BLOEM

#3-59 Henry McFERRAN-Franklin Co. PA, b. 1764 m. Susannah
 KNEPPER b. 1757. Peter KNEPPER-Lan. Co. PA son of Wilhelmus
 KNEPPER & Veronica BLOOM (Ferona BLOEM). Wanza Baker Merrifield,
 808 Sugar Maple, Ponca City, OK 74604.

FINK
 BAKER
 REED

#3-60 Samuel FINK b. 1812 PA (lived Indiana Co. & Blair Co., PA)
 m. Catherine BAKER b. ca. 1817 dau. of Dr. John BAKER b. 1764
 m. Ann REED & Catherine? son of Jacob BAKER & Magdalena? son
 of George Peter BAKER. Wanza Baker Merrifield, 808 Sugar Maple,
 Ponca City, OK 74604.

LANG
 LONG
 ANDERSON

#3-61 Lewis LANG or LONG b. 1803 near Harrisburg, PA., m. Eliza-
 beth ANDERSON 1828 Shippensburg; moved to Ohio then Ill. Wanza
 Baker Merrifield, 808 Sugar Maple, Ponca City, OK 74604.

SCHERER

#3-62 John & Eva SCHERER b. Abschauffenburg, Bavaria, son George
 b. Bavaria & son Joseph b. PA 1836. Joseph had son Charles Colum-
 bus SCHERER born Baltimore 1860. Desire any info. about this
 family in PA or MD.

MESSINGER
 ZIMMER

Adam MESSINGER b. 1778 Ger. m. Christina b. 1820 France emigrated
 N.Y. prior to 1840. Three sons & three dau. Christina b. 1845
 m. Charles V. ZIMMER in NYC & had 13 ch. Desire any info on family
 & origins of Adam & Christina.

ZIMMER
 MESSINGER

Charles Valentine ZIMMER b. 1845 Prussia, m. Christina MESSINGER
 in NYC ca. 1865/69 had 13 ch; desire any info. at all about Charles
 V. ZIMMER, his family & place of origin. Charles E. Depkin, Sr.,
 1718 Angleside Rd., Fallston, MD 21047.

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ALLEN

ALLEN COUNTY WAS FORMED FROM INDIAN TERRITORY IN 1831. IT TAKES ITS NAME FROM ETHAN ALLEN, FAMED LEADER OF THE "GREEN MOUNTAIN BOYS" DURING THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION.



THE FIRST SPOT IN THE AREA TO BE OCCUPIED BY WHITES WAS FORT AMANDA, BUILT ON THE WEST BANK OF THE AUGLAIZE RIVER IN 1817.



LIMA IS THE COUNTY SEAT. TRADITION SAYS LIMA GOT ITS NAME FROM LIMA, PERU FROM WHENCE CAME THE QUININE SO WIDELY USED AT THE TIME TO FIGHT MALARIA.

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